



## Director's Corner

### Our Pride and Joy

THE GRADUATING class of 1986 is 45 strong—the largest in the history of Springer School. There are many ways to describe a graduating class: 9 girls and 36 boys; 32 students leaving for elementary placement and 13 for high school; 12 students enrolling in public schools, 20 in private and 13 in parochial; or 38 enrolling in schools in Ohio, 4 in Kentucky, 1 in Pennsylvania, 1 in Florida, and 1 in Minnesota. But while these descriptions tell of the diversity of our graduating class, they do not capture the most significant information.

One could also speak to the fact that graduation from Springer is a statement of the love and dedication of parents and families who made available an education tailored to a student's particular needs. Graduation also reflects the patience and skills of the pro-

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**The Class of '86** GRADUATION from Springer means that a student has overcome educational odds and is ready to tackle new school situations. Springer honored its largest graduating class ever, with Commencement ceremonies on June 3.

## CONGRATULATIONS to Springer's 1986 graduates, who will be commencing new academic careers in new schools.

AMANDA ARENT, Summit Girls Middle School  
 JAMIE AULTZ, Loveland Miami School  
 ANDREW BECKER, Villa Madonna Academy  
 ADAM BLAU, Johnson Elementary School, Ft. Thomas  
 DAVID BLAU, Summit Boys Middle School  
 GARY BURNSIDE, Purcell Marion High School  
 MONALO CALDWELL, St. Clare School  
 JASON COLLINS, Anderson High School  
 BART COSGROVE, St. Vincent Ferrer School  
 ROBERT ENDORF, Summit Boys Middle School  
 DANIEL FREY, St. Mary School  
 ELIZABETH GARBER, Doherty School  
 ROY GIBSON, Goshen Middle School  
 ARI GREENWALD, Loggers' Run Community Middle School, Boca Raton, Fla.  
 J.G. HAMILTON, St. Ursula Villa  
 SCOTT HARVEY, Highlands High School, Ft. Thomas  
 THURSOTN HELTON, Purcell Marian High School  
 JOSEPH HITZLER, Turkeyfoot Junior High, Ft. Mitchell  
 THOMAS HOLLAND, Summit Boys Middle School  
 SCOTT HUBER, LaSalle High School  
 MATTHEW HUNTER, St. Ursula Villa  
 ADAM HYLAND, to be decided  
 VICKIE KAPFER, Nativity School

AARON KENT, Purcell Marian High School  
 KIP KUMMERLE, Summit Boys Middle School  
 DREW LICHTENBERG, Summit Boys Middle School  
 CHRISTINE MALLETT, to be decided  
 ANI MARTIN, Lotspeich School  
 KATIE McTERNAN, St. Ursula Villa  
 EDWARD MEER, to be decided  
 ELENA MERZ, Purcell Marian High School  
 MICHAEL MYRICK, Turpin High School  
 STEVEN NOVAK, Turpin High School  
 KEVIN O'BRIEN, Purcell Marian High School  
 BRIAN PEASE, Bethany School  
 JOSEPH PLATTNER, Summit Boys Middle School  
 MARK REGALBUTO, Groves Learning Center  
 St. Louis Park, MN  
 JAMES ROBERTS, Purcell Marian  
 CARRIE RUNCK, Summit Girls Middle School  
 AARON RYBOLT, Summit Boys Middle School  
 CHAD SCHLARB, St. Mary School  
 JEFFREY SORG, St. Ursula Villa  
 MARK TITTEL, The Phelps School, Malvern, PA.  
 PEGGY WENKER, St. Ursula Villa  
 ROBERT WALLACE, Purcell Marian High School

# Once Again, Magnolia Time Blossoms

SOME ANNUAL EVENTS may get old, after a year or two, but like Spring itself, Springer's "Magnolia Time" event arrives fresh and exciting each year. This year's "Once Again It's Magnolia Time" on April 26, entertained some 200 guests at an elegant dinner and an exciting evening of special auctions and drawings.

Expert auctioneer Bill Wilson of Williamstown, Ky., again volunteered his time to the oral auction event. Bidding was intense for items such as an event at the Observatory complete with instruction by a UC physicist and dessert for a party of 15, a year of Graeter's ice cream, a Red's game with dinner for 16 in a private box, a week at a beachfront townhouse at Amelia Island, a champagne flight for two aboard a hot air balloon, a night's lodging and dinner at the Golden Lamb, a double-signed Ruthven print, and among many more opportunities, even a magnolia tree—guaranteed to grow and increase next year. In addition, 116 items, ranging from a Rookwood tile to a baseball autographed by Johnny Bench and Pete Rose, created excitement among bidders in the silent auction.

Twenty thousands dollars was raised at this year's event, which was organized by Margaret and Raymond Babb, Charlotte and Robert Endorf, Marge and David Hunter, and Carol and Bill Lichtenberg and coordinated by Joyce Murray, Springer's director of development. The Magnolia Time committee included Inez and

"WELCOME to 1986," exclaimed Stephanie Gerrety, school secretary, after a new, modern phone system was installed at Springer in February. The new system, made possible by a grant from the Jack J. Smith, Jr., Charitable Trust, has increased the number of both outside and internal communication lines. In addition, there are options such as conference calls, speed dialing, message waiting, and do not disturb controls. The Springer Staff genuinely appreciates this (most recent) support from the Jack J. Smith, Jr., Charitable Trust.

Steve Allen, Sharon and Shu Arent, Karen and Jeffrey Deutsch, Carol Conners, Kurtzie Gonzalez, Ann Mezibov, and Sue Smith, assisted by many more hard-working Springer parents and friends.

## Don't Let the Sun Shine In

DURING warm days in September and again in late spring, classrooms can become uncomfortably warm without adequate means of shading the windows. Springer's plea for new shades has been heard and answered by the Trustees of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation. Just in time for the hot weather, the tattered draperies are being replaced with attractive new vinyl shades, with the support of a grant from the Greater Cincinnati Foundation. Both students and staff appreciate the continued support of the Foundation.

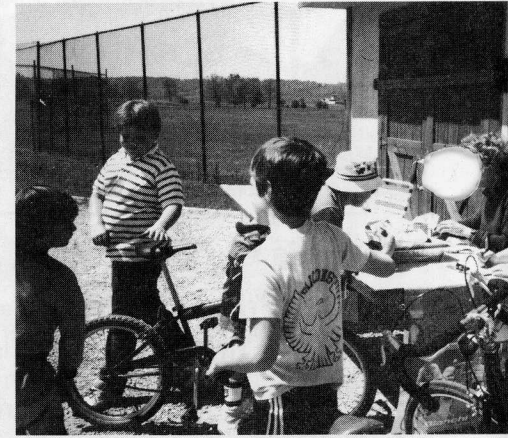
## BIKE-HIKE—Lucky 13

GLORIOUS SPRING weather greeted the 74 participants in Springer's thirteenth annual Bike Hike, May 4, at the Lunken Airport bike trail. More than \$4,300 was raised by the event, cochaired by Debbie Hamilton and Lynn Saul. To raise money, students enlisted sponsors who pledged a payment per mile ridden. To increase interest, there were prizes awarded to Jamie Aultz and Peter Cassinelli, the students who signed up the most sponsors, and to Kip Kummerle and Corey Buck for raising the most money. A special bonus drawing for a 10-speed bike was open to all students signing up two or more sponsors. Daric Foster was the lucky winner. Ms. Gerwe's class led the school with highest participation.

## Sale Caps SPA Year

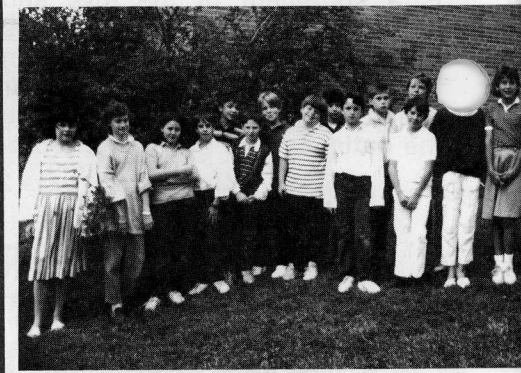
THE GIGANTIC Springer flea market on March 15 required the efforts of many parents and friends who gathered, marked, and sold the hundreds of donated items. "It was worth all the effort," reported Flea Market chairman Carol Lichtenberg, who announced that the sale had realized \$1,377. This brings the total funds raised by SPA this school year to approximately \$9,000.

The flea market is one of several fundraisers sponsored by



Upper School

1986 Graduates



SPA during the year which helped support the Artist in Residence, Falcon Club awards, a kiln, tools, and equipment for pottery classes, guest speaker Dr. Martha Carroll, the staff appreciation luncheon, graduation, and more.

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professionals at Springer who have continuously fine tuned the balance between support and pressure. This balance results in positive progress.

However, the true significance of graduation lies within each graduate as an individual. Almost to the person, these students have dedicated them-



## Springer Scene

### Bike Hike

LYNN Saul (foreground) and Debbie Hamilton sign up rider Corey Buck.

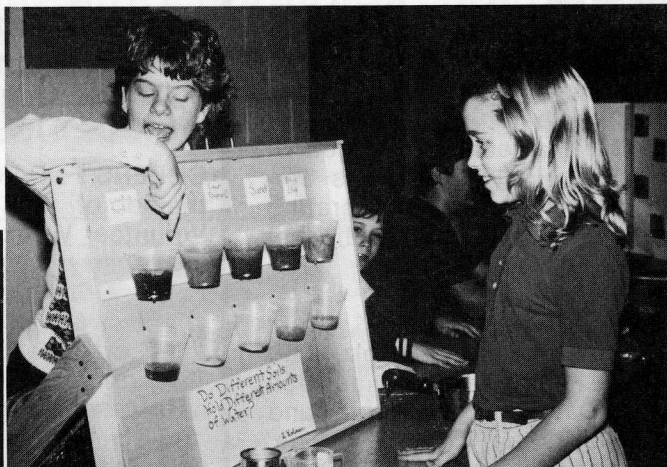
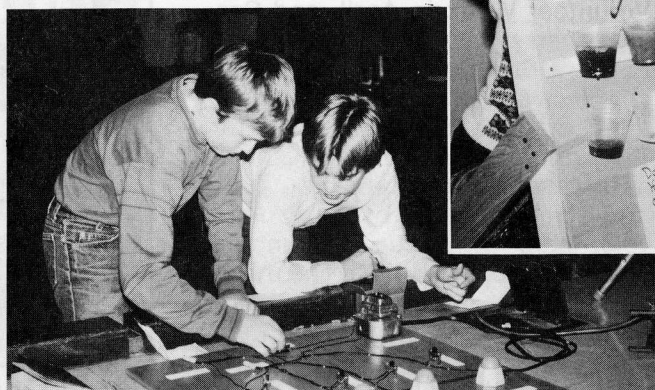


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Middle School

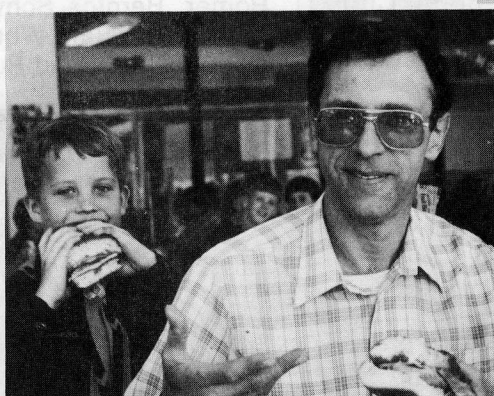


### Science Fair '86

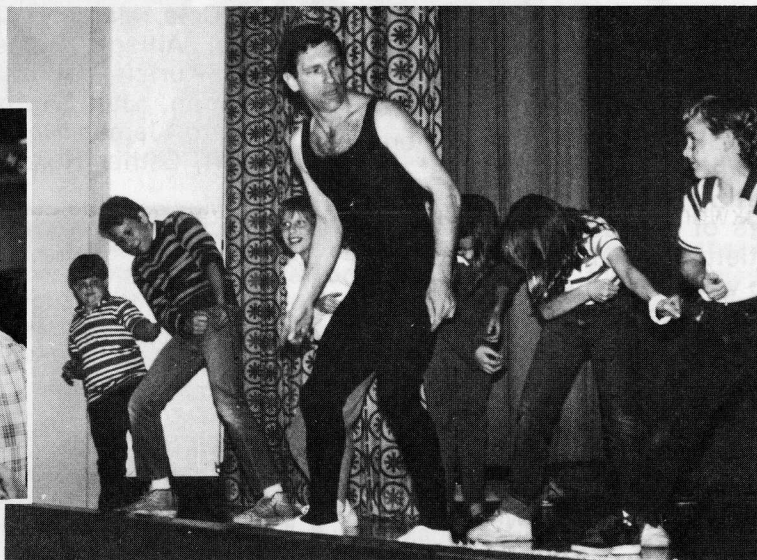


YOUNG investigators explain their projects to fellow students.

### Artist in Residence



MIME David Krohn shares lunch period with students; leads students in imaginary tug of war.



selves to their own development. Having a learning disability means that formal academic learning will never be easy. If the goal is success in school, extra effort must be made and responsibility must be taken to obtain the needed help. This attitude which I call ownership of the problem, is essential to the success of learning disabled students. Few if any specific skills in reading, math, spelling, speaking, or writing are as important. There are ways to compensate for a skill that is lacking. But there is no substitute for taking responsibility of one's own success. Our graduates have taken that responsibility. I sincerely congratulate them.

NORITA APLIN

## Falcon Club Inducts Math Whizzes

FORTY-ONE Springer students won recognition for scholastic achievement in mathematics and were named to the Falcon Club honor society for the Spring term. Each student received the Falcon Club pin during the April 24 assembly. Honored were: (primary division) Todd Ayers, Peter Cassinelli, Janos Clark, Katie Connelly, Jimmy Damico, Jenny

Diesel, Bobby Endorf, Peter Frey, Charles Harris, Scott Harris, Brian Heibert, Max Pastor, Max Rehling, Justin Schaffer, Shannon Trueheit, Matt Westlund; (intermediate division), Jamie Aultz, David Blau, Corey Buck, Art Clauder, Matt Hunter, Ari Greenwald, Christine Mallette, Chris Miceli, J.A. Nordman, Greg Olthaus, Jeff Reichard, Robert Robinson, Chelsey Schneider, Anna Seymour, Sharon Smith, Elizabeth Wilson; (junior high division) Mike Bernardino, Bart Cosgrove, Aaron Korb, Elena Merz, Michelle Mockbee, Mike Myrick, Brian Pease, Chad Schlarb, Jeff Sorg.

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## ANNUAL FUND DRIVE REACHES ITS GOAL

THROUGH the generosity of donors and of a very special team of volunteers the 1985-86 Annual Fund Drive has achieved its goal of \$90,000. The drive, which is Springer's primary source of operating funds, was headed by Michael Aubrecht and Richard Geier.

Serving as Fund Drive volunteers were Steve Allen, Bernie Blau, Bill Buchholz, Lou Colgan, Craig Davis, Jim Eigel, Joe Grever, Dave Hall, Georgia and Alan Kightlinger, Tad Lawrence, Ernie Lewis, Dave McConnell, Mike McGraw, Jim McIntire, Mark Matthews, Paul Niklas, Dan and Susan Pfau, Bill Schneebeck, Tom Saul, Dick Schimpf, Ron Secrist, Jeff Shoskin, John Smith, Bob Stachler, Dave Stigler, Bob Stix, Abbott Thayer, Bruce Tittel, Sr. Marianne Van Vurst, Paul Wenker, Ted Wohl, and Chuck Yeiser.

## BOARD MEMBERS HONORED

THE SPRINGER Board honored two retiring trustees at its May meeting. Recognized for their years of service were Charles H. Bartlett and William E. Buchholz, who were presented with gifts and expressions of gratitude for their service to Springer.

Other business included the announcement that attorney Michael K. Keating of the Fifth Third Bank will return as President of the Board, and Michael J. Aubrecht of Paine-Webber and Richard E. Geier, Spectrum Securities, will chair the annual fund drive again in 1986-87.

## ALUMNI NOTES

ROB HALL, '80, won the top award for body shop in the Skill Olympics for all vocational schools in Kentucky. Rob goes to Phoenix, Arizona, to compete for the national title in June. He is a senior at Holy Cross High School, doing his vocational studies at the Chapman Division of Holmes High School.

### A Winner

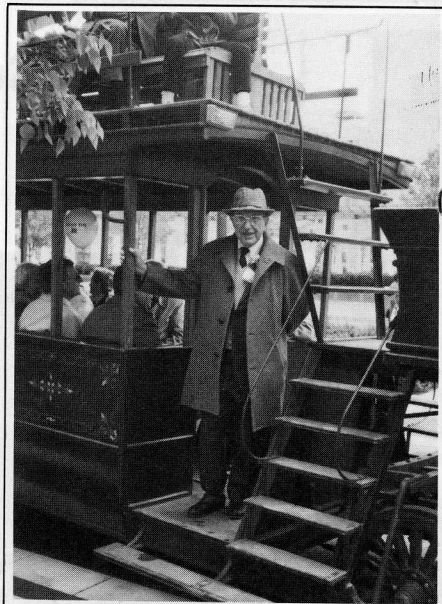
MOLLY STROHOFER (primary division) won the first place in the Kroger Easter coloring contest. Molly's prize was a basket filled with goodies.

## Springer Says Thank You to Volunteers

CHEERS FOR Volunteers, was the theme of this year's National Volunteer Week in April, and Springer had reason to cheer. Willard Kahn, a Springer volunteer for 12 years was one of nine area residents publicly recognized for their volunteer activities by Cincinnati Mayor Charles Luken.

Springer, too, honored volunteers, with a tea at the home of Nancy Ike on April 22. The mood was festive, as the Springer staff honored those who volunteer their time and talents to Springer throughout the school year.

This year's volunteers included Thomas (Pete) Austin, Momi Bolan, Sue Bradford, Sug Clauder, Ruth Cole, Margaret Culkin, Arja Ewing, Allison Flege, Barbara Frey, Kurtzie Gonzalez, Emily Hausman, Jan Harbolt, Chris Hayward, James Headley, Nancy Heibert, Esther Herzberg, Willard



WILLARD KAHN arrives at City Hall for ceremony.

Kahn, Georgia Kightlinger, Lynne Kramer, Charlotte Leiter, Jean Lewis, Eleanor Maley, Rhoda Meyer, Barbara Porte, Monica Rehling, Norma Reider, Justine Romer, Bernice Schwarz, Eleanor Tyler, Samuel Ward, Gertrude Oppenheimer, and Ruth Pearlman.



VOLUNTEERS Gertrude Oppenheimer and Bernice Schwarz with hostess Nancy Ike (center).

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