The Cornpicker

Bulletin of Fairbury, IL Rotary Club

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2009 - 2010 Officers

President	Josh Clemons
Pres. Elect	Charlie McDonald
Vice President	
Sec/Treas/Editor	Leroy McPherson

DATE/TIME/ PLACE: November 17, 2009 - 12:00 noon at Marchelloni's

ATTENDANCE: 23 plus Denise

LOTTO: Jim Paternoster & Deb Moran

ACTION ON THE AVENUES

CLUB SERVICE

Programs:

11/24 - Rev. Spenser Homan - "Giving Tree"
12/01 - Christmas Dinner and Special Program

Membership:

Our Christmas Program this year is *"A Gift Money Can't Buy"*. (See invitation and flyer attached). Our dinner will start at 5:30. At 6:30 we will help John set up chairs and welcome the public. The program will start at 7:00 p.m.. Rotarians were asked to put up flyers at their place of business. We are getting a grant to put on this special program. The only cost to Rotary is $75. This will qualify as our Service Project this year.

BITS & PIECES

Everything is possible if you develop a plan.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

We are honoring our service men at this year's parade. If you served in the military and want to be in the parade, be at the Baptist church at 10:00 a.m. You can walk or ride the bus. The parade theme is "Let Freedom Ring".

We received a thank you from the Boys & Girls Club for our donation.

The sign-up sheet was passed for the Salvation Army Kettle.

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

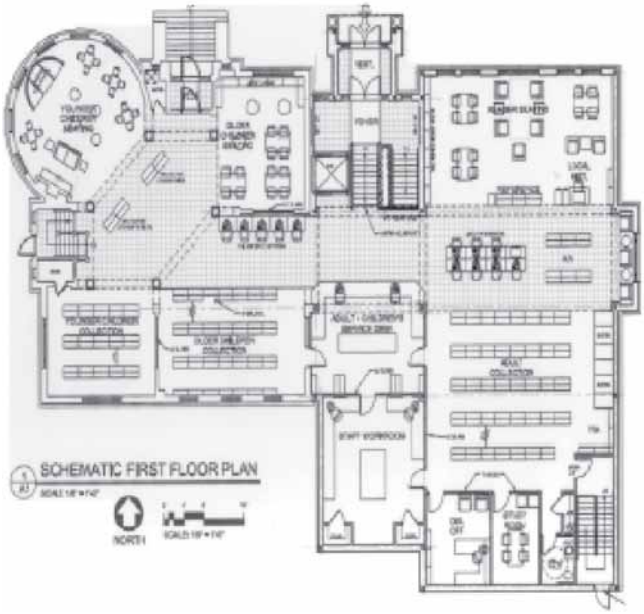
DOMINY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

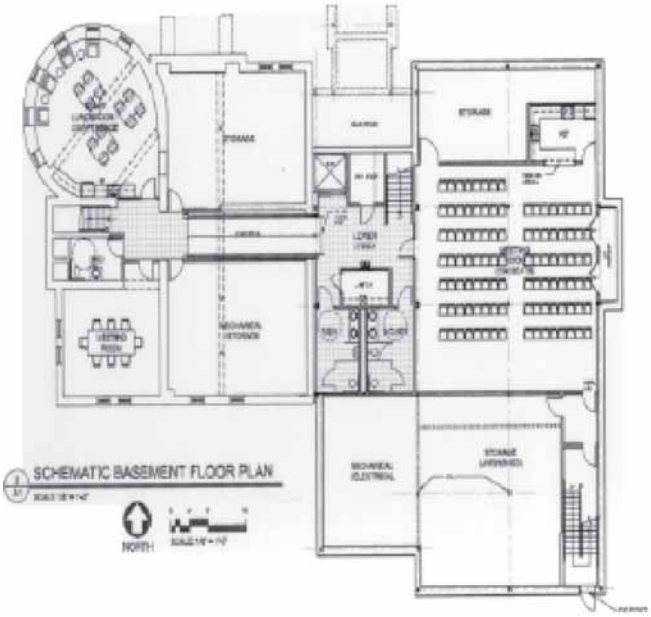
New Library Project

Jim Paternoster

The main problem with our Library is that it is not handicapped accessible. The rest rooms are too small, everything is by stairs, the shelves for books are too high. They have no rooms for a private discussion, no office area and no storage. If they were to put in an elevator, they would lose 30% of their shelving area. This building has been well taken care of since 1905. One problem is that the boiler blew last night. The first step to building a library is to have to go to the State Library Association for approval. You have to hire a library consultant. You are asked many questions and for every yes response, it costs you dollars. They then received a 195 page report to work with. Step 2 is to hire an architect. They are looking to add on approximately 10,000 square feet and keep the library all on the 1st floor. The meeting rooms will be in the basement.

In 2007 the project cost was $3.3 million. They currently have $1.2 million pledged and or in the bank. Currently, they are looking into down-sizing to save money. With the current economy, they feel they can save from 10-15% if they bid it out now. They are looking at how to reduce the size by 25%. They sent the consultant's new report on down-sizing to the architect in hopes of getting the cost down to 2 to $2.5 million.





ROTARY CHRISTMAS

Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2009
5:30 p.m.
Pizzas by Marchelloni

Dinner will start at 5:30. We'll be joined sometime after that by the Madrigals who will entertain us during the remainder of our dinner..

At 7:00 p.m. we will welcome the public in to enjoy the program with us . . . *"A Gift That Money Can't Buy"*. (see attached flyer). We hope you will enjoy this special program!

Please R.S.V.P. to Linda Weber at 692-2142.

Fairbury Rotary invites you to attend

"A Gift That Money Can't Buy"

by Jeffrey A. Bockman

Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

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This program encourages everyone to record and save his/her family's history and stories. Jeff explains how to use basic forms to record family data, as well as basics for identifying people in photographs, basic preservation, and how to record unique family stories.

Jeffrey A. Bockman holds an MBA from Ill. Benedictine College in business and Organization Development. He has been giving genealogy lectures and teaching classes for the past 13 years. He is a contributing editor for the Everton's Genealogical Helper and the author of the book *"Give your Family A Gift That Money Can't Buy/Record & Preserve Your Family's History.*. He is the current and a past 4-term president of the DuPage County (IL) Genealogical Society.

This program is made possible in part by an award from the Illinois Humanities Council, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Illinois General Assembly.

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