



# TECUMSEH KIWANIS DISPATCH

February 2012

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**Kiwaniis** is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world  
one child and one community at a time.

## KTWU PLEDGE DRIVE

KTWU, May I take your pledge? was the response to ringing phones by seven club members March 3 at the KTWU Pledge Drive. Although the pledge drive was not on air, the phones kept us very busy and the time passed quickly. Programming that night was music from the "big band" era and Peter Paul and Mary. The club members who participated were Diana, Georgia, Mary, Ken, Larry, Rob and Tom. This is always a fun club project.

## MEALS DELIVERED FOR DOORSTEP

Cindy and Diana delivered meals for Operation: Soup Line, Feb. 29 from 11-12:30. Operation: Soup Line is a fund-raiser for Doorstep Inc.. According to their web site, 53 local faith based communities serve as the backbone of Doorstep Topeka. Doorstep helps our neighbors survive crises, improve their way of life and become self sufficient. Dove Tail Shoppe serves as a second hand thrift store providing clothing and household items for those who can't afford to pay retail.

## PLAYGROUND UPDATE

Ken met with Roy Malloy and Carl Bonjour from Tecumseh Township at Tecumseh Community Park, March 12, to iron out details concerning site preparation, manpower and equipment needs for the playground installation. From the start of this project, the Tecumseh Township has been an invaluable community partner and their help and expertise is very much appreciated.

## FEBRUARY PROGRAMS

**Feb. 15 Retired Brigadier General Ed Gerhart** presented a program on the Museum of the Kansas Natl. Guard. The museum located at Forbes Field, and open since 1997 chronicles the history of the National Guard (militia) in Kansas. Visiting the museum is a must do. Great learning opportunity young and old.

**Feb. 22 Dr. Karen Exon**, men and womens golf coach at Baker university regaled us with stories about her new sport **Kayak Marathon and Ultra Racing**. One of her marathon races include kayaking 340 miles of the Missouri River.

**Feb. 29 Ks St. Rep. Ann Mah** Ann touched on the voter ID law, Taxes and the general state of the State of Kansas. Larry Mah, democratic candidate for Shawnee County Treasurer accompanied his wife. Larry promised to come back and talk about his bid for office.

## FUTURE PROGRAM CHAIRS

**Mar. 14 Ken Ertl** - Vern Failor, Rebuilding Together

**Mar. 21 Tom Sirridge**-Grant presentation from Monsanto

**Mar. 28 Diana Halstead**

**Apr. 11 Howard Hildenbrand**

**Apr. 18 Tom Martin Betty Jean Neal** TSCL

**Apr. 25 Larry McCammon**

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**Mar. 24** Tecumseh Kiwanis Playground installation  
Tecumseh Community Park 8 am.

**Mar. 30** Playground dedication

**Mar. 31** Alternate date for playground installation

**Apr. 01** Alternate date for dedication

**Apr. 21** Kiwanis One Day

## SERVICE HOURS

Since October 2011, our members have given 316 hours of community service. That is an outstanding achievement. Keep up the good works everyone.

## REMINDER

## PLAYGROUND INSTALLATION

**MARCH 24, 2012**

**8:00 AM**

**TECUMSEH COMMUNITY PARK**

### **SPRING CLEAN UP**

On Friday March, 25 Diana and Mary cleaned and weeded the courtyard at Tecumseh North Elementary School. On Saturday March 26 club members Ken, Mike Tom S, Diana, Georgia, and Cindy cleaned, weeded and mulched the planting beds at the Oregon Trail Triangle Park and at Tecumseh South Elementary School. When the weather warms a little more, flowers will be planted at the triangle and TS to add some spring color.

*Dreams are today's answers to tomorrow's questions.*

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