



**Tuscola ABC Players Present "A Cotton Pickin' Minstrel"
TCHS Auditorium – 1950's**



Tea Dance at the Douglas County Museum



Bill Bean and his Snow Cone Truck – late 1970's early 1980's



November 24, 1951
St. Mary's Church of the
Assumption, Assumption, IL
Suzanne Malhoit Huber and
William Wendell Huber



Leonard Owen



2002 TCHS All School Reunion
Top row: Joan Runyan, Mary
Waters, Marilyn (Toppo) Mooday
Bottom row: Ruth Weatherford,
Redith "Peggy" Webber

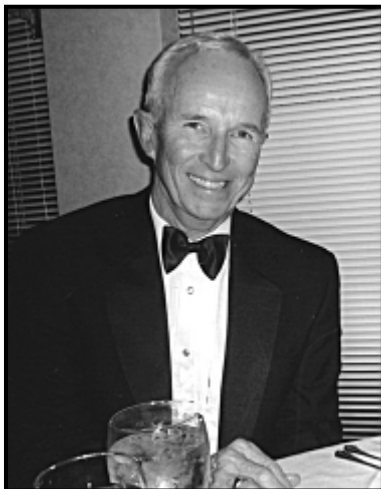


Tuscola Life Guards - 1962
Jan (Charnetzki) Allison,
Donna (Beard) Dean,
Jane (Rothgeb) Hackett

TUSCOLA UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



1st row: Jaunita Michener, Marjorie Blain, Romola Thompson, Margaret Hackett,
Sally Wright, Nellie Burnett
2nd row: Alice Lossman, Hazel Lear, Mildred Grubb, Marie Romine, Kaye Lake,
Marian Beltz
3rd row: Emma Wakefield, Ruth Rothgeb, Thelma Bozarth, Lena Cox, Anita Wade,
Jean Albritton
4th row: Deanna Shaffer, Dee Beachy, Katherine Kellogg, Marilyn Hancock, Betty Bird,
Marguarite Reeder
5th row: Bess Bundy, Betty Thoman, Patty Russell, Edith Bozarth, Tracy Carpenter,
Mary Williams
6th row:, Ann Swadener, Ruth Price, Lorraine Rahn, Mary Jane Wood,
Marguerite (Thompson) Thomas, Dorothy Vest, Leone Cooper, Rowena Gates,
Joan Cross
Back row: Ruth (Turner) Wiesener, Jean Metzger, Gaila Ross, Carol McCarty, Bea Ashe



Colonel James M. Pettitt, III USAF (retired)
TCHS Class of 1957

McMurray College Alumnus class of 1961
2006 Distinguished Career Award
CIA, Deputy Career Development and Training
Officer, Air Force Admissions Liaison Officer,
Outstanding Reservist, Pentagon, Southeast Asia
Declassification and Review Team. Legion of
Merit, Meritorious Service Medal with one Oak
Leaf Cluster, Joint Service Commendation Medal,
Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force
Combat Readiness Medal



The Tuscola Assembly of the Order of Rainbow for Girls

Sponsored by Tuscola Chapter No. 44, Order of Eastern Star and A. F. & A. M. 332 was instituted in 1951. The charter members were:

1st row: Nancy Schrader, Janet Nichols, Shirley McMorris, Marilyn Watson, Judy Apgar, Judy Timm, Mary Jo Kohler, Joan Owen, Jackie Purcell, and Mrs. Eugene Carpenter, past matron of OES, Mother Advisor.

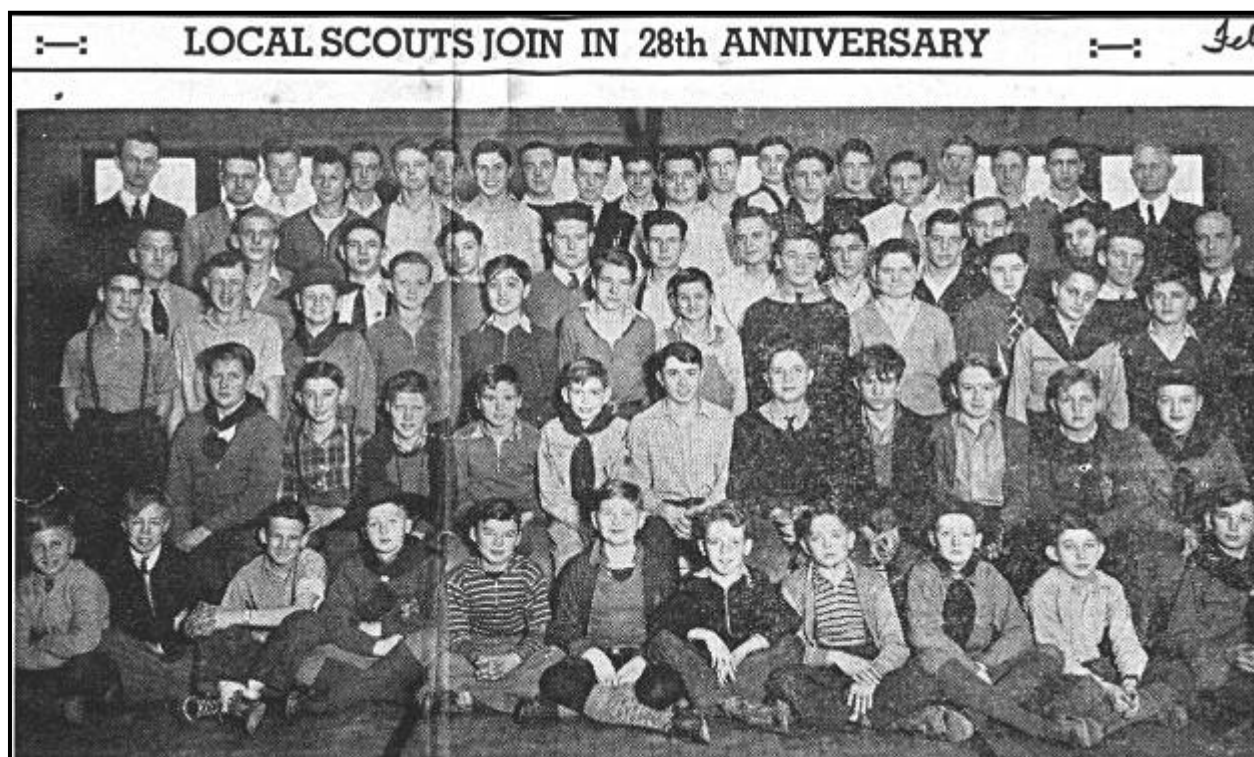
2nd row: Shirley Weatherford, Virginia Varney, Mary Kay Schultz, Lyodene Branham, Barbara Weatherford, Rose Marie Marler, Nancy Smith, Rachel Robins.

3rd row: Mrs. William Wood, worthy matron OES, Vonda Bell Branham, Patricia Lou Apgar, Doris Perry, Janis Thornton, Phyllis Schultz, Joan Miller, Mary Jane Henning, Jan Lou Morris, Jana Lou Knobloch, Sandra DeBolt.

Not pictured: Phyllis Apgar, Sally Lewis, Margaret Long and Joan Fleming



Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Allen
with Model T
Old Fashioned Days



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In February of 1938 the Tuscola Boy Scouts joined in the 28th celebration of Scouting

1st row: Bobby Tackitt, Bobby Weaver, Keith Tingley, Ray Lee Allen, Burlin Obrecht, Richard Parker, Bobby O'Neal, Jack Tudor, John King, Edwin Sauer, Dan Ponder
 2nd row: James Ross, Bob Collins, Robert Stallsworth, C. Stevens, Bill Victor, Edwin Feeler, Ralph Edwards, Allen Hardwick, Jimmy Wulliman, Russell Helm, Robert Childers
 3rd row: Bert Gee, James Montgomery, Jimmy Flanagan, Teddy George, Gussie Flesor, Carl Stevens, Dale Sanderson, Robert Edwards, Guy Barnes, Alvern Bonnett, George Flesor, Max Patrick, Jackie Robertson
 4th row: Mr. Mattix, Bill Fuller, Robert Parker, Paul Flesor, Robert McNeill, John Bundy, Vergil Rahn, Harold Maris, Robert Riley, Dale Cooch, Bill Iles, Mr. Wulliman
 5th row: Mr. Zimmerman, Mrs. Pattison, Ward Lewis, Francis Tubay, Bill Slaughter, Richard Lake, Merl Moore, Bob Knapp, Tommy Thompson, Earl Starbuck, Bob Seaney, Joe Arthur, Wayne Meister, John Gates, Dean Kistner, Bill Overturf, George Hardwick, James Riley, John Goode, Jack Smith, Dr. C. L. Hine



In 1979, John and Mary Turner were featured in the *Tuscola Review* for their collections of tools and gadgets of yesteryear and decorative plates. John was a retired farmer and after moving to town displayed his antique tools in a room addition adjacent to his garage and Mary's plates in her kitchen. Mary was a retired 4th grade school teacher in Tuscola.



1951 Grand Opening of the "New" Ford Dealership by Chop Rice on Rt. 36

1st row: Paige Harriss, Odel (Gilley) Gillenwater, Chop Rice, Tommy Thompson, Bill Betzold, Helen Kirstner, Secretary, Virgil Williams

2nd row: Chet Russell, Webb Timm, Benny Shields, Clarence (Slim) Halterman, Troy Williams.

FESTIVALS AND CELEBRATIONS



**TCHS Homecoming Pow Wow
at Sale and Main St.**

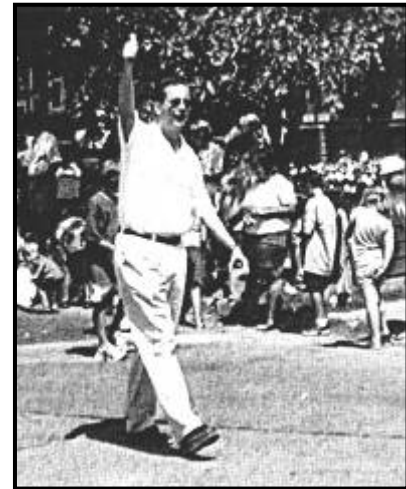


Old Fashion Days – 1960's

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**Alyssa Davis and
Elise Hackett
carry banner for
State Farm.
Harvest Fest 2003**



**Kevin Nolan
State's Attorney**



**Derek Holmes, Steve Wetzel, Bill Rogers and
Vesta Seville
Dickens Walk – December 9, 1997**



**Circus sponsored by Lions Club
September, 2003**



VFW Post 10009 Color Guard - 2003



**Harlan Henderson, antique Farmall Tractor
Harvest Fest 2003**

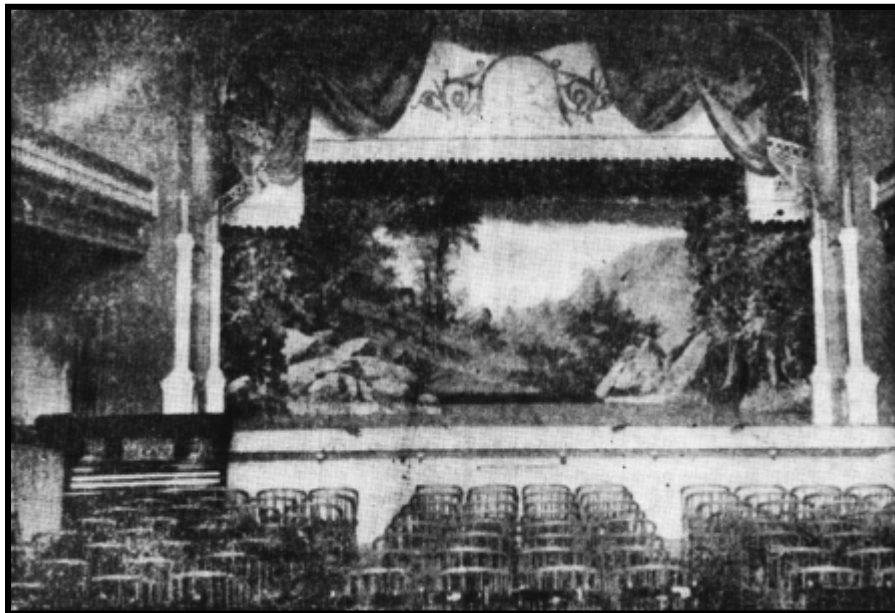
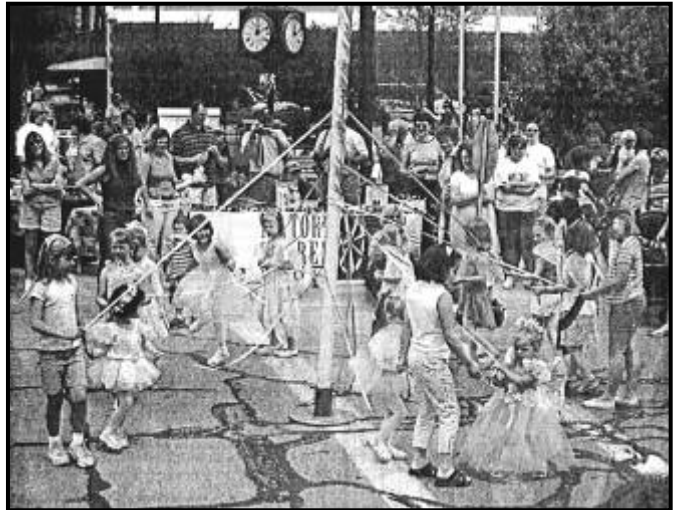


**Judd Wienke (center) tries
his hand at miniature
NASCAR racing
2003 Harvest Festival**

**Tuscola Women's Club
Betty Leonard on left and
Kay Kleiss on right.
Harvest Fest 2003**



**A dance around the Maypole at Festival Plaza during the Flower Fairy Festival.
June 10, 2003**



**Interior of the
Madison Opera House
Late 1800's – Early 1900's**

Tuscola was very proud to have this ornate auditorium, located on West North Central Avenue. In its day it was home to many programs and ceremonies, including, lectures, plays and school graduations.

Tuscola was well known for its Homecoming Celebrations throughout the 1930's – 1960's. Famous celebrities and entertainers were invited to town and performed at the amphitheater in the park, they included: Dick Stabile, Little Jack Little, Ted Weems Orchestra, Art Kassel and his "Kassels in the Air", Eddie Howard, Lang Thompson, Frankie Masters', Buddy Morrow, Lawrence Welk and Billy Sunday.



Homecoming Celebration

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