



The Cornpicker

Bulletin of Fairbury, IL Rotary Club

"SOW THE SEEDS OF LOVE"

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DATE/TIME/

PLACE: September 17, 2002 12:00 noon, McDonald's Family Restaurant

ATTENDANCE: 22 plus George Wolf & Gloria Wilson

MISSING: J. Bachtold, E. Bellot, C. Borngasser, T. Casson, R. Coady, P. Hermes, D. Kinate, W. Munz, D. Oelschlager, E. Palen, M. Petersen, P. Pogue, M. Steffen, T. Taylor, J. Tollensdorf, L. Weber, M. White

SING-A-LONG: You're A Grand Old Flag & R-O-T-A-R-Y

LOTTO: Gloria Wilson & Jim Paternoster

ACTION ON THE AV

CLUB SERVICE:

Programs:

09/24 J.Capasso - Chenoa School Annex.

10/01 Special Program

NOTE: We will be meeting at Marchelloni's 12:00 noon for a special program with Rita Emmett an international best selling author.

10/08 Jim Roberts - Judge Rita Garmin

QUIPS AND QUOTES:

The opportunity for brotherhood presents itself every time you meet a human being.

Jane Wyman, Actor

Joy is the simplest form of gratitude.

Karl Barth, Theologian

October 1, 2002

Marchelloni's at 12:00 noon

Rita Emmett, Author of

The Procrastinator's Handbook

"Mastering The Art of Doing it Now"



Rita will move heaven and earth to give Rotary a great presentation (as she did for Caterpillar, Inc. in Peoria.

50,000 copies of THE PROCRASTINATOR'S HANDBOOK sold the first year. It was the top selling nonfiction e-book of 2001. Rita has made over 100 radio and TV appearances, including The Today Show where she was interviewed by Katie Couric





District 6490 Governor

Gloria Wilson, our A.D.G. of Area 3, introduced George Wolf, District Governor. George has been in Rotary since 1971 and has been a member of 4 different Rotary Clubs throughout Canada and the U.S. George & Margaret both are Paul Harris Fellows. They have hosted Exchange Students in the past. George is retired from Growmark. Margaret & George have three children and four grandchildren. George began by challenging our memory. "Think back when you joined Rotary!" Who asked and sponsored you for membership? Who was the President? Who was the District Gov. (who cares)? It brings back fond memories and puts a smile on our faces. People at these tables make things happen. Our theme is *"Sow the seeds of Love"*. We are making stories, but what kind are we creating? George shared a story of a friend with a 32 Buick with a rumble seat and how it put smiles on faces at a nursing home. It is a great feeling of holding the hand of a child walking upright and able to stand. We still have countries infected with Polio. India was very appreciative of

the team we sent over and what they were able to do with water. What type of stories are we writing? There are 4 pillars: 1. Club Atmosphere; 2 Communication; 3. Service; 4. Membership. Rotary writes many stories. It is a journey through fellowship. Why did you join? Was it out of the respect of the person who asked you? Why do we stay? Is it because of the respect of the people we meet with? Or, the importance of what we do - like helping people write their stories. It is important for members to be responsible and entice people to join to make Rotary relevant. We find in Rotary these people are our friends. Our theme this year is Sow the Seeds of Love. We need to use more four letter words like love, care, kind, grin & hope. As Rotarians we need to bring hope in the dark corners of the world. Why is it important to laugh? Because it takes our energy level higher and makes us feel good. This allows us to reach out to fellow people. George ended with the following quote *"Service is the rent we pay for the space we occupy in this world."*

BITS & PIECES

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

A Crucial Lesson About Healing

Her future looked grim. Alone in a small bed in a remote village hospital, the palm-sized newborn appeared lifeless. Doctors could barely hear her irregular heartbeat and no one could control her fluctuating temperature. She'd slipped into this world too early - seven weeks premature. And doctors expected her to pass from this world in a matter of days.

In the next bed over, her healthier twin sister fretted while sleeping.

Then, due to a shortage of beds, doctors placed the twins together. The sleeping newborn immediately snuggled up to her sibling and rested soundly. And as the hours passed, the doctors noted significant changes in the weaker infant. Her heartbeat normalized, her skin "pinkened." The sisters kept close over the next few days, often embracing - always touching. And each day, the condition of the once-frail baby improved. Her recovery baffled the doctors.

But it shouldn't have. The baby was simply proof the wondrous healing power of the strongest of all medicines - touch.



*May your life
be as beautiful as a summer day
with just enough clouds
to make you appreciate the sunshine.*

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.