



# The Cornpicker

Bulletin of Fairbury, IL Rotary Club

"Celebrate Rotary"

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**DATE/TIME/**  
**PLACE:** March 1, 2005 - 12:00 Noon at McDonalds

**ATTENDANCE:** 22 plus Mike Sulzberger

**SING-A-LONG:** No piano player

**LOTTO:** Gary Huston & Dean (Steve) Moser

**PERFECT ATTENDANCE**

**Linda Weber**

## ACTION ON THE AVENUES

### CLUB SERVICE

**Programs:**

03-08 - OPEN  
 03-15 - P.C. Contest Students  
 03-22 - OPEN

**03-29 - Bill Fugate - Cowboy Poet**  
**WILL BE HELD AT MARCHELLONT'S**  
**12:00 Noon (no steps)**



**Happy Birthday**

Kim Ernst 3-5  
 Fred Wing 3/16  
 Dean Moser 3/17  
 Heather Herr 3/27

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

**Rotary Outstanding Student of the Month**

**Student:** Cliff Rosenberger  
**Parents:** Mr. & Mrs. Clayton Rosenberger

Cliff was on the national mechanics team and has gone above and beyond with this year's tractor restoration project. He has helped rebuild a Farmall H and M. He spent extra time getting parts, restoring and repainting this project. He also helps out with the Farm and Home Show.



Leroy reported on the Town Clock. We have someone to repair it. The approximate cost will be \$3700 for the clock. The rest of the tower - \$6,300 for roof, louvers, new glass, hands, etc. The total cost will be about \$10,000 total.

# Prairie Central Co-op

Mike Sulzberger

Mike has been working on an agreement to purchase the old Honegger Mill Complex. They are more interested in the flat storage (long metal building) for corn storage. In 1979 corn production was around 6 billion bushel. Last year we saw 12 billion. They have added a lot of storage but haven't kept pace. Some influence is the Ethanol plants at Lincoln and Rochell, Illinois. Farmers just grow more corn. They operate 10 elevators which used to be individually owned. Consolidation has helped keep the same margin but with more bushels. Honeggers has sat idle for approximately 15 years. Due to demand and economics this property has become more attrac-

ive. It has not been purchased yet, it is with the lawyers at present. Presently, it is not attractive for the town. They will change how it looks within their expenses. They will take the steel from the feed mill down and paint it. The value of the property to them is the 600 ft. long steel warehouse. They want to fill it with corn this summer. They do not see any grain hauled there this fall or the need for scales. They will fill it when their is a bounty and the grain will rest there until they have a deficit. They will not fill this every fall. When they fill it they will fill it quick and empty it quick. They will gate it and make it secure.

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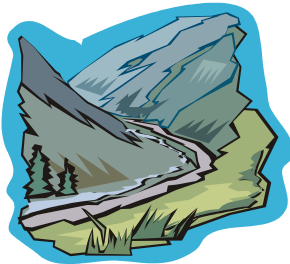
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## BITS & PIECES

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### The Way to Success



A young man left his village determined to find his way in life. After traveling many miles, he came to a fork in the road where he encountered the elderly sage of a neighboring village. "Tell me, old man, which road leads to success?"

The old man didn't say a word, but pointed down one of the roads. The young man took heed and headed down the road eagerly. But no sooner had he departed, he returned bruised and somewhat weary.

"Maybe I misunderstood you, sir," said the young man. "I am seeking *success*."

The old man nodded his head and pointed down the same road as before.

Again, the young man set off on his journey only to return, this time more battered than before. "I asked the way to *success*, you old fool! But that road is full of steep hills and jagged rocks that are impossible to climb. Look, I am all bruised up and scarred. You don't know the path to success."

But the wise old man just sat there and continued to nod his head and point toward the road. "*Success is that way*," he said. "It's just beyond the hills, and the bruises and the pain."

Adapted from the Inspired Living Web site

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## Quips & Quotes

Better to ask twice than to lose your way once.

Danish Proverb

## 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