

Tenco Times



People Achieving Success!



Helping Heart & Hands

Fairfield's Tenco "Helping Heart and Hands" group held it's first informational session on March 25th. Chariton's initial group session is scheduled for 10 am, Thursday, April 29th, at their Tenco.

“Helping Heart and Hands” New Volunteer Group

A new volunteer group is organizing in the Ottumwa office! “Helping Heart and Hands” will soon be underway with a goal of helping people with disabilities become more independent!

“With all the new state budget cuts, we need volunteers more than ever!” states Brenda Miller, the Tenco volunteer coordinator. “This will be a more organized group with their sights set on the many different projects of need, with a chance to make friends and have some fun being part of the group too!”

If you are interested in being part of the Volunteer Program, at any one of the three Tenco locations, please call Brenda at 641-682-8114.

Available areas of Volunteer interest at the Ottumwa Tenco Industries Location

Center of Hope:

Outings 1 time weekly (mornings)

Get ready for break 9:45 - ?

Get ready for lunch: 11:45 - ?

Help serve or cut up food

Senior Center

Outings 1 time weekly as a group

Help with activities

Maintenance

Painting

Organizing

Weeding

Clerical type duties

April & October Newsletter mailings (3,000) label & seal

May 21st Awards Banquet at OHS Cafeteria

June 19th Golf Outing

October Open House – Decorate, greet, serve, door prize sign up

November Christmas Campaign Mailings stuff, seal & stamp envelopes

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Annual Awards Banquet to be held May 21st



Bright shining stars will be featured at the Annual Awards Ceremony being held at the Ottumwa High School Cafeteria on Friday, May 21st. Pina Coladas and a Hawaiian theme will start the evening off as we celebrate the outstanding accomplishments of some very special selected Individuals!

The fun begins at 5:30 pm with dinner being served at 6:00 pm. The Hawaiian feast will be well worth the wait! Annual Awards will be announced at 7:00 pm. Awards will be as follows.....

Individual Awards

☆ Top Effort / Supported Employment / Mitzi Martin Inspirational Award / Independence Award

Community Awards

☆ Employer of the year/Business of the Year/Community Service/Visionary of the Year/Exemplar



Reservations are \$12.00 per person.
You must reserve your seat by May 12th.
Call 641-682-8114

You will not want to miss out!



It's that time of year again, and Tenco Industries is now gearing up for the 24th Annual Golf Tournament at Cedar Creek Golf Course!

Sponsorships are available now!
Call 682-8114 to secure yours and be the first to set up your tee time!

AVAILABLE NOW!
Individual Team Tee Times

Gold **At this level, your company can enjoy...**

\$1,000+ 8 entries in the tourney and 4 cart rentals.

- * Hole sign recognizing your sponsorship.
- * A banner recognizing your sponsorship.
- * Your business name and logo prominently displayed in advertising to include print, television, radio, T-shirts and web.

Silver **At this level, your company can enjoy...**

\$500+ 8 entries in the tourney and 2 cart rentals.

- * Hole sign recognizing your sponsorship.
- * Acknowledgement of your name or business in advertising to include print media, web and T-shirts.

Bronze **At this level, your company can enjoy...**

\$300+ 4 entries in the tourney and 1 cart rental.

- * Hole sign recognizing your sponsorship.
- * Your business name displayed in advertising to include print media, web and T-shirts.

Platinum **At this level, you can enjoy...**

\$299 and under

- * Acknowledgement as a Tenco supporter.



Tickets available from any board member or Tenco employee.

Tickets are \$5.00 ea.

Thank you

Knights of Columbus Supporting Tenco Needs



Left to RightBrenda Miller, Julie Giese, Amy Robbins, Roger Ansley, Jason Adams and presenting the check, Chariton Knights of Columbus Trustee, Tom Hunkele.

The Knights of Columbus of Ottumwa and of Chariton have always been wonderful supporters of Tenco and the programs we offer to people with intellectual disabilities. This year, proceeds from the Ottumwa Tootsie Roll Drive were received and are purchasing much needed entertainment and activity equipment for further brain stimulation in the Senior Center and the Center of Hope. It is a proven fact that people with disabilities lose their life long learned skills much faster, as they age, than do people without disabilities. "Our goal is to enhance those learned skills and give individuals an opportunity to learn new skills and keep all the old ones too", says Alice Howell, Program Coordinator.

On March 1st, the Chariton Knights of Columbus group presented a check to Tenco for the purchase of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for the Chariton facility.

An AED analyzes the heart's electrical rhythm and if necessary, prompts you to deliver a shock to the person experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. Most victims of sudden cardiac arrest need an electrical shock to stimulate the heart back into proper rhythm. This is an opportunity to keep our Individuals safe and possibly save lives!

Having an Automated External Defibrillator in the Tenco Facility can help ensure the safety and health of our Individuals.

"Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to this fine organization helping people with disabilities!"



Dear Brenda

Only a Can Redemption Center?

Q I like coming to Tenco to turn in my pop cans. I never have had to wait very long which makes it very convenient when I'm on a tight time schedule. Everyone I have met is so nice! It is usually an in and out situation so I have never really paid much attention to any other activity going on there.

Recently, I have been wondering what is happening in the rest of the building? I'm curious as to what other services you provide. Is it all only a can redemption center?

Stacey Conder
Ottumwa, Iowa

A Tenco is much more than a can redemption center. We serve people that have disabilities in helping them realize their full potential. There are programs being conducted that help with life skills and yes, even vocational skills. Learning how to do jobs and earn a paycheck. The can redemption center is just one of those jobs. Also available is contract work like building mouse traps, netting, John Deere projects, shredding & mailing service and more! The Individuals that are part of Tenco are busy each day overcoming challenges and bringing their abilities and independence into focus. Please stop in and I will give you a personal tour.

You can contact Brenda at 641-682-8114 or e-mail her at bmiller@tenco.org

Your Support is Important

Following is a list of donations received from October 31, 2009 through March 1, 2010. Our donors are important to us. If we made any error in reporting, we want to make it right! Please contact Brenda Miller at (641)682-8114 or at bmiller@tenco.org. We guarantee a correction in our next newsletter.

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Visionary
\$100,000 or above

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\$10,000 to \$99,999

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\$2,500 to \$9,999

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\$500 to \$2,499

Patron
\$499 and under

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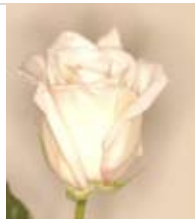
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Valentine's Day Has Special Meaning To AKTION Club

The Bridge City AKTION Club did it again!! A great turn out was achieved for their latest fundraiser held at Tenco Industries. The Valentines Pizza Party and Dance was the highlight of the month and was finished off with the selection of a Valentine King and Queen. Congratulations to **Michael Spees** and **Donna Davis**.

The fundraising efforts of the AKTION Club go to community projects and needs. Many organizations have benefitted from the group such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Special Olympics, Ottumwa Community Outreach Men's Homeless Shelter, Heartland Humane Society, The Children's Park at the Beach, and others.

AKTION Club is a division of Kiwanis International and has been drawing members from the surrounding community. It is open to any adult with a physical or mental disability. The mission is to help the members develop leadership skills, serve their community, be integrated into society, and demonstrate the dignity and value of citizens living with a disability.



Love is in the air! Nathan Skinner & Kayla Middlesworth take time for a camera shot at the Valentine dance.



The club has an elected President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer as well as Board Members and Committees. Each member has a job to do and a mission to accomplish! Programs from community leaders start each meeting off with an achievement in learning new projects and ideas. There is lots of fun and excitement involved in the meetings that are held at 6:00 pm, the first and third Tuesdays of every month at Tenco.

Crowned King, Michael Spees, & Queen, Donna Davis, are in the spotlight at the recent dance.

For more information please call **682-8114**.



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