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Midge Neal

Springboro soldier helps father fight cancer battle

By Lawrence Budd
Staff Writer

SPRINGBORO — Iraq isn't the only tough fight Brad Marsh got through.

Marsh — a captain in the U.S. Army — was stationed in Iraq in 2005 when he learned his father had an incurable, but treatable, form of blood cancer.

Last week, Marsh was officially designated a champion by the Stefanie Spielman Fund for Breast Cancer Research at the Ohio State University Comprehensive Can-



Brad Marsh (left) helped his father, Bill Marsh, deal with cancer. Contributed photo

power of fear, you let it beat you," he said recently.

took off six weeks from school, commuting almost every day from the family home in Springboro to his father's bedside at the Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center in Columbus.

"He took on every burden I had been unable to deal with," Bill Marsh said in an essay he submitted nominating his son for the award.

"He is my champion; I do not know what my wife and I would have done without him."

In March 2007, Brad was visiting his parents' home in Spring-

Is Springboro suffering from identity crisis?

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TALK OF THE TOWN

Who are you, Springboro?

Some say the community is suffering from an identity crisis.

Last week, David Baker, superintendent of Springboro Community City Schools,

which educates kids from the city and township, listed a community identity crisis among the factors contributing to the March 4 failure of a levy that would have

BUSINESS PROFILE

Simplesoft coming to Springboro

By Pamela Dillon
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Business: Simplesoft Solutions has a new office planned for 550 N. Main St., Springboro.

Contact: Don Menrisky, president/managing partner; (937) 885-1204; www.simplesoft.net

History: Don Menrisky and Tom Steines started Simplesoft Solutions in 1994. The current offices are located in Chicago; Ripley, W.Va.; and at 10851 Yankee St., Centerville.

The company has a full staff of certified developers, integrators and software trainers. A groundbreaking was held on N. Main St. in Springboro on April 17 for a new 4,400-square-foot local site.

Service: Simplesoft Solutions is a customer relationship management software and business consulting firm.

It provides software sales, consulting, software development, enterprise application



Simplesoft Solutions is moving its office location. Sue Menrisky (from left) is the operations manager; Don Menrisky, president; and Bill Hibner, builder. Contributed photo

integration, training and staff augmentation.

Simplesoft partners with Sage, Sun and Microsoft to sell software solutions that enhance business productivity.

Reason for move: "In the past two years, our growth has really taken off. A lot has to do with my employees; they

are fantastic and make our customers happy," said Menrisky, whose wife, Sue, is operations manager.

"We've outgrown our current Centerville location. The new interchange planned for Austin Road makes Springboro a great choice that will provide easy access to the

interstate."

Differentiated service:

The certified business partner focuses on in-depth product knowledge, prompt customer service, user training and customized installation.

The business invests upfront time needed to understand their clients' unique requirements.

Simplesoft was acknowledged as a top 10 certified business partner throughout the U.S. in Sage Software's President's Circle last year.

Looking ahead: Simplesoft Solutions is using Hibner and Associates from Vandalia to build; final construction is scheduled for the end of August.

Simplesoft will then have an in-house training facility for Sage CRM software customers.

The building will be large enough to handle growth and facilitate strong working relationships with other businesses.