



The Cornpicker

Bulletin of Fairbury, IL Rotary Club

"Lead The Way"

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DATE/TIME/

PLACE: May 1, 2007 - 12 noon at Marchelloni's

ATTENDANCE: 24 plus Kristy Ricketts

SING-A-LONG: You're A Grand Old Flag - Hello! Ma Baby

LOTTO: Steve Weeks - Mike Petersen

ACTION ON THE AVENUES

CLUB SERVICE

Programs:

- 05/08 - P.C.H.S. ICE
- 05/15 - P.C.H.S. - Interact
- 05/22 - P.C.H.S. Student of the Month & Accelerated Readers

NOTE: We have no programs from May 29 - June 26.

Membership:

We received thank yous from Dominy Memorial Library for our donation to the Summer Reading Program and a thank you from the John Goad family.



- 5/29 - Charles McDonald
- 5/31 - Robin Coady

Bits & Pieces

An inch of progress is worth more than a yard of complaint.

Booker T. Washington (1856-1915)
Educator and activist

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

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST

Kristy Ricketts



May is better speech and hearing month. Kristy is a Speech Language Pathologist for P.C. Did you know that 75% of the people over 60 suffer hearing loss? We take hearing for granted. Did you ever hear the ringing in your ears after a rock concert? Kristy gave us a test - to say our middle name after she said go. We heard the direction, the brain processed it and understood it, remembered it and the brain told us what to do. We spoke using our tongue, jaw muscles, etc. "Speech" we all have. We speak a word millions of times and don't think about it. She gave us a question - no one knew what she said because it was in a different language. "Language" - did you know there are 6,912 known languages in the world? We take it for granted and don't think about it. We have to have the ability to interpret or attach meaning for a response. We attach meaning and come up with a response. Dates, culture, etc. shape our brain and give us a reason to reflect and respond. We use it every day to speak, read language, use body language, sign language and nonverbal language. We interpret and respond. Anything that impairs you ability to communicate limits your

life. It is huge, it impacts learning, social development and emotional development. To be able to speak, read, write and understand others is crucial for employment and relationships. Fourteen million are affected by speech and language loss. Twenty-eight million suffer hearing loss. We take these all for granted. Speech & language problems are articulation problems. Everyone stutters. It is a disruption in speech. "Vocal quality" is the way your voice sounds. You have to understand the vocabulary and concept of language. You learn "reading comprehension" and develop "auditory comprehension", "social skills" & body language". We need good breath support. If you can't breath, you can't talk. You need good memory, recall & retrieve & thinking, reasoning skills. A lot of problems are due to birth defects - Downs Syndrome, Autism, Cerebral Palsy. Also due to injury - brain injury, accident, illnesses like Parkinson, M.S. - A.L.S. and stroke. It can happen to anybody at any age. Usually a school age and young adults - you see accidents. The older you see illness and disease. Most can be treated by a Speech & language Pathologist. Most respond to treatment or they use some device to compensate for it.

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Results are often obtained by impetuosity and daring which
could never have been obtained by ordinary methods.

Niccolo Machiavelli (1469-1527)
Statesman and political theorist