



The Cornpicker

Bulletin of Fairbury, IL Rotary Club

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2010 - 2011 Officers

President Charlie McDonald
 Pres. Elect Becky Whitfill
 Vice President
 Sec/Treas/Editor Leroy McPherson

DATE/TIME/PLACE: May 31, 2011 - 12:00 noon at Marchelloni's

ATTENDANCE: 19 + Ralph Messer, Jack Murphy, D.L. Currington, W. Harms, D. Echmel

LOTTO: K. Bahler and L. Ritter

ACTION ON THE AVENUES

CLUB SERVICE

Programs:

06/07 - Bud Gerber - SELCAS - Know how to save the life of a friend or family member!

06/014- Gary Huston - We'll be honored to have our State Senator, Shane Cultra, pay us a visit to talk about what the heck is going on down in Springfield!

06/21 and 06/28 - OPEN

Membership:

This was Charlie's last day. Becky presented him with his Past President's pin and wished him well. Charlie thanked us for supporting him.



6/08 - Becky Whitfill, 6/25 - Linda Weber,
 6/25 - Josh Clemons

Quips and Quotes

Great understanding is broad and unhurried;
 little understanding is cramped and busy.
 Chuang-Tzu

Thank You from P.C.H.S.

May 2011

Dear Scholarship Donor:

The Guidance Office of Prairie Central High School would like to thank you for your support of our 2011 graduates. With your help, our seniors will have, as a group, over \$500,000 to help them pay for the freshman year of college. This displays wonderful support of our students and of the school district.

We appreciate your generosity and for being an advocate of education.

Sincerely,

Ann Egleton, Counselor
 Prairie Central High School

Michael J. Quinn, Counselor
 Prairie Central High School

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

Pontiac War Museum

Jack Murphy



Gary suggested trying to read the book "Flags of Our Fathers" by John Bradley. During WWII Fairbury lost 20 men. The Russians lost 43 million in WW II. Their main tours are of schools and nursing homes.



Mannequins of: **Jacob Peters** - 876th Infantry, **Duane Currington** - 9th Inf., **Leslie Hansen** - 82nd Air Born, **Raymond Bills** - Marines, **Willis Harms** - 36th Infantry

Duane served. Willis Harms was in WW II and was once our County Sherriff. Don Estes was in the Navy, Ralph Messer was in the Army. Jack Murphy was a coach at Pontiac. They told a few stories and a lot about the museum. Then they answered a lot of questions while I sat and listened rather than write!



Welcome to Our Museum!

Walking through our museum is like taking a tour of the 20th Century. We have artifacts, films, books, uniforms and weapons from the last one hundred years of American Warfare. Our exhibits cover World War I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Desert Storm and even current operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

This is a *living history* site because our staff is made up of military veterans and history enthusiasts who are present to share their experiences with you and answer your questions.

Our museum does not glorify war, but shows the best attributes of the men and women caught up in war. In doing so, we respectfully honor the service of America's veterans.

