

CITYNotes

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OCTOBER - NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2023



Leaf Collection Starts Soon

The Service Department is gearing up for our annual leaf pickup service. **Early pickup will be offered Oct. 16, 17, 23 or 24**—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, 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.** 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.

Snow Plow Names Announced

The City held a snow plow naming contest for the 14 vehicles equipped for clearing snow on City streets. We received 162 submissions from 108 residents, with several plow names submitted multiple times. Each truck will have its new name on both the passenger and driver's side doors. All winning submitters will be contacted and recognized with a Springboro goodie bag. Look for these newly named snow plows on your street come snowfall!



Seymour Pavement
Sleetwood Mac
Thaw Patrol
CTRL SALT DELETE
Snowbi-Wan Kenobi
Snow Burrow
Fast & Flurious
Blizzard of Oz
Alice Scooper
Clark Blizwold
The Big LePLOWski
Catch My Drift
Clearopathra
Snow Force One



From Mayor John Agenbroad

Summer has come and gone so quickly! We welcomed thousands of guests to our concerts, parks and special events over the past four months at North Park and Wright Station! **Springboro is setting the standard for outstanding events and family entertainment** and it wouldn't happen without the efforts of our Police, Fire, City staffs and community volunteers. Thank you to everyone who enjoyed a show or volunteered to make the concerts happen.

Our focus over the next few months will be the City's annual budget and Capital Improvement Plan (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 2024 this December.

On Nov. 7, Springboro voters will have the opportunity to decide whether to support Issue 21, a renewal of the 0.5% City of Springboro Income Tax. The income tax supports most of the services and equipment in our CIP including our annual street repaving program, water and sewer infrastructure, park development and maintenance along with funding snow plows and police vehicles. The last time Springboro voters had this issue before them was in 1988. The City of Springboro is committed to remaining fiscally responsible and transparent to our residents. Please email askus@cityofspringboro.com or call 937-748-4343 with any questions about this renewal.

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 2023. 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!



Mayor Agenbroad congratulates Miss Ohio Junior Preteen, Sommer Simon, who stopped by a City Council meeting. The fourth grade student at Five Points Elementary School has been volunteering around the community raising funds for several different organizations. She will compete for the national crown in November in Orlando.



2023 Street Resurfacing Program Completed

The **2023 Street Resurfacing Program** is nearly completed. Funds from the City's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) cover the cost of our Street Program. Streets resurfaced this year included: McDaniels Lane (from Pursley Lane to the west/south), Sweeney Court, Blose Court, West Pugh Drive, Lownes Court, Farr Drive (from Crockett Drive to the east), Crockett Drive (between West Pugh Drive and Farr Drive), Abbey Springs, Aspen Woods, Aberdeen Circle, Cedar Cove, Meadow Brook, Beckworth Way, Farmridge Road, Stapleton Way, Beckley Farm Way (between Beckworth Way and Stapleton Way), Cornish Court, Shockton Court and East Mill Street (from South Main Street to Beckworth Way/Village Drive). Work also included concrete repairs to curbs, sidewalk and driveway aprons.

Water Main Improvements

The new 8" water mains and water services upgrades on Fairway Drive and Clove Court were recently completed and these streets will be included for resurfacing in 2024. In addition, Fairway Drive at the intersection of West Central Avenue, was widened. Next year the City will replace the water main on Park Lane from Central to Renwood.

City Keeps Eye on Budget

The Springboro Budget is built upon conservative budgeting principles and structured to provide efficient and quality resident-focused services. The budget reflects an emphasis on delivering core services, maintaining city infrastructure and providing safe and reliable public utilities. Key Capital Improvement investment areas include public safety, street resurfacing and infrastructure, recreation upgrades and public utility improvements. Sufficient funds have been allocated to ensure the City can provide the quality services that make Springboro the best place to live in Ohio.

Did YOU know

The City will spend \$4,074,750 for Street Improvements and Maintenance in 2023.

The city has committed \$13,752,000 for Capital Improvement projects for 2023. Major projects include:

Street Paving	\$2,125,000
North Park Upgrades	\$1,400,000
Safety Generators	\$500,000

Income Tax Renewal FAQ: Issue 21

City Council has placed a 0.5% income tax renewal on the Nov. 7, 2023 ballot. This is the first time in 35 years that a tax issue will be on the ballot for the City of Springboro. The income tax supports our annual street repaving program, water and sewer infrastructure, park development and maintenance along with funding the purchase of snow plows and police vehicles. It will be Issue 21 on your ballot.

Q: Is this a new tax?

A: No, this is a renewal of the same earned income tax that has been in place since 1988.

Q: Does voting yes for this renewal raise my taxes?

A: Voting yes will NOT raise your taxes. This is a renewal of the 0.5% income tax passed in 1988.

Q: How is an earned income tax different from a regular income tax?

A: An earned income tax is a tax only on earned income. It does not tax social security, unemployment or pensions. **Retirees do not pay income tax on retirement income.**

Q: What does the 0.5% income tax renewal support?

A: The 0.5% income tax generates about \$5.6 million per year. The income tax supports the annual street repaving program, water and sewer infrastructure, park development and maintenance and the purchase of snow plows and police vehicles.

Q: What is Springboro's current income tax rate and how does it compare to surrounding cities?

A: Springboro's income tax rate is 1.5%-- lower than most communities of our size. For comparison, Centerville, West Carrollton, Miamisburg and Kettering are at 2.25%. Lebanon's income tax rate is 1.0% and Franklin's income tax rate is 2.0%.

Q: Will this income tax renewal go on forever?

A: No. The tax will expire in 20 years. Residents will have the opportunity to vote again at that time.

Q: What happens if this income tax renewal fails?

A: If this income tax renewal fails, the City will need to eliminate \$5.6 million from our budget, which will affect the following:

- Street repaving: we currently repave approximately 20 to 25 streets each year
- Park maintenance: we currently cut grass, weed eat, etc., two times per week in our parks, that maintenance service will be reduced to once every one to two weeks
- Police vehicles and snow plow equipment: new purchases will be delayed, thereby affecting response times and how quickly we can clear streets during snow events

Q: What can I do to help?

A: Spread the word to your neighbors and friends that this renewal is critical to keeping Springboro the wonderful community it is and IT WILL NOT RAISE TAXES.

The City of Springboro is committed to remaining fiscally responsible and transparent to our residents. For more information, email askus@cityofspringboro.com or call 937-748-4343.

City Relying More on Income Tax, Springboro Property Tax Rate is Lowest in Region

Income Taxes

Income tax is the largest single source of revenue for the City. Generated from employee withholdings, taxes on the earnings of Springboro businesses and taxes paid by individuals—income tax comprises 80% of the General Fund. As the State continues to cut funding to cities, Springboro has increased its reliance on local income tax revenue.

The City of Springboro's income tax rate of 1.5% has been in place since 1988. The chart shows how Springboro compares to other cities in the region.



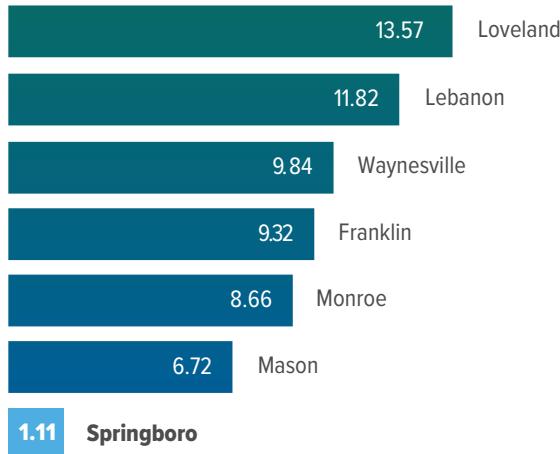
Property Taxes

Our municipal property tax rate—at 1.11 mills—is the third lowest in the state. Your Springboro municipal government realizes just over two cents from every property tax dollar collected to support City operations. The numbers below show the annual tax impact on the owner of a \$300,000 home in the City of Springboro, the school district, Warren County and Clearcreek Township along with several other smaller entities.

Did YOU know?

The City of Springboro and Springboro City Schools are two separate entities, each with its own independent elected officials and budgets. The Springboro City School District is funded primarily with property taxes while the City of Springboro is funded primarily with income taxes.

Municipal Property Tax Rate (In Mills) for Warren County Cities





Legislative Update

Your City Council meets monthly at 7 p.m. on the first and third Thursday 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.

- **Annual Tax Budget** – A projection of revenues and expenditures for the following year required to be filed annually with the Warren County Auditor's Office in order to receive the City's share of Local Government Funds and property tax revenue. Springboro's estimated share of Local Government Funds for 2024 is approximately \$250,000 and revenue from property tax will be approximately \$925,000.
- **An ordinance approving the record plan** for the South Tech Section Twenty Subdivision located **at the northwest corner of South Tech Boulevard and Industry Lane**. This record plan contains two lots on a total of 10 acres and is the site of the proposed InnoMark development.
- **An ordinance providing for the continuation of an existing 0.5% income tax** effective Jan. 1, 2024 and expiring Dec. 31, 2044. City Council authorized the proposed renewal of the City's 0.5% income tax to provide funds for general municipal operations and capital improvements, which will appear on the Nov. 7 election

ballot as Issue 21. If approved by the voters, Springboro's current income tax rate would continue at the same rate it has been for the past 35 years.

- **A resolution approving a lease agreement with Flock Group, Inc., for the continued leasing of the Flock Camera System.** The City has previously leased 18 Flock cameras on an annual leasing schedule. Under the new lease agreement, the City will lease the camera system for five years at a discounted rate and may terminate the lease at any time. The Flock cameras have proved invaluable to our Police Department in recovering stolen vehicles and identifying and apprehending various suspects from Springboro and other communities.
- **A resolution approving the Warren County Solid Waste Management Plan.** The Warren County Solid Waste Management District is required by the State of Ohio to update their Solid Waste Management Plan periodically, and the plan must be approved by political subdivisions within the district. The latest plan update was adopted by the district's policy committee on July 17, 2023. An approved plan allows our solid waste district to maintain compliance with Ohio EPA laws and goals to reduce waste by offering recycling and other waste reduction opportunities, and continue to offer local programs and services to Warren County residents and businesses.

City Remains Responsible Stewards of Tax Dollars

As we wrap up 2023, the City of Springboro's focus and budget remains on core services which includes:

- Resident-centered services
- Robust street-paving program
- Quality public safety services
- Improvements and maintenance of all 400 acres of public parks
- Continued updates to water and sewer infrastructure
- Businesses and new development support
- General community assistance

2023 Projects included:

- I-75/St. Rt. 73 Safety and Landscape Upgrade
- Pump tracks at Community Park
- Upgrades to Wright Station outdoor area
- New playground equipment at North Park
- New bike path connecting Hazel Woods Park to City of Franklin

InnoMark Continues to Grow in Springboro

InnoMark Communications is expanding its footprint in Springboro. The visual marketing company on S. Tech Boulevard is set to add more than 96,000 sq. ft. and 15 jobs. Offering design as well as in-house printing, manufacturing and fulfillment capabilities, InnoMark products include digital signage, displays, and décor.

Welcome, New Businesses

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

Pedego Electric Bikes, 720 N. Main St.

Pathway Holistic Center, 84 N. Main St.

Tropical Smoothie Café, 52 Founders Dr.

Playa Bowls, 734-B N. Main St.

Olive and Mane Salon, 205 S. Main St.

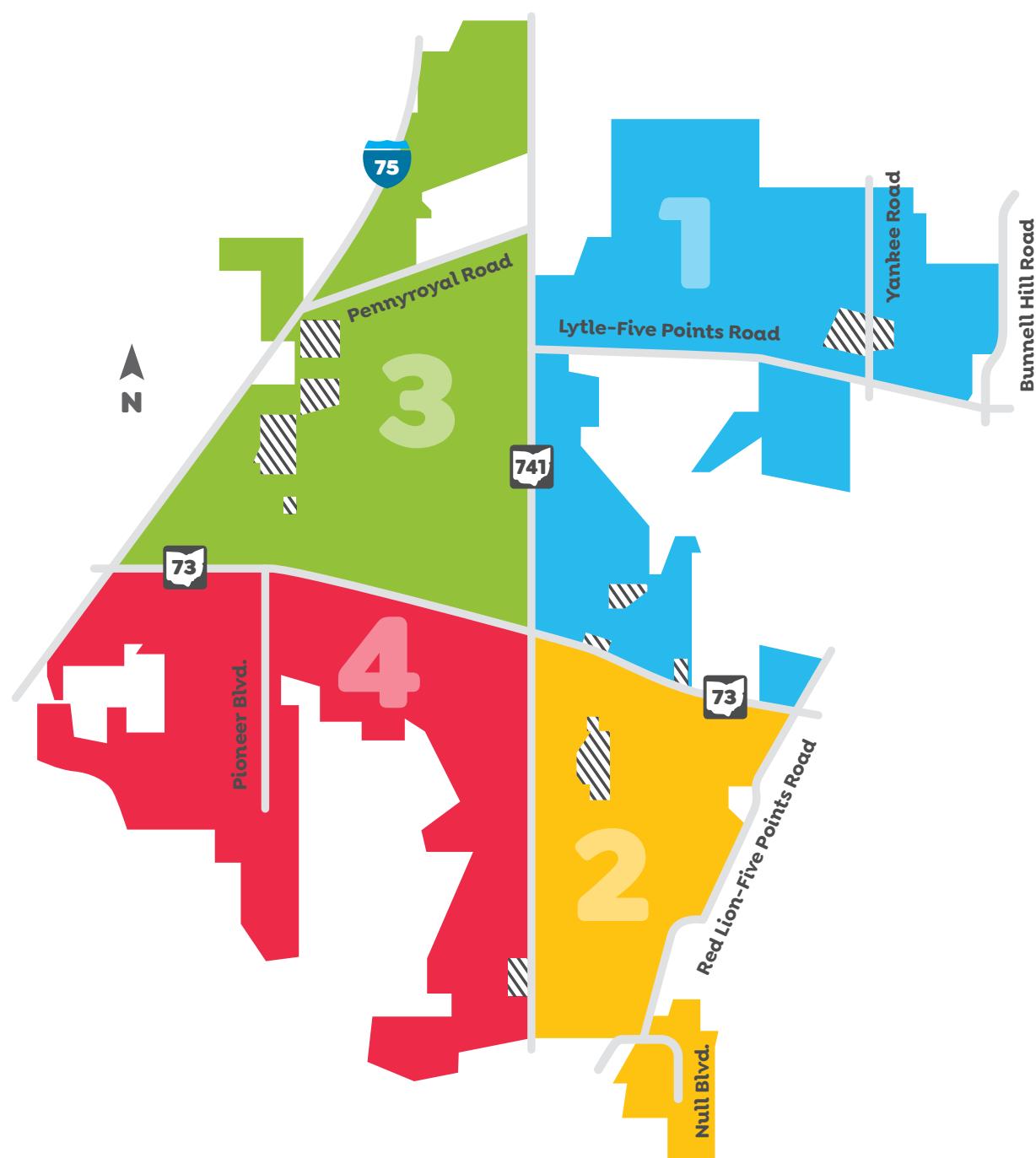
Lynn Electronics, 283 Sharts Rd.



Tres Amigos is under construction and will open soon at Wright Station.



2023 Leaf Collection Schedule



Area 1

OCT. 16*, 30, 31
 NOV. 13, 14, 29, 30
 DEC. 1, 13, 14, 15

Area 2

OCT. 17*
 NOV. 2, 3, 16, 17
 DEC. 4, 5, 18, 19

Area 3

OCT. 23*
 NOV. 6, 20, 21, 22
 DEC. 6, 7, 8, 20, 21

Area 4

OCT. 24*
 NOV. 8, 9, 27, 28
 DEC. 11, 12, 26, 27



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)



Right Turn Lane Under Construction at St. Rt. 741 and Remick Blvd.

An intersection improvement project on St. Rt. 741 and Remick Boulevard is underway. Under the sponsorship of the Warren County Transportation Improvement District (TID), contractors for the TID and the Ohio Department of Transportation will be constructing a right-turn lane on northbound St. Rt. 741 at Remick Boulevard in addition to installing a new signal and signal timing at the intersection.

The John R. Jurgensen Company was awarded a contract for approximately \$835,633 to complete the project, and all work is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2024.

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 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 2024:

- Architectural Review Board*
- Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- Park Board
- Tree Authority

Applications will be accepted until Nov. 10 at: lori@cityofspringboro.com or Lori Martin, Clerk of Council, City of Springboro, 320 W. Central Avenue, Springboro, Ohio 45066.

*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.



City Crews Ready for Snow

Springboro's Public Service Department is ready for winter! Our crews work to provide quality services so motorists can safely travel our roadways. So what is our process for clearing ice and snow?

1. Major arteries (St. Rt. 73, St. Rt. 741, Pennyroyal, Lytle-Five Points) are plowed first. We must keep roads clear for emergency vehicles, and conditions may require continued treatment.
2. Once major arteries are cleared, our crews move on to main streets and through subdivisions.
3. Residential streets, cul-de-sacs and courts will be serviced once the major arteries and main roads are cleared. Please help us by removing basketball hoops and parking your cars in the driveway. This allows the snow plows to better and more efficiently clean your streets so you can safely drive on them.

Check traffic before you go

Check out live road conditions and traffic situations 24/7 from the City website. The City has three live-streaming traffic cameras at the following intersections: St. Rt. 741 at Lytle-Five Points, St. Rt. 741 and St. Rt. 73, and St. Rt. 73 at Drug Mart. Visit ci.springboro.oh.us and scroll down the main page under the "Calendar". Click on a camera location to see a live feed of the traffic.

Interchange Makeover Project Underway



The I-75 and St. Rt. 73 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, Warren County Transportation Improvement District (WCTID) and ODOT.

The Interchange Safety and Aesthetics Project will be completed in three phases, with the first phase—the start of the aesthetics—tree and shrub plantings outside of the work area for the safety project—already underway. Traffic patterns may change during construction. Please check our website and social media pages for updates. Following, the safety portion of the project will be started with the addition of turn lanes off the northbound exit ramp on St. Rt. 73 under the I-75 overpass as well as an additional turn lane on the I-75 northbound off ramp. After the safety improvements are complete, the remainder of the aesthetic improvements will be completed, including gateway enhancements. ODOT funded 100% of the safety portion of the project for about \$2 million. WCTID is managing the project.



Wright Station Park Area Sports New Look

The City's Wright Station central park upgrades are complete. Located at the intersection of St. Rts. 73 and 741, it has quickly become a popular spot for outdoor gatherings and concerts. New features include a stage area for entertainment, synthetic turf, paved walkways and a pergola along with additional seating, landscaping and new signage. The City was pleased to host 13 bands there July through early September.

Home to restaurants, retail and office spaces, a fifth building housing Tropical Smoothie Café and an office space has recently opened. Tres Amigos, located in the building to the north of the Performing Arts Center, is set to open soon.

City and Library Partner to Offer Next Destination Speaker Series

The City of Springboro Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) in partnership with the Franklin-Springboro Public Library will present the 2024 Next Destination Speaker Series focusing on hiking and bicycling programming. Four presentations will be offered. Look for more information in our next issue, visit ci.springboro.oh.us or call 937-748-6183.

Pump It Up on New Bike Tracks

The new pump tracks at Community Park are complete. Located at the west end of the park, a rider on a BMX or mountain bike generates momentum by body movements instead of pushing or pedaling the circuit of rollers, banked turns and other features. The park features two tracks: a 810-foot track and a 200-foot all-accessible/youth track. Both areas 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. The grand opening ceremony is Oct. 5, see BikingintheBoro.com for more information.

North Park Improvements to Begin Soon

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.

Plans also 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 in October with completion expected early next year.

Election Day

Tuesday, Nov. 7 is Election Day and polls are open 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Three Springboro City Council seats will be on the ballot. Incumbent Mayor John Agenbroad and At-Large Council Members Stephen Harding and Becky Iverson are running unopposed in this election.

The ballot also includes one issue for Springboro voters—Issue 21—the continuation of the City's 0.5% income tax for the purposes of general municipal operations and capital improvements. The City's income tax rate has been the same since 1988 and voter approval of Issue 21 would keep the same rate until 2044. See more information about Issue 21 on page 3.

Voter registration deadline for the November election is Oct. 10. Please 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.



“The Grinch” Movie Dec. 16 at the PAC

The City of Springboro presents “The Grinch,” movie on Saturday, Dec. 16 at the Springboro Performing Arts Center, 115 Wright Station Way. Show times are noon and 2 p.m.

Concessions will be available and each child will have the opportunity to make a craft. Admission is free and no tickets are needed. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. For more information, visit ci.springboro.oh.us.



Concert Season: It's a Wrap!

It was quite a summer of entertainment in Springboro! The City presented more than 30 live shows and other events at North Park, Wright Station and Rotary Park including kids' music, tribute bands, soul, rock, country, a cappella, R&B and swing music. Following the season at North Park, we surveyed residents about our concert schedule and lineup to help make next year's even better! Keep up-to-date on the 2024 schedule by visiting ci.springboro.oh.us.

Water and Sewer Assistance Program

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

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

- 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.

Art Gallery to Showcase Paintings, Fiber and Mixed Media

The Springboro Performing Arts Center features a new exhibit each month. The October show features “**Beauties and Beasts: Figurative works from Shawna Hatton and Maureen O’Keefe**”, local artists who recently spent two weeks at the coveted artist residency, Chateau Orquevaux in France. There they each focused on a new series of figurative paintings. This is their inaugural show. An artist reception and presentation on their experiences in France is set for 6 – 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 9.



The November show features “**Tatanka - Return from the Brink**”, a story of the American Bison by **photographer Tom Croce**. In addition, he’ll give a talk about the history of the bison over the last 250 years and their journey from near extinction to National Mammal at noon on Saturday, Nov. 4.



Hyacinth Paul is the featured artist for December. Her show, “**Dual Visions**”, transcends the conventional boundaries of artistic expression, and encourages visitors to contemplate the intricate interplay between the tangible and the intangible, the concrete and the conceptual. An artist reception and art presentation is set for 6 – 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 14.



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 ci.springboro.oh.us Art Gallery for details.



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. 28** 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.



Keep Your Vehicle Safe

Springboro residents are fortunate to live in a safe community, however, crime can occur anywhere. Your Springboro Police work to stay ahead of criminals each day and reduce one of the most common crimes in the City — thefts from motor vehicles.

Whether you are parked in a lot all day or just a few minutes, or in your own neighborhood, don't make it easy for thieves to break into your vehicle. Take steps to prevent thefts from vehicles and thefts of vehicles.

- Lock your vehicle: The majority of stolen vehicles are unlocked.
- Park in a well-lit, high traffic area whenever you are away from home.
- Take your valuables with you, if you can. If not, hide them in a secure area like the trunk.
- Call the Springboro Police immediately if you witness a crime or something suspicious.

For crimes in progress, call 911.

To report suspicious behavior, call 937-748-0611.

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., Tuesday, 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.



Morgan Named Community Resource Officer

Officer Aaron Morgan has been named the Springboro Police Department's Community Resource Officer. In this newly created position, Officer Morgan will work with residents and businesses to promote safety through community outreach. She'll also represent the department at various City and community events and provide home and business safety checks among other responsibilities. Prior to this position, Officer Morgan served as a School Resource Officer, DARE officer and road patrol officer. She has been with the SPD since 2014.



Kick Off the Ho-Ho-Holidays with City of Springboro Special Events

Write a letter to Santa, and he'll write back!

Santa is accepting letters at his special mailbox in Springboro! Youngsters can drop off their notes in the Santa mailbox located in the lobby of the City Building, 320 W. Central Ave. beginning Nov. 6. The mailbox will be moved to the SPARC and Go, 320 S. Main St., during the Christmas in Springboro festival, Nov. 17 – 19, and then return to the City Building lobby.

Santa will respond to all letters that include a name and mailing address. Letters will be accepted in the box through Friday, Dec. 15.



Win a "Grinch" theme Christmas tree

This Grinch tree will not steal Christmas but it will make your heart grow! We're giving away a 6' decorated artificial tree with all your favorite characters from "The Grinch". Register at the SPARC and Go during Christmas in Springboro and at our Visits with Santa event at the PAC. Drawing held Dec. 18. You must be a Springboro resident to register.



Meet Santa at the PAC

Tell Santa all your dreams and wishes during Visits with Santa Claus at the Springboro Performing Arts Center, 115 Wright Station Way. Santa will stop by the lobby to meet youngsters 5 – 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1, noon – 2 p.m. and 5 – 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2 and noon – 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3. Make a craft, too! This event is free and open to the public.

Help us decorate the Christmas tree at the PAC

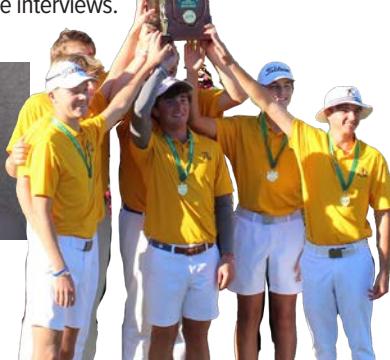
We're celebrating a Nutcracker Christmas in the lobby of the Springboro Performing Arts Center. You can help decorate the tree! Bring an ornament from your collection to the PAC during the Santa visitation hours listed above and in exchange, while supplies last, you'll receive a special ornament for your Christmas tree.



Heatherwoode Set to Host OHSAA tourney

Heatherwoode Golf Club was again tapped to host the five-day Ohio High School Athletic Association Southwest District Boys & Girls Golf tournaments. Set for Oct. 2, 3, 4, 11 and 12, the best junior golfers in the region will hit the links. The top three winners of each district then move on to the state competition held in Columbus.

In addition to about 360 high school golfers representing 64 high school teams from all over the Dayton and Cincinnati area, family and friends will attend each day in support of their players. The City, Miami Valley Golf and the Heatherwoode staff will again work with the Miami Valley Communications Council to broadcast the event live each day on the City's YouTube channel giving fans from all over the country the opportunity to watch their players tee off, participate in playoff rounds and live interviews.



Theatre Showcases Musical, Holiday Celebration and Youth Show

Springboro Community Theatre presents the musical comedy "A Gentleman's Guide to Love & Murder", Nov. 10 – 12 and 17 – 19 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, takes the stage Dec. 1 – 3. "**Bedtime Stories (As Told by Our Dad) (Who Messed Them Up)**" is the Youth Theatre's production, Jan. 5 – 7 and 12- 14. Visit borotheatre.org for ticket and audition information.





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. 10. Bring your little ghouls and goblins to participating stores for candy and other treats and stop by the City booth at Rotary Park.

Also that evening, the Springboro Area Historical Society is celebrating the annual Haunted Hotdog Roast. The event includes hot dogs, roasted marshmallows, kid-friendly Halloween stories, activities and more, 6 – 9 p.m. at the museum. Visit [EventBrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com) and search Haunted Hotdog Roast for ticket information.



Springboro Library is Open for Business

The new and improved Springboro Library reopened with many new upgrades and improvements. Construction began last year on the project which included renovating the existing 9,200 sq. ft. building and adding 4,500 sq. ft. to the location at 125 Park Lane. Amenities include a large community room, conference room, study rooms, computers and workspace with free Wi-Fi, AWE computer stations for early literacy development and much more. The Franklin-Springboro Public Library is celebrating 100 years of serving our communities. Visit fspl.org for details.



Historical Society Wraps Up Year with Programs and Special Events

The Springboro Area Historical Society museum at 110 S. Main St. is open 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. every Friday and Saturday through Nov. 18. Visits thereafter are available by appointment.

Several programs are set through the end of the year, here are just a few. In addition to the Haunted Hotdog Roast Oct. 10, for those folks who enjoy an evening with ghosts and spirits, the "Paranormal Investigation at the Museum" is set for Oct. 14, with a spooky "Night at the Null" following on Oct. 21.

That Jolly Old Elf, Santa Claus, visits the museum Dec. 9 for "Cookies with Claus."

For more information, visit the society Facebook page or springbororeahistory.org.



Christmas in Historic Springboro is November 17-19

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. Celebrating the theme "Winter Wonderland", the official tree lighting ceremony kicks off the festivities at 6 p.m. Friday at Rotary Park. Santa's Parade begins at noon Saturday on S. Main Street and the festival concludes at 5 p.m. Sunday. South Main Street will be closed to vehicle traffic during this event.

Stop by the SPARC and Go at Rotary Park to see the City's display including a mailbox for letters to Santa, bike maps and updates, and lots of giveaways including tree seedlings.

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 springborofestivals.org for the complete schedule of events.

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City Offers Free Shred and Recycling Day

Saturday, Oct. 7 at North Park

The City is offering a second opportunity to get rid of those old bills, checkbooks and other papers and, in addition, we're hosting an electronics recycling day. Bring the items to the City of Springboro Free Shred-It and Recycling Day, 10 a.m. to noon—or until trucks are full—Saturday, Oct. 7 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.
- Electronics recycling truck accepts: computers, laptops, servers, hard drives, cell phones, tablets, routers, speakers, stereos, batteries, microwaves, DVRs and more.
- 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.

For more information, call 937-748-4343.

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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 or golf! Just visit golfheatherwoode.com and you're a click away from “It's the perfect size!”



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, Nov. 10 in observance of Veterans Day

Thursday, Nov. 23 and Friday, Nov. 24 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday

Friday, Dec. 22 and Monday, Dec. 25 in observance of the Christmas holiday

Monday, Jan. 1 in observance of New Year's Day

Rumpke waste collection will remain on schedule.