



The Cornpicker

Bulletin of Fairbury, IL Rotary Club

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2010 - 2011 Officers

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DATE/TIME/PLACE: August 10, 2010 - 12:00 noon at Marchelloni's

ATTENDANCE: 21 & Megan Dever

LOTTO: L. Ritter & M. Steffen

ACTION ON THE AVENUES

CLUB SERVICE

Programs:

- 8/17 - Fairbury Fair
- 8/24 - Charlie
- 8/31 - Dist. Gov. Ray Ropp

AREA CLUB MEETINGS

Bloomington	12:00 Noon	Thurs.	Elks Club
Gibson City	6:45 a.m.	Wed.	The Country Kettle
Gilman	6:05 p.m.	Tues.	Gilman Lounge
Lincoln	11:50 a.m.	Wed.	Elks Country Club
Normal	12:00 Noon	Wed.	Bone Student Center

Bit's & Pieces

The Power of encouragement

A group of frogs was traveling through the woods. One of them suddenly fell into a deep pit. The other frogs gathered around the pit, and when they saw how deep it was they told him that the situation was hopeless, and he'd never make it out.

The trapped frog ignored his friends' advice and tried to jump out of the pit. But the other frogs continued to yell into the pit, telling their friend that he was as good as dead.

The frog continued to jump as high as he could. All the while the other frogs were encouraging him to give up. The frog jumped harder and higher and eventually jumped out of the pit.

"Thanks, guys," the frog said to his friends. "I never would've made it out that pit if it weren't for your encouragement."

"Did you hear what we were saying to you?" asked one of his friends.

"No, I really couldn't hear what you were saying—my hearing isn't so good anymore—but just seeing the concerned looks on your faces and imagining that you were telling me to keep trying was what kept me going."

Remember, there is power in the words we speak. An encouraging word to someone who is down can be just the sort of thing to help him make it through the day. By contrast, a negative word to someone who is struggling to reach higher ground can be just the sort of thing that keeps him in the pit of despair.



Stafford Community Pool

This was Megan's first year as Manager. Daily admission was raised to \$4/day from \$3. Last year we opened on May 23, this year the 29th. Last year at this time we had attendance of 7,030 people, compared to 9,328 this year or 2,298 more people in attendance. In 2009, we had 13 guards and 1 control room person. We used 3 guards a day and 1 control room person. In 2010 we have 15 guards and 2 control room. This year, due to the extra attendance, we are working 4 guards/day and 1 control person. Last year we had maybe 3 days of over 250 people. This year we have had over 10. This is maybe due to warmer weather and Caps Pool not being open. The State Inspector came in July. He said the pool looked great . . ."the best in 10 years". He had no complaints. Pool parties went from 21 last year to 23 this year. Party prices went up to \$80, \$90, \$100. We also raised group swimming lessons to \$35.00.

The Swim Team was managed by Chase Mowery and Ellen Steidinger. They had 103 swimmers this year. We had 4 home and 4 away meets.



The City had to purchase and install certified drain gates for both the Pool and wading pool to meet State requirements. Gas chlorine is not allowed at pools so we had to change all our chemical feeds to a liquid sodium hypochlorite for disinfectant and Muratic Acid for PH adjustment.

This year has been a real experience with everything happening this year.