



The Cornpicker

Bulletin of Fairbury, IL Rotary Club

"Service Above Self"

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2005 - 2006 Officers

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DATE/TIME/

PLACE: Aug 2, 2005 - 12:00 Noon at McDonalds

ATTENDANCE: 21 plus Sherrie Schmidgall & Jay Walter

SING-A-LONG: In The Shade of The Old Apple Tree - Give My Regards to Broadway

LOTTO: J. Tollensdorf & K. Bahler (Try again Dean & Steve!)

ACTION ON THE AVENUES

CLUB SERVICE

Programs:

8-09	Mike Petersen	8-30	Dave Roberts
8-16	Jon Bachtold	9-6	P.C.Fall Sports
8-23	Jeff Schweizer		

Membership



Aug. 1st was the deadline for Rotary International. We are past due!

Mike presented John Strong with his past president's pin.

Bits & Pieces

Trust your own instinct. Your mistakes might as well be your own, instead of someone else's.

Billy Wilder (1906-2002)

To love is to take delight in the happiness of another, or, what amounts to the same thing, it is to account another's happiness one's own.

Gottfried Leibniz



District Governor Elizabeth Skinner presented Si Moser with a Centennial Notable Rotarian Certificate at the July 26 meeting. Si is one of the oldest Rotarians at 100+ years.

AREA CLUB MEETINGS

Bloomington	12:00 Noon	Thursday	Elks Club
Gibson City	6:45 a.m.	Wednesday	The Country Kettle
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

Fairbury Fair

Sherrie Schmidgal & Jay Walter



This will be the 129th Fairbury Fair. It runs from Aug 17th - 21st. We are very proud of our fair. The

Luehr's Ideal Rides will be back this year. They are very clean, uniforms are worn and the carnival is run as a business. They are very polite to the kids and adults. The Red Cross will be drawing blood Wed. and the Demo Derby is again Wednesday night. Thursday, they will be having lawn mower races. They run on a figure eight track and can run up to 60 M.P.H. There will also be a stock class so take your blades off and bring them on! Friday will be the horse & pony show (bobbing for apples, etc). Bud has run this for years and it is a lot of fun and free to watch. Friday night is Captain Rat & The Blind Rivets. They are hauling sand in on the horse track and will have a beach party. Saturday is stock car races and reunions. Sunday will be the Chili cookoff.- with showmanship, best tasting, hottest, etc. Sunday night will be the talent show. They have expanded the area so be prepared to see and hear a lot of good talent. The Fair Board begins booking in January. Your entertainment can range from \$1,000 to \$50,000 or whatever

you can afford. We need ideas. They start coming in November. They also are part of the Race Program. The speedway has been having a great year. It puts Fairbury on the map. They have averaged 1,000 people weekly and at the Summer Nationals they had 3,000. They hope for a big crowd on September 3 for the Prairie Dirt Classic. They want to show off Fairbury. Thanks for all the support they get. Also there is state aid and sponsorships. Sherrie started in the sheep barn three generations ago. People keep telling us this is the best fair. When asked to be on the board . . .other than stupidity . . . she wanted to keep the tradition alive. She wanted the kids to know what a chicken really looks like and the variety. Wants them to see the different sheep and to let them better understand that there is more to them. "Did you know there are 70 things made from sheep!" We want to educate our children. The board members can't do it all. Thank you to the volunteers. We enjoy and do have a good time. We take complaints and a few thank yous. Saturday and Sunday - the harness races are still going on but it is hard with the State Fair on to get horses. Sunday will be a kiddy tractor pull also. "Pick-A-Winner" Are we (Rotary) going to do this?

Next year they will celebrate 130 years of Fair and 60 years of stock car racing.

Support the Fairbury Fair