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MARCH/APRIL 2019 NEWSLETTER

MARCH 19TH 6:00pm, the Springfield Police Crime Watch for the 16 Acres area will be held. 6:30pm – social time with coffee and donuts. 7:00pm, a short Association business meeting will be held. 7:15pm, we are VERY pleased to announce our speaker for that evening – Jose Degado, MGM Casino Director of Government Affairs. Jose is a native of Springfield and if you attended the association meeting last May 15, 2018, you already know what a wonderful representative he is for MGM. With all the latest news of coming events – and they are BIG TIME EVENTS – Mr. Delgado can fill us in on the events scheduled and possibly what we might expect in the future.

APRIL 16th 6:30pm social time with coffee and donuts. Once again, we are VERY pleased to announce the speaker for that evening – Registrar of Deeds Cheryl Coakley-Rivera. Cheryl advises that she will have several of her support staff with her that evening as well as information regarding the Homestead Act. This act was a subject brought up at the association board meeting March 5th and many questions were in need of answers. We are sure Cheryl will be able to provide them for all of our members.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 16 Acres Civic Association has completed a financial audit by our Treasurer and found that we need to address a deficit on-going with the association members two buffets. You are aware, they have been free for paid up members and an advanced RSVP to attend. Because they are free and a member has made a reservation to attend, but they cannot, the association still has to pay for the absent attendees. June 2018 buffet had 20 people not show up and the Christmas buffet 2017 had additional no-shows. The board of directors have discussed selling tickets for these buffets for a nominal fee. We feel that purchasing a ticket will provide the desire to attend and if not, the fee will offset some of the cost of the meal. This will be a subject for discussion.

<u>BEGINNING</u> with the March 19th meeting, applications for the 2019 16 Acres Civic Association's \$1000. Scholarship will be available. Also, at this meeting, we will discuss the upcoming election of officers/directors for the 16 Acres Civic Association, Inc.

16 ACRES LOCAL NEWS:

- 1 Saturday April 6th 9:00am 12 Noon at Duggan Middle School, there will a free shredding event for Springfield residents.
- 2 Saturday June 8th 8:00am to 11:30am at Duggan Middle School, there will be an Electronics collection for Springfield residents 2 free items TV's, air conditioners, anything with a cord or battery. Additional items will be \$5.00. No large items will be accepted stoves, refrigerators, etc.
- 3 Saturday April 27th, is Springfield's spring cleanup, from 8:00am to Noon. If you would like to participate, all supplies provided, contact Paul Martin at: ksb.springfieldma@gmail.com for details.

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