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Today's Meeting News

• Hosts

- **Greeters**
 - Carlton Cook
 - Mike McAran
- **Presiding Officer**
 - Susan Gilmore
- **Reporter**
 - Mike McAran
- **Photographer**
 - Dick McLaughlin
- **Publisher**
 - Dick McLaughlin
- **Invocation**
 - Lana Archer

• Announcements

- Doug Bird has sign-up sheets for anyone who might be driving a golf cart at MIS this summer. MIS now requires background checks for golf cart drivers, since this is their number one insurance liability. Please return the completed forms to Doug. He will get them to the MIS officials.



Doug Bird Has MIS Cart Driver Forms.

- Ron Publiski reminded us that the American Legion Fish Fry will take place this Friday, March 28, 5:30 - 7:30 at the American Legion Hall on S. Evans St. Nick Handler promises to be there.



Ron Publiski Reminds Us of American Legion Fish Fry.

- Lana Archer had a long list of items she is collecting either to recycle or in support of a project at Tecumseh Schools or one of our supported family of clubs. [CLICK HERE](#) for all the details.



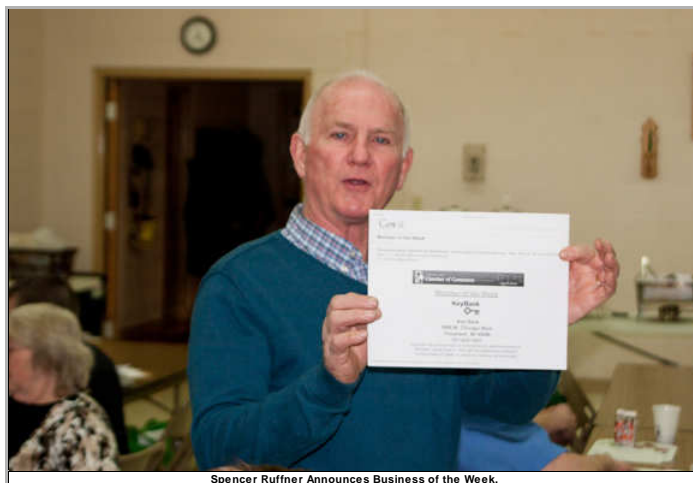
Lana Archer Has Multiple Announcements.

- Ron Wimple is looking for helpers for the April 18th Travel and Adventure Program. He especially needs an emcee.



Ron Wimple Needs Helpers for Travel and Adventure.

- Spencer Ruffner announced that the Tecumseh Area Chamber of Commerce Business of the Week is Key Bank.



Spencer Ruffner Announces Business of the Week.

- Spencer Ruffner also showed off the tee shirt designed and worn by the Cobalt Commanders Robotics Club.



Spencer Ruffner Displays Robotics Club Tee Shirt.

- o President Susan Gilmore conducted a third reading of the nominees to replace two departing board members. Ron Publiski and Ron Wimple were elected by unanimous voice vote. Congratulations, Ron and Ron!

Susan also announced that we would have a new breakfast caterer beginning next week. Our breakfast will be prepared each Tuesday in the kitchen of the church.

Finally, Susan reminded all board members and committee chairs that this month's **board meeting will be held tomorrow night** at 7:00 PM at the Tecumseh Schools Administration Building on N. Ottawa Street.



President Susan Gilmore Conducts Election.

• 50/50 Drawing

The pot was \$17.50 this morning, but Terry Tracey's number was drawn. He was not at the meeting, so the total carries over to next week. Thanks, Terry!

• Fine Session

Fine Master Mary Bruno had questions for us about Easter. Did you know that the tradition of coloring Easter eggs began in Germany? Or that Americans spend over \$2,000,000,000 (Two Billion Dollars!) on Easter candy alone each year? (Editor's Note: Think how many pot holes that would fix!!)



Fine Master Mary Bruno Has Easter Questions.

Special Fines and Happy Dollars

- Spencer Ruffner had a Happy Dollar for all the updates to the Tecumseh Service Club data base that were done by Lana Archer.



Spencer Ruffner Has a Happy Dollar for Lana Archer.

- Gayle Hazelbaker had Happy Dollars for Mary Bruno's answer to questions about her tan. Mary just returned from a Caribbean cruise and she said she was jealous of herself because of the tan and all the fun she had on the trip.



Gayle Hazelbaker Has Two Happy Dollars.

- Lance Ness had Happy and Sad Dollars after his trip home to see his ailing mother. He was Happy he could get to see her, but Sad to report she is doing poorly. Although she had not been speaking to anyone for some time, when he said goodbye before he returned and placed his hand in hers, she said, "Your hands are cold!"



Lance Ness Has Happy and Sad Dollars.

. Birthdays and Anniversaries

(There were no birthdays or anniversaries this week.)

. Program

Tom Meyer introduced today's guest speakers: Jennifer Williams and Joel Cardella of the Tecumseh Youth Theater.



Guest Speaker Jennifer Williams.



Guest Speaker Joel Cardella.

The Tecumseh Youth Theater (TYT) was started in the 1980s by a group of volunteers. It is supported primarily by donations from individuals and businesses in the area and to a lesser extent by ticket sales. TYT sees itself as a subsidiary theater program of the Tecumseh Public Schools. Its board of directors brings structure and consistency to productions and coordinates the efforts of the many volunteers who support the students in their endeavors. They also partner with Lenawee Christian's theater programs and the Crosswell Theater on costumes, props, scenery, etc.

Students pay a \$75 fee to participate in the program, which includes the cost of a make-up kit, a tee shirt and a professionally-made DVD of the show. The board believes that the student and the parents value an activity more if they have invested something in it, but at the same time the board often finds ways to reduce the fee for cases where it would be a hardship.

The productions this year were: Wizard of Oz; Shakespeare, Or Is It?; and Little Mermaid. Musicals are especially expensive to produce and often involve large casts. Wizard of Oz this year had 125 cast members. Straight plays like Shakespeare, Or Is It? cost less to produce, but give students a chance to step out in the lime light and show what they can do as actors.

TYT gains community exposure through participation in Appleumpkin, the Clinton Fall Festival and in Friday Night Arts and Eats. For sustainability, TYT must restructure programs and productions in the coming year and increase community involvement.

At the conclusion of the presentation, Past President Chuck Gehrke presented a check for \$500 from Kiwanis to Jennifer Williams to help support the coming season.



Past President Chuck Gehrke Presents a Check to Jennifer Williams.

• Future Meeting Responsibilities

Date	Note Taker	Greeters	Invocation	Fines	Program Chair	Program Description
April 1st	Shelley Jeffery	Patti Gloffely Dick McLaughlin	Carlton Cook	Beth Noden	Mike McAran	City of Tecumseh - Kevin Welch
April 8th	Doug Bird	Ron Wimple David Stimpson	Wendy Brys	Doug Bird	Anne Walker	Meals on Us - Barb Callis
April 15th	Anne Walker	John Barnhart John Bartram	Jerry Wolf	Terry Lighthall	Kelly Coffin	Celebrate Tecumseh! - Angel Mensing
April 22nd	Carlton Cook	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA

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