



# The Cornpicker

Bulletin of Fairbury, IL Rotary Club

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2010 - 2011 Officers

President . . . . . Becky Whitfill  
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**DATE/TIME/PLACE:** Oct. 25, 2011 - 12:00 noon at Marchelloni's

**ATTENDANCE:** 28 plus Terry Miller, Justin and Brian Steffen, Jerry Kurtenbach

**LOTTO:** Spencer Homan and Tom Kahle

## **ACTION ON THE AVENUES**

### **CLUB SERVICE**

Programs:

11/01 - Elementary Learning	12/06 - Christmas Party
11/08 - OPEN	12/13 - J.H. Student Council
11/15 - Jim Paternoster	12/20 - OPEN
11/22 - OPEN	12/27 - John Rich
11/29 - OPEN	

**Becky needs a Vice President! Training is Nov. 3.**

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**Fairbury Fire Department Hog Roast**

Deb reported on the success of the Golf Ball Drop. The winner was Jason Leman and he donated it back. Deb asked Rotarians to save egg cartons to store the golf balls for next year. She thanked Becky for help with the paperwork.

Leroy reported on the dinner and auction.

Golf Ball Drop - \$3270.00  
 50/50 Winner - Kyle Walter - donated it back - \$1096.00  
 Auction Proceeds - \$22,699  
 Donations at the Hog Roast \$14,095  
 Grand total was \$41,160!

Leroy thanked all who helped and attended.

**Fairview Haven "Harvest of Sharing"**

Silent Auction - Wed. - Fri. Nov. 2-4  
 Benefit Supper - Fri., Nov. 4 from 4:00 - 7:00

### **STUDENT OF THE MONTH:**

**Student:** Jacob Brandt **Dept:** Math

**Parents:** Paul & Rebella Brandt

The P.C. Math/Computer Science Department nominates Jacob Brandt of Cropsey. Jake will graduate in December, 2011 and attend Parkland College in Champaign where his tuition is waived because he finishes high school in the top 10% of his graduating class. Jake earns high A's in both dual credit/AP Calculus and Statistics. He plans to be an engineer.



**Student:** Jannah Hillier

**Parents:** Jared and Becky Drayer

Hannah Hillier is a freshman in Mrs. Convery's Reading Class. Hannah is dedicated, hard-working, respectful, and responsible. She embodies a student for others to model. She's an independent thinker and enjoys a challenge. She's becoming involved in the school by joining the yearbook staff, and she is taking it upon herself to read all the young adult books eligible for the Abe Lincoln award. There are 20+ books total, and she's on #7. She wants to participate in Operation Snowball, and I truly believe she is a young teen making good choices. She not only strives to do her best in Reading but also strives to do her best in every class she's taking. Hannah is an excellent choice to represent the English department for the Rotary Student of the Month.

# Oliver's Crossing & The Age of Shale - Genecor Trailers & Manufacturing

## Jerry Kurtenbach



**Oliver's Crossing:**

Jerry first gave Rotarians an update on Oliver's Crossing. They will continue to pursue this project but it is a tough market right now. They still think it's a good idea and will

continue on to "make it happen" but not right now.

**Age of Shale:**

Shale is rocking the U.S. energy industry to its core. This technique of cracking open shale rock to release oil and natural gas has spurred hundreds of billions of dollars worth of deals.

**Genecor Trailers and Manufacturing LLC**

Hydraulic fracturing, commonly referred to as fracking, is a proven technology advancement which allows producers to safely recover natural gas and oil from deep shale formations.

Fracking has the potential to meaningfully reduce US reliance on foreign fuel imports while significantly reducing carbon dioxide emissions, both critical to America's energy needs and its economic renewal.

The fracking process involves injecting a large amount of water and sand and other additives, pumped under high pressure, into the formation to create fractures, through which the natural gas and oil flow to the wellbore. They normally drill down 1/4 mi., then go horizontal. This well drilling process therefore requires a massing of Frac-Tanks which are hooked in series and contain the frac liquids that are pumped down into the huge shale formations.

There will be a severe shortage of Frac-Tanks. In the 1st year, Genecor could sell 500 Frac-Tanks. A facility in Mendota, IL has been secured for manufacturing and a Letter of Intent has been secured for the production of 100 frac-tanks (trailers) .

## 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