City to celebrate National Economic Development Week May 7-12

The City of Springfield, along with partners—the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce, City Utilities, Greene County, local higher-learning institutions and a variety of other institutions—is celebrating National Economic Development Week May 7-12. Mayor Ken McClure will issue an official proclamation May 9 at 10 a.m. at the DoubleTree Hotel on Glenstone Avenue.

“Springfield owes a debt of gratitude to the economic development professionals in our community who work tirelessly to attract and retain well-paying jobs, support new and existing businesses, facilitate growth and provide a stable tax base to fund essential government functions,” McClure said. “Economic development is an essential ingredient to a community’s quality of life.”

The City works in partnership with the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce, Springfield Business Development Corporation, CU, and Greene County to assist business development and to implement the economic development goals outlined in the City of Springfield Economic Development Plan and the Springfield Business Development Corporation Strategic Action Plan. The partnership has developed the Partnership Industrial Center and the Partnership Industrial Center West, which house several of Springfield’s largest employers.

The City’s Economic Development Office staff provide development and tax incentive assistance and serve as project facilitators for major economic development projects.

The office’s staff presented its plan for the blight

Mike Fonner celebrates 30-year service anniversary

Geographic Information Systems Manager Mike Fonner celebrated his 30-year service anniversary with the City in April. Fonner is credited with creating the GIS department, which has grown to eight full-time and two temporary staff members.

GIS is an integrated system of computer hardware, software, and trained personnel linking topographic, demographic, utility, facility, image and other resource data that is geographically referenced. At its most basic level, geographic information systems technology is used as computer cartography. The real power of GIS is through using spatial and statistical methods to analyze attribute and geographic information. The end result of the analysis can be derivative information, interpolated information or prioritized information. Nearly every City department relies on GIS mapping and data to perform their functions.

In 2016, Fonner was awarded the Patriot Award by the Missouri Employer Support of Guard and Reserve, a Department of Defense program. The Patriot Award is in recognition of extraordinary support of employees and family members of those that serve in the National Guard and Reserve.

Fonner was nominated for being highly supportive of the Reserve Component members and their families by Randy Wells. Wells was a GIS analyst intern. Wells is also a staff sergeant with the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 35th Engineer Brigade, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

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Army National Guard. Fonner was recognized for the support, respect, and encouragement he demonstrates to his employees, and especially those in the military. Fonner is a veteran of the United States Marine Corps.

Wells reports that Mike Fonner, his supervisor, “Encouraged personal development in both my civilian and military career. He made sure that my schedule would support the 35th Engineer Brigade’s training mission. He supports my college schedule and drill schedule. Because of his support, I requested he be recognized in a formal award presentation ceremony.”

Thank you, Mike, for your service to the City of Springfield.

Another major focus of the Economic Development Office is the City’s Brownfields Program, which works to assess, clean up and facilitate the redevelopment and reuse of potentially contaminated properties known as “brownfields” within the city of Springfield. The program works in cooperation with Region 7 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. The program provides incentives for qualifying properties, including free phase I and phase II environmental assessments, cleanup planning, technical assistance, and low-to-no interest loans and subgrants for site remediation.

The EPA notified City Economic Development Office staff on April 25 that Springfield will receive another $300,000 in brownfields assessment grants.

“This EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant will be the key to revitalizing Springfield’s most complicated properties,” said Senior Planner/Brownfields Coordinator Olivia Hough. “Assessments will focus on priority sites along Kearney Street/Historic Route 66, in northwest Springfield, and the center city. Oftentimes, these projects would not proceed but for the first brownfields dollars used to assess environmental conditions. Assessments will help us identify and remove lead contamination and other hazards in structures and soils to protect our most vulnerable populations, create jobs for job training graduates, and lead to leveraged investment like the $400 million achieved with our last Brownfields Assessment Grant.”

National Economic Development Week was created and is coordinated by The International Economic Development Council, the largest professional membership organization for economic developers. Please take the time to thank an economic developer for their service this week.
The Springfield Police Department’s Leadership Council hosted an awards ceremony Friday, April 6, at the Springfield Regional Police and Fire Training Center. Staff and citizens were commended for their service, and in some cases, their bravery and extraordinary actions.

**Command Commendation**

This is awarded to department personnel who distinguish themselves by a single act or series of actions that impact the community in a positive manner, or significantly improve the ability of the SPD to fulfill its mission. Actions must be creditable, show intelligent and determined effort beyond reasonably expected job performance and must produce documentable results.

**Detective Richard Mansel**

On May 10, 2017, Det. Richard Mansel was assigned the follow-up of a stolen motorcycle for which a subject had been arrested. Based on his interview with the suspect, Det. Mansel developed additional suspects and locations where probable stolen property was being kept. Through his diligence, Det. Mansel obtained and served search warrants at two locations in Springfield. The investigation spanned the theft of property from four jurisdictions and included the recovery of one stolen truck, 13 stolen motorcycles, one stolen ATV, 13 guns (eight were confirmed stolen) and various pieces of stolen industrial equipment. Det. Mansel not only presented charges on four suspects in the case but was able to return property—valued at over $100,000—to local victims.

**Detective Daniel Rankey**

On Oct. 12, 2017, Det. Rankey was assigned a case that had been classified as a property damage. Det. Rankey closely examined the information he had been presented and recognized the extent of the problem went well beyond just one single criminal act. Det. Rankey established probable cause that indicated four men were responsible for three felony and over 71 misdemeanor incidents of property damage that began in July 2017 and concluded in September 2017. The property damage in each case consisted of both fixed and non-fixed property being shot with a BB and/or pellet gun and a total of $16,873.96 in damage had occurred.

**Sergeant Chris Snipes**

On Jan. 26, 2015, at approximately 1:30 a.m., Sgt. Chris Snipes was informed that the Special Response Team was requested to search for the person responsible for shooting Officer Aaron Pearson. Sgt. Snipes notified all SRT personnel and was one of the first SRT officers on scene. He quickly formulated a plan on how to conduct a coordinated search for the suspect. This was a rapidly evolving situation with several officers involved from our agency as well as the Missouri State Highway Patrol and the Greene County Sheriff’s Office. As a newly promoted supervisor in 2015, this was an emotionally charged and complex operation for Sgt. Snipes. During the entire search, he remained calm and effectively led a coordinated search which led to the arrest of the suspect.

**Citizen Service Commendation**

This award is presented to any citizen who, through a single act, provided assistance to the Springfield Police Department. The act must have been related to the overall law enforcement objectives of this department.

**Patrick Murphy**

During the late hours of Jan. 29, 2017, and the early morning hours of Jan. 30, 2017, three suspects were involved in several home invasion robberies. Mr. Patrick Murphy interrupted a burglary in progress. Murphy heard dogs barking and then a window breaking. Murphy encountered two suspects who were at a neighbor’s house. He verbally engaged the suspects as he held them at gunpoint. One of the suspects then pointed a firearm at Murphy and threatened him. Murphy elected not to engage the suspects in a gunfight and returned to his residence to call 911 when he was able to provide dispatchers with detailed suspect descriptions and a vehicle license plate number.

Springfield officers located the vehicle and arrested the three suspects. If not for Murphy’s interruption of the burglary and his call to 911, the suspects likely would have escaped. Due to Murphy’s willingness to assist in keeping the community safe, law enforcement officers linked the three suspects to multiple home invasion robberies.

**Meritorious Service Award**

This is awarded to department personnel who, in the protection of life or furtherance of justice, exhibit conduct which is exceptional.

**Officer Brandon Greathouse and Officer Caitlin Phoenix**

On March 23, 2017, Officer Brandon Greathouse was riding with field training officer, Caitlin Phoenix, for a shift of training focused on traffic stops and accident investigations. During the shift, he initiated a traffic stop regarding a speeding violation that occurred on Chestnut Expressway. The suspect vehicle led them into a residential area before finally coming to a stop. This truck, unknown to the officers, was stolen and the occupant was armed with a handgun. Shortly after both officers exited the patrol car and began approaching the suspect vehicle, the truck accelerated from the scene and eight rounds were fired from inside the truck, through the back window and towards the officers. Both officers sought cover by retreating to the patrol car. The patrol car was struck several times by gunfire.

Officer Phoenix was struck by several pieces of shrapnel from the bullets and/or the patrol car. Officers Greathouse and Phoenix provided radio traffic concerning the incident, updating dispatch and other officers. The officers checked on each other and several citizens in the area, ensuring no one was injured. Officers Greathouse and Phoenix recognized that the fleeing suspect/vehicle, for numerous reasons, was not a safe or engageable target. They exhibited courage and bravery by remaining calm and focused on the appropriate tasks at hand.

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Officer Nicolas York
On Sept. 12, 2017, Officer Nicolas York was dispatched to a burglary in progress at 3041 W. Olive. An intoxicated subject was reported to be actively chasing people with an axe. Approximately 10 seconds after hearing this information, Officer York advised he was on scene. During the next 30 seconds, Officer York learned from the resident that the suspect had not only burglarized the home, but he had also physically assaulted an adult and a juvenile after the burglary and then grabbed an axe and chased the victims in the yard. The victims advised that the suspect had retreated into his residence next door and there was an infant inside the home. Officer York attempted to make contact with the suspect at the front door, but the victims stated he may have exited out the back. As Officer York made his way toward the back, the suspect opened the front door. The suspect refused to exit the residence and Officer York still believed the suspect was armed at this point while home alone with an infant. Fearing the infant was in imminent danger, Officer York forced the door open when the suspect tried to shut it. The suspect attempted to strike Officer York with his fist, but Officer York was able to counter the strike with a defensive kick to the suspect’s torso. Officer York then took the suspect into custody with the assistance of backup officers who arrived shortly thereafter. Officer York demonstrated sound judgment, bravery, protection of life and the furtherance of justice by placing the innocent infant’s safety above his own.

Life Saving Award

This award is presented to department personnel who personally save a life, normally involving one of the learned life supporting processes outside of routine measures.

Corporal Jason Trusler
On May 9, 2017, (then) Officer Jason Trusler was on his way home after completing his tour of duty when he came upon a traffic crash at 2935 W. Chestnut Expressway. The crash involved a passenger car and motorcycle. Officer Trusler quickly assessed the male’s condition and realized that the injury was life threatening. As other motorists stopped to assist, Officer Trusler advised that he was going to get a tourniquet to stop the bleeding, and another motorist offered his wide leather belt that he was wearing. This was applied to the injured motorcyclist’s leg which slowed the bleeding until EMS arrived. The motorcyclist’s attending physician advised that Officer Trusler’s action of placing a tourniquet likely saved the victim’s life and significantly improved his chances for an improved outcome.

Officer Jacob Boomgaard and Officer Christopher Laughlin
On Oct. 1, 2017, Officer Jacob Boomgaard and Officer Christopher Laughlin both attended a Cheroakie Neighborhood Watch annual block party. While speaking with attendees, Ms. Phyllis Gilliland grabbed Officer Boomgaard’s arm and made hand signals implying that she was choking. Officer Boomgaard immediately administered 3–4 applications of the Heimlich maneuver in reference to an unresponsive person. Officer Wright arrived quickly and determined the subject had no pulse and was not breathing. Officer Wright immediately began administering first aid to the subject and continued until the subject regained a pulse and began breathing on their own. EMS arrived shortly thereafter. An EMS supervisor stated, “By performing CPR, Officer Wright without a doubt contributed to the positive outcome of the patient.”

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Members of the Henderson unit of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Springfield enjoyed a surprise visit from the Springfield Police Department’s ice cream truck April 9. It was the Cold Patrol’s first trip out delivering treats.

SPD officers will use the Cold Patrol to connect and engage with citizens, especially children, as part of the department’s community policing philosophy.
Black Loves Blue, Second Annual Sip & Salute May 17

The second annual Black Loves Blue event will be held on Thursday, May 17 from 4 - 9 p.m. hosted by Hogan Land Title Company and Black Sheep Burgers and Shakes in Chesterfield Village.

The event is a fundraiser specifically for the Springfield Police Foundation. Support of this event will provide immediate funding for the Springfield Police Foundation to support the Springfield Police Department in the areas of equipment, training and education.

There will be K9 officers to do a demonstration as well as the “drug bust” Corvette at the event for photo opportunities with an officer! The cost is $10 per person ($2 beer/wine, $3 mixed drink, $4 sliders)

Give 5 class 2 graduates

Twenty-five retirees graduated from the second Give 5 class at MSU’s Kentwood Hall on April 5.

Give 5 is a newly created social program that matches innovative volunteer opportunities with retired (or almost retired) baby boomers. Each class meets 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., once a week for five weeks, visiting nearly two dozen nonprofits over the course of the program. Participants can expect to have fun, make new friends and learn about volunteer opportunities that match their talents, passions and personality. Class 3 starts in July.

Missouri celebrates Local Government Week April 8-14

“Local government is closest to the people,” said Dan Ross, executive director of the Missouri Municipal League. “It makes what you love most about your community happen, such as your schools, parks or local downtown. Local government also ensures your quality of life through services you may not think about, like clean tap water or repaired streets.”

The week is sponsored by the following local government organizations:

- Municipal League of Metro St. Louis, www.stlmuni.org
- Mid-America Regional Council, www.marc.org

“I believe the City of Springfield is one of the best-run municipalities in the nation. Day after day, City of Springfield staff continues to offer high-quality services in a manner citizens deserve and expect. Your continued dedication and expertise is often unseen, but crucial to keeping our city running smoothly each day,” says Mayor Ken McClure. “Thank you for your service.”
SGF Yields offers driver/pedestrian safety guide

An average of 70 pedestrians are struck each year on Springfield streets. Driver and pedestrian safety is of great importance to the City. Through the SGF Yields pedestrian safety program, we are hoping to share some safety information that may help keep you and your family safe.

The goal of SGF Yields is to initiate a cultural change in Springfield toward being more pedestrian friendly and responsible.

New Mr. Walker statue goes up

The new Mr. Walker statue went up the week of April 20 at the brand new crosswalk with protected median refuge on Pythian Street near Lake Country Soccer and the Cooper Sports Complex. Remember to always watch for walkers.

Springiving Drive for the Northwest Project a success

The 2016 CAmP Class would like to thank everyone who donated to the Springiving Drive held in April. We were able to deliver over 600 items to their food pantry as well as much needed toiletries and gift cards for their clients. We appreciate the generosity of our City employees who continuously give to our community! Thank you!
City and Greene County celebrate 9-1-1 during National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

April 8-14 is set aside in Springfield and across the nation as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week to recognize the outstanding service of 9-1-1 dispatchers. Springfield-Greene County 9-1-1 Emergency Communications honored 9-1-1 employees with several activities, including the official proclamation, signed by Mayor Ken McClure and City Manager Greg Burris, as well as Greene County Administrator Chris Coulter and the Greene County commissioners.

“Our 9-1-1 personnel answer 700 to 800 calls every day. Those folks in our community who need help rely on us to be the ‘first’ first responders that they hear on the other end of the line,” says Director Zim Schwartze. “We receive thousands of calls in our county each year with a wide range of emergency situations. Springfield and Greene County are very fortunate to have such highly trained and committed staff in our operations center, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. I’m honored to be a part of the 9-1-1 department and to work with such dedicated folks.”

About Springfield-Greene County 9-1-1 Emergency Communications
Springfield-Greene County 9-1-1 Emergency Communications received nearly 264,000 9-1-1 emergency calls in 2017 with nearly 82 percent of calls from a wireless device. These numbers continue to increase each year.

The “text-to-9-1-1” capability was formally implemented in February for situations when people are unable to communicate audibly via telephone.

Springfield-Greene County 9-1-1 Emergency Communications proudly dispatches for 13 fire agencies and are honored to serve nine law enforcement agencies.

Springfield-Greene County 9-1-1 receives the initial 9-1-1 calls for medical assistance that is transferred to CoxHealth or Mercy Emergency Medical Services (EMS) for dispatch.

“We are so fortunate to have excellent working relationships with our area emergency medical dispatch teams,” says Schwartz.
More than ever, we are using social media to bring information to you. Make sure you are connected to catch news, photos, job opportunities and more.

**SOUTHWEST MISSOURI SENIOR GAMES**

**May 30-June 2, 2018**

Olympic-style events for athletes age 50 years & up

- 8-Ball • Archery • Baggo
- Basketball skill events • Bocce
- Bowling • Electronic Darts • Golf
- Horseshoes • Pickleball • Swimming
- Table Tennis • Track and Field • Washers

**Register by May 15**

at Northview Center

301 E. Talmage St., Springfield, MO 65803

417-837-5808 • ParkBoard.org/SeniorGames

$10/Athlete

(some events have additional facility fee)

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**Set up your ReACT password recovery account and get entered to win a SAFE umbrella!**

Any City of Springfield employee who has set up their ReACT password recovery account by 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 31, will be entered in a drawing to win one of 12 SAFE umbrellas that will be awarded as prizes. Setting up your account is easy. Go to sharepoint.springfieldmo.gov and click on the link titled “ReACT Network Account Password Unlock/Reset.” On the next page click on the “Go to Setup Tool” button and follow the instructions. Call the Help Desk at 864-1111 if you need assistance. If your ReACT account is already set up then you are already entered to win! (Prize winners will be notified via e-mail and will be able to pick up their umbrella at the Help Desk located in the lower level of the Busch building).

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**2018 Summer Fest**

**June 8 6-9 p.m.**

Farmers Park

Enjoy food, drinks, music by Izabel Crane, a VW photobooth bus to capture your totally stellar memories, and the Ozark Mountain Flower Truck will be joining us to fulfill all your flower child dreams!

**Tickets**

May 1 to June 7: $35

(June 8: $45)

Presented by

The Network & City of Springfield

thenetworkspringfield.com
Springfield Art Museum, 1111 E. Brookside Dr., sgfmuseum.org

Missouri State University MFA Showcase: May 4–20
This special exhibition, in collaboration with Missouri State University, features work produced by graduate students pursuing their Masters in Fine Arts.

Grupo Latinoamericano presents Cinco de Mayo Fiesta: May 5: 5-9 p.m.
An event showcasing the diverse and lively culture of Mexico. Cheerful Mexican music, folkloric dances, Mexican arts and crafts, authentic Mexican food and family fun. Free and open to the public.

This exhibition traces the prolific career of artist, illustrator, author, poet and inventor Rose O’Neill. This exhibit will feature 150 works from a number of public and private collections including the Springfield Art Museum, the Huntington Library and Art Museum, the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Bonniebrook Home and Museum, the National Portrait Gallery, and the Smithsonian American Art Museum, among others. The exhibit will include illustrations, rarely seen paintings, drawings, archival documents, personal effects, and smaller sculpture. A fully illustrated catalogue will bring new research to the topic, featuring several guest essays.

• Curator’s Talk with Sarah Buhr: May 10, 5:30 p.m.

FOSAM/Studio 55 Arttalk: Hing Wah Hatch: May 31: 6 p.m.
Free and open to the public. For reservations contact Sandra Letson at sandragraves@mchs.com or 417-869-7812

Watercolor USA 2018: June 2 - Aug. 26
Organized in 1962 by the Springfield Art Museum, this national, annual juried exhibition aims to attract the best in contemporary American watermedia and strives to exhibit work by artists who are pushing the boundaries of the medium. This is the 57th exhibition of “Watercolor USA.” This year’s exhibition was judged by Kelly Kane, former Editor-in-Chief of “Watercolor Artist” magazine. “Watercolor USA” awards approximately $20,000 in cash prizes and possible Museum purchase awards. Additional cash awards generously provided by the Watercolor USA Honor Society.

Tai Chi With Dee Ogilvy: Fridays, May 4, 11, 18, 25: 9-10 a.m.
Great for adults of any age and physical fitness level. Requires no special equipment. Relaxed, composed flowing movements that combine strength with gentleness. Beginners are welcome! Free and open to the public.

The PARK
SPRINGFIELD-GREENE COUNTY PARK BOARD

Native Plant Market: May 5, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Discover plants native to our region and strong performers for home landscapes. Meet with a variety of vendors and experts about native plants, which attract wildlife and encourage living lighter on the Earth. Located at the Springfield Botanical Gardens. Fee: Free admission, price varies per plant.

Mother’s Day at the Zoo: May 13, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. Free admission to Dickerson Park Zoo for moms.

Bike, Walk, and Wheel Week: May 14-18
Presented by Hy-Vee. Use Springfield’s active transportation options at least once this week to get around town. Where does your route take you? Any active trip counts: walk to lunch, bike to work, skate to school, carpool to a meeting, or any combination! Register yourself or your team at ozarkgreenways.org and compete for a prize. Ozark Greenways 861-2015

Endangered Species Day/Art Gone Wild at Dickerson Park Zoo: May 19, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m.
Educational animal presentations plus hands on art activities provided by Friends of the Zoo and Springfield Regional Arts Council. Fee: Cost of Zoo Admission

Outdoor Pools Open: May 26-Aug. 12, 1-6:30 p.m. (McGee-McGregor Wading Pool hours 9 a.m.-Noon and 1-4 p.m.)
Fassnight, Grant Beach, Silver Springs, Meador and Westport outdoor pools and McGee/McGregor Wading Pool all open Memorial Day weekend. Enjoy discount Splash & Sizzle admission daily after 5:30 p.m., and all day on holidays and special weekends (select locations.) Pool maintenance (closed) days are staggered throughout the week. Check parkboard.org/aquatics for schedule.
Summer schedule also includes Chesterfield and Doling indoor aquatics admission for outdoor pool prices, Mon.-Thurs. only. Fee: $2.50/ages 3-17 and seniors, $3/adults. All ages are $1/per person or free admission with canned food donation every day after 5:30 p.m., and during Splash & Sizzle events. (McGee-McGregor Wading Pool is free for kids 6 and under only, with adults)

Southwest Missouri Senior Games: May 30-June 2, times vary, call for details. For athletes age 50 years and up.
Events include track and field, bowling, golf, swimming, basketball skill events, table tennis, washers, bocce, archery, 8-ball and electronic darts. May serve as preparation for the 2018 Missouri State Senior Games. Pre-register by May 15 at parkboard.org/SeniorGames, events may have space to register day-of. Located at the Northview Center.

Dirt Day at Lafayette Park: June 2: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Get your hands dirty at the 4th Annual Dirt Day in historic Lafayette Park. The Woodland Heights Neighborhood presents this garden-themed event with activities and demonstrations from garden professionals and clubs, plant exchange, green living, interactive garden art, kids’ dinosaur dig and birdbhouse painting.

37th Annual Kids Fishing Fun Day: June 2: 8, 9:15, 10:30 or 11:45 a.m. at Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park.
(Rain Date: June 9)
A morning of learning and fishing for bluegill and catfish from the stocked pond. Participants must provide their own bait and pole. Kids may catch and keep up to three fish. After the catch, kids weigh their fish and learn how to clean them from the Mo. Dept. of Conservation. Space is limited. Preregister for one of four sessions by May 31 at ParkBoard.org. No event day registration.
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SPD’s Back the Blue cadet fundraiser kicks off

It’s time for the Springfield Police Department cadet “Back the Blue” T-shirt fundraiser. The proceeds benefit the Springfield Police Cadet Program. The shirt is navy blue with gold writing.

Orders are due by May 4. Please interoffice the order form and payment (cash or check) to:

Officer Kaylee Friend
Volunteer Coordinator; Training Unit
Springfield Police Department
kfriend@springfieldmo.gov
417-864-1351
Checks can be made out to “Police Cadets.”

2018 Special Olympics Missouri State Summer Games seeking volunteers

The 2018 Special Olympics Missouri State Summer Games are in Springfield on the MSU Campus again this year June 1-3. Volunteers are needed to assist with jobs such as scorekeeping, race timing, passing out lunches, and much more. You can sign up by visiting our link at somo.org/summergames and clicking on the volunteer tab. Please select only the jobs you are sure you can help with during the event. You will receive a confirmation email once you have registered. Don’t worry you will also get a reminder email a little closer to the event!

If you have any questions prior to the games, please contact Kami Delameter with Special Olympics Missouri at delameter@somo.org, Officer Mark Priebe with SPD at mpriebe@springfieldmo.gov or Director Zim Schwartzze with 9-1-1 at zschwartze@springfieldmo.gov.

We also have a video you can watch to learn a little more about what to expect during your volunteer experience. It can be viewed at youtube.com/watch?v=kx_JhDOO810

Come join us for some fun and helping our Missouri Special Olympics Athletes!
What are three words that describe the City of Springfield?
Connected, evolving and home.

What's something you've learned since working for the City?
There are a lot of friendly people working here in the City. We have more in common with each other than you think! It’s exciting to contribute and be a part of change-making conversations. Don’t be afraid to share your thoughts with your co-workers. Be brave!

Why do you do what you do?
I love people, wildlife and nature. All of these things have such a huge impact on each other and desperately need champions to work and protect the quality of life for all living things on earth. As a water quality technician, I have the passion and knowledge to protect our area streams so life can thrive.

What's the best part of your job?
Seeing people spend time and money protecting our streams and preserving trees.

What are you passionate about?
I’m passionate about connecting with people and creating a culture and environment in which we all feel healthy, peaceful and jovial. I’m passionate about people understanding we are all part of nature, and we aren’t exempt from nature’s causes and effects.

What do you admire about this organization?
The potential we have to create new possibilities.
National Art Publisher Selects Watercolor USA 2018

Watercolor USA 2018 will feature 82 works from 81 artists working in aqueous media, representing 31 states. Last year’s exhibition, featuring 85 works, was the largest in recent memory, meaning that recent jurors have committed to giving audiences what they want: watercolor—and more of it.

The 57th exhibition of Watercolor USA was juried by Kelly Kane, Editor-In-Chief of PleinAir Magazine and a leader in the art publishing world for more than 20 years, including a 13-year run as Editor-In-Chief of Watercolor Artist magazine. Kane’s selections are characterized by an abundance of traditional transparent watercolor and works featuring hyper, or photorealism; however, abstract works, portraiture, and even some unusual mounts are also included.

264 artists from 45 states entered 464 works for consideration. Kane had the enviable task of narrowing those entries down into a sampling of the very best in contemporary American watermedia. Unique among the many juried watercolor exhibitions across the country, Watercolor USA is exhibited in a museum setting and the Springfield Art Museum frequently acquires and continues to exhibit work from the show.

A number of cash prizes, merchandise, and possible purchase awards from both the Museum and the Watercolor USA Honor Society totaling approximately $20,000 will be announced prior to the opening reception on June 1 at 5:30 p.m.

Fans of the medium will recognize many of the featured artists including: Denny Bond, Z.L. Feng, Chris Krupinski, Lynne Railsback and John Salminen among many others.

Utilize Delve to search employee job responsibilities and skills

In June 2017, over 400 City staff participated in a customer service survey sponsored by the MyCity Committee. A large number of employees indicated that they could offer better customer service, both internally and externally, if they had more access to information about departments other than their own.

Enter Microsoft Delve, an app within Office 365 already available to City staff. Delve is used for searching job responsibilities and skills of City employees, somewhat like an internal LinkedIn. Use profile pages to discover who to speak with regarding specific City topics. Simply enter key words into the search (e.g. garage sale permits) and the staff member(s) who are responsible for those topics will be displayed. Each department has a designated Delve coordinator to help staff enter their responsibilities and skills into their Delve profile.
Applications for the CAmP Springfield Class of 2019 now being accepted

As we near the graduation of our 7th class, CAmP Springfield Class of 2018, we are once again excited to see that this class has had a great experience and learning opportunity - and on their way to becoming true “City Ambassadors”. So, we are now ready to search for the members of our 8th class CAmP Springfield Class of 2019.

What is CAmP Springfield?

It is an 11-month program that provides learning opportunities for 28 City employees so they see a birds-eye view of City government—a view few employees or citizens will ever get an opportunity to see. We work for the most functionally diverse organization in southwest Missouri. What other organization is responsible for an airport, zoo, art museum, and cemetery, in addition to all of the “typical” municipal functions?

Employees selected for the class will spend one day each month visiting various City departments. Through presentations, exercises, field trips and fun, the entire class gains a greater understanding of how the City works and how their work fits into the overall picture of managing Springfield and serving our citizens. The sessions introduce each individual in the class to areas of the City they may not get to see and learn about during their daily work routines. We believe as you learn more about our organization, your appreciation for what it does, how things happen and how you contribute, will grow. You will also gain a greater appreciation for the work of your fellow employees, and may even make a few friends along the way.

The program is voluntary, but you must (with supervisor approval) commit to the 11 program days, which are listed on the attached application (Sept. 2018 – July 2019). All days will begin no earlier than 8:00 a.m. and end no later than 5:00 p.m. If you are interested, we strongly encourage you to check your schedule to ensure you are available on the program dates.

Applications must be completed and submitted to Sharon Smith in the City Manager’s office by June 1. Applications can be emailed to ssmith@springfieldmo.gov, or through interoffice mail (Sharon Smith – City Manager’s Office). You will receive notification via email when your application has been received in this office. We have received some amazing reviews and comments of the program, so we encourage you to talk to those who have been a part of this experience!

Selections will be announced no later than June 15.

If you are interested in this great opportunity, please complete the application on the next page (or the one sent out via email that can be printed or completed electronically). You must be a full-time (FTE) City of Springfield employee to be considered. This is a competitive opportunity, so you are encouraged to represent yourself well within the application.

If you have further questions, please contact CAmP Coordinator, Sharon Smith (864-1006).
Name: ____________________________________________________________

Department: _______________________________________________________

Job Title: ___________________________ Telephone: ______________________

Years of Service at City of Springfield: __________

What are some of the things you would like to experience during the CAmP Class?

Why you?

Can you commit to attending the 11 program days as scheduled? □ Yes □ No

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I understand that participating in this Leadership Program requires a substantial time commitment and that, if selected, I will be expected to complete all the requirements and attend and participate in all program days.

Applicant Signature: __________________________________ Date: ______________

For completion by Supervisor

I support this employee’s application to the Ambassador Program and will arrange release time to allow participation if selected, as well as agree to the department charge of $200 per participant.

□ Yes □ No

Supervisor’s Signature: __________________________ Date: ______________

Print Name: __________________________
To submit ads, call 417-864-1003 or email TheScene@springfieldmo.gov.

PUPPY FOR SALE…5 months old, AKC registered, male, golden retriever puppy. All vaccinations and medications are current. Asking $600. I can text or email pictures upon request. Contact Doug Chadwell at (417)224-3684.

Looking to acquire rental property for little investment or perhaps a weekend getaway: I have a small (1000 sq ft) two bedroom, 1 bath house in Alton Missouri that would be perfect. It’s maintenance free on the outside with vinyl siding and a metal roof. It does need inside walls painted. All electric, central air, baseboard heat on a half basement and a partially fenced yard. New water heater installed in 2014. Stove, Refrigerator, Washer and dryer stay. Use it for a weekend getaway or rent it out. Not far from the 11 point river if you like to float. Asking $38,000 but will allow $1000 for inside painting. Sacrificing for $37,000. Call Mary 573-747-8705.

Epson Workforce 845 for sale; Print/scan across wireless and wired networks, plus fax capabilities. $50…. 417-864-1371, ask for Phil.

Vintage LXI Sears Series Speaker System (2 speakers), $15 for the pair. Model #564.93019570 Series. 32 1/4” H x 14” W x 12 1/2” D. Impedance 8ohm nominal. Woofer speaker 12” diameter, Mid-range speaker 4” diameter, Tweeter speaker 3” diameter. Contact Marcia at 417-379-8459

Sony STR-DH830 7.1-channel Home Theater Receiver. $100. 7 HD Inputs (5 HDMI, 2 Optical/Component), iPod/iPhone playback with included dock, Remote Control, 2 HDMI cables included. Contact Marcia at 417-379-8459


1988 Honda Goldwing, 1500cc with reverse, am, fm, cassette, three helmets and mic systems. A matching trailer comes with it. 106k miles. Runs great and looks great. $4,000 or best offer. For more info or pictures contact Richard at 417-818-3555.

Roll top desk for sale. Great condition - $500 (~$900 retail price). Can send photo on phone to call. 417-425-2294

Reduced! Black NuWave Oven Pro Plus with Extender Ring Kit. New in original box. Now asking $75. Contact Marcia at 417-379-8459.


2013 Flagstaff Classic Popup, sleeps 6 with 2 heated coil beds, AC, kitchenette with mini-fridge, indoor shower with bathroom, outdoor shower, slide out for extra room, LOTS of storage, custom LED party lights outside w/ remote. Electric lift for pop-up. Includes TONS of extras! Very Clean! Excellent condition! $11,500.00 OBO. Text or call 417-461-4392.

Farmhouse Picture Frames made of real wood. You choose your color! City Employee pricing: 8x10 ($25), 11x14 ($30), and 5x7 that holds up to 8 photos ($35). Have a size not listed? Let’s talk! For more info or pictures, call or text Chris at 417-894-2067.

Rodan + Fields is the No. 1 skincare product in US. The product is designed for every skin type: sensitive, acne-prone, sun damaged, and even those looking to reduce or prevent the appearance of wrinkles. Contact Amanda L. at 4179882075 or mimosaqun@gmail.com for more information if you are interested.

Steve’s Scuba: City of Springfield employees and friends receive $100 off Open Water Certification Class (regular price $450 per person, special price is $350 per person). Save 10% on continuing educational classes; try scuba for $25. For more information, call 417-882-7327 or email itsallgood@stevesscuba.com.

JR’S Handyman Service, 417-343-7772, Licensed & Insured. Services Offered: Tub Refinishing, Home Remodeling, Home Repairs. Also see us on Facebook@JR’s Handyman/Renewsurfacing. Interested in Mary Kay products or hosting a party? Contact Maria Sanchez at 417-848-5357 or e-mail at mkmariasanchez@gmail.com. Also, ask how to receive a free facial.

FOR SALE

SERVICES

WELCOME TO THE CITY

Back Row, L-R: Jody Bailey, ES; Becky Wicklund, IS
Second Row: Jessica Yeats, Health; Chris Hoeman, Law; Chris Petersen, Parks
Third Row: Zachary Martin, ES; Ime Usukumah, BDS
Bottom Row: Deborah Strong, Finance; Alexis Lurten, Health; Emma McKinnon, Parks

MILESTONES

Promotions

Cara Erwin
Health Program Coordinator
– Health

Sean Dronick
Kurtis Mitchell
Glen Tune
Traffic Controls Worker II
– Public Works

Retirements

Kevin Gipson
Director of Public Health & Welfare
– Health
– 24 years
To: Jesse Richerson, Drew Meyer, Xenia Padron, Stacey Watson and Crissy Postlethwait – 911 Telecommunicators

On April 8 we received a thank you call from a Willard citizen. She had recently called several times requesting a special watch in her area due to a recent death in her family. She wanted to thank everyone involved when she called in and said the 911 Telecommunicators “made a very difficult time much easier to handle” and appreciated everyone’s help.

To: Abbie Shouse, Amanda Davis and Alex Antonopoulos – 911 Telecommunicators

On April 14, Abbie Shouse and Amanda Davis were running the license on a suspect for a SPD Officer assigned to the south side dispatch area. The officer would key up and all they could hear was inaudible traffic on the radio. The dispatchers were concerned for the officer’s safety and spoke with the north side dispatcher, Alex Antonopoulos, who discovered they needed backup assistance as they were encountering a non-compliant suspect. The dispatchers immediately sent help as they realized the scene had changed quickly. SPD Officer DeLager sent a CAD message thanking the dispatchers for checking up on him as they had to deal with the suspect on scene. Great job!

To: Kelly Pearman – 911 Telecommunicator

On April 18, the Greene County Sheriff’s Office attempted a traffic stop and began pursuing a wanted person. The pursuit went from northwest Springfield east into the County when the suspect crashed the car and bailed out of the vehicle while running on foot brandishing a weapon at the deputies. The deputies ultimately had to shoot the suspect who died from his injuries. Major Corcoran with the Greene County Sheriff’s Office commended the dispatcher during this serious incident and said she did a ‘fantastic job’. He had also received several positive comments from the deputies involved and those reviewing the incident. Excellent job to Kelly Pearman for handling a very intense situation.

To: Joel Holdman – 911 Telecommunicator

On April 19 a Crimestoppers bulletin was received by the Springfield-Greene County 911 center in reference to threats made against law enforcement. 911 Telecommunicator Joel Holdman began contacting law enforcement agencies, including the Republic Police Department (RPD), to confirm they had received the information as well. Sgt Brian Sells with RPD emailed a thank you to the 911 department and Joel for ensuring that they had received the bulletin referencing officer safety. He really appreciated us thinking of them.

To: Officer Nathan Fetters

On April 25 an officer in car #1729 got out at the busy intersection of Chestnut and Glenstone and pushed a broken down car through the intersection to a nearby parking lot by himself in the pouring rain. Thank you! Everyone at that intersection saw how you put others needs above your comfort. We see you and appreciate you!

Employees helping employees.
City employees are often the first to step forward to help their fellow co-workers in times of crisis. The Employee Crisis Fund provides an avenue for employees to give to other employees in need, and for those in need to seek assistance.

HOW TO GIVE
Donate Directly: Donations may be sent to the Finance Department, Attn: Nikki Crisp. The Finance Department is located in the lower level of the Busch Municipal Building, 840 Boonville. Make checks payable to: City of Springfield Employee Crisis Fund. Donations are not tax deductible.

Payroll Deductions: A voluntary donation can be set up directly from your paycheck. Visit the Employee Crisis Fund tab on CityShare to complete the payroll deduction form.

APPLY
An eligible employee or his/her designee must complete an Employee Crisis Fund Program Application and submit it to the Crisis Fund Administrator.

For more information or to obtain an application, email: employeecrisis@springfieldmo.gov