

# CITY OF SPRINGDALE NEWSLETTER

PUBLISHED FOR THE RESIDENTS OF SPRINGDALE, OHIO



## Adopt A Family

**Make the holidays brighter for local families!**

### Sponsor a Family

Help provide assistance with donations of clothing, toys, and groceries!

### Recommend a Family

Make the holidays brighter—refer a local family in need!

### Make a Donation

Grocery gift cards, canned goods, toys, new clothing, and your time are all welcome!

Contact the Springdale Health Department at 513-346-5725 for more information or to get involved.

## Springdale Offering Support Scholarship Program

Considering college or trade school? Springdale Offering Support awards two \$1,500 scholarships annually.

To view scholarship application and requirements, visit: <https://www.springdale.org/media/1496>

To apply, email completed scholarship application materials to: [SOS@springdale.org](mailto:SOS@springdale.org).

**Deadline:** All applications, essays, and school transcripts must be received by March 31, 2024.

Scholarship recipient will be notified of award in May of 2024.

## Road crews need your help this winter

Springdale's Public Works Department is prepared for winter's worst with stockpiled road salt and plows ready for action. Residents can assist snow plow operators in their efforts to safely and efficiently clear the roadways:

- Delay non-essential travel until after the roads have been cleared.
- Park vehicles off the street. Remove items, such as basketball hoops, from the right-of-way.
- Do not deposit snow into the street when using a snow blower or shoveling a driveway. This could result in a serious accident and a citation for the person placing the snow in the street.
- Never allow children to play in snow piles along the roadway.
- If possible, wait until the plow has passed before shoveling the area of a driveway near the street.
- Stack snow on the left side of the driveway entrance (when facing the house) in order to minimize the amount of snow that may be pushed into the driveway entrance by a plow. Plows typically clear snow in the direction of normal traffic, so a large snow pile on the left side of a driveway will be pushed away from the drive entrance.
- Do not pass a snowplow or salt truck. If you cannot see the mirrors on the truck, the driver cannot see you!
- The City does not take requests for streets to be plowed. Streets are prioritized based upon traffic volume and terrain. Heaviest traveled streets get first attention so that emergency vehicles can pass. Less traveled streets — like a cul-de-sac or a dead-end street — are plowed last.

# Mayor Webster Retires After 28 Years

At the November 15 Council Meeting, outgoing Mayor Webster was recognized by state officials and city council for his 28 years as Mayor and total of 52 years of dedicated service to the community. Ohio Governor Mike DeWine's office, Congressman Warren Davidson's office and Ohio House District 28 Representative Jessica Miranda all presented Mayor Webster with proclamations. In special recognition, Council voted unanimously on a resolution commending Mayor Webster for his service, and to rename a portion of Walnut Street to Webster Way. Rental space at the Community Center was also dedicated as, "Webster Room Rentals."

Elected in 1995, Mayor Webster retires as Springdale's seventh Mayor. Prior to being at the helm, Mayor Webster served in the elected role of Clerk of Council/Finance Director since 1971, a position he held for 24 years. Mayor Webster's early years in Springdale included community service through volunteering and coaching sports. Through recreation, former Mayor Ray Norrish met Webster and appointed him as chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission in 1970.

Mayor Webster's banking expertise was hard at work over the years, for the community, as he created a plan to make

the city debt-free, while guiding municipal spending on resident services, including an \$8.2 million bond to re-pave all residential streets, and the construction of the Community Center and its expansion, as well as the police station, fire station and municipal building.

Mayor Webster was instrumental in creating many community partnerships which led to programs that helped the citizens and further connected residents with one another, like Springdale Offering Support, camp at Heritage Hill, Veterans Day honor guard, United Way, the tree lighting ceremony, City Service & U, blood drives, community block parties, the Santa Fun Run, Arbor Day tree plantings, the Memorial Day parade, and many more.

The City thanks Mayor Webster for his steadfast leadership over the past 52 years and wishes him all the best in retirement!



## Springdale Police Department Staff Updates

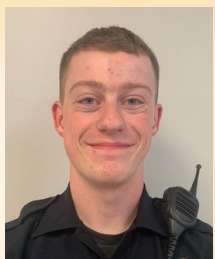


**Andrew Cheatham** grew up in Forest Park, Ohio. He graduated from Winton Woods High School in 2007 and attended Brown Mackie College where he received an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice. He completed the police academy in 2020, and prior to coming to Springdale Police in December 2022, he worked for UC Health Police and Glendale Police.

Andrew is married with three sons, which include a set of twins. When Andrew isn't working, he enjoys spending time with close friends and family.



**Andrew Teague** joined the Springdale Police Department in May 2023. Andrew is a Springdale native and graduated from Princeton High School in 1994. After completing the Scarlet Oaks Police Academy in 1997, Andrew began his public safety career at Golf Manor and prior to coming to Springdale, most recently work as a Deputy Sheriff with Montgomery County. Officer Teague enjoys his family and will be expecting his first grandchild in October and his second in February 2024.



**Tyler Noell** graduated from Oak Hills High School in 2019. Prior to police work, he worked as a machinist manufacturing different parts for aerospace, automotive, and defensive applications. He attended UC Clermont College obtaining an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice. During this time, he also attended the UC Clermont Police Academy.

## Springdale's New Police Chief

Police Chief Tom Butler began his employment with the City of Springdale on August 14, 2023. Chief Butler comes to Springdale with over 33 years of service with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. Chief Butler held several positions with the County, and served most recently as a Captain since 2017.



Chief Butler is a graduate of Northwestern University's School of Police Command and Staff and currently holds an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice, while pursuing his bachelor's degree.

Chief Butler comes from a police family that has served Greater Cincinnati since the 1950's. Chief Butler grew up in the Western Hills and graduated from Elder High School. He served in the U.S. Marines Corps from 1986 to 1990. He enjoys scuba diving, camping, hiking, football, powerlifting, spending time with family, friends and, especially, his two year old granddaughter.



## Welcome Incoming Mayor Lawrence C. Hawkins III

Mayor Hawkins was elected as Springdale's eighth Mayor in the November 2023 election and took office on December 1, 2023 to begin his four-year term.

Mayor Hawkins has been a Springdale resident since 1980. He was elected in 2009 to represent the residents of District 1 and served as a Council Member At-Large since 2015.

Mayor Hawkins has represented City Council on Springdale's Board of Zoning Appeals and served on a number of City Council Committees (Rules and Laws, Public Relations, Finance). Prior to being elected to Council, Mayor Hawkins served six years on the City's Planning Commission.

Mayor Hawkins is a practicing attorney in the Greater Cincinnati Area. He graduated from Princeton High School and went on to earn his B.A. degree in Political Science from Wittenberg University. Mayor Hawkins received his J.D. (Juris Doctorate) degree from the University of Cincinnati College of Law. A fun fact about Mayor Hawkins is that he won multiple Emmy Awards for television show roles he played during high school and college.

Mayor Hawkins and his wife Nicky are the proud parents of two children. The Mayor delights in the fact that he is able to serve the community where he was raised and provide similar opportunities for his children to enjoy.



## Join Us!

### Regularly Scheduled Monthly Meetings

*Held at the Springdale Municipal Building, 11700 Springfield Pike:*

#### City Council

1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 7 p.m.

#### Planning Commission

2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

#### Board of Health

2nd Thursday of each month at 7 p.m.  
(except June, July & August)

#### Board of Zoning Appeals

4th Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

*Held at the Community Center:*

#### Recreation Commission

1st Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.  
(except June, July & August)

**For more information about meetings and events, please call the Municipal Building at 513-346-5700.**

## Clerk of Council/Finance Director Kathy McNear Retires

Springdale's 6th Clerk of Council/Finance Director Kathy McNear announced her retirement as the elected position sunset and became an appointed Clerk of Council role on December 1, 2023. At the November 15, 2023 Springdale Council Meeting, Kathy was recognized for her unwavering commitment of service to the community by Ohio Governor Mike DeWine's office, Congressman Warren Davidson's office and Ohio House District 28 Representative Jessica Miranda at the November 15, 2023 city council meeting. Council also voted unanimously on a resolution to commend Kathy for her dedication, service and commitment.

Kathy served 16 years in the elected role and has served the community for over 51 years as a devoted volunteer, employee, and elected official.

Prior to Kathy serving as Clerk of Council/Finance Director, and during her service as an At-Large Council Member for 13 years, she also served on the Board of Zoning Appeals, as Vice President of Council, President of Council, and as a History Book Committee Member. Many artifacts and pictures from her family are included in the History Book.

Inspired by her Springdale experience as an employee of the Recreation Center at 15 years old, Kathy endeavored to give back to the community. She served on the Charter Revision Committee and the Board of Zoning Appeals. Kathy also served as a soccer coach, a volunteer, and a treasurer for FRYs. Jim McNear contributed by being with their two sons while Kathy pursued these activities, and he also coached baseball and basketball.

The City wishes Kathy all the best as she leaves her formal role as an elected official to become a full-time professional grandparent!



## Newly Elected Council Members

Three at-large council member seats were filled at the November election. Outgoing members are Carolyn Ghantous and Joe Ramirez. Each were recognized at the December 6, 2023 Council Meeting with resolutions commending their service to the community.

Incoming members who began their first four-year term on December 1, 2023, are David Gleaves, Michelle McFarland and LaVonne Webster. To learn more about your newly elected council members, please visit [springdale.org](http://springdale.org).

# Road Construction Project Updates

2023 has been a busy year of road construction in the City of Springdale and we certainly appreciate the patience of our residents.

## Projects completed and improvement made include:

- E. Crescentville Road from Princeton Pike east to Centerdale Road in the City of Sharonville
- The E. Kemper Road Bridge over the CSX Railroad tracks
- Springfield Pike from I-275 north into the City of Fairfield
- Princeton Pike from just south of Kemper Road south into the Village of Glendale, Sheraton Lane and a portion of Ray Norrish
- W. Crescentville Rd from Springfield Pike to Princeton Pike

## Projects slated for 2024 include:

- Paving on W. Crescentville Road from Springfield Pike to Princeton Pike

- Addition of sidewalks on the south side of Tri-County Parkway from Northland Boulevard to Princeton Pike
- Northland Boulevard from just west of Springfield Pike to just east of Boggs Lane

The Northland Boulevard Reconstruction Project has been under design since early 2021 and will be ready to bid through the Ohio Department of Transportation in early 2024. This is a total reconstruction of all 4 lanes which will require the complete removal and replacement of the existing pavement. Substantial storm sewer work, the development of stormwater bioswales within the existing median, sidewalk and shared use path additions and traffic signal upgrades at Tri-County Parkway.

The City has received \$7.49 million in outside funding, with the potential of additional funding for the \$8.6 million cost of the project.

## FREE COVID-19 TEST KITS AVAILABLE NOW VIA FEDERAL MAIL SYSTEM.

Four per household.

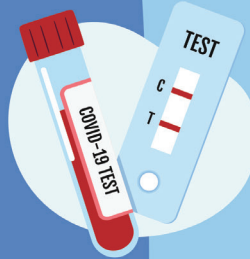
Order through

<https://www.covid.gov/tests>

For help ordering tests, please call 1-800-232-0233

At-home COVID-19 tests are still available for purchase at certain local doctors offices and pharmacies.

Through the *Increasing Community Access to Testing (ICATT)* program, there are still roughly 10,000 sites continuing to provide testing and disease surveillance at non-emergency levels. The program continues to provide no-cost COVID-19 testing for uninsured people that are symptomatic or have been exposed.



## How can we help?

Police or Fire Emergency

**9-1-1**

Not an emergency? Then call  
513-346-5760 for Police  
513-346-5580 for Fire

General Information.....513-346-5700

Mayor Lawrence C. Hawkins III

City Building..... 513-346-5705

City Administrator

John J. Jones.....513-346-5700

Assistant City Administrator

Brian Uhl.....513-346-5700

Building Department.....513-346-5730

Finance Department.....513-346-5700

Police Department (non-emergency).....513-346-5760

Fire Department (non-emergency).....513-346-5580

Health Department.....513-346-5725

Public Works Department.....513-346-5520

Property Maintenance

& Zoning Hotline.....513-346-5734

Recreation Department.....513-346-3910

Income Tax Department.....513-346-5715

e-mail address.....admin@springdale.org

[www.springdale.org](http://www.springdale.org)



Find a registered location near you:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/icatt/index.html>



# Creating Community Through People, Parks & Programs Parks & Recreation Programs



Springdale Community Center Members can register online for programs, book facility reservations, and renew memberships. Visit [www.springdale.org/goplay](http://www.springdale.org/goplay)!

Contact us at [goplay@springdale.org](mailto:goplay@springdale.org), call or stop in the Community Center for additional information on the following programs and events.

## Community Center Membership Fee Structure



**All Inclusive Membership** - \*Outdoor Pool, \*\*Fitness Center, \*\*\*Indoor Track, Group Exercise Studio, Gymnasium, Racquetball Court, Batting Cage & Golf Swing, Sauna, Computer Lab, Family Game Room, Ability to Rent Rooms, Discounted Program Fees

*All resident youth sports participants require a membership. Non-residents will be required to pay additional fees.*

	RESIDENTS		NON-RESIDENTS & BUSINESS MEMBERS	
	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual
Youth (17 & Under)	\$5.00	\$60.00	\$20.00	\$240.00
Adult (18+)	\$10.00	\$120.00	\$40.00	\$480.00
Family	\$15.00	\$180.00	\$60.00	\$720.00
Senior (62+)	\$2.50	\$30.00	\$2.50	\$30.00
Silver Sneakers	Free	Free	Free	Free

*Monthly membership payment options will be billed automatically via credit card only.*

GUEST PASSES	Daily
Individual Guest Pass <i>Must be a guest of a current member.</i>	\$5.00
Family Pool Guest Pass <i>SCC member households may bring a family (maximum of four) for \$15/day. Each additional guest is \$5.</i>	\$15.00

**Community Center** - Anyone 8 and under must be accompanied by a person 16 years of age or older.

**\*Pool** - Anyone 8 and under must be accompanied by a person 16 years of age or older.

**\*\*Fitness Center** - Members age 13-15 may participate with parental supervision or have successfully completed the Teen Fit Class. Members age 16+ may participate independently in the Fitness Center.

**\*\*\*Indoor Track** - Children 15 years and under may use the track when accompanied by an adult.



Free with qualifying Medicare health plans. Provides you access to the Community Center, its amenities and programs such as Silver Sneakers® Classic Class, Pickleball, Chair Volleyball, and card games. Check with your insurance to see if you qualify.

## YOUTH SPORTS



### Spring Sports

Springdale Community Center Members (SCC) may register beginning January 2. SCC Youth membership requirement waived for residents participating in youth sports for their first time. (Non-resident registration begins February 1 and fee is an additional \$25 per child if space is available). Youth sports fees may be paid in person with cash, check or card. Members may register online with credit card, at [www.springdale.org](http://www.springdale.org).

### Instructional T-Ball

Children born between May 1, 2017 and April 30, 2019. Registration begins January 2 - \$25 (\$40 after January 31).

### Coach Pitch Baseball

Children born between May 1, 2016 and April 30, 2017. Registration begins January 2 - \$45 (\$60 after January 31).

### Knothole Baseball

Children born between May 1, 2010 and April 30, 2016. Registration begins January 2 - \$45 (\$60 after January 31).

### Girls Softball

Girls born between 2009 and 2017. Registration begins January 2 - \$45 (\$60 after January 31).

### SAY Spring Soccer

Children born in 2006-2017. Registration begins January 2 - \$45 (\$60 after January 31).

### CPYVL Volleyball

Youth and teens in grades 3-8. Registration begins January 2 - \$45 (\$60 after January 31).

## Community Center Hours

**Monday - Friday**... 6:00am - 9:00pm (Facility Hours)  
9:00am - 9:00pm (Office Hours)

**Saturday**..... 9:00am - 5:00pm

**Sunday**..... 12:00 - 5:00pm

## Holiday Hours

**Christmas Eve** December 24..... 12:00 - 5:00pm

**Christmas Day** December 25 ..... Closed

**New Year's Eve** December 31 ..... 12:00 - 5:00pm

**New Year's Day** January 1 ..... Closed

*These times are subject to change and will be posted at the Community Center.*

## Gift Certificates Available!



Looking for a great gift idea for the holidays? Community Center gift certificates are available for all memberships. Show a special family or individual how much you care with a 2024 Community Center membership. Recipients must meet eligibility requirements. Call or stop by the Community Center for more details.

## Looking for a Summer Job?

Springdale Community Center will start taking applications January 2.

### Aquatics Director

At least 21 years of age

### Lifeguards (we can train and certify)

At least 15 years of age

### Pool Gate Attendants

At least 14 years of age

### Pool Concession Workers

At least 15 years of age

### Seasonal Park Maintenance

At least 16 years of age



## Jamming with Joe Guitar Lessons, Private and Group Lessons Available

Any questions or if you are interested in lessons, contact Joe Robinson for additional information at 513-571-9574.



Club Rec is a community-based organization that provides organized activities and events for youth in grades 5th through 8th.



Activities are diverse and provide fun social interaction. For information, call 513-346-3910 or email Nathan Nottke, [nnottke@springdale.org](mailto:nnottke@springdale.org).

**SCC Members - \$2 per event**  
**Non-SCC Members - \$4 per event**  
 Participants must pre-register for all ClubRec events.

### Winter Extreme Games

**Friday, January 26 • 8:00 – 10:00pm**

Late night at the Community Center.

Enjoy a night of fun activities and games.

Registration begins December 10 and ends January 26.

### Madness in March

**Friday, March 8 • 6:30 – 8:30pm**

Madness at the Community Center. Enjoy fun group games and activities. Registration begins February 10 and ends March 8.

## What is SYB

### (Springdale Youth Boosters)?

SYB is a non-profit volunteer based organization, which is comprised of Springdale residents working together and volunteering time to

secure donations that help to provide more affordable youth sports programs in Springdale. Interested in joining or have questions? Contact [Springdaleyouthbooster@yahoo.com](mailto:Springdaleyouthbooster@yahoo.com).



## SYB Winter Sports Pep Rally

**Friday, January 5 • 6:30pm**

Springdale Youth Boosters (SYB) will be hosting their annual winter sports pep rally on Friday, January 5, at 6:30 pm. All Springdale basketball teams and cheer squad will be in full force. The community is invited to join as each team will be recognized and members will be inducted to the Springdale Youth Sports Memorial Hall of Fame by the Mayor.

## Springdale Youth Boosters

### Cinema Horseraces

**Saturday, February 24 • 7:00pm**

Enjoy an adult night with SYB at their annual Cinema Horse Races. Bet on your favorite horses; play blackjack, Texas hold'em, split the pot, and more. Tickets go on sale at the Community Center January 2. Doors open at 7:00pm and the first race starts at 8:00pm. All profits go directly to Springdale Youth Boosters and making youth sports affordable in Springdale. Must bring I.D. and must be 21 and over.

# HEALTH & FITNESS CLASSES

## Chicago Steppin'

**Saturday • 2:00 - 4:00pm**

Instr: Darryl 513-557-8655

Come join this Urban dance class to learn the fundamentals of Chicago Style Steppin. Here you will find community unity in a fun and positive atmosphere. Steppin' is a lifestyle that originated in Chicago and continues to evolve around the world.

## Detroit Style Ballroom Dancing

**Thursday • 2:00 - 4:00pm**

Instr: Kathy and Greg. 513-604-2483

The beginner class will introduce dancers to Detroit style ballroom dancing.

## H.I.I.T. Fit

**Tuesday, Thursday • 5:55 - 6:55pm**

**Saturday • 11:00am - 12:00pm**

Instr: Elaine M. 513-446-1839

A dynamic workout that combines the benefits of aerobics with the explosive techniques of boxing and kickboxing in a non-contact environment.

## Jazzercise

**Monday, Wednesday • 5:55 - 6:55pm**

**Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday • 9:30 - 10:30am**

Instr: Elaine S. 513-260-3604

A high-intensity mix of dance-based cardio and strength training for a calorie-crushing total body workout.

## SilverSneakers® Classic

**FREE**

**Tuesday, Thursday • 11:00am - 12:00pm**

Instr: Fitness Center Team

513-346-3910

Increase muscle strength and range of movement, and improve activities for daily living. You'll have a chair for seated exercises and standing support.



## Slimnastics

**FREE**

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday • 9:15 - 10:15am**

Instr: Sue 513-738-0361

A class for women that combines the best parts of dancing and aerobics into one to lower body fat and burn calories.

## Slimnastics+

**FREE**

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday • 10:30 - 11:30am**

Instr: Joyce 513-825-3057

Join us after Slimnastics as we have some fun and learn a few new dances.

## Strength 45

**Friday • 5:55 - 6:55pm**

Instr: Elaine S. 513-260-3604

Melt fat and carve your curves in this full body strength class.

## Tai Chi for Health

**Monday • 1:00 - 2:00pm**

Instr: Barbara 513-267-0409

A gentle, yet powerful exercise form that combines fluid movements, breathing, and stretching to improve muscle tone, balance, flexibility, and reduce stress.

## Tiny Gym Time

**Friday, October - March • 10:00 - 11:30am**

Location: Springdale Community Center Court 1

Come run, jump, and play with us during these

colder months and let the kids burn off some

energy. Children ages 0-5 welcomed and Free to the community.

## Zumba

**Sunday • 2:00 - 3:00pm**

**Tuesday • 7:05 - 8:05pm**

Sun Instr: Natombi 513-687-3362

Tues Instr: Melissa 513-969-4772

Zumba combines high energy and motivating music with unique moves and combinations for a fun workout.

## New Parks & Recreation Staff Members



### Jarod Parks

started with the City in July 2023 as a Facilities Maintenance Worker. He is a native of Trenton, Ohio and

graduated from Edgewood High.

Jarod has a wealth of experience as a maintenance professional, which includes 20 years as a skilled plumber.

In his own time, Jarod enjoys golfing and being active outdoors.



### Paul Wagner

began working for the Springdale Parks & Recreation Department as a Facilities Maintenance

Worker in April of 2023. Paul grew up in Colerain Township. Prior to coming to Springdale, he worked for a local manufacturer as a lead machine operator. Paul is passionate about creating art, and often spends his free time painting and designing landscapes.



# ADULT & SENIOR SPORTS & PROGRAMS



## Women's Volleyball League

### Wednesday Nights

Register Now

Play Begins: January

Price: SCC Members/Springdale Business Teams \$135

SCC Non-Member Teams \$235

## Men's Golf League

### Wednesday Evenings

Play Begins: April

Contact The Springdale Community Center for additional information, 513-346-3910.

## Co-ed Cornhole League

### Thursday Evenings

Registration Begins: March 1

Play Begins: Late April

Price: \$25 per two person team

## Co-Ed Racquetball League

### Days Vary

Registration begins November 1, 2023

Play begins January, 2024

Prices: \$5

## Co-Ed Softball League

### Friday Evenings

Registration Begins March 1, 2023

Play Begins April / May, 2023

Price: SCC Members/Springdale Business Teams \$135

SCC Non-Member Teams \$235

## Chair Volleyball

Monday, Wednesday • 10:00am - 11:30pm

Age: 55 +

## Indoor Pickleball

Monday • 12:00 - 3:00 pm

Thursday • 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

## Duplicate Bridge

Monday • 12:00 - 4:00 pm

## Party Bridge

Tuesday • 12:00 - 3:00 pm

## Inside Scoop

The Scoop is a bimonthly adult/senior newsletter



with two months of fun, educational programs and activities planned to keep you engaged. Mailing is by subscription to active members age 55 and older. If you wish to receive the Scoop, call the Springdale Community Center (513-346-3910) and request to join to our subscription list.

## Thursday's This & That

Thursday's are becoming very interesting at the Community Center! This free series of programs invites you to expand your horizons and try something new. One Thursday a month a variety of eclectic topics are presented. These educational and social programs are sure to pique your interest! Call the Community Center for details.

## AARP Income Tax Help

**FREE**

As 2023 winds down and you are organizing your affairs, remember that we offer AARP Tax Help beginning in January. Call after the first of the year to make your appointment. This free tax filing service is for those with simple federal and state returns.

## Next Document Shred Event

Saturday, April 6

9:30am - 12:30pm

A mobile shredding unit will be on site at the Community Center so that residents may safely destroy their unwanted sensitive documents and records.



## Springdale Garden Club News

The Springdale Garden Club held its annual workshop to make the traditional holiday swag and wreaths to adorn the city buildings and the "Welcome to Springdale" signs. Thank you to the newcomers that helped, and the Public Works and Fire Departments for their part in bringing holiday cheer to the community.

### 2024 Regular Meetings

**JAN 8**

#### Caring for Poinsettia Plants after the Holidays

Mark Deacon,  
Cincinnati State  
Horticulture Department

**FEB 12**

#### Benefits of Aroma Therapy

Gwen McSwain,  
Garden Club Member

**MAR 11**

#### Daffodils – What's New

The Daffodil Society

**APR 8**

#### How to Grow Orchids

Roger Miller, Cincinnati  
Orchid Society

**APR 26**

#### Annual Arbor Day Celebration

Help plant a tree at a  
Springdale Elementary

Interested guests should reserve a seat by the Wednesday before each meeting date by contacting Joan Knox at 513-674-7755 or emailjoanknox99@fuse.net.

## Outdoor Fire Safety

For your personal safety and the safety of your property, the Ohio Fire Code requires a burn to be 50 feet from any structure. According to the Ohio Fire Code, an approved container is a portable outdoor fireplace or gas-fired recreational pit. Portable outdoor fireplaces shall be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and shall not be operated within 15 feet of a structure or combustible material. If your fire is not in one of the approved containers and it is less than 3 feet in diameter and less than 2 feet in

height, then it must be at least 25 feet from a structure.

Open burning, bonfires, recreational fires and use of portable outdoor fireplaces shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher with a minimum 4-A rating or other approved on-site fire-extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization. If you have questions, please contact the Fire Department at (513) 346-5580.



## City of Springdale

11700 Springfield Pike  
Springdale, Ohio 45246

### Mayor

Lawrence C. Hawkins III

Office .....513-346-5705

### At-Large Council Members

David E. Gleaves .....513-346-5596

Michelle McFarland .....513-346-5593

Lavonne Webster .....513-346-5594

### Districts Council Members

1 Jeffrey Anderson.....513-400-4786

2 Dan Jacobs.....513-346-5598

3 Meghan Sullivan-Wisecup..513-293-6408

4 Tom Vanover.....513-671-7034

### City Administrator

John J. Jones.....513-346-5700

### Assistant City Administrator

Brian Uhl.....513-346-5700

email .....admin@springdale.org



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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Holidays to Delay Trash Collection

Since Christmas and the New Year holidays both fall on a Monday this season, collection will be delayed one day for each of the Holiday weeks. Monday service will be on Tuesday, Tuesday on Wednesday, etc.

### Holiday Tree Collection and Disposal

City crews will collect holiday trees left at the curb following the holidays. Crews will run through the City once a week in January to pick up holiday trees set out to the curb. All holiday decorations should be removed. Trees should not be placed in a plastic bag unless they are intended for trash

collection. No other brush material will be collected during this period as the chipper program will not resume until March of 2024.

### Chipper Service Returns March 25th

Chipper service is set to restart on Monday, March 25, 2024. Like the previous two years, chipper service runs on the last full week of each month from March through September. This year we will be limiting the time spent at each address per month to a limit of 15 minutes. If material placed at curb cannot be chipped in 15 minutes, the remaining material will be left until the following month. Please see the City's website for additional details on what is acceptable material.

### Free Mulch and Free Delivery

Each year, the City of Springdale Public Works Department offers residents of the City free bulk mulch delivered to their home. Residents can request 2.5, 5, 7.5, or 10 Cubic Yards. A 2.5 cubic yard load is similar to a pickup truck. Requests are taken on first come, first serve basis starting Tuesday, January 1, 2024. All mulch is delivered the first full week of May which will be May 6 through the 10th.

