



The Cornpicker

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DATE/TIME/ Dec. 18, 2007 - 12 noon at Marchelloni's
PLACE:
ATTENDANCE: 24
LOTTO: Mike Petersen and Josh Clemons

ACTION ON THE AVENUES

CLUB SERVICE

Programs:

- 12/25 - NO MEETING
- 01/01 - NO MEETING
- 01/08 - John Capasso
- 01/15 - Gary Huston - Pontiac Visitor's Bureau
Route 66 Museum
- 01/22 - Bob Nussbaum
- 01/29 - Dean Moser



- 1/13 - Marge Mosier
- 1/21 - Gary Huston
- 1/24 - Bill Munz

Bits & Pieces

When we dream alone, it is only a dream. But when we dream together, it is the beginning of a new reality.



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



LIFE INTERNATIONAL

Wayne Steffen
Steve Walters

Life International is involved with orphanages and adoption and housed in Gridley, Illinois. Wayne left town in 1967 after working for Honeggers for 10 years, then dealt with vaccine eggs for 30+ years. Wayne has lived in Roanoke for the past 30 years. His present interest is Life International. They are presently changing the name to "Life

started the Managroup - Adoptions of Orphans. With grants, they have placed 420 kids from the East to West coast. Adoptions cost about \$20,000/child. They are funding in the Ukraine, have 3 orphanages and are staffing, educating and providing Christian principles to these children. They have built dorms for these children because at 16 years old they are out of the orphanage and on to the street to steal, prostitute, etc. to survive. Instead, they can go to these dorms and learn a skill - dairy, baking, raising fish, etc. They have purchased 7 acres in Africa - Zambia to build schools for kids and then they will go to India also to build schools. Pontiac has received an International grant to fund their project. The group has organized a business in Gridley that supports the foundation. They freeze-dry strawberries for Kelloggs. They also have a lease company and lease space to Gourmet Express & Pasta Co. The income goes to Life International. 100% of the funds raised can go into our kids.



Song for Orphans". Gary Ringer sold everything and



Steve was the inbound coordinator for Pontiac. Today at Pontiac Rotary is a special day of Santa arriving for handicapped children at the Rotary program. Pontiac received a Rotary International Project Grant for their

project in Zambia. Zambia has 11 million people in its country of which 80% are 15 years old or younger. Most of the parents have died of Aids. They will renovate well#1 in Kitwe which has 1 million people. They showed a film at this point. The Life song For Orphans will be concentrating on Zambia, Ukraine, India and the USA. To the



Gardner Family, (as stated in the Bible) - adoption is a definition. Steve (a school teacher) & Michelle have three of their own children and adopted six children from China, Russia, India, Andrew and Ethiopia and are in the process of adopting three more. China has the one child policy. This is a huge financial barrier for 1 let alone 9. They did it anyway. Where did the money come from? Life International, Grants, matching grants and donations. The best resource to invest in is a child. "Make a difference for eternity!" Zambia has 11,000,000 people with 1,000,000 orphans with 1 out of 5 with Aids and 80% under 15 years old.



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Giving is so often thought of in terms of the gifts we give, but our greatest giving is of our time, and kindness, and even comfort for those who need it. We look on these little things as unimportant - until we need them.

Joyce Hifler, Writer