



TECUMSEH KIWANIS DISPATCH

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

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

A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

I want to thank everyone for the support you have given me in the past year. We have weathered the challenge posed by the loss of 5 long-time members and have responded by gaining 7 new members and exceeding our goal of 1,000 service hours by 10%. This would not have been possible without the commitment of all of you to support our new member initiatives and step up your level of service to the community. I know you will support new President Elaine Toland in her goals for the club this year. Thank you.— Ken

READING PROGRAM RESUMES

The Tecumseh Kiwanis Club's reading program now includes Kindergarten students at Tecumseh North and Tecumseh South Elementary Schools. On Sept. 23, **Larry, Mary, and Tom Sirridge**, read at Tecumseh North, while **Ken, Cindy, and Bob Remington** read at Tecumseh South. The students were excited to have someone read to them. This program will culminate at the end of the school year with each Kindergarten student getting a book to take home and read over the summer.

LOOKING GOOD

New construction at Tecumseh South Elementary School left the existing landscaping a little rough, so 11 members from the Tecumseh Kiwanis Club converged on the School, Sept. 20 with shovels, rakes and other gardening equipment. Shrubs and grass were planted, planting beds, and pots were weeded, and mulch was put down. **Elaine, Ginger, Diana, Jill, Cindy, Mary, Mike, Kevin, Ken, Scott, Larry, plus Tom and Georgia Sirridge**, participated in this beautification project. **Scott**, who is principle at Tecumseh South, wanted the outside of the school to be beautiful as the inside of the school, when students, parents and patrons arrive for the school's Open House in October.

A friend is one who takes you to lunch even though you are not tax deductible. Unknown

PROGRAMS

Sept. 03– Eugene Williams and Ginger Spivey from KTWU-TV spoke to us about the switch from analog to digital TV coming Feb. 2009.

Sept. 10- Larry McCammon presented a program about his six day mission trip to McCurdy Mission School, in Espanola, NM.

Sept. 17- Joyce and Virgil Funk Co-directors of **I Care Inc.** informed our members about the range of services provided by their all volunteer organization that helps those in need in Southeast Topeka.

SERVICE HOURS

As a club we have performed nearly 1,100 hours of service to our community. What a milestone for our club and what a tremendous effort on the part of all our club members. Lets keep the momentum going into the new year.

OFFICERS TO BE INSTALLED

Slate of officers and board members for 2008-2009 to be installed are:

President **Elaine Toland**
President Elect **Larry McCammon**
Secretary **Mary Ertl**
Treasurer **Jill Emme**

Board of Directors 1 year
Diana Halstead Cindy Cooper Bob Remington

Board of Directors 2 years
Patty Rice Carol Ashley Steve Ashley
All officers

September 27 10am-3pm
TECUMSEH HERITAGE DAY



