

SPRINGFIELD

Teri says ...

Nestled at the foot of the Watchung Mountains, Historic Springfield has become a “destination” community, even more so in the past 5 or 6 years. Residents enthuse about Springfield being “an upscale community that is very family-oriented.”

Springfield has ‘everything’ -- good schools (8 out of 10 high school graduates go on to college), great shopping, an easy NYC commute, and the Baltusrol Golf & Country Club –host to several major golf championships, including 7 U.S. Opens, and most recently, the 2005 PGA Championship. That event drew huge out-of-town (and out-of-state) crowds who were graciously welcomed by Springfield residents’ renown hospitality.

Spanning a little more than 5 miles, Springfield has about 14,000 residents who host and enjoy a full calendar of cultural, educational, recreational and civic events held within this beautiful suburban setting. Housing options include everything from upscale Town Homes, to Capes, to huge Colonial homes on lovely tree-lined streets.

In Springfield, professional services abound, and residents – including many from nearby Westfield and Millburn -- are drawn to its diverse shopping, restaurants, and entertainment – especially the offerings of the magnetic Rt. 22 corridor.

SOME FACTS

Fresh-water springs were the inspiration for the name of this township, which was settled in the early 1700's and separated from Elizabethtown in 1793. The springs are located in the primarily flat area at the base of First Mountain. Springfield is defined by two natural geographic features, the Rahway River and the Watchung Mountains.

In June 1780, militiamen and Continental soldiers withstood the assault of British and Hessian troops, preventing them from passing through the First Mountain gap to Morristown, where the Continental Army munitions were stored. The battle was the last one fought in the north.

Today Springfield is upscale residential community, with one of the most active Chamber of Commerce groups in three counties. Springfield host busy commercial and light industrial zones – including the much coveted Rt. 22 corridor shopping.

Springfield's 5.06 square miles is home to approximately 14,250 residents.