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# The Springville Buzz

## Gym Restoration Update

Instead of an article on the gym, we will list information given to us by Ken Thompson. Mr. Thompson has been working closely with Brent Connors, an architectural engineer representing Cook group.

- \* Preliminary drawings have been submitted for review to the Cook group
- \* There are currently no known environmental issues to prevent the rebuild in place
- A wish list of items has been submitted by the board
- \* The current gym walls have been capped as a precautionary against freezing damage
- \* There will be a public meeting held to include the community in the rebuild process once more information is available
- An estimate of \$450,000 is needed to rebuild. There is currently approximately \$70,000 in place. This includes \$12,000 in content insurance.
- The Boy Scouts have already begun fundraising for their lost items



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### To submit an article

- Carrie Rainey, editor, SpringvilleBuzz@gmail.com
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New Year, A New Chance To Save A Life!

# Pint-Size Hero Blood Drive January 12, 2017 3:00-8:00

North Daviess Elementary School

This year's Pint-Size Hero Blood Drive is in honor of Riley Osmon, the 5 year old son of Trent and Karrie Osmon. Riley was diagnosed with leukemia 4 years ago and needs regular blood and platelet transfusions, sometimes multiple times a week. He is currently in ICU at Riley Hospital for Children with a life threatening infection. Show your support for Riley and his family by making a donation of blood in his honor!

Call 698-0424 to schedule your appointment.

Give blood and you could help save three lives!

When this flyer was created, Riley was in a fight for his life in the ICU. He thankfully was able to spend Christmas at his home with his family. Riley will return to Riley Children's Hospital early this month for his next phase of treatment. While he did improve since this flyer, he is still being treated for leukemia, in need of blood products and of course, as many prayers as possible. Please know that the Osmon family appreciates blood donations of all blood types to save as many lives as possible.

# The Buzz Around Springville Elementary School

Submitted by: Mrs. Charles, Springville Elementary School Principal

It is always exciting having the children return from Christmas break. They seem to be happy to see their friends and teachers again and usually have lots to report about their Christmas and holiday break. School resumes on Tuesday, January 3, 2017. Wow– 2017! Where does the time go?

The elementary basketball tournament begins on Saturday, January 7. Both girls' and boys' teams play on 1/7 at OMS. The girls play at 9:00 a.m. vs. PVI and the boys play beginning at 11:30 a.m. vs. Fayetteville. We wish our basketball players and cheerleaders the best of luck! Thank you to our coaches, Mrs. Jayme Davis and Addie Banks– cheer coaches; Mr. and Mrs. Matt and Brittany Olson– girls' basketball coaches; and Mr. Bob Evans– boys' basketball coach. Our athletes have learned much from you this year and have done an outstanding job representing Springville Elementary, their families, and themselves.

For up-to-date school events, be sure to go to our website at http://sves.nlcs.k12.in.us/. From there you can click on the events' calendar under the info tab where you will find up-coming school events. Our currents newsletter and school menu can also be found on our webpage.

Here at Springville Elementary we appreciate and thank all of you for loving and caring for our children. Thank you for supporting academics and striving to do what's best for these sweet children and this great community at all times. Having strong community and family support is critical in raising outstanding citizens. We are so fortunate to be part of this Springville community!



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# Youth Leadership Programs

The children of Springville are lucky to have many youth leadership programs in our area they may join.

- Boy Scouts POC: Brian Grissom 675-6911 (grades K-5)
- \* Albert Cross 279-1377 (grades 6-12)
- Ed Barrett 278-6006 (Venturing Crew– Boys and Girls ages 14-20)
- Girl Scouts- for girls in Kindergarten–
  8th grade. We are currently seeking a Daisy leader and assistant leader for

our girls grades K&1. We also need assistant leaders/ adult volunteers for our 2-8th grade girls. There are no openings for additional girls at this time.

POC: Carrie Rainey 797-4186

 United States Naval Sea Cadet Corp– Boys and girls ages 10-18. There are openings with the Indiana SSN789 Division (formerly Crane Division). Information can be found at www.seacadets.org

# **Springville Girl Scouts' Cookie Sales**

Beginning Saturday, January 7, 2017, the girls from Springville Girl Scout troops (and other area troops) will be out taking orders for our annual cookie sales. The girls learn money management skills, goal setting and marketing skills through this program. It is also the primary means of funding our troops. Each box sold is equal to 65 cents for the troop. Our girls need to sell a thousand boxes or more per troop to reach many of their goals.

If you are out and about, please support our girls if you can. Beginning Saturday, you can contact Springville's Troop Organizer, Carrie Rainey at 812-797-4186 to place an order or stop by one of our booth locations starting in February. We are still collecting donations for Operation Cookie Drop (cookies are sent to LOCAL deployed service members through HHAFFA) that is a great options for those on diets but still want to support our troops.



Additional Cookie Info: Thin Mints, Samoa, Do-Si-Do, Savanah Smiles and Tagalongs are \$4 per box Toffee Tastic (gluten free) & S'mores are \$5 per box. NEW THIS YEAR: WE ARE NO LONGER ABLE TO ACCEPT CHECKS. We are asking customers to please have exact change ready for us when we begin deliveries the beginning of February

# Dennis Godsey Honored For 50 Years Of Service With Perry VFD Article copied from Times Mail

Godsey was honored by Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association 17B District Chairman Bobby Brown, IVFA Public Relations for Southwest Steve Nolan and IVFA Vice President David Isreal along with State Fire Marshal James Greeson.

Godsey was awarded an IVFA 50 year Gold Card with a lifetime membership to the association and his 50 year pin. Fire Marshal Greeson presented him with the Meritorious Service Award.

Godsey has held several positions within the fire department including being chief.

"Things are a lot different now then back in 1967, when we built our first department," he added. "We built our first fire station where it is located now with a loan of \$3,000. We purchased our first truck a 1941 GM from Heltonville."

The department didn't have any funds, so Paris McCarter loaned the department the money to build the fire station

"We paid him back hosting turkey shots," Godsey says. "It took all of us working together to build that station, hauling cement blocks one at a time and two of us on each corner of a wall standing it in place."

Those that become firefighters don't do it for any praise or glory, Godsey says.

"We do it because we love our neighbors and communities and we love the job," he added. "We don't do it for praise or a pat on the back."

## United States Naval Sea Cadet Corp– Indiana Division support The Salvation Army through Bell Ringing Program

On Saturday, December 10, 2016, five young men and women from our local Sea Cadet division braved the cold to show some warmth within the community. These Cadets stood at the entrance of Big Lots in Bedford for 4 hours ringing the bell, singing and wishing passerby's a Merry Christmas. Temperatures were particularly chilly that day dipping into the low 20's and upper teens, but that didn't bother them one bit. They had Christmas spirit to keep them toasty.

The young men and women of the division are learning leadership skills and community awareness through this program and have wracked up many community service hours this year. We are proud of each Cadet for their service to the community.



### Next Stop Springville

The Bedford-Springville-Owensburg-Bloomfield Railroad, often referred to as the B&B line was instrumental in the development and flow of the Springville community. Every morning in Springville, about 8:30 the familiar sound of a whistle would fill the air announcing the arrival of the train on it's daily run southbound stopping at Springville. The BSOB was in operation from 1895 to around 1930.

Commuters stopping in town would often make their way to Leota's Boarding House, a well known establishment, providing room and board to the weary and a satisfying dining experience to locals and travelers alike. Bringing to mind images of the Whistle Stop café of "Fried Green Tomatoes".

Everyone knew that if you were looking for the finest food, people had to look no further than Leota Holmes's boarding house. The nine room house was located on the south side of B&B railroad in Springville. Leota's hospitality was known far and wide. Among her regular tenants, guests would include traveling salesmen, lecturers, farmers, and teachers. Her duties compounded when the bridge gangs from the railroad were on the job. Even the tramps that would find their way to her door never left hungry. No matter the number of diners, she managed to satisfy all.

Leota charged just 25 cents a meal. For just a quarter guests could get a home cooked meal, including dessert. In fact, Leota felt is was a disgrace to serve less than two kinds of pies for dessert. The typical breakfast meal offered would include eggs, ham, biscuits, gravy, bacon, oatmeal, porridge, and cornmeal mush.

Leota's work was never ending. As well and the usual upkeep of the boarding house, cooking, and keeping wood chopped for fuel, Leota kept busy canning. She kept a variety of jams, jellies, and kraut on hand.

One February the boarding house burned to the ground, devastating the community. The only two items managed to be saved were the kitchen range and table. A new house was built on the same site and soon it was back to business as usual with Leota, a well loved and respected Springville celebrity, serving her community with an open heart and open hands.

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May you all have a blessed 2017