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Hello Neighbors!

Welcome to March! At the time of writing we have been experiencing some record breaking cold weather. The snow from over two weeks ago is still very much on the grass and is piled high on many street corners. Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow on Feb. 2nd indicating six more weeks of winter. Seems to make sense but I hope the old saying holds true, March comes in like a lion and out like a lamb.

I am looking forward to March. Springfield's most anticipated event if the year, the St. Patrick's Day parade, is upon us. New sports seasons are starting with opportunities to succeed. The early flowers will start to bloom. And there are many days of celebration or recognition to be aware of. See our calendar of events for a short list.

This issue highlights the life of Thomas O'leary, Jr. before he takes center stage as the grand marshal of our St. Patrick's Day parade. His dedication to his family, his country, and our community would make anyone proud. Be sure to cheer him and other participants on as they roll through the streets of Springfield.

We have some amazing stories of local athletes setting records and raising the bar. We highlight local charities working hard for their causes, especially the hundreds of students involved in Steve Stefani Mini Thon.

I hope you enjoy learning more about our community, but don't forget the local businesses that helped bring this to you every month. Their sponsorship is vital and your appreciation welcomed. So eat local, shop local, and support local.

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OH, HAIL NO!

WHAT TO DO AFTER A HAILSTORM



By Tom Foran,
Cellucci Foran Insurance

A hailstorm just blew through your neighborhood, potentially leaving your roof and windows in its wake. Dealing with the aftermath of a storm can be stressful, but knowing the right steps to take can make the recovery process much smoother.

INITIAL STEPS AFTER THE STORM

When the storm has passed and it is officially safe to go outside, you should immediately inspect your property for any damage to your car or home. I recommend contacting your insurance agent right away if you suspect hail damage has occurred.

As your agent, I know the “ins and outs” of your specific policy and can help you determine whether you should file a claim to cover the cost of repairs. To help your agent and the insurance adjuster, be sure to:

- **Record the date and timeframe** of the storm.
- **Take photos** of the damage to support your claim.

IDENTIFYING COMMON SIGNS OF HAIL DAMAGE

Hail damage often appears in common areas like the roof, siding, windows, outdoor furniture, and vehicles.

DAMAGE TO YOUR VEHICLE

- Chipped or cracked windshields.
- Dents on the roof or other body panels.
- Minor dings or paint scratches.

DAMAGE TO YOUR HOME

- Dents in gutters or outside vents.
- Chipped or cracked windows or skylights.
- Damage appearing prominently on one side of the roof.
- “Bruises” or dark spots on shingles in a random pattern.

While some damage is easy to spot, it can be difficult to tell the difference between hail impact, installation errors, or manufacturing defects. A trained insurance adjuster, such as those at Erie Insurance, is skilled at diagnosing these problems and distinguishing hail damage from regular wear and tear.

HIRING A RELIABLE CONTRACTOR

As you begin searching for a contractor to handle repairs, keep these tips in mind to avoid common scams:

- **Get multiple estimates:** Don't rely on a single quote. Research and get estimates from three to four different contractors to ensure

you are getting fair pricing and quality work.

- **Verify credentials:** Always ask to see their license and proof of insurance. Ensure both are authentic and up to date.
- **Check references:** Ask if they have worked on similar projects and if their previous customers speak highly of them.
- **Watch for Storm Chasers:** Beware of fraudulent roofing contractors who emerge after a storm. These “storm chasers” may pressure you into a quick decision or make offers that seem too good to be true.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR COVERAGE

Hail damage can cost hundreds or even thousands of dollars, depending on the severity of the storm. Generally, most homeowners’ policies cover damage from hail and wind. However, because coverage can vary, it is vital to check the specifics of your policy with your agent.

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OLIVER MARKS 55 YEARS WITH 27TH ANNUAL "HEAT FOR THE HOLIDAYS"

By Terrence Casey

While the winter chill settled over the Delaware Valley, six local families found much-needed relief through the 27th annual "Heat for the Holidays" program.

Run by Morton-based Oliver Heating & Cooling, the initiative identifies neighbors who are without heat or lack the financial means to replace unsafe, failing systems. This year, employees and volunteers continued the company's long-standing tradition by donating and installing brand-new heating systems at no cost to the recipients. These six new installations bring the program's total to more than 150 systems provided to families across the Delaware Valley since the project first launched in 1998.

This season's giveaway holds special significance as the company celebrates 55 years of service. Founded in 1971 by Joe Oliver, the business was born from a leap of faith after he was laid off as an engineer at the end of the Vietnam War. Despite having no prior industry

experience, Joe launched the business following a church prayer meeting, choosing the white dove for the company logo to symbolize the faith and integrity that guided its beginnings.

Today, that spirit of perseverance continues under second-generation owner David Oliver. "It's humbling to hear the stories of the families nominated each year," says Oliver. "Being a family-owned business for 55 years means every home we serve and every family we help is part of our extended Oliver family. Heat for the Holidays is our way of saying that they're not alone. Their community sees them, values them, and wants to help."

Beyond its charitable initiatives, Oliver has grown from a small HVAC shop into a full-service provider of heating, cooling, plumbing, electrical, and remodeling expertise. Their continued commitment to the community ensures that even during the coldest months, their neighbors can enjoy comfort, safety, and peace of mind.



Photos provided by Oliver Heating & Cooling

SWINGING TOWARD BRIGHTER TOMORROWS: THE 24TH ANNUAL STEVE STEFANI DANCE MARATHON

By Terrence Casey

Springfield High School students are officially counting down to the 24th annual Steve Stefani Dance Marathon (SSDM), set to take place on March 7. This year's event carries the inspiring theme, "Swinging toward brighter tomorrows on vines of hope." Organizers have set an ambitious goal to engage over 500 participants and surpass last year's impressive fundraising total of \$118,300.

Named in honor of a beloved former Springfield High School teacher, SSDM is a cornerstone of the community's charitable efforts. As part of the national Mini-THON initiative, the marathon raises critical funds for the Four Diamonds foundation.

Four Diamonds is dedicated to conquering childhood cancer by providing superior care, comprehensive support, and innovative research, famously covering 100 percent of all medical expenses not addressed by insurance for eligible children.

The success of the marathon relies heavily on the unwavering generosity of Springfield and Morton families. Community support is vital to reaching this year's goals, and there is still time to get involved. Local residents interested in contributing to the fight against childhood cancer are encouraged to support the student-led effort as they swing toward a brighter, cancer-free future.



The leadership team of the 24th annual Steve Stefani Dance Marathon.

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OVER \$15,000 RAISED FOR MASTECTOMY RECOVERY

By Terrence Casey

Despite sub-freezing temperatures, nearly 200 supporters gathered in early February at Cedar Creek Catering for a bingo fundraiser to benefit women recovering from mastectomy surgery. The high-energy evening, which featured dancing and prizes, was an "unforgettable" success, raising approximately \$15,000 for the cause.

Katelynn Deviney expressed endless gratitude for the turnout, their many local sponsors, and the overwhelming positive response paving the way for future community fundraisers. The momentum continues this spring with a volunteer event scheduled for Saturday, March 21, at the Church of the Holy Apostles in Wynnewood. For more, visit pocketsofhope.com.

NICE DOGS FINISH LAST

By Marcus VanGorden, Holistic K9 Solutions

Some of the most important lessons I've learned as a dog trainer didn't come from certifications or seminars—they came from clients. One of the most common misconceptions I encounter is that training is only necessary for "bad dogs." Dogs who bite, lunge, or cause obvious problems get attention. Dogs who are simply "nice" are often left to figure things out on their own. In reality, nothing could be further from the truth.

Years ago, I worked with a family who had adopted a rescue dog named Oliver. He came with a handwritten letter from his previous owners, who had fallen on hard times during the COVID pandemic and lost their housing. They loved him deeply, but circumstances forced a heartbreaking decision. By the time I met Oliver, most people — including his new owners — described him as a mean dog. He had bitten another trainer, was labeled "unworkable," and during our evaluation, he failed my temperament test by biting me and damaging my Kevlar gloves. Training wasn't optional for Oliver; it was his last chance.

Dogs don't communicate through words. They rely on body language, pressure, timing, and consistency. When those signals are unclear or inconsistent, dogs are forced to make decisions on their own — often in ways humans don't like or understand. Oliver wasn't choosing to be aggressive; he was responding to a world that felt unpredictable and unsafe.

Through structured training, clear boundaries, and consistent communication, Oliver made one of the most remarkable turnarounds I've seen. The dog who once frightened people became a very good dog — calm, predictable, and trustworthy, with no visible behavior issues. His transformation didn't come from suppressing behavior, but from clear, two-way communication with his owners. He finally understood what was expected of him, and what he could rely on from his humans.

What made this case especially powerful was the family's realization about their other dog. Their older dog had always been a nice dog. He never bit. He never caused serious problems. Because of that, he was never trained. Watching Oliver thrive helped them see the truth: their nice dog had actually gotten the worse deal — less freedom, more limitations, and less understanding of the world around him.

A nice dog relies on tolerance and luck. A good dog relies on communication and a working relationship with his humans. One of my favorite parts of having worked with over 3,000 families is that I'm still learning from them. Dogs like Oliver remind me that training isn't about fixing bad dogs. It's about giving all dogs — regardless of temperament — the clarity they need to thrive.

Train your nice dog. Because "nice dogs finish last" doesn't have to be true, and it's usually easier to start before problems appear.

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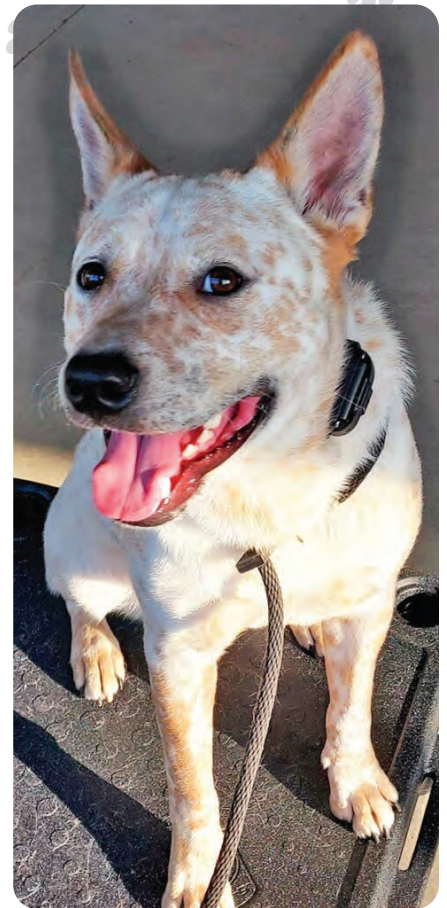


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ADDING COLOR TO A SNOW-COVERED TOWN

By Terrence Casey

Photos by Jess Badolato

When freezing temperatures hit the Delaware Valley this winter, many residents retreated indoors. But at the corner of Summit and North Hillcrest Roads, Jess Badolato and her neighbors saw an opportunity for a colorful community project. What started as a creative challenge between two families soon transformed into a vibrant "rainbow igloo" that has been stopping traffic and spreading smiles throughout the neighborhood.

The project was a joint venture between the Badolatos and their neighbors across the street, the Arimotos. While the parents spearheaded the construction, the heart of the project was for the kids: Cammie and Chase Badolato along with Josephine and Emmaline Arimoto. "We obviously did this for the kids," Jess Badolato said. "They all love to play outside in the snow, and we thought it would be a fun activity to all do together."

The process was a study in patience and sub-freezing consistency. Using aluminum foil pans, the families froze hundreds of individual ice bricks tinted with food coloring, letting them set for 12 to 24 hours at a time. In total, the team dedicated about eight hours of labor over the course of a week to stack and secure the colorful blocks.

As the structure grew, so did the neighborhood's interest. Neighbors frequently offered waves, encouragement, and positive feedback as they watched the rainbow walls take shape. (It even generated news coverage from CBS news.) To add to the magic, the families even installed string lights to illuminate the igloo from within at night. The glowing display has become a local sensation, with neighbors often stopping to admire the colors or even asking to take family photos inside the icy masterpiece.



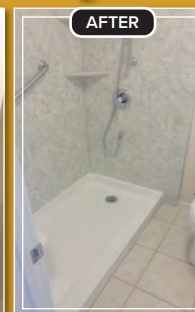
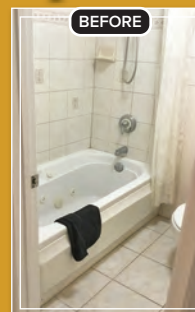
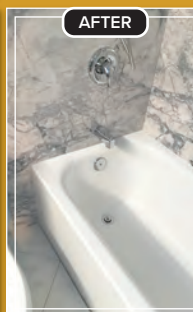
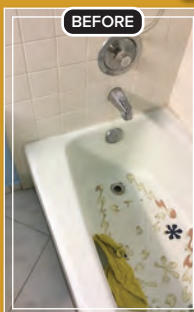
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TRUEDE AND DAMIA LEAD VOLLEYBALL RESURGENCE

By Terrence Casey

Photos by Whitney Dougherty

At Springfield Neighbors, we take pride in celebrating the hard work and achievements of our local student-athletes. Whether they are representing the Cougars or are Springfield residents competing for other area schools, we want to share their stories!

We encourage parents, coaches, and student-athletes to reach out with stats, stories, and high-resolution photos to terrencecasey@bestversionmedia.com.

For the Springfield High School volleyball program, the 2025-2026 season wasn't just about winning, it was about rewriting history. For the first time in six years, the Cougars surged into the playoffs with a commanding 13-7 record, punctuated by a historic, first-ever program win against Cardinal O'Hara.

At the heart of this turnaround were two three-year starters: #4 Casey Truede and #1 Natalie Damia. While the team celebrated collective success, both athletes reached individual milestones that will stand in the SHS

trophy case for years to come. On senior night, Damia surpassed the program record for career digs, crossing the 500-mark. Not to be outdone, Truede shattered the program's kill record, also surpassing her 500th career kill this season.

However, Head Coach Amber Dath notes that their legacy goes beyond the stat sheet. "Although their standout performances helped the Lady Cougars to their successes this season, it was their leadership that changed the program," Dath said.

Truede and Damia fostered an atmosphere of resilience and selflessness, she said. Whether it was "saying the hard things" in mid-game huddles or leading locker room celebrations where every player's contribution was recognized, the duo prioritized the team's culture above individual accolades.

"Watching the development of Casey and Natalie – not only as players, but as individuals – has been something each coach can only hope for," she said.



MIA GUTOWSKI NAMED CENTRAL LEAGUE MVP

By Terrence Casey

Photo by Whitney Dougherty



Following a dominant 2025 season on the soccer pitch, Springfield High School's Mia Gutowski has cemented her place as one of the most decorated student-athletes in the region, earning the titles of 2025 Central League MVP and 2025 All-State.

The accolades don't stop there; she was a two-time 1st Team All-Central and 1st Team All-Delco selection. According to SHS Head Coach Pat Lacey, her success is fueled by a unique competitive switch.

"Mia is a tremendously gifted soccer player who can take over a game in a split second," Lacey said. "She is a

fierce competitor who is a completely different person on the field."

Despite the statewide recognition and high-pressure game moments, those close to the program know Mia as a humble leader who shuns the spotlight. Coach Lacey notes that while her skill is undeniable, her personality is what truly anchors the team.

"She is never looking for the spotlight or attention; she would much rather blend in and just be one of the girls," Lacey shared. "She is an excellent representative of a Springfield High School student-athlete."

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THE HEART OF THE PARADE

Meet Grand Marshal Thomas J. O'Leary, Jr.

By Terrence Casey | Photos submitted by the O'Leary family

When the bagpipes sound and the green line marches down West Springfield Road this March, Thomas J. O'Leary, Jr. will be at the front of the procession. A longtime resident and business owner, O'Leary was named the Grand Marshal of the 2026 Springfield Township St. Patrick's Day Parade.

When first asked to lead the line, O'Leary said his reaction was one of genuine "shock." His journey in Springfield has lasted nearly his entire life, beginning when his family moved to Delaware County when he was two years old. Today, he remains a fixture of the community, both as a retired veteran and a father whose children now help run the family business.

A STUDY IN CONTRAST

To understand O'Leary is to understand the building he calls home. The O'Leary Funeral Home on Springfield Road is a study in purposeful contrast. The downstairs, open to the public, is lit with low, warm tones and classic decor. The carpets are meticulously maintained—a fitting environment for a man who said he prides himself on the smallest details in life and after death.

However, follow the stairs to the top floor and the atmosphere shifts. This is where O'Leary lives, in a space his daughter Peggy described as the childhood home for all six O'Leary siblings. Unlike the somber quiet of the showrooms below, the living quarters are bright, modern, and filled with old family photos. During a recent visit, O'Leary sat in this bright space, adjusting the buttons on his sport coat with the same precision he has applied to his work for over four decades.

A 24/7 COMMITMENT

While the community knows O'Leary for his steady presence at the funeral home, his daughter, Katie O'Leary, recalled that this level of service required significant family sacrifice. According to Katie, her parents were a young couple determined to grow their business while remaining active in church and community

volunteering. However, she noted that those activities often took a back seat when a call came in that a neighbor had passed away.

"His 24/7 devotion to the community and business was the 'normal' in our household," Katie O'Leary said. She recalled many middle-of-the-night calls where her father would leave to assist a family in their home. She even remembered Christmas mornings where the six children waited to go to the attic to open presents because their father was out working. "There is no real schedule in his line of work," she said, noting that both her mother and father understood and honored this commitment throughout their entire life together.

ROOTS IN SERVICE AND EDUCATION

O'Leary attended Holy Cross, Monsignor Bonner, and Saint Joseph's University. He remains a supporter of the local parochial school system. "Carol and I went to Catholic school, and my parents were devoted to volunteering for the church," O'Leary said. "We wanted the same for our children." He noted that his late wife, Carol, also appreciated that the children wore uniforms.

Before establishing his business in the township, O'Leary served as a Navy corpsman during the Vietnam War. He said that caring for the suffering in a high-pressure environment taught him the meaning of compassion. "I learned it's more important to listen to people in their time of need," O'Leary said. "When you are trying to help suffering people, it humbles you and makes you learn patience."

A PROFESSIONAL CALLING

O'Leary's path to Springfield was paved by years of dedication to his craft. He recalled the days of attending embalming school in New York, making the daily commute to hone a skill set that requires technical ability and emotional intelligence. For 31 years, he assisted at a funeral home in Ardmore, eventually taking a step back as the owners' sons grew into the business.

In 1976, he opened O'Leary Funeral Home, Ltd. in Springfield. His philosophy on the work is intimate and personal. When discussing the preparation of the deceased, O'Leary noted a preference for minimalism to maintain authenticity. "I don't like to use makeup," O'Leary said. "But if I do, I like to use theirs." This focus on the individual has allowed him to develop deep ties within the community. "When we built O'Leary Funeral Home, we were honored to help people in their time of need," he said. "It developed relationships and lasting friendships."



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

O'Leary's history of volunteerism includes serving as Treasurer for the Primos/Secane Fire Company, the Knights of Columbus, and the Kiwanis Club. He recalled one specific instance during his time with the fire company that stood out.

"When Laura Bush visited our firehouse, I got a beep for work," O'Leary said. Despite having been heavily involved in fundraising for the construction of the new garage, the Secret Service would not allow him back into the building once he had left to attend to his professional duties.

Behind his community efforts was a 50-year partnership with his wife, Carol. They raised six children while volunteering for various local organizations. "We enjoyed volunteering together," O'Leary said. Today, that family legacy continues as his son, Tommy O'Leary III, and his daughters run the company, keeping the business moving with the same meticulous care their father established.

LEADING THE PARADE

While O'Leary said he has spent most of his Saturdays over the last few decades working, he always met up with friends and family after the parade concluded. This year, he will lead the route. When he marches down Saxer Avenue on March 14, O'Leary said he will be thinking about the honor of being chosen and the fact that it is his daughter Colleen's birthday.

The parade kicks off at noon on March 14, moving from West Springfield Road to the reviewing stand at Old Central School. When asked what advice he would give to young people looking to get involved in the township, O'Leary encouraged them to look to their immediate surroundings. "Get to know your neighbors and see what's needed," he said. "Do what you enjoy."

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

When & Where

- **Date:** Saturday, March 14 (Rain Date: March 21)
- **Time:** Kick-off is at noon.
- **Route:** The march begins at West Springfield Road and South Britton Road, traveling toward the finish at Saxer Avenue and Powell Road.
- **Viewing:** The main reviewing stand is located in front of Old Central School.



Photo by Kelly Sciblo

Marching & Participation

- **Registration:** Open now through March 7.
- **Safety First:** For the safety of children, throwing candy from moving vehicles is strictly prohibited. Participants on foot may hand-deliver items at the curbside.
- **Vehicle Speed:** All parade vehicles must display an insurance card on the dashboard and maintain a speed of 5 mph.
- **Staging:** No alcohol is permitted in the staging areas or on the route.

Stay Updated For the full list of guidelines, registration forms, and inclement weather updates (including KYW-1060 AM notices), visit the official website or social media:

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Compiled by Terrence Casey

Editor's Note: *Springfield Neighbors* always welcomes community news submissions. Share your school events, neighborhood updates, and standout moments by emailing terrencecasey@bestversionmedia.com.

CAN YOU IDENTIFY THIS LITTLE LIBRARY?



Photo by Terrence Casey

Congratulations to Kelly Comly, who correctly identified the location of last month's Little Library, near Ashwood Road and Thomson Avenue. Now it's time for a new challenge!

Each month, *Springfield Neighbors* features a photo of a different Little Free Library hidden somewhere in our township. These charming book-sharing boxes are popping up in front yards, near parks, and along quiet streets, and we want you to find them!

Take a close look at this month's photo. Do you recognize the setting? If you think you know where this Little Library lives, email your guess to terrencecasey@bestversionmedia.com. The first correct response will win next month's Springfield Swag Bag (est. value \$20), packed with goodies from local shops and restaurants.

This contest is not sponsored by or endorsed by Best Version Media in any way.

NEW YMCA EARLY LEARNING CENTER SET TO OPEN AT DCCC




Rendering courtesy of Danielle Mirigliano

A new, state-of-the-art YMCA Early Learning Center is scheduled to open in June 2026 at Delaware County Community College. Located on the college's Southeast Campus in Drexel Hill, the facility is situated behind the Archbishop Prendergast building. The center will provide kindergarten and preschool programs, along with care for infants as young as six months. Families interested in securing a spot for their child can contact Early Childhood Director Christine Ortiz at 610-713-5245 or Assistant Director Myndi Tolbert at 610-259-8394.

SPRINGFIELD HOSPITAL SALE MOVES TO BACKUP BIDDER FOR \$1 MILLION

Springfield Hospital has a new prospective owner following the collapse of a previous \$3 million sale agreement. KQT Aikens Partners 2, the same local investment group that acquired Ridley Park's Taylor Hospital in September, has agreed to purchase the shuttered facility and its associated parking garage for \$1 million, according to *The Philadelphia Inquirer*.

The deal remains contingent on Springfield Township officials lifting a deed restriction that currently requires the site to provide 24/7 emergency services. Jeff Rudolph, president of the Springfield Township Board of Commissioners, stated that while the township plays no role in the sale process, officials look forward to discussing the proposed future use of the site with the new owners to return the property to a productive state. This sale is part of the ongoing bankruptcy proceedings for Prospect Medical Holdings, which closed the hospital in early 2022.



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SFA STUDENT COUNCIL LAUNCHES BRICK FUNDRAISER

The St. Francis of Assisi (SFA) Student Council has officially launched the "Rebuilding SFA Brick by Brick" fundraiser to support the



reconstruction of the school's primary building. Led by Student Council President JR Hannigan, the initiative invites families, alumni, and community members to purchase custom-engraved bricks that will be permanently installed on the renewed campus.

Each grey 4"x8" brick can be personalized with text or unique clip art to honor family names, celebrate milestones like First Holy Communion, or commemorate graduation. Pricing is set at \$175 for bricks with text and \$200 for those including clip art. All proceeds from the project go directly toward the rebuilding efforts.

"Each brick tells a story," noted Hannigan in a letter to the community. "Together, we are truly rebuilding SFA brick by brick." Interested donors can place orders online at polarengraving.com/sfaparish or by submitting a completed brochure form with payment to the Rectory Office. For additional information, the community can contact brickbybrick@sfaschool.com.

DELCO BEGINS SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

The celebration of America's 250th anniversary is officially underway in Delaware County following a "We the People" kickoff party at Valley Forge Military College in Wayne.



Courtesy of America250PADELco

The event served as a preview for over 100 programs and events scheduled throughout 2026, highlighting the county's pivotal role in the nation's founding.

Andrea Silva, director of the Delaware County America 250 Commission, emphasized that the multi-year celebration will rely on a collaborative effort between local businesses, non-profits, and residents to bring the county's history to life.

Delaware County Council Vice Chairman Christine Reuther noted that the Semiquincentennial is expected to be a major economic driver, drawing visitors from around the world to local shops, hotels, and restaurants. "Make no mistake, come 2026, all eyes are going to be on our region," Reuther said.

Residents and visitors can find a full schedule of upcoming events and community initiatives at america250padelco.org.

CUB SCOUT PACK 240 PACKS 400 BREAKFAST BAGS FOR MLK DAY OF SERVICE



Courtesy of Pack 240

Cub Scout Pack 240 turned the Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service into an opportunity to fight local food insecurity. In a high-energy service project session, the scouts successfully packed 400 breakfast bags destined for Trinity Church in Swarthmore.

The project was made possible in part by a grant from Thrivent Financial, which allowed the Pack to double its original contribution. The scouts and volunteers spent the holiday assembling the bags, which include essential morning nutrition for local families in need.



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CALENDAR

March 7

The Orchestra

Starring ELO and ELO Part II Former Members
Blue Skies Forever Tour
Time: 8 p.m.
@Lansdowne Theater
thelansdownetheater.com

March 9

Rosie the Riveter

Come meet and hear the story of Rosie the Riveter. Registration required.
Time 6:30 p.m.
@Springfield Library
delcolibraries.libcal.com

March 10

LGBTQ+ Book Club

Book: *Marsha: The Joy and Defiance of Marsha P. Johnson* by Tourmaline
Time: 6:30 p.m.
@Springfield Library
delcolibraries.libcal.com

March 12

Lyle Lovett & John Hiatt

Together on stage.
Time: 7:30 p.m.
@Lansdowne Theater
thelansdownetheater.com

March 13

Candlelight: 90s Unplugged

A candlelit string quartet tribute to iconic 1990s rock and alternative hits.
Time: 8:45 p.m.
@The Media Theatre
Details: feverup.com

March 13-21

Be More Chill

Jeremy is an average teenager until he finds out about "The Squip"
Run Time: 2.5 hours
@Players Club of Swarthmore
Details: pcstheater.org

March 15

Candlelight: Queen vs. ABBA

A candlelit showdown celebrating the greatest hits of two iconic pop powerhouses.
Time: 8:45 pm
@Media Theatre
Details: feverup.com

March 22

Candlelight: Best of Bridgerton on Strings

Your favorite melodies from Shondaland's hit series on Netflix.
Time: 8:45 p.m.
@The Media Theatre
Details: feverup.com

March 25

STEM Open House

Time: 6 p.m.
@Springfield Library
delcolibraries.libcal.com

March 25-April 5

Fun Home

A graphic novelist lives to tell the tale
NOTE: Recommended for mature audiences
@The Media Theatre
Details: mediatheatre.org

March 27

1964 The Tribute

Experience a Beatles' Concert the way it was performed over 60 years ago!
Time: 8 p.m.
@Lansdowne Theater
thelansdownetheater.com

March 27 - April 11

The Witch

This sharp, subversive fable debates how much our souls are worth when hope is hard to come by.
Run Time: 90 minutes
@Players Club of Swarthmore
Details: pcstheater.org

COMMUNITY NOTES

YMCA to Celebrate Women's History Month with HERstory Expo

The Springfield YMCA is inviting the community to join a special celebration for Women's History Month on Saturday, March 28. The free Women's HERstory Expo will run 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This event is designed to promote local women-owned small businesses. Attendees can explore various vendor tables featuring products and services related to women, providing a unique opportunity to shop locally while accessing valuable community resources.

Italian Festival Returns to Folsom

The Second Annual Folsom Italian Festival returns on Saturday, March 28, bringing a vibrant celebration of culture and cuisine to the Folsom Fire Company grounds. Running from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., the event features live music and a curated selection of food and drink from local favorites. Rain date scheduled for Sunday, March 29. The festival serves as a significant fundraiser for three local pillars: Don Guanella Divine Providence, the Italian Cultural Center of the Delaware Valley, and the Folsom Fire Company.

Harlem Wizards to Take On Springfield Teachers in March 6 Showdown

High-flying hoops and family-friendly fun are headed to town as the Harlem Wizards face off against Springfield teachers at 7 p.m. on March 6 in the Springfield High School blue gym.

More than a fundraiser, the annual Wizards vs. Teachers game delivers a full night of entertainment. Basketball fans can expect the Wizards' trademark mix of slick ball-handling, teamwork, alley oops and gravity defying slams. Even non-basketball lovers will find plenty to enjoy: the event blends comedy, theater, and crowd interaction, creating an atmosphere filled with oohs and aahs, laughter, and nonstop energy.

Tickets are available now at harlemwizards.com.

TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

@Springfield Country Club
springfielddelco.org

Thursday, March 5
Planning Commission
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Monday, March 9
Golf Advisory Board
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 10
Board of Commissioners
Time: 8 p.m.

Tuesday, March 17
Park Board
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 19
Library Board
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 24
Conservation Committee
Time: 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 26
Zoning Hearing Board
Time: 7:30 p.m.

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, March 8
International Women's Day

Saturday, March 14
Pi Day

Tuesday, March 17
St. Patrick's Day

Friday, March 20
International Day of Happiness

Friday, March 20
Spring Equinox

Saturday, March 21
World Down Syndrome Day

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838 Springhaven Rd	1,242	3	1/0	27	\$415,000	\$405,000	01/09/26
30 Wayne Ave	1,232	3	1/1	44	\$399,999	\$390,000	01/09/26
326 Powell Rd	1,386	X	X	61	\$300,000	\$235,000	01/09/26
945 Church Rd	1,798	4	2/0	15	\$515,000	\$510,000	01/15/26
509 Lawrence Dr	2,268	4	2/1	6	\$650,000	\$660,000	01/16/26
428 Wheatsheaf Rd	1,640	3	1/1	8	\$450,000	\$475,000	01/22/26
201 S Highland Rd	3,851	6	2/1	6	\$685,000	\$685,000	01/22/26
220 Sedgewood Rd	1,328	3	2	4	\$390,000	\$390,000	01/27/26
414 Stanfield Rd	1,844	3	1/1	38	\$530,000	\$530,000	01/29/26
650 E Leamy Ave	1,218	4	2/0	50	\$415,000	\$400,000	01/30/26

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