CHAMBER CHATTER



February 2021

*Sprit of Springfield/Business of the Year TBD

March/April/May- Spring Plant Giveaway

*Please share the Chamber Chatter Newsletter with your employees. The newsletter is also now available on the Chamber website at https://springfieldmnchamber.org/chamber-chatter/. It will also be posted on Facebook when the current newletter is available on the Chamber Website.

If there are additional email addresses you would like me to add to make sure our newsletter is getting to all who are interested, please let me know by emailing me at spfdchamber@newulmtel.net and I would be happy to add them to the email list.



Member Spotlight

Shayla Hoffmann & Shawna Hamlin Owners



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Materials Needed:

Welcome Packet materials are needed. Let's all let the new residents know about what our local businesses have to offer. Take advantage of this <u>free</u> advertisement.

Welcome Packet materials will be needed by March 1st. Please drop off materials at the Springfield Chamber Office located at the east end of Springfield Area Community Center. For questions, please contact the chamber office: spfdchamber@newulmtel.net or 507-723-3508

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114 O'Connell Ave N, Springfield - \$69,900
Located close to downtown, this 4 bedroom home is much more spacious than it looks from the outside! The main level features a large front entry, updated flooring throughout the living room, dining room, and kitchen, a built-in hutch in the dining room, an open kitchen with ample storage space and all appliances included, a remodeled 3/4 bath, and 2 bedrooms. Other updates include newer windows throughout, vinyl siding, and gas furnace. Detached single garage with new shingles in 2020.



405 Van Dusen St W, Springfield - \$68,000

This single story brick home has a large 4-season sunroom with skylights and a door leading out to the backyard, a spacious eat-in kitchen, hardwood floors throughout the living room and 2 bedrooms, and a remodeled main level bath with a walk-in shower. New furnace in 2014 and central A/C unit in 2015. Updated hot water heater and kitchen appliances (included). The backyard has a patio area and two single detached garages (the 12' x 24' garage was built in 2019).



114 E Sanborn St, Springfield - \$79,500

This well-cared for home has an eat-in kitchen, living room with French doors, separate dining room with patio door leading out to the deck, family room in the basement with egress windows and a room that could easily be converted into a 4th bedroom, updated full bathroom, and a large front entry with an open staircase. Other features include a beautiful front porch, new landscaping around the parameter of the home, and new trees in backyard. Storage shed is included.

Detached single garage.

Interest rates are LOW and there are many buyers on the hunt for a new home!

If you're thinking of selling, now is an ideal time! We offer virtual tours by request!

Give us a call -723-5233 - so we can visit about the next step!



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Tuesday-Friday 11am – 4 pm

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SHAKE OF THE WEEK THE HEARTBREAKER

Tuesday- SweeTart Teabomb
Wednesday- Carrot Cake Shake
Thursday- The Pink Drink
Friday- Fat Reducing Frosted Red
Velvet Cake Shake

Hours:
Monday-Friday 7:30am-1:30pm
Happy Hour
Tuesday and Thursday 3pm-6pm

Current Registries

ELIZABETH HAUTH & TOM JOHNSON
Shower TBD
Wedding June 5, 2021

DARCY HAUTH & DEREK ROELOFS
Shower April 17, 2021
Wedding June 19, 2021

SAMANTHA & COOPER SCHEFFLER Wedding Reception June 26; 2021



SPRINGFIELD AREA FOOD SHELF UPDATE

The food shelf has some exciting news to share with the community and surrounding area. We will be moving from the current location to the hospital site in the basement. Tim Schwanke's business is growing and there would come a time in the next year or so we would have needed to find a new location in Springfield. The location is perfect at the new site.

The board decided at this time to make the move as we needed to get telephone and computer services set up. We plan on moving, the first week in March. The food shelf phone number is 507-723-3663. There is also a computer program called "Pantry Saver" that we have decided to purchase for food shelves that will help us with required paper work that goes in to TFAP and Second Harvest.

Jan Schwanke, our food shelf manager and volunteer coordinator, has become very ill and will be unable to do her job for a period of time. Please keep Jan in your prayers and we hope she has a full recovery and can return to doing what she loves to do with the food shelf. Check out her caring bridge site for updates.

At this time, we do not want to cancel service days or truck delivery days as it is needed in the community and surrounding area.

Help will be needed for moving inventory. If you would like to offer to help move the refrigerators and freezers call me and I will put you in contact with the individual doing this. Helpers are needed to pack up product to move to new location. We will be putting some lists up in the local paper and on social media. We will be contacting the school, for kids that need service hours. Leave a message on the food shelf phone or contact Shari Koll at 507-227-0386. Workers must wear mask when volunteering.

Different board members/volunteers have picked up some of the duties that Jan did regularly. Temporary manager- Shari Koll; volunteer-schedule, Becky Pautzke; ordering /TFAP, Deb Rasset; computer records, Kelly Pierson.

Open House will be scheduled for the community and surrounding area once we are in and settled. Hopefully COVID is done or controlled.

To use the food shelf, please remember to call the new phone number (507-723-3663). Leave your name and number and we will return the call to let you know you are on the list for that day. For Tuesday night call in during the day from 8-4pm. For Thursday morning pick up call in on Wednesday during the day from 8-4pm We will call you back and take you around the food shelf and tell you what product we have for you. Groceries are delivered curbside.

SERVICE HOURS: Tuesday 5pm-7pm & Thursday 9:30am-11:30am

February 2021 Deli Menu Gringlielde MARKET

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Soup of The Day: Monday: Homemade Chicken Wild Rice	I Turkey Supreme, Street Tacos, Baked Potato Bar, Meatloaf Dinner, Cheesy Potatoes	2 Walking Tacos, Philly Sandwich, Turkey & Stuffing, Fish Sandwich	3 Asian Entrees, Chili Dogs, Fajitas, Salisbury Steak	Pasta Entrees, Roast Beef Dinner, Country Bowls, Grilled Ham & Cheese	5 Burger Day, Tater Tot Hotdish, Assorted Hot Sandwiches	6
7 Tuesday: Homemade Broccoli Cheddar	8 Street Tacos, Beef Tips & Gravy, Baked Potato Bar	9 Walking Tacos, Philly Sandwiches, French Dip Sandwiches	Asian Entrees, Country Fried Steak, BBQ Meatballs, Chicken Tender Melt	Pasta Entrees, Roast Beef Dinner, Country Bowls, Grilled Ham & Cheese	12 Burger Day, Swedish Meatballs, Chicken Stuffing Bake	13
14 Wednesday: Homemade Beef Stew	15 Turkey Supreme, Street Tacos, Baked Potato Bar, Meatloaf Dinner, Cheesy Potatoes	16 Walking Tacos, Philly Sandwich, Turkey & Stuffing, Fish Sandwich	17 Asian Entrees, Chili Dogs, Fajitas, Salisbury Steak Fish & Shrimp Dinners	18 Pasta Entrees, Roast Beef Dinner, Country Bowls, Grilled Ham & Cheese	Burger Day, Tater Tot Hotdish, Assorted Hot Sandwiches, Shrimp & Fish Dinners	20
21 Thursday: Homemade Chicken Noodle	22 Street Tacos, Beef Tips & Gravy, Baked Potato Bar	23 Walking Tacos, Philly Sandwiches, French Dip Sandwiches	24 Asian Entrees, Country Fried Steak, BBQ Meatballs, Chicken Tender Melt Fish & Shrimp	25 Pasta Entrees, Roast Beef Dinner, Country Bowls, Grilled Ham & Cheese	26 Burger Day, Swedish Meatballs, Chicken Stuffing Bake, Shrimp & Fish Dinners	27
28 Friday: Homemade Chili						Lent





St. Raphael Catholic School is holding a fundraiser with RADA Cutlery out of Waverly, Iowa.

RADA Cutlery is well known for high quality, 100% USA made kitchen products must haves, scrumptious food mixes, cookbooks, and more.





You shop online and your order will be delivered directly to you. To place an order, go to https://radafundraising.com and search for St. Raphael Catholic School, or you can type in Springfield, MN 56087 and choose our school. This is an ongoing fundraiser. You can order all year long and our school will get the profit.



If you have questions, please call the school at 723-4135. Thank you.



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Employee Occupational Health Services

Occupational Health and Wellness Services

Springfield Clinic, a part of New Ulm Medical Center, offers a broad scope of occupational and wellness services intended to meet the needs of employers, and their employees. These services can be packaged in any combination that an employer chooses. The objectives of these services include:

Assist employers in meeting the requirements of the Department of Transportation (DOT), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), and other regulatory requirements related to the health and safety of the employees.

Assist employees in achieving optimal health, with the following benefits for the employer:

- increased productivity
- reduced absenteeism
- · improved staff morale and engagement
- · reduced health care costs

For more information or to schedule Occupational Health & Wellness Services, contact:

507-217-5842 or email
NewUlmOccupationalHealth@allina.com

Occupational Health Services offered include:

- Staff trained and certified to conduct DOT physicals
- · DOT/Non-DOT urine drug screens
- Functional job analysis, an on-site assessment of the physical demands of job duties
- · Return to work exams
- Injury treatment and management, and physical abilities testing
- On-site education on various topics related to prevention and management of injuries

Worksite Wellness Services

Our team of experienced wellness specialists are ready to help you implement an employee wellness program at your worksite. We offer wellness committee consultations, injury prevention education, lunch-n-learn educational sessions, CPR/First Aid training, biometric health screenings and more.





FREE Tax Preparation

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MARCH 2021 APRIL 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Trained volunteer tax preparers will be in the lower level of the New Ulm Public library.

This service will be *by appointment only* by calling 507-276-3186.

Call for an appointment at 507-276-3186

This service provided by the New Ulm Public Library and the United Way of the Brown County Area.



New Ulm Public Library 17 North Broadway New Ulm, MN 56073 United Way of the Brown County Area



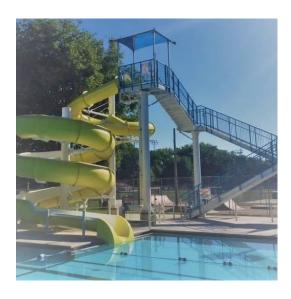


For Immediate Release

For Additional Information, Contact: Lori Pickell-Stangel - 507-354-6512 director@unitedwaybrowncountyarea.org

UNITED WAY OF THE BROWN COUNTY AREA MOVES OFFICE TO A NEW LOCATION IN NEW ULM

The United Way of the Brown County Area's office has moved. Our new office space will be located at the New Ulm Event Center office complex located at, 301 20th Street South. To access our office, guests can use the side entrance marked BUSINESS ENTRANCE with the United Way logo on the door. We are located on the second level in SUITE #7. The United Way's mailing address is still PO BOX 476 and if you have any questions, we always welcome guests to call, 507-354-6512 or email us at UnitedWay@newulmtel.net. As many know, the United Way's newest in-house program, Project Lunchbox, is also housed at the New Ulm Event Center in the warehouse portion of the building. Project Lunchbox is a weekend food program for kids in the New Ulm School District and delivers around 100 to 175 meals to food insecure kids each week during the school year. "Having the United Way's office housed in the same building as our biggest program, Project Lunchbox, made the move a good choice and just made sense."-Lori Pickell-Stangel United Way Executive Director. For more information please check out our website at: https://www.unitedwaybrowncountygrea.org/



Springfield Municipal Swimming Pool

Various Positions Available

The City of Springfield is accepting applications for summer employment at the Springfield Municipal Swimming Pool for the 2021 season.

Full and Part-Time positions are available. Areas of employment are:

- ➤ Manager -\$13.50/hr
- ➤ Asst. Manager: \$12.00/hr
- ➤ WSI \$11.36/hr
- ➤ Lifeguard Lifeguard \$10.86/hr
- Controller \$10.08/hr

Note:

- ➤ Controllers must be at least 14 years of age.
- ➤ Lifeguard Certification classes for first time certification is a 2 day course. It will be hosted at the Springfield Pool on Saturday, May 15th and Sunday, May 16th.
- ➤ Mileage reimbursement is available for those needing to travel in order to obtain certifications, must be approved by employer prior to course registration & due to scheduling conflicts with the Springfield hosted class.
- ➤ Visit springfieldmn.org or City Hall to obtain an application. Applications are due to City Hall by February 19th, 2021.
- > Springfield is an Equal Opportunity Employer and any questions may be directed to Jill Riederer at 507-723-3517.



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Monday through Friday

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More Information

201 South County Road 5 www.sjlhome.com

Intergenerational Care

Located in St. John Lutheran Home, we are the only state-licensed intergenerational day care center in Brown County. The program has been recognized nationally as a leader in this specialized type of care.

Research shows



Children enrolled in intergenerational programs have advanced social skills compared to children in traditional day care. They learn to be comfortable around older adults and people of varying abilities.

Elders involved in intergenerational activities report feeling happy, loved, younger and needed.



A typical day

with the residents of St. John's Circle of Care. Routine activities include reading, singing, creating crafts, and eating together. Special events like Christmas program bring extra joy to residents and children alike.

Children at GrandKids, 4 to K and V.I.K. Club receive ageappropriate care in one of five classrooms. The classrooms have recently been updated, enlarged, decorated and are full of fun and educational toys and games which enrich the children's lives.





CITY OF SPRINGFIELD EMERGENCY ALERTING AND NOTIFICATION SYSTEM







Dear Residents.

The City of Springfield wants you and your family to be safe and informed during emergencies in our area. These may include public safety threats, dangerous weather, and traffic advisories. Information is key, and we strongly encourage you to sign up to receive text message alerts directly from The City of Springfield.

Registering for alerts is easy — simply text the City Zip Code – 56087 to 888777 and you'll be informed and instructed when necessary.

TEXT 56087 TO 888777 TO SIGN UP FOR ALERTS











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City of Springfield Snow Removal Information



Springfield residents expect high-quality snow plowing that clears streets so that emergency vehicles and drivers like you can travel safely and park easily.

Snow removal is based on priorities and crews address the next task as able once prior tasks are complete. Please refrain from parking on Emergency Snow Routes until cleared curb to curb. This will be completed by 7am unless snowing continues.

Priority 1 = Emergency Snow Routes

Priority 2 = Schools & Business Districts

Priority 3 = Residential Streets

Priority 4 = Alleys (Subject to Roadway Conditions)

It is a misdemeanor for any person to remove snow from a residential driveway or boulevard sidewalk and place it on a public street. Boulevard sidewalks must be cleared within 24 hours after an accumulating snowfall event.

Vehicles must also be moved within 24 hours of a the accumulating snowfall event so that crews are able to finish clearing areas where previously parked.

Contact City Hall at 507-723-3500 with any snow removal questions.

Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce

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www.springfieldmnchamber.org

Denise Gicker Executive Director Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-1.pm



Chamber Chatter is a publication of the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce. It is published monthly to keep members and friends informed of events, activities and programs in and around the community.

<u>Mission Statement</u> – The mission of the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce/CVB is to strengthen the business community and take a leadership role in promoting economic growth in a spirit of cooperation and team work.

<u>Vision Statement</u> - Promote economic growth through the recruitment and retention of quality businesses and industries that will contribute to the overall economic health of the community.

Provide the membership networking opportunities, referrals, internet promotion and other membership services to promote and enhance their business.

Develop and nurture relationships with local government and other community sectors to help facilitate the needs and interests of the business community and enhance the overall quality of life within the community.

Chamber of Commerce General Board of Directors 2020

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