

TECUMSEH KIWANIS DISPATCH

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Celebrating 50 years of service Cindy Cooper, Treasurer

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one child and one community at a time

NEW OFFICERS TO LEAD CLUB

October begins a new year for the Kiwanis Club of Tecumseh. And with the new year comes new leadership. New club officers and Board members were installed Sept. 28 by Lt. Gov. Jan Maxwell.

Tom Sirridge, installed as club President, brings enthusiasm and leadership experience to his position. Larry McCammon installed as our club Secretary, has many years of secretarial experience and with his attention to detail knows how to keep our club in good standing with Kiwanis International. Cindy Cooper installed as our club Treasurer, has the experience and accounting skills necessary to keep our club finances in order.

Elected board members, Georgia Sirridge, Mike Sullivan, Bob Remington, Doris McCune, Rob McCune, and Jim Powell, will work with our club officers to lead the club to further service in our community, and internationally, through Kiwanis International. Congratulations to all officers and board members.

DINNER STRENTHENS AND **UNITES COMMUNITY**

The once monthly Tecumseh Community Dinner is an unqualified success. Attendance at the first dinner, on May 4th was under 100. Through word of mouth and of course delicious food, fellowship and just plain fun, attendance has risen to over 150. This dinner has served as a catalyst to strengthen and unite our community. The Tecumseh Community dinner is a collaboration between the Tecumseh Kiwanis Club and the Tecumseh United Methodist Church, with proceeds going toward the purchase and installation of new playground equipment in Tecumseh Park.

Since our initial goal for playground equipment has been reached, proceeds from future dinners will go to additional playground equipment and Tecumseh United Methodist Church building needs.

All the good folks who give their time to make the Tecumseh Community Dinner a success are to be congratulated. Special thanks to Diana Halstead and Larry McCammon for their leadership of this project.

PLAYGROUND GOAL REACHED!!!

We at the Kiwanis Club of Tecumseh and the Tecumseh United Methodist Church are overwhelmed by the generosity of this community's support of our newest project: New playground equipment for Tecumseh Park.

Since May 4 we have raised over \$12,000 that will go to purchase and install a modern play structure for school age children in Tecumseh Park. Funds from future Community dinners will be used to enhance the size and scope of the equipment that is installed.

Preparations for the project are underway with completion of the project slated for March 2012. If you or your group would like to help us with this project call Tom Sirridge at 379-9890.

KIWANIS PANCAKES AND AUCTION

The Tecumseh Kiwanis Pancake Feed and Silent Auction is Saturday October 29 from 7am—Noon at the Tecumseh United Methodist Church, 334 SE Tecumseh Rd. in Tecumseh.

We will serve pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee and juice. Tickets are \$4 with kids 6 and under free. There will be many auction items up for bids, so come early and place your best bid. Proceeds from this event go to children's programs.

TECUMSEH HERITAGE DAY 2011

We were once again blessed with perfect conditions for the 6th annual Tecumseh Heritage Day 2011, held Sept. 24th. The main focus of this event is to provide free family fun. Attendance grows each year and has become one of the areas best festivals. New this year was a larger tent, which many folks appreciated. Iwig Dairy provided two calves to pet and enjoy. Musical entertainment included the Charlie Horse Band, Pastense, and Driving Keith Crazy. There were many activities for the kids including a hay maze, archery, laser shooting gallery and pumpkin decorating. There were many arts and crafts booths as well as the presence of the Shawnee Heights Fire Department, classic cars, and a clown. Thanks to our generous corporate sponsors for making Tecumseh Heritage Day a free event.