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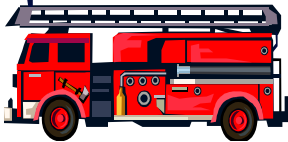
for everyone.

Winter has arrived with full force! But February can start having a few nicer days. Let's hope! In the meantime, please remember to avoid parking along the streets when the maintenance men are trying to plow and make things safer

Talk Around the Hydrant

The Bravest

Well the month of January gave us our first taste of winter. I am pretty sure we were all getting very used to the mild weather that we were experiencing! During the past month, Springville Fire and Rescue held it Holiday Dinner. It gave us the opportunity to come together with all members and their spouses to reflect on the past year. Along with the current members we also had visits from a lot of our past members as well. It was nice to sit and listen to these past members talk about the past and some of the experiences they had. Those members helped bring Springville Fire and Rescue to what it is today. Awards were given to some of our members for their accomplishments during the year and also to members for years served. This year marks some milestones for 5 of our current members. Dillion Pfab has been with us for 5 years and has been a very valuable member. Steve Knospe has been with us for 15 years and during that time has served in many different aspects. Kris Jacobs marks his 20th year as a member and is one of those people that you truly count on. John Lemon has reached his 25th year with Springville Fire & Doug Wyman marks his 30th year.



Brian Freese and Patrick Hoyt Sr. both received awards for their work during Fire Prevention Week 2011.

These two members, on the own accord pushed Fire Prevention and Education to a new level for us. Brian Freese spent many hours at the elementary school working with the kids on the prevention posters, and he took the time to gather many new and educational tools to use at the open house. He also worked on a video he made from pictures gathered throughout the year of training and events. Patrick Hoyt put together the obstacle course that the kids can run through. I thank these two members very much for all of their hard work.

Kevin Hulett received the Chief's Award. He is one of those guys I can truly say is there for you whenever you need him. His knowledge was very detrimental this past year, he was there whenever I had a question or just needed a little advice. He sat on our truck committee and helped with the design of the new truck. Kevin also served with me as an Asst. Chief in charge of training and tracking of all the hours for each member. I thank him so very much for all he did for Springville Fire and Rescue, but even more then that I thank him for all he did for me.

LIBRARY NEWS

Feb. 2nd 1:30pm- Knitters at the library
Feb. 3rd 10:30am- Story Time
Feb. 4th Friends of the Library Book Sale 9:00-11:00 (At their store)
Feb. 4th 2:00 pm- Library Tea (reservations required) @ the Community Center
Feb. 6th 9:00, 1:00, 6:30- computer classes
Feb. 7th 6:30pm- Board Meeting
Feb. 9th 1:30pm - Knitters at the library
Feb. 10th 10:30am- Story Time
Feb. 11th 10:00am- Couponing Group
Feb. 13th 9:00, 1:00, 6:30- computer classes
Feb. 14th 6:30pm- Ladies Book Talk
Feb. 16th 1:30pm- Knitters at the library
Feb. 17th 1:00-3:00pm - Board Game Day
Feb. 18th Friends of the Library Book Sale 9:00-11:00(At their Store)
Feb. 19th 2:00 pm- Red Cedar Chamber
Feb. 20th 9:00, 1:00, 6:30- computer classes
Feb. 23rd 1:30pm - Knitters at the library
Feb. 23rd 6:30pm - "Start your seeds for Spring"
Feb. 24th 10:30am- Story Time
Feb. 27th 9:00, 1:00, 6:30- computer classes
Feb. 28th 6:30pm- Ladies Book Talk

Non-Fiction DVDs available

So the snow is flying and you are home with nothing going on - how about settling in and learning something. We have some great non-fiction DVDs. Here are some to just name a few. "Power House TV" series episodes 1-51 "Get Moving"-weight loss, Prevention's "Belly, Butts, & Thighs", "Safety and First Aid", The PBS series "Baseball, Jazz, the Wars, National Parks, We Shall Remain, Planet Earth" and more.

The Couponers are meeting. The group is rolling along saving money and bringing back tips from their shopping experiences. Join them on **February 11th (Saturday Morning) at 10:00** and bring your extra coupons to share.

Longer check-out time on trial basis. The Board has approved lengthening the check-out time for library materials to 3 weeks starting January 30th 2012. This will be on a trial basis so please give us your feed-back.

Postage Rates Inch Higher. The library will be charging a \$2.00 fee for interlibrary loans to defray the postage expense. This will take place immediately.

Amnesty Month--February 2012 The library will pay 50% of your fines the month of February. This is a great time to clear up your fines, come in and take advantage of this offer.

New books! New Books!

"Weight Watchers 1 Pot Recipes"
"The Descendants" by Hemming's
"V is for Vengeance" by Grafton
"Down the Darkest Road" by Hoag
"77 Shadow Street" by Koontz
"The Power of Six" by Pittacus (Author of "I Am Number Four")
"Flyaway" by Christopher
"How to Save a life" by Zarr
"Lipstick in Afghanistan" by Gately
"World Almanac & Book of Facts 2012"
"World Almanac for Kids 2012"
"Explosive Eighteen" by Evanovich
"Gabby: A story of Courage and Hope"



Let's Try it again! If the weather cooperates we will have a game board day at the library. Bring your favorite game and bring friends for an afternoon of game fun!



The knitter's are going to stay awhile. Our Thursday Afternoon Knitters are going to continue to meet on Thursday's at 1:30 weather permitting. Come join the group anytime, sit in front of the fireplace and enjoy some good conversation and work on some projects at the same time.

Great response! The Springville Memorial Library has offered to conduct Office 2010 Computer classes. The response has been great! We have 10 computers in our library for patron use and students are welcome to bring in their lap tops also. We have 14 sign-ups so far. **Questions: call 854-6444.**

8th ANNUAL TEA



The Springville Memorial Library's 8th Annual Tea will be held **February 4, 2012** at 2:00 PM at the Community Center. Cost is \$10.00 per person, with all proceeds going to the library. Reservations must be made by February 1, 2012 to Marla Carnahan, 410 7th Ave or 854-7268. There is limited seating, and you must have a reservation to attend. Come for good food, good friendship, entertainment and door prizes. Hope to see you there.

MAYOR'S COLUMN

Being the Mayor is a lot like being an athlete or a racecar driver. At the beginning of each year, the citizens look at what you and your team have accomplished last year. The first question then is what are you going to do for us this year?

We might think that we did an excellent job last year with all of the accomplishments that came to fruition, the Gazebo, sewer, street repair, new city truck etc. With the question, 'what are you going to do for us this year?' on everyone's mind, we need to look at what is in the best interest for our city and its' citizens. This list should be, as it is, longer and more aggressive than last year's list.

We as a community should get behind and support all of our boards and committees and with constructive suggestions. We are working towards the same goals. This might be a Downtown City Scape project, or just painting the bridge over Big Creek at Broadway St. or even looking at the replacement of the South end of Broadway St., including adding more catch basins to help runoff get to Big Creek more efficiently. One goal I have is to educate all of our citizens as to where we came from, what we are aiming for, and how we can finance this progress. Simply put, get involved, attend council meetings, and stay informed, as we should all be involved in taking ownership of our community and its future.

I would like to think that our citizens would be interested in what each one of our boards and committees are planning for this upcoming year. This should also include events planned by our Historical Society, cemetery committee, school, sports boosters, scouts, and our local churches, just to name a few. Community involvement brings us together as a single community pulling together for our own good.

As your Mayor, I try to have a sense of what our citizens need for their health, safety, protection and wellbeing, which all affect our way of life. I would like to start out this New Year by having an approachable, professional, city government. We as elected officials and city employees need to be out there every day listening to our citizens concerns.

Having an active Capital Improvement Plan will be the key to prioritizing and implementing future improvements and needs of our city. This is just another area that citizen input becomes a valuable added asset.

Please let us know how we are doing by e-mailing us at cityofsp@netins.net, we appreciate your comments. Rick Heeren, Mayor

REMINDERS

≥Water meter readings & payments are due on the **15th of the month**. Bills not paid in full by 8:00 am on the first business day following the due date shall be considered delinquent & subject to disconnect. Payments can be put in the drop box in the city door. Readings can be emailed to cityofsp@netins.net, or left on the answering machine at 854-6428.

≥Deadline for items in the next newsletter /community calendar is **Feb. 15th**.

≥**Rudd Trash Tags** are available for **\$2** each at the City Clerk's office, Casey's General Store & Woody's One Stop. Recycle tubs are available at the Clerk's office for **\$14** each. **A special reminder from Marsha at Rudd: Rudd does not recycle glass. Glass containers should be placed in your regular trash container.**

SEDC

The Springville Economic Development Corporation is a non-profit group of businesses and individuals dedicated to the economic improvement of the Springville Community. Our mission is to promote Springville to attract and retain businesses and residents.

Our annual membership drive is now in progress. If you did not receive a renewal form (mailed directly to you) or if you are new to the organization, you may obtain a membership form from Joel Rochleau at Security State Bank. Stop by the bank anytime or call him at 319/854-7050 for membership details. Your contribution to SEDC is tax deductible. Projects on which SEDC is currently working include: design of new "welcome" signage for the intersection of Hwy. 151 and Springville Road. The new signage will replace the existing sign which will possibly be relocated to a location north of town along County Home Road. We are also in the process of evaluating banners for utility poles in our downtown and possibly for other areas approaching downtown. Additionally, SEDC is collaborating with City Hall on a "welcome packet" which would be geared toward newcomers or area realtors as a means to introduce Springville to those not already familiar with our town. The timeframe for these projects at the moment is open. Our next monthly meeting will be held Thursday, **February 9th at 7AM** at Security State Bank. All are invited to attend.

INDOOR WINTER FARMERS' MARKET



There will be two indoor winter farmers' markets in February. Please note that on Saturday, **February 4, the market location will be at the Springville United Methodist Church Community Room**. The indoor winter farmers' market will also be held on Saturday, **February 18 in the regular location** of the Springville Community Center. The market features a variety of foods, fresh frozen beef, baked goods, fresh seasonal produce and crafts items all from area growers and producers. Hours of operation are from 9AM to 11AM. Both dates in February will feature live harp music. Your continued support of this vibrant, popular indoor event is greatly appreciated. For additional information about the indoor winter farmers' market please contact market manager, Lena Gilbert, 319/854-7097 or justlena@netins.net. See you at the market and may the food be with you!

A HISTORICAL ARTICLE

1870s McGrew was relative of Merle

A distant relative of Springville's Merle McGrew ran a drugstore on the south side of town from 1876 to 1878. Charles Fremont McGrew wore many other career hats in his life, including printer, surveyor, educator, lawyer, and banker.

His parents, Simon B. and Ura Marsh McGrew, moved from their native Pennsylvania to Ohio, then to Iowa in 1852. Charles was born at Salem, a Quaker settlement in Henry County, in July 1856. He was the youngest of seven children. A year later, the family



moved to Linn County, Kansas. Simon was well known as "a radical, outspoken free-state advocate." Trained in surveying, he became a close friend of the fiery abolitionist John Brown, also a surveyor. In 1864, the McGrews relocated to Wyoming in Jones County, Iowa. Young Charles attended Lenox Institute (later College) in Hopkinton. He married Carrie L. Miller Nov. 20, 1879, at Olin. They had a son, Roscoe, and a daughter, Shacary. At the time of his marriage, McGrew was the principal and also a teacher at Olin School. After practicing law in Alexandria, Neb., he went into banking. In 1887, he was president of the Bloomington (Neb.) State Bank. His brother James was cashier. By 1904, Charles had become a vice president of the Omaha National Bank. Six years later, he was an executive of the Livestock National Bank of Omaha. In 1910, McGrew promised to build a full business block for a new town in Scotts Bluff County, Neb., if the town was named for him. The town obliged – but McGrew reneged. By 1930 he had moved to Los Angeles, and in 1935 he died. Merle McGrew is a second cousin twice removed of Charles F. McGrew. Merle's great-great-grandfather, Nathan McGrew, was a brother of Charles' grandfather, James B. McGrew Jr. The brothers were born in Adams County, Pa., during the Revolutionary War. *(A photo of Charles F. McGrew's store appears on Page 17 of the 1981 Springville Centennial History.)*



POLLUTION PREVENTION CENTER GOING APPOINTMENT FREE!

The Cedar Rapids/Linn County Solid Waste Agency is making it easier for Linn County residents to recycle household hazardous materials like oil-based paints, cleaners, and lawn and garden chemicals. Starting January 03, 2012, the Pollution Prevention Center, which accepts household hazardous materials for free from Linn County residents, is going appointment free!

Since 1996, Linn County residents have had to make an appointment to drop off unwanted paint, chemicals and cleaners. Now thanks to an increase of trained staff, those items can be dropped off whenever the Solid Waste Agency facility at 1954 County Home Road, Marion, is open. Hours are 7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday – Saturday.

"We are glad to be able to offer this service to all Linn County residents," said Karmin McShane, Solid Waste Agency Executive Director. "Going appointment free will make it easier for residents to use the Pollution Prevention Center whenever their schedule allows and helps the Solid Waste Agency's resource recovery efforts."

All items that are dropped off at the Pollution Prevention Center are inspected. Those that can still be used are placed in the Swap Shop. All Swap Shop items are available free to Linn County residents and can be taken whenever the Agency is open.

The services offered by the Pollution Prevention Center are completely subsidized by the Solid Waste Agency. Despite being a government entity, the Cedar Rapids/Linn County Solid Waste Agency does not receive any taxpayer dollars. All services, programs, and operations are funded by landfill tipping fees.

What: Solid Waste Agency's Pollution Prevention Center going appointment free

When: January 03, 2012

Where: 1954 County Home Road, Marion

Who can use it: Available to all Linn County residents for no charge

When can they use it: 7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday - Saturday

Joe Horaney
Communications Director
Cedar Rapids/Linn County Solid Waste Agency
(319)377-5290
www.solidwasteagency.org

Springville Historical Society Hours
Open from 10 am to 3 pm on: The first Thursday of each month & the third Saturday of each month.
Come Visit US!

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Springville Area Historical Society (SAHS) is scheduled **Tuesday, Feb. 14**, at 6:30 p.m. in the SAHS building (former library, adjoining City Hall). Both town and rural residents are welcome to attend. Twelve persons attended the Jan. 10 meeting. A special guest was Springville Mayor Rick Heeren, who expressed his support for the Historical Society and said it is important to generate interest among younger residents.

A general discussion on Springville history was held. Heeren and SAHS member Harriett McGrew mentioned they are both descendants of William White, who came to America on the Mayflower. Springville pioneer Hosea White was their distant relative.

SAHS voted to hold its third annual bake sale fundraiser this spring. The date will be announced later.

Vice president James Crow said he is donating a Hewlett-Packard printer-copier-scanner to SAHS. Kimball Behning offered to provide a cable. It was announced that Bill and Susan Cooper, Laird and Flo Daniels, and Bob and Maxine Williams are new annual members of SAHS. Brad Wilson and Cheryl Weld have joined as life members, and Pauline Randall upgraded to life membership.

SAHS historian Karen Taylor gave a brief presentation about Charles F. McGrew, who ran a drugstore on the south side of Springville from 1876 to 1878. Merle McGrew wondered if he and Charles were kin. *(See historical feature, this issue.)*

Also in attendance were Bev Franks, president; Jean Schmidt, secretary-treasurer; Bernita Andersen, Eleanor Kelley, Pauline Randall, and Pat Rose.

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WHEN SNOW FALLS PLEASE REMEMBER THIS!!

When conditions of 4" of snow are predicted, imminent, or exist on the traffic surface of the street, please **do not park** your vehicles along any streets. This allows the snowplows to get through early in the morning.

- ◆ If you must park on the street, please move the vehicles as soon as possible.
- ◆ Do not blow or shovel snow into the street. Pile it in your yard. The snow you place in the street requires another pass from the snowplow and it will just end up in your own driveway when they go by.



VOLUNTEER BOARD VACANCIES
The Planning and Zoning Commission has two seats vacant for a 5 year term.
The Board of Adjustment has one seat vacant for a 5 year term.
Cemetery Committee has one seat vacant
Please inquire and apply for these important community boards at the City Clerk's Office.
Your community needs your support!

- ◆ **It is the responsibility of homeowners to remove the snow from in front of your mailbox to ensure mail delivery.**
- ◆ **Snow removal on sidewalks:** Chapter 136:03 states: **It is the responsibility of the abutting property owners to remove snow, ice, and accumulations promptly from sidewalks.** If a property owner does not remove snow, ice, or accumulations within a reasonable time, the City may do so & assess the costs against the property owner for collection in the same manner as a property tax. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12 (2b & 3))
- ◆ **75.04 Operation of Snowmobiles:** The operators of snowmobiles shall comply with the following restriction as to where snowmobiles may be operated in the City:
 1. Streets. Snowmobiles shall be operated only upon streets which have not been plowed during the snow season and on such other streets as may be designated by resolution of the Council.

A copy of the resolution & snowmobile route may be obtained at City Hall. (See back of calendar page for a map of designated routes.)

----- City Council Minutes - January 10, 2012

Mayor Heeren called the regular meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Grimley, Miller, Ralston, Shebetka and Brady. Also present: Todd Wyman, Brandon French, Susan Cooper, Lena Gilbert, Tom Smith, Mary La Grange, Doug Beard, Dave Haugen, Deputies Mast and Pavelka.

Consent Agenda: M/b Brady, 2nd/b Ralston to approve the consent agenda with the correction to the minutes as noted by Miller. All ayes motion carried.

Citizens with Concerns Not on the Agenda: Lena Gilbert was present with home inspector Tony Smith to voice her objections to the product styrene as it is being used in the sewer lining portion of the sewer rehab project. Project engineer Dave Haugen reported on styrene as it pertains to the sewer lining project.

Sheriff's Report: Deputy Pavelka provided the patrol report for hours of service from December 20, 2011 through January 10, 2012. There were 62 calls for service. Current hours of service: 118.3.

Maintenance Report: Since the last meeting the maintenance department has been assisting with the sewer project and Todd is working on the budget for FY 2012-13. He asked for input on the business district street project as part of his budget. Since the tearing up of the street would involve sidewalks and lighting Todd feels Shoemaker and Haaland should be involved as they did the specs for the original Broadway Street revitalization plan. The local contractors that Todd talked to felt the job was too big for small contractors and would require businesses with larger equipment to complete the project. Well #2 tank monitor has been installed and runs similar to Well #3. The sewer generator panel has had the new transfer switch installed. The yearly generator inspection has been completed by Altorpher.

Reports submitted to the council: December finance reports for the library, parks and fire department, Library Board minutes, building permit report thru December 31, 2011, December OT report and a bridge inspection report from Linn County on the 5th Avenue, 5th Street and Broadway Street bridges. Roger reported on attending the Fire Dept. meeting and a small park maintenance and rejuvenation meeting in Mason City. The Fire Department is working on setting the dates for the fish fries, most likely both in March. The department is considering repairing/rejuvenating the old 1951 fire truck. The truck needs extensive repair and discussion centered on how to fund the repairs. Roger reported the parks seminar was very beneficial in that while funding has been cut to the REAP grant program the program will

focus on revitalization and completion of projects for current park systems. Discussion continued on applying for a REAP Grant this year as the Visioning project of 2004 identified many park projects.

Old Business: Nuisance Abatement: the city has not received any paperwork from the attorney for 173 Broadway.

New Business: Vacate Academy Street: School officials have spoken with Todd about vacating Academy Street and turning the street over to the school. Council is in agreement with the request. Bixler noted a letter requesting vacation of the street must be received from the school to officially get the project started.

Dedication of Sewer Main: City Atty. Taylor advised that the city be totally sure that the sewer main on school property services only the school. Past research found that there is no record of an easement for maintenance of the main and no record of ownership of the main. Discussion was held at the May 10, 2010 council meeting of dedicating the main to the school. The clerk will contact the school.

Adopt Blanket Replacement Options for City Street Signs: M/b Shebetka, 2nd/b Brady to adopt the Blanket Replacement Option for replacement of city street signs as provided by the IDOT. All ayes, motion carried.

Hwy. 151/X20 Intersection Environmental Assessment: Todd has received correspondence from the IDOT in reference to an environmental assessment that is being planned to comply with the NEPA before the U.S. 151/X20 intersection improvement project can begin. Todd must provide information on city infrastructure in the proposed study area.

Budget Work Session: A budget tutorial was given for the new council and the status of year-to-date revenues were discussed.

Ordinance #01-2012; An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Springville, Iowa, by Amending Provisions Pertaining to the Cemetery (first reading). Tabled for review by the cemetery committee.

Finance Committee Budget Work Session: set for January 16th at 6:00 p.m.

Correspondence: none. Next regular council meeting: **Monday, January 23, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.** M/b Brady, 2nd/b Miller to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

----- City Council Minutes - January 23, 2012

Mayor Heeren called the regular meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall. Present on roll call: Grimley, Miller, Ralston, Shebetka and Brady. Also present: Todd Wyman, Mary La Grange, Doug Beard and PJ Hoyt.

Consent Agenda: M/by Brady, 2nd by Miller to approve the consent agenda as posted. All ayes motion carried.

Citizens with Concerns Not on the Agenda: None.

Sheriff's Report: the patrol report was provide for hours of service from January 10, 2011 through January 23, 2012. There were 45 calls for service. Current hours of service: 120.8.

Maintenance Report: Since the last meeting the maintenance department has been doing a lot of snowplowing, loading out the piles of snow and going back around for further cleanup of the streets. They are still working on the getting Well #2 transfer switch installed. Fifty ton of salt remains available in the salt contract and this year has been extremely easy on the snowplowing budget. Lining of the sewer mains is finished. A crew will be back in town to grout places where the lateral meets the main. Shoemaker and Haaland will be contacted in reference to phase 1 and phase 2 of the street project to see if there is any information on restoration of the business block.

Mayor: the Mayor attended a meeting one on finance for the Linn County EMA. There was also a Mayors' meeting concerning the LOST vote that he was unable to attend.

Reports submitted to the council: Library Board minutes, SEDC minutes, 2011 gross wages and examples of a new *Welcome to Springville* sign for the Hwy.151/X20 intersection.

Jeff reported on the finance committee meeting of January 16th. The committee reviewed year to date expenditures, projected FY 2012-13 revenues and projected FY 2011-12 ending balances.

Old Business

Nuisance Abatement: Council reviewed a purchase agreement and request to Iowa Title Company for creation of an abstract for the 173 Broadway property completed by Atty. Taylor. Mr. Lorimar will be asked to attend the next council meeting to sign the purchase agreement for the 173 Broadway property.

New Business

New Door, Frame & Hardware for Historical Society Entry: M/by Shebetka, 2nd by Brady to replace the former library door with a steel door that includes a new frame, hardware and a panic bar. Mark Dirks will be contacted for help on the project.

Oath of Office: the Oath of Office was given to Fire Chief Patrick Hoyt.

Banners and Christmas Decorations: the Council was provided with information on banners for the downtown area. This is to be a cost share project with SEDC. Discussion included size of the banners, hardware, number of banners needed, banners for 1st Avenue, cost and customizing the banners. M/by Shebetka, 2nd by Brady agreeing with SEDC's choice of a gazebo banner and a cattail banner and directing the clerk to contact the company for further information on costs, hardware, etc... All ayes, motion carried.

Capital Improvements Plan (CIP): Discussion was held on the benefits and need for the City to invest in a Capital Improvements Plan (CIP). Material received from Patrick Callahan and ECICOG on the CIP process was reviewed. Mo/by Shebetka, 2nd by Brady to contract with Snyder and Associates for the services of Patrick Callahan to develop a CIP for a cost not to exceed \$7,000. This project will be a budget item for FY 12-13. All ayes, motion carried.

Budget Work Session: tabled

Set Budget Work Session: set for February 6th at 6:00 p.m.

Correspondence: none.

Next regular council meeting: **Monday, February, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.**

M/by Shebetka, 2nd by Ralston to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.



MYSAK

AUTO REPAIR


Mysak Auto Repair is now open in Springville, and would like to make repairing and servicing your vehicle more convenient. We offer in town pick-up and delivery, and same day service for most of your maintenance needs. Please call to schedule your appointment today.

Phone: 854-7166
Open M-F - 7am-5pm
Maintenance, repair, tires & more...
(Still operating in Marion as usual)



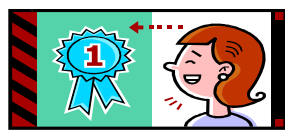
Used Book Sale

Sale Dates:
January 7th & 21st
February 4th & 18th
March 3rd & 17th
April 7th & 2
Held at 256 Broadway



A BIG THANK YOU TO THE CITIZENS OF SPRINGVILLE!!

The Springville School Cents was a huge success again! Springville won 1st place! It would not have been possible without the support and effort of everyone. This money will be put to good use for the good of all the students and the school.



Need someone to shovel your sidewalks or driveway?

No Job is too BIG!!
Call Mitch Kack @854-6228
or stop by 608 Fawn Ave.

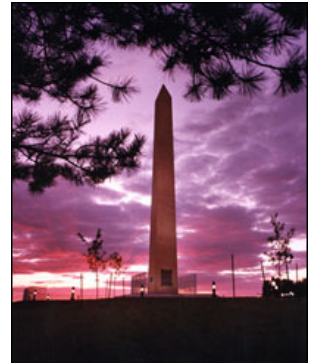


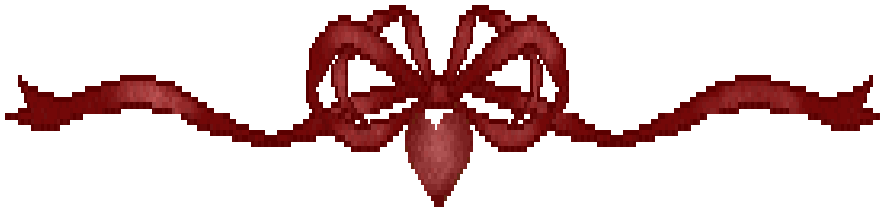

Do You Really Know Iowa?



Kalona is the largest Amish community west of the Mississippi River.

The Sergeant Floyd Monument in Sioux City honors the only man to die during the Lewis and Clark expedition.





BE MY VALENTINE

Cabbage always has a heart;
Green beans string along.
You're such a Tomato,
Will you Peas to me belong?

You've been the Apple of my eye,
You know how much I care;
So Lettuce get together,
We'd make a perfect Pear.

Now, something's sure to Turnip,
To prove you can't be Beet;
So, if you Carrot all for me
Let's let our Tulips meet.

Don't Squash my hopes and dreams now,
Bee my Honey, dear;
Or tears will fill Potato's eyes,
While Sweet Corn lends an ear.

I'll Cauliflower shop and say
Your dreams are Parsley mine.
I'll work and share my Celery,
So be my Valentine.

SPECIAL VALENTINE WISH

(author unknown)

I'd like to hang a valentine
Upon the world's front door,
With hearts of love and peace entwined
To last forevermore.

With love to guide our daily path,
There'd be no one in need;
God's blessings would be shared by all
Of every race and creed.

Peace would come to all the world
As nations great and small
Would put aside their selfish aims
To work for the good of all.

If I could have my wish today,
I'd wish for nothing more
Than to hang a great big valentine
Upon our world's front door.

