WELCOME

the Centennial Celebration of

Springville School

May 19, 1985
Springville started out as a one-room school with a handful of youngsters as the educational system for School District 29... a good buggy ride northwest of the budding town of Omaha. No exact date for the start of the school has been found, but the district is recorded in county records in 1872.

The first Springville was on what was to become 66th Street between Redick and Girard. In 1884, the old school was purchased by the DeBolt family and moved a short distance north where it was converted into a home. Then a new Springville School was built on the same location in 1884.

It and its heating stove served through the blizzard of 1888 and on to 1917. In that year, the voters of District 29 approved a $2,000 bond issue. The money was used to build a second room and install a furnace. The men of the district hauled bricks and dug the basement... and when the project was finished “few cents were left in the treasury.”

The two-room frame schoolhouse met the needs of District 29 until 1948 when a two-room brick building was constructed at 60th and Girard. But in 1954, the number of students demanded the addition of two more rooms. Still the district’s school population grew.

On June 16, 1958, School District 29 merged with Omaha School District 1 after completing plans for a major addition to the school and floating a $300,000 bond issue. In 1959, these plans were carried out as four classrooms, a multi-purpose room with kitchen and a boiler room were added. The cost was $283,609. In 1965, Springville School dedicated a second major addition... one of eight classrooms... which cost $165,550.99, a cost paid from bonds issue in 1963.

In 1959, two youngsters enrolled in Springville’s third grade and became students 99 and 100 in the school. The number grew to 323 by February, 1963 and 520 in 1965 (Grades Kindergarten through 6). In 1972, Springville was a school with an enrollment of approximately 530 students with only grades Kindergarten through 5. Springville housed 14 regular classrooms, one temporary classroom, a library, a health room, a multi-purpose room and one administrative office.

For the next three years one temporary classroom was added yearly to house up to 620 students. Pinewood School was built and 250 students were reassigned from Springville to Pinewood. All temporary classrooms were removed.

Today Springville has a regular force of twelve classroom teachers assisted by the following specialized personnel: a full-time principal, full-time secretary, a part-time librarian, speech therapist, nurse, resource teacher, vocal and instrumental music teachers, physical education teacher and art teacher. A human community relations specialist, community counselor, and a school psychologist are available on a consultation basis. At noon, there are five lunch aides who help the principal supervise the children during the lunch period. There are two cooks who complete the preparation of the food received from a satellite kitchen and they also serve the food. Custodial services are provided by one day engineer and one night custodian.

Parents from the community are also responsible for many volunteer services -- the P.T.A., K.A.I.R., V.A.I.R., Computer Tutors, library aides and teacher aides. Volunteer assistance is always welcome at Springville.

The active Parent-Teachers’ Association keeps everyone informed and involved. PTA fund raising projects have provided Springville students with many of the “necessary extras” which enhance their education... classroom computers, library material, playground equipment, etc. If you are the type of parent who wants to be involved in your child’s school, Springville is the place to be.

The Eagle was chosen to symbolize Springville School and Green and White are our school colors.
Centennial Music

1:30 p.m. - Grade Six
1:50 p.m. - Springville Mothersingers
2:10 p.m. - Grade Two
2:30 p.m. - Springville Mothersingers
2:50 p.m. - Grade Five
3:10 p.m. - Grade One
3:30 p.m. - Grade Four
4:00 p.m. - Grade Three

Phyllis Beam, Principal

Staff of 1984-85

Best Wishes to
Mrs. Kull and Mrs. Steibel
in their retirement

Mrs. Kull has taught at Springville for 27 years.

Mrs. Steibel has taught at Springville for 16 years and 5 years at Druid Hill.
Springville Staff
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Viola DeLuca

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