

# 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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## July Meeting

For our July 10 meeting, Regina arranged a program from Parent's as Teachers. Jennifer, who is the Program Coordinator for many school districts in Northeast Kansas, and Jenna, who is the Shawnee Heights Coordinator, were our guest speakers. Jenna is just starting her position after her predecessor retired after many years of service at Shawnee Heights. This is a free, evidence-based program which allows parents to choose from the many available ideas presented by Parent's as Teachers. They believe that parents are the child's first and best teacher and the program can start at prenatal and can run until just before kindergarten. The local coordinator makes home visits about once per month for one hour and concentrates on development, activity, and family well-being. During the visit both the child and the parents are screened to determine if there are any needs that should be addressed. This is a universal program which has no qualifiers so anyone can apply. The program is funded by the local school district who determines how many children will be served. This appears to be a great resource for families with young children.

Regina did double duty by also providing cake, apple pie and ice cream for dessert.

Regina was also recipient of diapers and baby wipes at a pop-up surprise baby shower at the meeting. These she will probably be needing as September is rapidly approaching.

## Upcoming Programs

August 14	- Scott
Dessert	- Ashli
September 11	- Regina
Dessert	- Ken

## Santa Fe Band Concert

It is getting very close to the day of our annual Santa Fe Band Concert and Ice Cream Social which will be on Sunday, July 21. The 10 day forecast has the high of 85 degrees with, of course, a chance of afternoon showers. The temperature sounds ideal for July and we will hope for a pass on the rain until Monday. We will gather around 5:30 PM to set up the chairs for the band and the serving tables and start serving at 6 PM. The band will start at 6:30 and play for about an hour. Please bring two pre-cut cakes and let your friends and neighbors know.

## Tecumseh North Courtyard

Tecumseh North will be having their Sneak Peak before school event on August 12 so we will need to schedule a time to clean the courtyard area and make it less weedy than it probably is currently. We will put out a call for help as the date gets closer and we find a cooler day to work. If you have available time, please join us.

## Volunteer Hours

For the month of July, we recorded 56 service hours which brought us to a total for the Kiwanis year since October of 945 hours. Keep up the good work.

## Ertl Adventures

Ken and Mary have made it up north into Alaska seeing the sights and living the life. Fishing, hiking and mountain watching seem to be on the agenda. Safe journeys.

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