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DATE/TIME/

PLACE: July 9 , 2002 12:00 noon, McDonald's Family Restaurant

ATTENDANCE: 22 Plus Kurt Bachtold, Erin McVey, Adam Roberts, Bill Roberts

MISSING: T.Casson, P.Hermes, D.Kinate, W.Munz, E.Palen, J.Paternoster, M.Petersen, J.Schahrer, K.Smith, M.Steffen, J.Strong, T.Taylor, J.Tollensdorf, L.Weber, S.Weeks

SING-A-LONG: Plenty of piano players- just not ours!

LOTTO: Bill Fugate and Mark Prost

ACTION ON THE AV

CLUB SERVICE:

Programs:

July 16 - Fran Strebing - Central Illinois Regional Airport

Membership:



Gibson Rotary will have their Golf Outing August 1st. For \$65/person you get a cart, steak dinner and prizes. We also have the sign up sheet for the District Golf Outing starting August 31st.

August 9th Gary Huston has another Golf Outing at the Elks \$50/person. Contact him for more information.

Rotary bills are out.
Please pay your dues
ASAP.



INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:

We are starting a new year. Why not plan your contribution to the Rotary Foundation early. Those Paul Harris Sustaining Members remember, we match your contribution up to \$500/member.

QUIPS AND QUOTES:

'DAFFYNITION'

Assumption: The first sign of impending disaster.

Contributed by Joe Heuer, Glendale, Wisconsin

**I've learned that even when I have pains,
I don't have to be one.**

AREA ROTARY CLUB MEETINGS

Bloomington	12:00 Noon	Thursday	Elks Club
Gibson City	6:15 p.m.	Wednesday	Bayern Stube
Gilman	6:05 p.m.	Tuesday	Gilman Lounge
Lincoln	11:50 a.m.	Wednesday	Elks Country Club
Normal	12:00 Noon	Wednesday	Bone Student Center
Piper City	6:15 p.m.	Monday	Azz Izz Tavern
Pontiac	12:00 Noon	Tuesday	Mary's Family Rest.

PIANO PLAYERS OF FAIRBURY



Dave had talked to Beth Schweizer about organizing a recital by some of our local piano talents. The following students performed for us:

Adam Roberts - 6th grade, 4 year piano student

Erin McVey - 8th grade, 4 year piano student

Kurt Bachtold - 8th grade, 4 year piano student

Adam is a student of Beth's and Kurt and Erin take lessons from Kay Dickey.

Adam started with "*Fir Elise*". Erin played "*Fire Dance*" and "*Toccatina*", and then Kurt played "*On the Lake*", "*Spanish Gypsies*", his own arrangement of the church hymn "*Just Over the River*" and "*Ballads*".

Dave then addressed Rotary talking about "Brain Waves" and the functions of the piano and brain along with coordination of all of these. Also noting that these students tended to have better report cards.

Jon then stated the regret of not continuing in music. Wisdom didn't play a part in the decision. Several agreed.

BITS & PIECES

*A mixture of horse sense and common sense
about working with people.*

STRIVE TO BE IN THE 2% CLUB

When I was 10 or 11 years old and playing midget football, a man named William T. Wilson - a friend of the family and the father of our then quarterback - was the local prep school coach and athletic director. He was a tough individual, an ex-marine, and evoked myriad emotions in those with whom he came in contact - fear, loyalty, respect, devotion, etc.

He was quite a motivator, and seeing my obvious love for the sport of football and knowing my intention of playing at least at the high school and college levels, he put his arm over my shoulder one day after a Saturday practice. He walked me to the side of the field where not only the team of my age group, but all of the teams from age 8 to 12 were busy in practicing or finishing practice for the day. He said the following:

"Son, look around you. Of all the people playing midget football, not only those here but in the entire league, only

10 percent of those will go on to play high school football. Of that 10 percent, only 5 percent will continue on to play college ball. Of the remaining 5 percent, only 2 percent will play for the pros. Now, the thing you need to understand is that the only quality separating these men is desire. You have to want to be a 2 percenter."

Over the many years since then, I have returned to that day and time on numerous occasions. Although I forfeited my college career in football to donate a kidney to my ill sister, I have come to understand that this principle applies to anything and everything that one might wish to accomplish. Only 2 percent of the people will be successful at attaining their ultimate goals, and, in the end, the true deciding factor will be desire.

Contributed by Greg Campbell
Lloyd Harbor, New York

