

TECUMSEH KIWANIS DISPATCH

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Meeting Second Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Tecumseh United Methodist Church



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December Meeting

Shawnee Heights School Superintendent Tim Hallacy was the guest speaker for the December meeting. The two main topics of the evening were District growth and special education funding. Growth has caused the elementary schools to be near or at capacity enough that a new building may need to be constructed soon. Studies will be started looking at population growth, traffic and facilities. Special Education has been underfunded by the state and federal governments for over a decade but the school districts must provide adequate resources so budget money must be funneled from other programs in order to maintain. It appears that the district is in good hands with Superintendent Hallacy. Cindy and Larry provided dessert for the meeting.

Welcome Guest

We were pleased to have Sean Scozzare join us as a guest at our December meeting. Sean now lives in Tecumseh and it was our pleasure to meet him. We hope that he will join us in our quest to improve the world one child and one community at a time. Welcome, Sean.

Upcoming Programs

January 11
Program Chair - Mary
Desserts - Denise

February 8
Program Chair - Cindy
Desserts - Ashli

Community Dinner

The next Community Dinner will be on January 4 from 5 until 6:30 PM and the menu will feature a variety of Soups, Salad, Breadsticks, Desserts, and Drinks.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

It was cold and breezy but 8 members of the club braved the elements to ring bells for the Salvation Army Kettle Drive at Dillon's East on Saturday, December 17. Thanks to Ken, Mary, Bob, Ashli, Debbie, Diana, Cindy and Larry for participating in this worthwhile project. We saw some generous people and were able to help a good cause.

School Supplies

Thanks to Mary and Ken for delivering the school supplies that we brought to the December meeting. Tecumseh North was in need of hand sanitizer, Clorox wipes, tissues, cases of water and Crayolas while Tecumseh South needed hats and gloves. We collected 270 items this year. Thanks for your participation.

Cuddle Blankets

Last year the club made newborn blankets in association with Successful Connections, a program of Child Care Aware of Eastern Kansas. This program gives away more than 500 blankets each year to newborns and their mothers during a one on one meeting to determine their specific needs and to connect them to agencies that may provide them with assistance. Ken and Mary got the blanket material and cut and bundled it up with instructions so that we could take the project home to work on. It is amazing how many knots are required for such a small blanket but the results are rewarding. Last year we made around 100 of the blankets. Thanks to Ken and Mary for heading up this project. We appreciate your dedication.

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Kiwanis, serving the children of the world.



Sorting supplies



Mary and Ken delivered to Tecumseh North



Bell ringing at Dillon's East