

# 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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## January Meeting

There was snow on the ground and it was cold but several hearty souls braved the weather to enjoy the first club meeting of 2024. We had a rather informal meeting with Ashli's guest speaker, Eileen Doran, Executive Director of TARC, who updated us on the workings of TARC which serves people affected by intellectual, developmental and related disabilities. They have two locations. TARC Industries provides mailing, printing and shredding services to businesses using TARC clients as workers. They also provide screening for children from birth until three and treatment and training, if needed, for those who interact with the child. A feeding clinic, adult services, assistive technology, employment coaching, and other programs help the intellectually and developmentally disadvantaged of our community every day. Eileen Doran is a great spokesperson for TARC and we enjoyed meeting her.

We also enjoyed Cindy's delicious dessert and somehow she had also signed up for next month which is fortunate for us.

## Upcoming Programs

February 14 - Debbie  
Dessert - Cindy

March 13 - Denise  
Dessert - Larry

April 10 - Regina  
Dessert - Ashli

## Pancake Feed

We will be having our pancake feed and silent auction on Saturday, April 13, from 7 AM until noon. Please remember that we need items for the silent auction so start planning.

## Winter Wonderland

Congratulations to Ashli for being named the Winter Wonderland Employee of the Year. Ashli took on the ominous part-time job of being responsible for all of the volunteers who took tickets and directed traffic each night at Winter Wonderland. That entailed ensuring that there were actual volunteers present each night, training them, answering questions, depositing money, and baking cookies. We are proud of you Ashli.

## Get Well

Viola Remington remains in the rehab facility recovering from her fall but she has an appointment with her orthopedic doctor this week to see if her right shoulder is healed sufficiently to begin therapy on it. We wish her a good report.

## Southwest Pancake Feed

Southwest Topeka Kiwanis will be having their pancake feed on Saturday, March 2, from 7 to 11 AM at Lowman United Methodist Church. They are raising money for playground equipment for Shaner Elementary school.

## Condolences

We are sad to report on the passing of former charter member Bob Pollom. Bob left us on December 23 at the age of 96. He was very active in the community throughout his life including church, school board member and Tecumseh Kiwanis member and he was a very kind and gentle man. Bob will be missed.

## Cuddle Blankets

We are still in the process of making cuddle blankets for Childcare Aware this year. Keep tying.

