

# SPRINGVILLE NEWS

From the City Clerk's Office  
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Photo taken on Linn Ridge Rd. by Amos Eldred

**American Legion Auxiliary**

April 3 - 6:00 PM  
Springville Legion

**Legion Dinner/Mtg**

April 10 - 6:30 PM  
Springville Legion

**Library Board**

April 9 - 6:30 PM  
Springville Memorial Library

**P & Z Meeting**

April 8 - 6:00 PM  
City Hall

**School Board**

April 16 - 7:00 PM  
Springville High School

**Council Meeting**

April 7 - 6:00 PM  
April 21 - 6:00 PM  
City Hall

**Historical Society**

April 8 - 6:30 PM

**Parks**

April 10 - 6:00 PM  
City Hall

**CITY HALL LOBBY HOURS**

**Monday - Wednesday - Friday**

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
12:30 PM - 4:30 PM

**Tuesday - Thursday**

12:30 PM - 4:30 PM

City Hall Phone: 854-6428

City Hall Fax: 854-6443

Email: [cityofsp@netins.net](mailto:cityofsp@netins.net)

Keep current by visiting our website:  
[www.cityofspringville.us](http://www.cityofspringville.us)





#### Mayor

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Makenna Hollandsworth

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Nate Hinders

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McCombs

EMS Training & Safety Officer - Austin

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(Springville Area Neighborhood

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## Dee's Desk

*"Flowers don't worry about how they're going to bloom. They just open up and turn toward the light and that makes them **beautiful**."* ~Jim Carrey



April is here!! Woo-hoo! It is time for new beginnings and fresh starts. The flowers show their beautiful, smiling faces and the robins start singing. We can start to open our windows and air out our houses.

I have been starting to see a lot of cleaning out of "stuff" getting cleaned out. Our offices have also taken several calls about our garage sales. So check out our newsletter and get the clean-up dates on your calendar.

The committee has been working hard on the Spring Gala. Get your baseball gear out and come join us for a night of fun and fundraising. Tickets are still available. You can get yours from any park board member or at city hall. If you are unable to make it, you can still donate. The money raised is going to install backstops and dug-outs for the ball diamonds. There have been so many great items donated for the silent and live auctions. Come to the Legion, Saturday, April 5th at 6:00 pm.

We are looking for some community members who would like to help bring pride to our great little town. This group would help coordinate the community parades, possibly organize clean-up days, bring fun little events to our area for our citizens to enjoy. The possibilities are endless, but we do need volunteers with ideas and are willing to give a little time. Please contact Shelby or I at City Hall, if this is something that you might be interested in.

Here is another way you can serve your community. We have elections coming up this fall. If you have ever thought about serving your community, this is definitely a way to serve. Watch for more information or come reach out and talk to us if you have questions. We are always here to help.

Your city clerk,

*Dee Wagaman*

**CITY NAME: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - CITY OF SPRINGVILLE - PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY** **CITY #: 57-552**  
**SPRINGVILLE** **Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026**

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year City property tax levy as follows:

Meeting Date: 4/7/2025 Meeting Time: 05:30 PM Meeting Location: City Hall 304 Broadway St. Springville, IA 52336

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the City Council will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed city budget.

City Website (if available)  
[www.cityofspringville.us](http://www.cityofspringville.us)

City Telephone Number  
(319) 854-6428

Iowa Department of Management	Current Year Property Tax 2024-2025	Certified 2024-2025	Budget Year Property Tax 2025-2026	Effective 2025-2026	Budget Year Property Tax 2025-2026
Taxable Valuations for Non-Debt Service		45,190,134		45,773,680	45,773,680
Consolidated General Fund		370,826		370,826	375,615
Operation & Maintenance of Public Transit		0		0	0
Aviation Authority		0		0	0
Liability, Property & Self Insurance		63,457		63,457	65,956
Support of Local Emergency Mgmt. Comm.		0		0	0
Unified Law Enforcement		0		0	0
Police & Fire Retirement		0		0	0
FICA & IPERS (If at General Fund Limit)		34,703		34,703	29,754
Other Employee Benefits		0		0	0
Capital Projects (Capital Improv. Reserve)		0		0	0
Taxable Value for Debt Service		45,190,134		45,773,680	45,773,680
Debt Service		132,229		132,229	134,252
CITY REGULAR TOTAL PROPERTY TAX		601,215		601,215	605,577
CITY REGULAR TAX RATE		13.30414		13.13452	13.22980
Taxable Value for City Ag Land		1,088,402		1,133,012	1,133,012
Ag Land		3,269		3,269	3,404
CITY AG LAND TAX RATE		3.00375		2.88523	3.00375
<b>Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed</b>					
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$100,000/\$110,000	Current Year	Certified 2024/2025	Budget Year 2025/2026	Proposed	Percent Change
City Regular Residential		617	690		11.83
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$300,000/\$330,000	Current Year	Certified 2024/2025	Budget Year 2025/2026	Proposed	Percent Change
City Regular Commercial		2,721	3,084		13.34

Note: Actual/Assessed Valuation is multiplied by a Rollback Percentage to get to the Taxable Valuation to calculate Property Taxes. Residential and Commercial properties have the same Rollback Percentage at \$100,000 Actual/Assessed Valuation.

Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:

Property & liability insurance rates are higher and there is a higher debt payment this year.



# April 2025

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Fri

Sat

		<div>1</div> <div>April Fools Day</div> 	<div>2</div>	<div>3</div> <div>Legion Auxiliary 6 PM @ Legion</div>	<div>4</div>	<div>5</div>  <div>Park Gala /Legion @ 6PM</div>
<div>6</div>	<div>7</div> <div>City Council Mtg 6PM City Hall</div>	<div>8</div>  <div>Historical Society 6:30 PM SAHS</div>	<div>9</div> <div>Library Board 6:30 PM @ Library</div>	<div>10</div> <div>6:30 PM @ Legion Dinner Mtg. Parks Mtg 6 PM City Hall</div>	<div>11</div>	<div>12</div>
<div>13</div>	<div>14</div>	<div>15</div>   <div>Water Bill Due</div>	<div>16</div> <div>School Board 7:00PM</div>	<div>17</div>	<div>18</div> <div>Office Closed</div> <div>Good Friday</div>	<div>19</div>
<div>20</div>  <div>Happy Easter!</div>	<div>21</div> <div>City Council Mtg 6PM City Hall</div>	<div>22</div>  	<div>23</div>	<div>24</div>	<div>25</div> 	<div>26</div>
<div>27</div>	<div>28</div>  <div>National Pay It Forward Day</div>	<div>29</div> 	<div>30</div>			



# Upcoming Events



**SPRINGVILLE  
FARMER'S  
MARKET  
&  
FOOD  
TRUCK**

**Dates:**  
**Tuesday May 13th**  
**Tuesday June 10th**  
**Tuesday July 8th**  
**\*\*see below for August\*\***  
**Tuesday September 9th**  
 Cox Lake Park  
 5Th Ave, Springville  
 (behind City Hall)  
 5PM-730PM

**\*\*SATURDAY AUGUST 9TH @  
 BUTLER PARK  
 DURING SPRINGVILLE FUNDAYS  
 10AM-1PM**

## EASTER EGG HUNT

**April 19th  
 10:30 AM  
 Behind preschool  
 Kids up to 5th grade**

**Sponsored by SANSI**

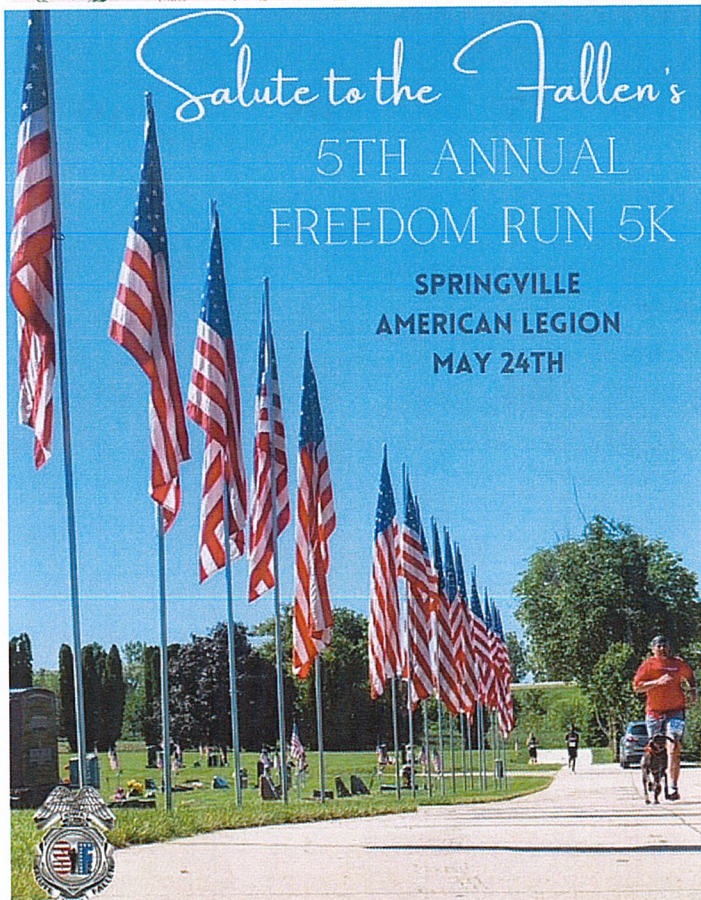


**Hop on over to the library**

Immediately following the egg hunt the Easter Bunny will be at the Springville Memorial Library until 12! We will have snacks and a craft in the Buresh room. Don't miss your chance for pictures with the Bunny!

## Salute to the Fallen's 5TH ANNUAL FREEDOM RUN 5K

**SPRINGVILLE  
 AMERICAN LEGION  
 MAY 24TH**



Join us for an exciting season

## IN THE GARDEN WITH JENN

Master Gardeners of Linn County has paired with our library's after school programming to bring gardening education to our kids activities. The kids will help create a raised bed garden behind the library.

**March 13th  
 Garden Building**

**April 2nd  
 Cool Weather/  
 Warm Weather  
 Crops**

**May 21  
 Garden Planting**







# RUMMAGE SALE

**APRIL 11 8-4**  
SOUP, MAIDRITES, & BAKED GOODS (8:30-3)  
**APRIL 12 8-12**  
\$1 BAG SALE

**WHITTIER COMMUNITY BUILDING**  
1006 COUNTY HOME RD

**DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF MONDAY-THURSDAY THE WEEK OF THE SALE!**

## CELEBRATION FOR SALLY DEEB

The Eastern Iowa Drafthorse and Mule Association is sponsoring a thank you celebration for Sally! We wish to recognize her many contributions to the community and Eastern Iowa.

**SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2025**

**12 PM TO 3 PM**

**SALLY'S ON BROADWAY**

(Springville, IA)

Come out and thank Sally for her many contributions. There will be horse drawn wagon rides and you can have your picture taken with a Clydesdale! A free will contribution can be made to Sally's charity of choice.

Let's celebrate a real "JEWEL" in our community!

### 9th Annual Fishing Derby

June 13th

Cox Lake

Registration at 6PM

Fishing at 6:30PM

Free even for kids 2-16



### City Wide Garage Sales

June 14th

City hall will be making a map as we get closer to June please contact us with your sale info!

**GARAGE SALE**

Saturday 8am

### Amnesty Day

June 21st

Got old junk laying around that's too big for trash day? Free for residents to bring there unwanted items one day only! More details to come!



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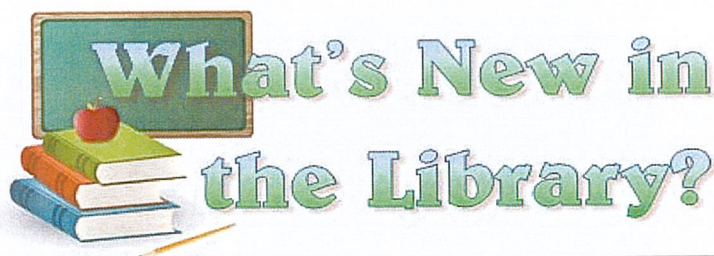
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## MASTER GARDENERS

Spring has arrived and it's time to think about getting some dirt under our fingernails. Join us at 6:30 the first four Tuesday evenings in April for programs presented by Master Gardeners from our area.

### April 1 - Slope and Spill Gardens (Marilyn Tormey)

You're invited to listen and learn about some interesting ideas for planting on slopes and get creative with fun ideas for spill gardens..

### April 8 - Gardening 101 (Phil Pfister)

Gardening 101 is a review of the basics, including vegetable gardening, mulches, lawn care, managing insect pests and seasonal tasks. In this presentation, LCMG Phil Pfister will cover a wide range of topics that will help you achieve a successful yard and garden.

### April 15 - Cottage Gardening in Iowa (Melanie Smith)

From the history of cottage gardens to what plants you can use in Iowa to make your own little cottage garden.

### April 22 - Let's Grow Natives (Beula Dvorak)

A program on native plants – How and why to grow them and some of our favorites.



#### CONTACT INFORMATION:

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WEBPAGE: <https://www.springville.lib.ia.us>

ONLINE CATALOG: <https://springville.biblionix.com/catalog/>

## REGULAR MONTHLY PROGRAMS

**KNITTERS** Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

**AFTER SCHOOL** Wednesdays at 2:30 p.m. April 2, 16

**STORY TIME** Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. April 3, 10, 17, 24

## ADULT FICTION

Alive by James Patterson

Battle Mountain by C. J. Box

The Boxcar Librarian by Brianna Labuskes

Dream State by Eric Puchner

Memorial Days by Geraldine Brooks

Paranoia by James Patterson

The Paris Express by Emma Donoghue

The Story She left Behind by Patti Henry

The Summer Guests by Tess Gerritsen

The World's Fair Quilt by Jen Chiaverini

## EASY FICTION

A Mind of Her Own by Robyn McGrath

## YOUNG ADULT

Sunrise on the Reaping by Suzanne Collins

## SATURDAYS

### April 12—1:00 pm

**April is Poetry Month**, so join us for some informal sharing of poetry. Mark Armstrong will lead the fun.

### April 19—11:00 am

**Easter Bunny** at the library after the town egg hunt. Bring your camera!

### April 26—1:00 pm

**Good Old Music by Harold Gray.**

Enjoy tunes from the 50's, 60's & 70's.



## \*PIZZA AND BINGO\*

### SENIOR MEAL

April 23 at 11:00 a.m.

Please sign up through the library or SANSI no later than April 18th.

Call the Library # 319-854-6444, or

Call SANSI # 319-854-6100.





# ORIOLE NEWS

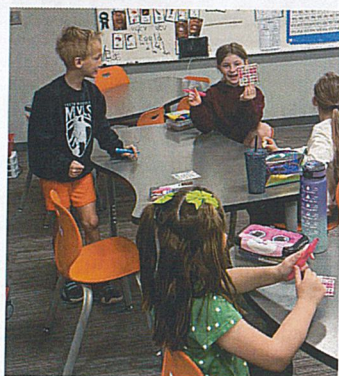
## GIRLS BASKETBALL

*Congratulations Orioles!!*



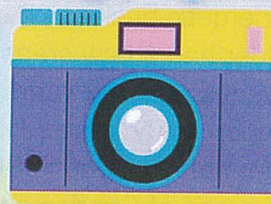
IA BASKETBALL STATE PARTICIPANT

Elementary students playing Bingo!



Early out  
April 2nd & 16th  
No School  
April 18th

## Spring Picture Day Tuesday, April 15th



In order for your student to have their picture taken you must send the picture form back with your student on picture day or use the preorder link to order!

**CHAMPIONS**

# Summer Champ Camp

### WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT

- ✓ Crafts
- ✓ Fantastic staff
- ✓ Building new Friendships
- ✓ Field Trips

From June 2nd to August 15th  
400 Academy St. Springville, IA 52336

**REGISTER NOW AT**  
**DISCOVERCHAMPIONS.COM**

<p>Registration Fee \$50 for one child \$100 for a family Hours 7:00am - 5:30pm</p>	<p>Full time Pricing: Part time Pricing: 1-2 days \$70      1-2 days \$50 3-5 days \$150    3-5 days \$115</p>
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Questions Contact  
Courtney ch002937@discoverchampions.com



# A STROLL THROUGH THE HIS

## ***C. E. Batchelder had creamery here for 21 years***

Charles Emmett Batchelder (1868-1956) was from Langworthy in Jones County. He and a cousin bought the Springville Creamery from Fred M. Huyck in 1901. Charles became sole owner in 1903.

The 1911 Linn County History called it "one of the best equipped creameries in Linn County," and credited "the untiring efforts of C. E. Batchelder . . . one of the most progressive and energetic business men of the town."

In 1916, Batchelder had a new creamery built at the east end of Mill Avenue. Just six years later, he sold it and bought the Marion Dairy Store (*story below*). However, the Batchelder name stayed in Springville. Lynn "Skinny" Batchelder, son of Charles and his wife Lucy, owned an auto repair garage on Broadway.

Springville Creamery owners following C. E. Batchelder were Earl George, Emil "Dutch" Levsen (former Cleveland Indians pitcher) and W. Cletus "Clete" Boland. Until the creamery closed about 1954, Springville people enjoyed home milk delivery.

The gold-colored stucco creamery building stood unused for about 47 of its 95 years. It was razed March 5, 2011. Clete Boland's grandson, Leroy Boland, built a home on the site, 108 Mill Avenue.

*By Karen Taylor*

### ***Springville link to Marion fire in 1944***

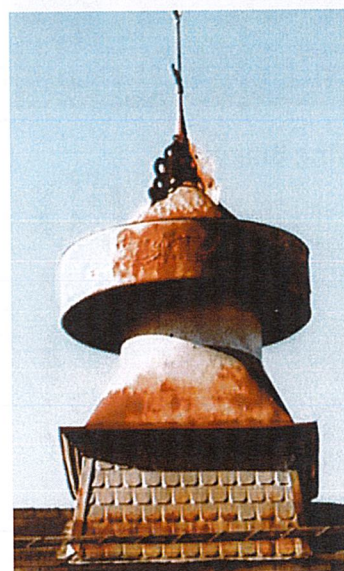
"A fire early Sunday morning (March 2, 1944) destroyed the Marion Dairy at 601 11th St. in Marion. Someone at the Milwaukee depot, next door, called in the alarm. The building and its contents are a complete loss.

"The building was owned by C. E. Batchelder, who estimated the loss at \$4,000. Clifford Armstrong, who operated the dairy, lost all his equipment and supplies, which may be hard to replace because of wartime conditions. The Whiteway Café, next door north, sustained some smoke damage."

*(From "Down Memory Lane," Marion Times, March 6, 2014. Charles E. Batchelder bought the Marion Dairy Store in 1922 after owning the Springville Creamery 21 years. Clifford Armstrong was the husband of Nellie Batchelder, Charles' daughter.)*



ABOVE: Built in 1916, the Springville Creamery was razed March 5, 2011. Photo taken in February 2011.



LEFT: This large ventillator crowned the Springville Creamery. It was damaged by falling when the creamery was razed, and its fate is unknown.

### ***Tamar Brown died in March 1867***

Tamar Brown, widow of Revolutionary War veteran Nathan Brown, died March 25, 1867. She was 88, living near Springville with her son and daughter-in-law, Horace and Julia Brown.

The Brown monument in the Springville Cemetery misstates Tamar's death year as 1868. But her will was read in open court April 2, 1867 (*from microfilmed probate file*).

Tamar left her estate to Horace and his four full sisters: Maria Travis, Betsy Lyon, Harriet Peckham, and Amanda Pinckney. The children of her first two marriages – Hiram Lane, Catherine Lane White, and Thomas and Ira Sammons – did not inherit.

The probate file shows that Tamar was illiterate, not unusual for women of that era. She signed her will with an "X."

*Coming in the May History Pages: Some interesting cases from Springville's Justice of the Peace courts "back in the day."*



# ISTORY OF SPRINGVILLE, IOWA

## Everyone knew Miss Leta and Miss Mabel McShane

Miss Leta and Miss Mabel McShane, longtime Springville residents, were memorable characters – in a respectable way. Their McShane ancestor emigrated from County Tyrone, Ireland, about 1740. In 1846, their father came from Pennsylvania to Iowa at the age of 2.

He was Francis “Frank” McShane, who married Mary Carnahan in 1870. (Mary’s brother, John Wesley Carnahan, was the great-grandfather of Steve Carnahan of Springville and the late Joe Carnahan.)

Frank and Mary lost a baby boy. Then Fred was born in 1873, Maggie Oleta, 1875, and Lilla Mabel, 1878. When they were 8, 6, and 3, their mother died. Frank’s second wife was Anna Watterson. The children attended Prairie Valley School south of Whittier, and Leta went to Springville High School for two years.

Frank farmed in Section 19 of Brown Township until 1901, when the family moved to 307 Fifth Avenue, Springville. For some years, Frank owned a harness shop. He died in 1927, Anna in 1933. Leta and Mabel remained in the family home.

In their later years, they received help in maintaining their home from a distant cousin, the late Aubrey McShane, who farmed north of Springville. The sisters and Aubrey didn’t know how they were related.

### **Both sisters were maiden ladies**

Neither sister married. Both were lifelong members of the Springville Presbyterian Church. Miss Mabel taught Sunday school there for 40 years. She belonged to United Presbyterian Women and was a 50-year member of Love Chapter, Eastern Star.

Miss Leta taught several years at Wire’s Corners, Hoosier Bend, White’s Corners, and Paralta schools. Then she clerked at Byron Hopper’s general store for 20 years. In 1924, she went to work at Morris Sanford office supply store in Cedar Rapids, and in 1940 she took a job at Harlan’s paint and wallpaper shop in Marion. She was close to 80 when she retired.

At the end, the sisters were together in a Cascade care center. They died within a month of each other in 1975 – Miss Mabel Jan. 6 at 96, Miss Leta Feb. 2, less than three months before she would have turned 100. They are buried in the Springville Cemetery.

*By Karen Taylor*



*Leta McShane (woman in long white apron) was a clerk at Byron Hopper’s general store from 1904 to 1924. The store was on the west side of Broadway. This photo was taken about 1917.*

*Sisters Mabel (left) and Leta McShane on the porch of their home at 307 Fifth Avenue, Springville. This photo probably dates from the 1960s. (Courtesy of Rita Fehlhafer)*



**FRED McSHANE, OLDER** brother of Leta and Mabel, married Ella Smith. After farming near Marion 30 years, Fred worked at Iowa Manufacturing Co. six years. He and Ella moved to Whittier about 1943. Fred died in 1950, Ella in 1969. They had no children.



## THE HARD WORK BEGINS—THE LIBRARY STORY PART FOUR

Everyone got to work and divided up the work. The Task Force began work on the casebook to present to groups for their monetary support. The Friends of the Library began researching grants that could be applied for. The Library Board was working hard presenting to the organizations in town, asking for their support. A list of big money items was put into a booklet giving individuals and groups the chance to purchase those items. Brenda Taylor designed the logo for the campaign and is still used today.

The Library Board averaged a fundraiser every month, recruiting community members to help with these. Such as the pie sales---the community center was full of mostly women peeling apples, rolling out pie dough, everything that is necessary to make a pie. The pies were frozen, and orders were taken and delivered on a designated day. This was done for two years (at least) and was a favorite of the community. We held various raffles that Board members went door to door to sell tickets.

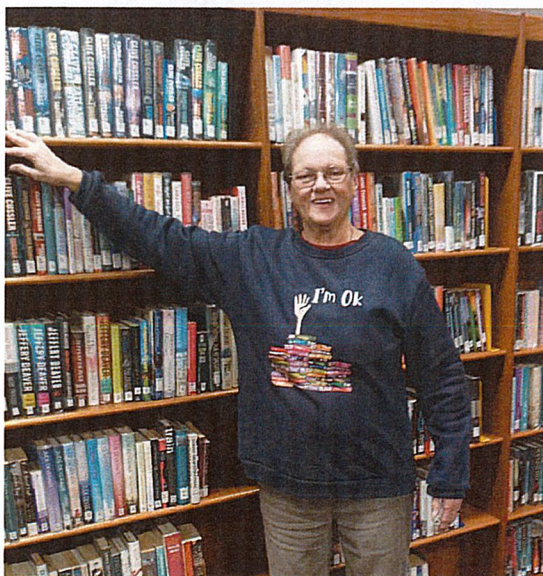
Work began on applying for the CAT grant, if received it would give us a nice sum of money. We had to show local government support; Linn County gave \$10,000 as did the city. Along with other grants: Hall-Perrine Foundation \$250,000, Exchange State Bank (Ernie Buresh) \$100,000. Farmer's State Bank \$7,500, Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust \$60,000. On August 11, 2004, a caravan of cars made their way to Des Moines to present our case to receive the Vision Iowa CAT grant. We did get a grant of the sum of \$200,000 from the Vision Iowa CAT grant.

With the amount of money raised we were ready to break ground. On October 30, 2004, a groundbreaking ceremony was held followed by a reception. Construction would start right away.



Breaking ground! Pictured above from left: Jeff Steffenmeier, Dorothy Stewart, John Keizer, Mayor Bill Cooper, Marla Carnahan, Beth Hiner, Peg Ewart, Al Woods, and Treva Davis in front.

**Who are the people in your neighborhood? The people that you meet each day.**



**Name:** Linda Eldred our local library director of 25 years!

**What was your first car?** A red 1964 Comet Mercury.

**What is your favorite candy?** M&M's.

**If you could eat dinner with anyone, who would you choose?** John Steinbeck, because I want to ask him about how he comes up with descriptions. You can close your eyes and imagine the characters perfectly!

**What is your favorite pizza topping?** Just cheese!

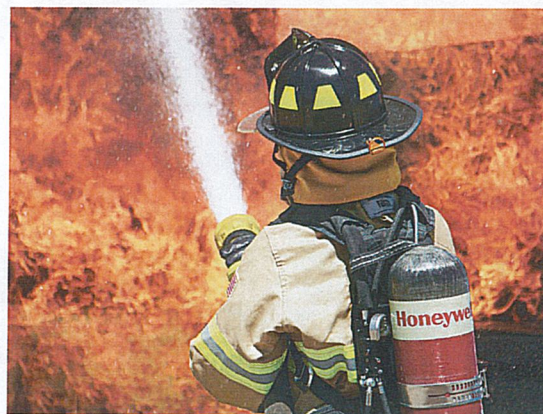


As many of you are aware, we have been fundraising for some much-needed updates to critical equipment necessary to protect your firefighters while responding to calls in and around the district; self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), or more commonly referred to as air packs. We are happy to report that your contributions have put us at nearly **25%** of our **\$200,000** goal!

We still have quite a bit of work ahead of us, and we continue to look for additional funding opportunities by applying for federal grants designed to assist departments and communities like ours in acquiring these critical assets. Work for Collins Aerospace? Your organization offers a donation platform, Benevity, that matches your donation to our campaign! And did we mention that your donations are tax deductible?!

We cannot thank our community enough for the support we have received to outfit your first responders with the appropriate gear needed to answer the call. And with your continued support, we can reach our goal and continue to keep these volunteers safe!

Please make checks payable to **Friends of Springville Fire**. PO Box 401. Springville, Iowa 52336.



### Recreational Fires

Open burning may be conducted as long as the burning is conducted in a safe and reasonable manner as to not endanger life or property. Open burning in city limits is solely for cooking or recreational activities. Fire must be **NO** larger than **three feet** in diameter and burns charcoal or clean wood material.



All fires must comply with all sections of the Linn County Burn Ordinance.

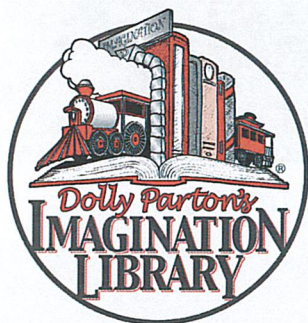


## NON-ALLOWED MATERIALS

(With or Without an Open Burning Permit)



- Garbage
- Paint
- Cardboard
- Tires
- Plastic Containers
- Metals
- Asphalt
- Petroleum Products
- Lumber
- Paper
- Demolition Debris
- Construction Debris
- Household Waste



Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is alive and well in Springville. Have you signed up your child yet? It's easy, just go online or pick up applications at city hall or the li-

brary. We always welcome donations, make check payable to Springville Community School District Foundation and send to Treva Davis, PO Box 12, Springville, Iowa 52336. All donations are tax deductible. A big thank you to our latest donor Susan Yinger, we appreciate all the support we are getting. Have you read with your child today?

### SPRING RENT A SCOUT

Do you need help cleaning up after this winter?  
Do you need help with yard work?  
Do you have some odd jobs that need attention in Spring?  
Do you need help getting your outdoors ready for Spring?

**Trail Life Troop 007** will be having their annual **Rent A Scout** on Saturday, April 5th. As this is the Scout Troop's major fundraiser, we prefer to operate on a donation basis.

Because of the overwhelming response we receive, we ask that you call the following number to schedule our services! Don't delay in calling! Remember, no job is too big or too small!



Thank you for your continued support! Call Jim @ 319-854-6255 or Daryl @ 319-854-6983 to schedule.





# **St Patrick's Day** *PARADE & PARTY*



**Alan Horak on his John Deere tractor**



**American Legion Women's Auxiliary**



**SCTA throwing some slap bracelets**



**Mike Coonrod Trucking**



**City crew still looking for a pot of gold!**



**The Exchange State Bank**





Tony Benton, Jeff Menster, Jeni Benton, Robin Menster, and Rylee Menster all decked out in green!!



The Springville Park's Board



J & J Arbor standing tall



The American Legion Post 331



J & J Arbor Techs



Penny the Pig with our resident Leprechaun



## City Council Regular Meeting

March 3, 2025

The Springville City Council met in regular session on March 3, 2025.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Andersen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present: Makenna Hollandsworth, Cindy Kilburg, Bart Barner, Jeff Baych, and Karla Blakely. City staff present: Public Works Director Todd Wyman and City Clerk Dee Wagaman. Treva Davis, and John Kellerman and Orville Pfeifer (St. Isidore's Church) were also in attendance.

Blakely made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Kilburg. All ayes. Motion carried.

Baych made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items: February 17, 2025, minutes and approval of claims, seconded by Hollandsworth. All ayes. Motion carried.

The following reports were presented: Sheriff's Report, Library Report, Public Works Report, and Clerk's Report. Councilmember Baych would like to thank the fire department for their time and dedication to the service. They were very busy this past weekend with a mutual aid fire. Several volunteers were also attending their daughter's dance recital on Sunday when a call came in and they all excused themselves to take care of others.

Mayor Andersen invited citizens with input to speak. There being no public comments, Mayor Andersen moved to business.

Kellerman presented the council with a mockup of a banner St. Isidore's would like to purchase and put up downtown. The church does not like their current banner and does not want it put back up. Barner thinks it would be best to have a campaign to allow others to have the same opportunity to put their own pictures on the banners. He would also like to see them more organized to be put up at certain times, so the guys are putting them up all the time. Baych would like to see a policy because the city could be opening themselves up to advertising that might not be appropriate for the downtown area. Kilburg would like to see a sense of uniformity in the banners that are up. Blakely agrees that there should be a policy and rules before we let individuals or businesses just make their own banners. Davis was present and gave a history of how the current banners came to be. The council agreed that the current banners need to be sorted through and get rid of the ones that are no longer in business or no longer in good shape. Davis volunteered to go through the banners for the guys and take an inventory. Kellerman wants to make sure that they can include the picture of the building. That is their major request and will be disappointed if they are not allowed to do this.

The council discussed the feasibility study to start collecting a storm water fee. The cost for the study is \$7,200. Baych does not want to spend that money then have to do it again when the development gets going on the south end of town. The council would like to know what other cities are currently doing and how they figured their costs. Wagaman will send out a survey and see what the results are and discuss it at a future council meeting.

The council discussed the process for obtaining a chicken permit. They will accept certificates from Indian Creek Nature center or the ISU Extension. Our public works will check the setbacks to make sure that the residents requesting the permit is far enough from any habitable buildings. The mayor intends to sit with all applicants and go through all the ordinance, so they understand the rules. If there is a problem, ECICOG will be brought in to get the process going for a municipal infraction.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, March 17, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

There being no further discussion, Hollandsworth moved to adjourn at 7:14 p.m., seconded by Blakely/Kilburg. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Andersen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present: Karla Blakely, Makenna Hollandsworth, Cindy Kilburg, Bart Barner, and Jeff Baych. City staff present: Public Works Director Todd Wyman and City Clerk Dee Wagaman. Treva Davis and Tim Wilson with Dixon Engineering were also in attendance.

Baych made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Hollandsworth. All ayes. Motion carried.

Blakely made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items: March 3, 2025, minutes and approval of claims, seconded by Kilburg. All ayes. Motion carried.

The following reports were presented: Sheriff's Report, Library Report, Engineer's Report, Public Works Report, Treasurer's Report, and Clerk's Report. Mayor commented on the St. Patty's Day parade and that they had 13 entries. Barner asked if there was any feedback from the IDOT's open house. Mayor Andersen invited citizens with input to speak. There being no public comments, Mayor Andersen moved to business.

The council discussed the two options for the 8<sup>th</sup> St./1<sup>st</sup> Ave sidewalk project that MSA has provided. They discussed the lack of curbs and the condition of the existing curb in that area. Some of the curbs would be the city's responsibility and some of the curbs would be the responsibility of the homeowner. Baych made a motion to have MSA draw up plans to install the sidewalk with the curb around the radius, seconded by Hollandsworth. All ayes. Motion carried.

The council talked with Tim (Dixon Engineering). They like the idea of having an independent inspection done of the water tower. It will help the city in their future financial planning. Baych made a motion to hire Dixon Engineering to do the annual water tower inspections, seconded by Barner. All ayes. Motion carried.

The council reviewed and discussed the current banner policy. They had a request from St. Isidore's church to have a personalized banner. The council believes that having all the banners be uniform is the best route to go. At this time, they do not see a need to purchase any new banners. Mayor Andersen will let the church know that the council is not going to allow them to make a personalized banner.

Baych wanted to discuss with the council the possibility of allowing some wells in the city to help the new development get going. Wagaman is working with Linn County Public Health to get more of the regulations. Mayor Andersen gave a summary of what he has been doing trying to get things going to the south. He feels that our codes need to change to require the city to help pay for initial infrastructure. Barner brought up using TIF and PILOT programs to help. The current subdivision gives the council authority to allow wells. The county will come and speak with the council after they have researched this more. Baych would like P & Z to look at our current code and see what needs to be thought of.

There is a special council meeting on Monday, April 7, 2025, for the property tax hearing at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, April 7, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

There being no further discussion, Blakely moved to adjourn at 7:05 p.m., seconded by Hollandsworth. All ayes. Motion carried.









## Child Abuse Prevention Month

Look for our pinwheel garden out front of City Hall, it is in honor of Child Abuse Prevention Month. The pinwheels represent our hope that every child will be raised in a healthy, safe, and nurturing environment. We will have pinwheel coloring sheets and instructions on how to make your own at our office in April!



## What to do during a tornado

AT YOUR HOUSE	AT A SCHOOL OR WORKPLACE	OUTSIDE	IN A CAR
			
If you are in a tornado warning, go to your basement, safe room, or an interior room away from windows. Don't forget pets if time allows.	Follow your tornado drill and proceed to your tornado shelter location quickly and calmly. Stay away from windows and do not go to large open rooms such as cafeterias, gymnasiums, or auditoriums.	Seek shelter inside a sturdy building immediately if a tornado is approaching. Sheds and storage facilities are not safe. Neither is a mobile home or tent. If you have time, get to a safe building.	Being in a vehicle during a tornado is not safe. The best course of action is to drive to the closest shelter. If you are unable to make it to a safe shelter, either get down in your car and cover your head, or abandon your car and seek shelter in a low lying area such as a ditch or ravine.

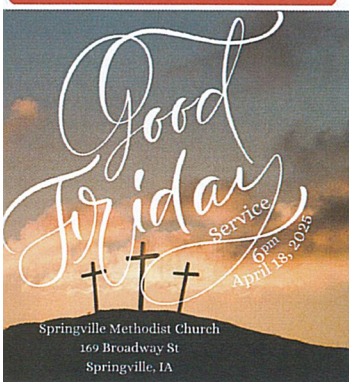


IN CITY PARKS

**NO CARTS  
ALLOWED**



**PLEASE BE A  
GOOD  
NEIGHBOR  
CLEAN UP  
AFTER YOUR DOG  
THANK YOU!**



## Springville Alumni Banquet

We are sorry to announce we will no longer be hosting a banquet. Due to the low attendance, lack of interest, and lack of volunteers for new officers we cannot continue.

# COME WORSHIP with us!



**FAITH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH**  
(meeting at Springville Memorial Library)

### Service Times

Sunday 9:30

Pastor Joseph Bielema

Phone 563-235-7519

Email: [pastorjoe.fcf@gmail.com](mailto:pastorjoe.fcf@gmail.com)

Secretary: Judy Cummings

Email: [judydnross@yahoo.com](mailto:judydnross@yahoo.com)

## ST. ISIDORE the FARMER CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Weekend Mass:** Saturday 5:00 pm

Daily Masses: Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 5:30 pm or by appointment

Religious Education Wednesday: K-8 6:15 pm - 7:15 pm,  
HS 6:15 pm - 7:30 pm

Reverend Andrew Awotwe-Mensah

Deacon Mark Sandersfeld

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Cindy Kellerman

P 319-854-6141 FAX 319-854-7161

Email: [dbq190sec@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbq190sec@dbqarch.org)

Office Hours: Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

## SPRINGVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

### Service Times

Sunday 9:00 a.m.; Fellowship 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School 10:00-11:00 am.

Reverend Guillermo Bongolan

Phone: 319-854-7355

Email: [springvillemethodist@gmail.com](mailto:springvillemethodist@gmail.com)

Office Hours: Monday & Thursday 8:30 am—1 pm

Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30 am—11:00 am

## SPRINGVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### Service Times

Sunday 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m. (3 years old—adult)

Reverend David Snyder

Secretary: Chris Gutierrez

Phone: 319-854-6611

Email: [sprpresch@netins.net](mailto:sprpresch@netins.net)



# TAKE ME TO THE BALLFIELD GALA

April 5, 2025 | Springville Legion | 6:00 PM

**ADMIT ONE:**

- Hors D'oeuvres will be served
- Silent Auction from 6-7 PM
- Live Auction from 7:30 - End

Tickets in Advance: \$35  
Tickets at the Door: \$40

Tickets can be purchased at City Hall or online through the Parks Board Facebook Page

## CITY NEWS BRIEFS

- City Hall will be closed April 18th in observance of Good Friday.
- Call Iowa One Call at 811 before you dig.
- City Hall Hours; 8:00AM -12PM, 12:30PM-4:30PM, Mon/Wed/Friday & 12:30PM-4:30PM Tues/Thurs.
- Post Office Hours 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM, 2:00 - 5:30 PM Monday-Friday, 10 AM-11AM Saturdays.
- See something, Say something. Call 319-398-3911 (non-emergency sheriff number)