Revitalization of Tri-County Mall now underway

The $30 million revitalization of Tri-County Mall has cleared its first step. The new owner, American Pacific International Capital (APIC), has received approval at the October 14 Springdale Planning Commission meeting to construct two new outlot buildings on Princeton Pike (State Route 747), as well as the reconfiguration of the north entrance drive into the center (often called the Macy’s entrance).

The two new buildings are expected to contain a mix of retail and restaurant uses. According to the mall representatives, these projects comprise only the initial phase of what will become a major renovation to the Tri-County Mall property.

Aggregation programs in place

Both the new Springdale Electric and Natural Gas Energy Aggregation Programs are now up and running. Interstate Gas Supply (IGS Energy) of Dublin, Ohio, has been chosen to serve as the generation supplier for both programs. IGS Energy served as the supplier for the City’s initial natural gas program. Duke Energy will continue to provide the distribution services for all residents.

By now, some participants should have already noticed the new rates reflected on their Duke Energy November invoice. Springdale customers whose meter read date was after November 11 should have received the benefit of the new rates in November. Those whose meters were read prior to November 11 should see the new, lower rate in December.

The Natural Gas Aggregation Program is effective through October 2016 at a rate of 50.1 cents per CCF. With Hamilton County sales tax of 6.75%, the final rate will be 53.5 cents per CCF.

The Electric Aggregation Program will run through October 2017 with a rate of 5.81 cents per kilowatt hour.

Residents or small business owners, who did not join either aggregation program at the start, may join them at any time. Those wanting to join the City’s program, but are with a supplier other than Duke Energy, should first contact that supplier to better evaluate whether to cancel service or not. The City of Springdale urges caution about making a switch in case there is a cancellation fee for exiting a contract prior to the expiration date.

After making a decision to cancel service, contact IGS Energy at 1-800-280-4474 to request to join the Springdale Aggregation Program.

W. Kemper Road work progresses

Major reconstruction of W. Kemper Road is well underway. The work began in July between Walnut Street and Lawnview Avenue. More recently, the contractor (Ford Development Company) has been working just east of Lawnview Avenue, on the extension of the culvert to the north to accommodate a new storm sewer system.

Besides the storm sewer work, in which several old catch basins will be replaced, the balance of the project will entail the total removal and replacement of pavement, repair and resurfacing of the roadway, full curb replacement in some areas, and the replacement of the existing sidewalk on the south side of the road. The work is scheduled to be completed in September 2015.

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The snow season has arrived. Rest assured that Springdale’s Public Works Department is prepared for winter’s worst with stockpiled road salt and ready-for-action snow plows.

Short of climbing behind the wheel of a plow, there’s plenty residents can do to 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. This will enable plow operators to clear the roadway more efficiently. Driving a plow is challenging enough. Imagine having to steer around parked cars on a slippery street.
- Do not deposit snow into the street when using a snow blower or shoveling a driveway. Not only does the snow require attention by road crews on their next pass, a homeowner could face liability issues should their actions cause an accident.
- Never allow children to play in snow piles along the roadway. A plow operator may not see them when approaching in less than optimal weather conditions, or if the children have burrowed into the pile.
- If possible, wait until the plow has passed before shoveling the area of a driveway near the street. Plow operators are simply doing their job by clearing the street. The snow must be pushed to the side of the road, which also — unfortunately — includes driveway entrances.
- 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 snowpile on the left side of a driveway will be pushed away from the drive entrance.
- Do not try to pass a snowplow or salt truck. Stay 100 feet back from salt trucks.
- Every truck has blind spots, so don’t assume the driver can see every area around the truck. Never pull up behind a salt truck.
- The City will 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.
- Finally, crews are not superhuman. While they make every effort to clear the streets in an efficient and timely manner, they are limited by the severe weather conditions. Please remain patient during major storm events.

Grants to determine 2015 improvements

Each year, the City assesses which streets are most in need of road improvements. Unfortunately with the current state of the City’s financial affairs, funding is not available to fix all of the streets at once. Where City resources are low, the City attempts to take advantage of securing outside funds to help spread available resources effectively and efficiently.

Next year, the City hopes to secure outside funds to make substantial improvements to Sharon Road, Jake Sweeney Place, Boggs Lane, and perform City-wide street improvements and sidewalk repairs. The implementation of these projects will depend heavily upon the City’s ability to secure the outside funds.

Visit the Public Works Department webpage for up-to-date information regarding construction projects and for road closure information.

W. Kemper Road… continued from front page

In an effort to provide for safe working conditions, the project will experience a road closure for a short period of time. After the completion of the 2014 – 2015 school year and while a substantial portion of the road is being paved, W. Kemper Road will be temporarily closed to through traffic. During that time traffic will be detoured or redirected to Northland Boulevard from the east and Springfield Pike (State Route 4) from the west. The road closure is tentatively planned between June 8 and August 7, 2015, in order to coincide with the school district’s summer vacation.

The W. Kemper Road project will cost $1,074,086. A majority of the cost will be funded by two grants. The first is a grant from Hamilton County Municipal Road Funds (MRF) in the amount of $225,687. The second is from the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement Program funds for $515,561. Springdale will cover the remaining $332,838 needed.

The improvement is scheduled to provide this section of W. Kemper Road with increased safety, elimination of current roadway drainage issues and an enhancement to the community’s infrastructure system.
Residents likely remember back to their days in school when the fire alarm abruptly activated in the middle of a class. Students would calmly rise from their desks, and file from the classroom in an orderly manner. Fire drills were so routine that students developed a second nature for efficiently evacuating the building.

Even businesses have begun the practice of conducting fire drills so workers know what to do and where they need to go in an emergency when every second counts.

Home fire drills, however, are seldom conducted... if ever! Yet a home fire occurs far more frequently than at school or work. What would your children do if there was a fire? What if their only way out was blocked by flames?

**Plan a fire drill at your home:**
- Plan for and practice two escape routes out of the house — one normal route through hallways and stairways, and an alternative route through windows or onto the roof. While children shouldn’t actually exit through a window or onto a roof during a drill, they need to realize those exit routes are a last resort. *(The alternative escape route is vital because most home fires start in areas of the house that may block the usual hallway and stairway exit routes.)*
- Designate a meeting place outside where everyone from the home can gather. This is not just for kids. Adults need to practice just as much as the children.

Not getting a flu vaccination could place entire family at risk

Residents who have not yet received a flu vaccination could be placing their entire family at risk to a disease that can be fatal. A simple flu vaccination could ward off a flu bug that could be carried home, exposing other family members.

The good news is that it is still not too late to obtain the influenza vaccination. The Springdale Health Department has flu vaccines available for adults for $20. Vaccines are FREE for children.

Vaccines are also available for pertussis.

**Healthy U Diabetes Workshop seeks students**

The Springdale Health Department recently completed its nationally recognized Healthy U Diabetes Workshop Series, a six-week program to help participants learn to control Type 2 diabetes. The next workshop will be on Thursdays, February 19 to March 26 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the Springdale Community Center. To register, or for more information, call 346-5727.

**Mammogram unit returns March 24**

The Mobile Mammography Van will visit the Springdale Community Center on Tuesday, March 24, 2015, from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. To arrange for an appointment, call 686-3300.

Mammography is usually covered by insurance. To check whether MercyHealth is a panel provider with your insurance, call 686-3306.

- Teach children to make noise as they escape to awaken others.
- If smoke is present, stay close to the floor. If smoke is heavy, go back.
- Touch doors before opening to be sure they are not hot, a sign fire could be raging on the other side of the door.
- If trapped, seal the bottom of the door with a sheet and get attention through the window. Avoid opening the window to minimize airflow. Open if it is necessary to exit or yell for help.
- Get out, then call 9-1-1 from a neighbor’s house. Don’t call from inside the house. Get out.

If you have any questions about home fire escape drills, contact the Springdale Fire Department at 346-5580.
Residents considering hiring a contractor are reminded by the Springdale Building Department to consider the following information:

**Selection of Contractor**

**Insurance:** Make sure contractors have adequate insurance, including personal and property liability, as well as workers’ compensation. Ask for a copy of current insurance certificates. If a contractor is not adequately insured, the homeowner may be liable for damages and potentially for injuries workers sustain on the property.

**References:** Request recent references, and check them out. A few calls to inquire how the client felt about the job and the timeliness of completion is a good indication of how a contractor will perform. If necessary, go and check the work. Check with the Better Business Bureau about unresolved problems. Since the Ohio Attorney General’s office investigates consumer complaints, check www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov.

**Licensing:** While Springdale does not license contractors, the State of Ohio does license commercial plumbing, mechanical and electrical contractors. Ohio does not license residential contractors, but a check of a commercial license provides some assurance that contractors have a level of competency.

**Finalizing a Contract**

Get a written agreement. If the contractor does not supply a formal contract, at least write down the agreement and have both parties sign to be sure each understands expectations.

Your contract should include:

- The description of work to be completed. This should be specific. This is probably the most disputed part of a contract.
- Who will furnish what materials? It is also important to determine who will dispose of materials and debris.
- Who is responsible for obtaining necessary permits and who will coordinate inspections? Many contractors will obtain the permit since they are more capable of providing the necessary documents explaining the proposed work. Insist on a copy of the permit. Ultimately, the property owner is responsible for permits.
- The start date and completion date of the project. Consider offering a bonus for an early completion date and/or a penalty for a late completion date.
- The total costs for project and a payment schedule.

**Payments**

Some contractors request a reasonable amount paid in advance for working capital. A small job may involve a down payment with the balance to be paid upon project completion. Larger jobs may require several payments at various stages of completion. When requested to make a payment, consider the amount of labor and materials expended at that point and pay an amount based on what is complete. If your contractor is requesting funds to pay his sub-contractors or suppliers, request affidavits that they have been paid to avoid the potential for liens against your property. Under no circumstance should payment-in-full be provided for work not yet completed or before an inspection has been made granting final approval to a project.

In the case of a large or complicated project, an attorney may need to be consulted before committing to a contract. A little bit of care up front can avoid a lot of problems later should differences arise.

Questions relating to issues of construction projects can be directed to the Springdale Building Department at 346-5730.

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**These spring and summer projects need a permit**

While winter is just beginning, many homeowners take advantage of the cold months to plan spring projects. Topping off those plans should be acquisition of a permit for those improvements, if one is required. Permits assure that improvements meet zoning and building codes and those improvements are safe, functional and appropriate for the community.

Many permits for residential work do not require a fee if the permit is obtained before work begins.

**Permits are required for:**

- Basement Finishes
- Building Additions
- Central Air Conditioning
- Covered Porches
- Patio Enclosures
- Decks
- Detached Garages
- Driveway Aprons
- Fences
- Fireplaces and Woodstoves
- Furnaces
- Gas Piping Installations
- Interior Remodeling
- Re-roofing
- Structural Repairs
- Swimming Pools (including inflatable ring type pools)
- Hot Tubs & Spas
- Utility Buildings, Sheds
- Accessory Structures
- Water Heater Replacement

Questions should be directed to the Building Department at 346-5730 or www.springdale.org.
Watch for tax-related identity theft

An identity thief may use your Social Security number to get a tax refund or a job. Contact the IRS if they send you a notice saying their records show:

- you were paid by an employer you do not know
- more than one tax return was filed using your Social Security number

Uncovering tax-related identity theft
An unexpected notice or letter from the IRS could alert you that someone else is using your Social Security Number (SSN). Remember that the IRS initiates contact by mail, not an email, text or social media message that asks for personal or financial information. If you get an email that claims to be from the IRS, do not reply or click on any links. Instead, forward it to phishing@irs.gov.

If someone uses your SSN to file for a tax refund before you do, IRS records will show the first filing and refund, and you’ll get a letter from the IRS saying more than one return was filed for you.

If someone uses your SSN to get a job, the employer may report that person’s income to the IRS using your SSN. When you file your tax return, you won’t include those earnings. IRS records will show you failed to report all your income. The agency will send you a letter saying you got wages, but didn’t report them. The IRS doesn’t know those wages were reported by an employer you don’t know.

Dealing with tax-related identity theft
If you think someone used your SSN for a tax refund or a job, contact the IRS immediately. Specialists will work with you to get your tax return filed, get you any refund due, and protect your IRS account in the future.

Other Steps to Repair Identity Theft

- Put a fraud alert on your credit reports by notifying any one of the three credit reporting companies.
- Order your credit reports from annualcreditreport.com.
- Create an Identity Theft Report by filing an identity theft complaint with the Federal Trade Commission and filing a police report with the Springdale Police Department. Free identity theft packages are available from the Springdale Police Department. These packages contain a wide variety of resources and information to help you repair and correct any damage caused by identity theft.

Be smart with those smartphones

Your smartphone has loads of personal information: bank accounts, passwords, personal info, even your exact location. That data can be major problems if it’s in the wrong hands.

Protect your personal info

- Set your phone to lock automatically. When you don’t use your phone for a few minutes, the phone should automatically lock itself and require a password to reopen.
- Use passwords. In addition to a password to unlock your phone, use different passwords for each shopping or financial app. Don’t share your passwords with anyone.
- Be wise about Wi-Fi. Don’t send personal information on a public wireless network in a coffee shop, library or hotel. Wait until you can use an encrypted Wi-Fi network that requires a password.
- Foil phishing attempts. Don’t text or email personal information, and delete any texts or email messages that ask for it. If you must give out personal information, do it only if you type in the organization’s web address yourself and you see signs that the site is secure — either "https" (the “s” stands for secure) or a lock icon.
- Connect to Bluetooth carefully. Bluetooth makes it easier for you to connect your phone with other devices. But, like other wireless connections, Bluetooth also can make it easier for thieves to steal your personal information. So, connect to Bluetooth in private, uncrowded areas only. Don’t forget to turn off Bluetooth when you aren’t using it.
- Before you toss your old smartphone, remove all your personal information. It’s important to protect your personal information from the moment you start using your phone until you get rid of it.

SGC: Busy year earns award

The busy year of the Springdale Garden Club culminated with earning the Ohio Region 4 Outstanding Garden Club award for the period October 2013 to September 2014. The honor is significant since Region 4 includes Brown, Butler, Clermont and Hamilton counties.

During the time covered by the award, the Club spearheaded or was very active in multiple activities. Among those projects were making Christmas decorations for the “Welcome to Springdale” signs and for City buildings, the Arbor Day celebration, planting and maintaining the planters at the entrance to the Community Center, planting and maintaining a butterfly garden and an herb garden at the Springdale Elementary School, starting a vegetable garden at Heritage Hill Elementary School, having a booth at the City Bash and sponsoring a Springdale Jr. Garden Club with a Brownie Girl Scout troop.

The club also held five informative workshops during the time covered by the award and participated in several Regional and Hamilton County events.

Much of the Springdale Garden Club’s funding is generated by its annual High Tea, held in the spring. The next High Tea is scheduled for March 22, 2015 at the Springdale Community Center.

Club meetings are on the second Monday of each month at the Springdale Community Center room A starting at 6 pm. Guests are always welcome. Anyone interested in more information should contact Carolyn Gchantous at 328-4046 (cgchantous@comey.com) or Joan Knox at 674-7755 (joanknox99@fuse.net).
Springdale Youth Boosters
Cinema Horseraces
Saturday, February 28 • 7:00 pm
The Youth Boosters will host their annual Cinema Horseraces on Saturday, February 28, in the auxiliary gymnasium. The doors open at 7:00 p.m. For more information, call the Community Center. Tickets go on sale January 1st.

About the Springdale Youth Boosters: The group is a non-profit, volunteer-based organization comprised of Springdale residents working together to secure donations that help provide more affordable youth sports programs in Springdale. To join, contact Springdaleyouthbooster@yahoo.com.

SPECIAL EVENTS & SEASONAL PROGRAMS

Springdale Youth Boosters will accept spring and summer sports sign-ups beginning January 2 through January 31. All participants must have a current Community Center membership to register for spring sports.

Knothole Baseball is open to children who were born between May 1, 2001, and April 30, 2008. Sign-up cost is $40 ($55 after January 31).

Instructional T-Ball is offered to children born between May 1, 2008 and April 30, 2010. Introduce your child to baseball and softball in this T-ball league. Cost is $20 per child ($35 after January 31).

Girls Softball is open to girls who were born between August 1, 2000, and July 31, 2008. The cost is $40 ($55 after January 31).

SAY Spring Soccer is offered to children born between August 1, 1995, and July 31, 2008. Sign-up cost is $40 ($55 after January 31).

Ballet with Ms. Dena
Ages 10 & up: Sunday • 1:30 - 2:45 pm
This class will cover the basics of cardio, strength training, and nutrition. After passing the class, those 13 and older, with a fitness membership, will be able to use the Fitness Center. Registration is required as space is limited. Contact Fitness Center Manager Jay Dennis for details.

Club Rec
Club Rec is a Community based volunteer organization for Springdale youth in the 5th through 8th grade. They sponsor a variety of activities and volunteer at several events at the Community Center. There is a $10 registration fee which includes a t-shirt. For information, call 346-3910 or email sbrooks@springdale.org.

Winter Extreme Games at the Beach!
Friday, February 6 • 11:00 pm - 1:00 am
Club Rec presents the 2015 Winter Extreme Games! Springdale Community Center members and their guests in grades 5 - 8 are invited for a night of games and activities that can only be done at the beach! Watch for more information at the Community Center. Pre-Registration Required.
**ADULT HEALTH, FITNESS & FUN**

**Boot Camp**

**FREE**

*Monday • 5:30 - 6:15 pm*

We want YOU... to lose weight, tone up and have fun! Are you bored with your workout or looking for a new challenge? Then it's time to join Boot Camp! We'll train anyone at any level with our motivating, never yelling, instructor. You'll be re-listing when you're burning up to 450 calories per class. Best of all, it's FREE! Just bring a towel or mat and water bottle – crew cut not required.

**Cardio Kickboxing**

*Tuesday & Thursday • 5:55 - 6:55 pm  
Saturday • 11:00 am - 12:00 pm*

A high-intensity class that combines a cardio workout with kickboxing moves that burns calories all day long. Using mats, balls, scooters, punching bags, and more, this class will keep you wanting to come back. Call Elaine M. at 446-1839 with questions about the class.

**Hip Hop Fitness**

*Monday • 7:05 - 8:05 pm*

The hottest and hippest fitness is at the Springdale Community Center! This high-energy class is all about burning up the dance floor and burning calories at the same time. This full-body workout is open to all fitness levels. No experience necessary. Let us redefine what a fitness class should be. Call Marquesha B. at 885-6065 for more info.

**Jazzercise**

*Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday • 9:30 - 10:30 am  
Monday & Wednesday • 5:55 - 6:55 pm*

**BodySculpting:**

*Friday • 5:55 - 6:55 pm*

This combines upbeat music and highly energetic exercise. Add hand weights, and this is the perfect total body workout. Call instructor Elaine S. at 575-1620 for class costs or information.

**Zumba**

*Tuesday • 6:55 - 7:55 pm*

Ditch the workout, join the party! Zumba combines high energy music combined with strength training to achieve faster results. Build core muscles, burn calories, enhance endurance with greater flexibility. Taught by Zumba instructor Deb Y., this class combines everything you love about that class with light hand weights. Call 205-5064 for more info.

**Let’s Get Fit**

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

A great workout taught by Sue S. for women not ready to put their aerobic shoes away who want to get out and make some new friends.

**Strength-N-Dance**

*Thursday • 6:55 - 7:55 pm*

Dance to fun, high energy music combined with strength training to achieve faster results. Build core muscles, burn calories, enhance endurance with greater flexibility. Taught by Zumba instructor Deb Y., this class combines everything you love about that class with light hand weights. Call 205-5064 for more info.

**AARP Income Tax Help**

*As 2014 winds down, consider AARP Tax Help beginning in January. Call after the first of the year for appointments for this free tax filing service for those senior citizens with simple federal and state returns.*

**Chair Volleyball**

*Monday • 10:00-11:30 am  
Wednesday • 12:00-1:30 pm*

Join this fun activity along with others 55 and older. Some of the differences are that players are seated in chairs, serve rotates, but players don’t, a beach ball is used instead of a volleyball, and there are an unlimited number of hits to return the ball.

**Badminton**

*Tuesdays • 10:30 am - 12:00 pm*

All equipment is provided, just bring a positive attitude and willingness to learn!

**Prime Time Diners**

*These monthly outings visit the area’s great restaurants. The group meets at the restaurant at 6 pm. Call 346-3910 or stop by the Community Center front desk to register.*

**Weekly Fun & Games**

**Duplicate Bridge:**

*Monday • 12:15 - 3:30 pm*

Contact Lew Chizer at 513-853-2778.

**500:**

*Tuesday • 10:00 am - Noon*

Join your friends for a few games of 500. Contact Maria Schottelkotte at 942-2350.

**Party Bridge:**

*Tuesday • 12:30 - 3:30 pm*

**Tripoly:**

*Tuesday • 1:00 - 3:00 pm*

**Pinochle:**

*Thursday • 10:00 am - Noon*

**Euchre/Pinochle:**

*Friday • 1:00 - 3:00 pm*

Join this spirited group for a fun game. Contact Jo Ann Frech at 671-6663 for more information.

**Travel Expo & Party**

*Thursday, January 15 • 1:00 pm*

Has the travel bug hit you? Do you enjoy far off places or day trips? Whether you travel as a couple, single, or with friends, there's a trip for you! Join us at the Travel Expo and learn about all the fun and affordable trips we have planned for 2015. Pre-registration is necessary and begins December 15 and ends January 13. Call the Community Center to register, 346-3910.

**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.*

**Adult Soccer 30+ League**

*Get a group of friends or co-workers and put a soccer team together. This is a 30 and older coed league that will play surrounding communities on Friday evenings. Resident teams may register beginning February 1 (Non-Resident teams may register beginning March 1). League Play begins Mid April. For more information contact the Community Center.*

**Line Dancing with the Helts**

*Monday • 1:00 - 2:00 pm*

Exercise and have fun at the same time! If you can stand, walk, move from left to right, and enjoy a variety of music, then this class is perfect for you. Singles and Couples are welcome. Wear comfortable soft-soled shoes and enjoy learning how to line dance. Call Jerry or Kathy at 321-6776 for more information.
NEWS IN BRIEF

Still time to Adopt-A-Family!
The annual Springdale Offering Support (SOS) Adopt-A-Family program is in high gear. There is still time to help:

■ Donate a cash contribution to provide gifts and food for local families in need during the holiday season.

■ Adopt a local family to directly provide gifts and food during the holidays.

■ Volunteer to assist with the holiday project.

■ Drop off canned goods at the Police or Fire Departments or at the Community Center.

To request help or extend a hand this year, contact Marsha Bemmes-Hoctor at 346-5774.

Free mulch delivery
The City of Springdale Public Works Department offers residents 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 served basis starting January 2. Mulch is delivered the first full week of May. See the website for additional information.

Leaf pick-up completed
Citywide leaf collection for 2014 was completed on November 28. Remaining leaves should be bagged and placed at curbside for pick-up with the household trash. The early cutoff is needed so crews can prepare for early snow fall.

Health Department programs
Immunization Clinics:
Immunization clinics for uninsured and underinsured children are available on the first and third Wednesday from 9 a.m. to noon. For an appointment, call 346-5725.

TB Testing: Available by appointment. For information, call 346-5725.

Cholesterol/Glucose Screening:
Available on the third Thursday of each month from 8 to 11 a.m. The cost is $15. For an appointment, call 346-5725.

Blood Pressure Checks:
Provided at the Springdale Community Center on the third Tuesday of each month from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Home Wellness Checks: A Public Health Nurse is available for home visits by calling 346-5725.

Diabetes Workshop: Workshops are offered for persons with Type 2 diabetes. (See story on page 3.)

Among its many duties, the Health Department investigates reports of communicable disease, as well as a variety of health education and promotional programs.