



The Cornpicker

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2008 - 2009 Officers

President Josh Clemons
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DATE/TIME/ Sept. 30, 2008 - 6:30 p.m. at Knoll Lodge
PLACE:

ATTENDANCE: 18 plus Gordon Ropp, Beth, Art, Ross, Mike, Denise and Jason

ACTION ON THE AVENUES

CLUB SERVICE

Programs:

10/07 - J.H. Literary
 10/14-10/28 - OPEN
WE NEED PROGRAMS!

Membership

We want to thank Steve and Beth for putting on our meal. The desserts were out of this world! Thanks also to all the helpers - Jim, Carl, Louis, Bob, etc.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

10/27 - Mark Steffen
 10/30 - Terry Casson

Quips & Quotes

Once the game is over, the king and the pawn go back into the same box.

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

POLIO AND FAIRBURY ROTARY

Josh Clemons



The polio virus is still with us. It is a very contagious disease that attacks the nervous system. In 95% of all the cases they exhibit no symptoms. This disease mainly affects children under 5. It is passed on by

human contact and from food and water. There is no cure when you get it, but it can be prevented. Dr. Jonas Salk was the first with a vaccine, consisting of a series of shots. Dr. Albert Bruce Sabin invented the oral vaccine. Many polio patients had to use an iron lung in order to breath.

Rotary began Polio Plus in 1985. In 2004 we were down to 1,255 cases in four countries - Afghanistan, India, Nigeria and

Pakistan. Bill and Melinda Gates have offered a \$100 million dollar matching grant to eradicate polio. This is the largest grant ever given to a volunteer organization. Dist. 6490 has decided to do our fundraiser as "Pennies for Polio" to get the whole community involved. Our district has 53 clubs. We need to raise \$159,000 in the next 3 years. This is an average of \$25/member for 3 years or \$75/member. We will be asking our community for their pennies.

Josh then spoke about our local club and some of the things we do for the community and internationally. He mentioned the fact that we are all friends and can rely on one another. (*Lean on me!*) We are a very close organization and enjoy what we do.

