



# The Cornpicker

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**DATE/TIME/ PLACE:** Sept. 2, 2008 - 12 noon at Marchelloni's

**ATTENDANCE:** 17 plus Craig Monson

**LOTTO:** S. Weeks and C. McDonald

**PERFECT ATTENDANCE**



Leroy McPherson

## ACTION ON THE AVENUES

### CLUB SERVICE

Programs:

9/09 - Bill Fugate                      9/23 - UE/JH/HS Music  
 9/16 - H.S. Fall Athletics            9/30 - Steak Fry

Membership:

We are trying to raise \$500.00 for the Brian Munz Memorial Fund. We need your donation.

Your dues notices have been sent out. Please pay A.S.A.P.



9/11 - Bud Gerber  
 9/11 - Joan Smeltzer  
 9/24 - Carl Borngasser

### Quips & Quotes

**Yesterday is experience. Tomorrow is hope.  
 Today is getting from one to the  
 other as best we can.**  
 John M. Henry (1895-1981), Journalist

### 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

## Steak Fry



September 30th  
 Knoll Lodge  
 Time to be determined

# Fairbury Fair and Race Track

Jim Schahrer and Craig Monson



Our original speaker was unable to attend so two members of the Fair Board took over. Craig works up in the Chicago area and decided to stay down for our meeting. We invited the Fair Board to show our appreciation for what they do. Most of the members work out of town and were unable to make it.

Craig is the secretary of the Fair Board. His comment . . . "*the race season is too long*". It runs from April until now. They are fortunate that Jim's wife and Craig's wife work in the Treasure's Office. This year the attendance was better. The crowds for the fair were good. If it wasn't for the volunteers and sponsors it could not happen.

This weekend they had a huge camper crowd. Most of the Fair Association lease out the race tracks to promoters. The bleachers need to be replaced but it is cost prohibitive at \$7 to \$8/seat. They have saved on maintenance by doing it themselves.



It costs \$800 to \$1,000 per week for fuel to prepare the track. Five years ago the general admission went from \$8 to \$10. They just can't raise it if they want a crowd. Gate prices for the Fair went from \$2 to \$3.



**We want to thank the Fair Board and Volunteers  
for all their work!**

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