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10 YEARS AGO

Nov. 20, 2007

The Tuscola Warriors managed to turn a Cole War into a Champaign toast after defeating longtime Douglas County rivals the Arcola Purple Riders to earn the right to travel to Memorial Stadium for the Class 1A state championship.

Family members gathered to see Paul Jones surprised with the Volunteer of the Year award including daughter Kathy Sapp, son Kevin Jones, son Kent Jones, wife Inge Jones, and daughter Kim Higgins.

Coldwater Creek was formerly welcomed to the Tanger Outlet Center with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Lisa Wasiloski was named manager of the women's clothing and accessories store.

Lady Warrior Kelsi Hoyey was named to the Unity Tournament All-Tourney Team for her contributions on the court in the Lady Warriors' three games.

20 YEARS AGO

Nov. 25, 1997

A ribbon cutting ceremony marked the completion of an addition to the Tuscola Public Library making it completely handicap accessible. Participating in the ceremony were city administrator Drew Hoel, library board member Jerry Hall, library clerk Darcey Voyles, board members Dorothy Voyles and Linda Middleton, librarian JoAnne Grimm, board member Jo Mosely, board vice president Randy Bergeson, clerk Carrie Mann, state library representative Nancy Ortciger, city treasurer Linda Watkins, board member Bill McCarty, Pat Cameron of Gatewood & Hance Architects, Lincoln Trails Library System representative Brenda Pacey, Don Hance of Gatewood & Hance, Kerri Urban and Bob Soltau of Champaign County Regional Planning Commission, board member Mary Smith, Ted Jeurissen of CCRPC, and city council member Robert Smith.

Salvation Army representatives Debbie Reed and Cindy Lamb thanked Tuscola



We're certain someone recognizes the faces in this photo from Back in the Day. If so, drop us a note at The Tuscola Journal on Sale Street. Your efforts will be rewarded.

Ben Franklin owners Kent and Ann McGillan for once again displaying an Angel Tree in their Route 36 business.

The Son Light Power Gym Lifting team took first place in the 1997 ANPPC Drug Free National Powerlifting Championships at the Son Light Power Gym. It was the third consecutive year that the team won the championship.

30 YEARS AGO

Nov. 24, 1987

Tuscola city officials' spirits were lifted when CILCO donated a bucket truck to the city. The truck had already been put in use for putting up Christmas decorations. Joe Aellio and Roger Long presented the title to Mayor Clarence Snyder, Alan Gilmore, and Dennis Cruzan.

Irene and Bill Rogers, owners of Rogers Floral Shop, hosted their annual Christmas open house. The shop was decorated in perfect holiday style with fresh greenery, poinsettias, and Christmas arrangements.

A retirement dinner was held at the Tuscola Moose Lodge to honor Agricultural Stabilization Conservation Services employees Marie Gipson and Peggy Payne.

More than 100 family members, co-workers, and friends attended the buffet dinner and dance.

John Mann received words of advice from Raymond Lee before accepting his Eagle Scout patch.

40 YEARS AGO

Nov. 22, 1977

A large crowd was on hand when 360 acres of Douglas County Farmland went on the auction block. When the bidding stopped 276 acres had been sold for a total of \$850,280, just over \$3,080 per acre.

Dan Wilhelm became the fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Earl Wilhelm to earn his Eagle Scout Award. Dan followed his brothers Joe, Dean, and Kevin into the elite realm of Eagle Scouts.

One of the largest lawsuits in Douglas County history, in which the plaintiffs asked \$8 million, was set to go to jury in early 1978 unless the case would be settled out of court. In the case, Phillip and Dorothy Dethloff of Clarendon Hills were asking \$4 million in actual damages and \$4 million in punitive damages from Zeigler Coal Co. They claimed the mine took coal from under their property.

50 YEARS AGO

Nov. 23, 1967

Auxiliary policeman Gerry Garrett demonstrated the use of handcuffs to the group of Explore Scouts who attended a discussion on Law and Order. Witnessing the demonstration were Rick Marsh, Jim Foster, Scott Tenney, Bill Leonard, Charles Patterson, and Jack Holden.

It was very often difficult to decide just what to buy at the Jarman Hospital Auxiliary Bazaar at the Community Building since there were so many lovely gifts to choose from. Caught making the touch decision was Mrs. Richard Stanberry and Mrs. N. D. Kellogg.

Den mothers of Cub Scout Pack 99 displayed tray favors created for Jarman Hospital patients on Thanksgiving. More than 60 paper turkeys were made by the scouts and were sent to the hospital. Den mothers who led the project included Carolyn McCrory, Louise Bright, Vivian Daniel, Barbara Zeboski, and Marjorie Easton.

Special 4-H awards for dog and horse care went to Jeri Lake, Gary Lake, Cindy Gates, and Cindy Bateman at 4-H Achievement Night.

Mobile Mammography available in Douglas Co.

Sarah Bush Lincoln's Mobile Mammography Services will be hitting the road at area county health departments, banks and other locations in December.

The Mobile Mammography van helps provide mammograms to women who may not otherwise have access to, or be able to afford these life-

saving preventive screens. Women who qualify will receive their mammogram free.

The mobile mammography van is available to all women regardless of their financial status. Women with insurance that covers their yearly mammogram are also welcome.

Staffed by technologists from the Sarah Bush Lincoln Mammography Department, the mobile mammography van provides digital mammography technology, the same quality services found at the Health Center. All staff members are certified by the American Registry of Radiologic Technology and are further

certified in mammography.

The van will be at: SBL Arcola Clinic on Thursday, Dec. 14, SBL Tuscola Clinic on Monday, Dec. 18, and SBL Arthur Clinic on Tuesday, Dec. 19.

To make an appointment for a mammogram on the mobile van at a location near you, call 1-800-639-5929.

Letter to the editor

Editor,

It should go without saying that Tuscola has been blessed with some great coaches. But I would like to take a moment to thank the "behind the scenes" coaches that rarely get any credit. I'm talking about the junior league coaches that spend their time, effort, and money to get these kids started. The men and women that dedicate a big part of their lives to getting these kids ready to represent our town.

Over our considerable years we have seen these

junior league coaches take kids who can't stand still for 10 seconds or focus on anything into disciplined, determined athletes. I know there have been hundreds (maybe thousands) of these men and women through the years, and I want to thank them all.

We would really like to point out the couple we think is very much responsible for the fantastic football team we

have today, and that is Lance and Julie Little. Lance and his assistant coaches probably coached 90 percent of the young men out on the field this season. And Julie, with her time and effort, helped Lance be as dedicated as he was.

And now, Coach Romine has dedicated his time and talents to further mold our Warriors into the fine young

men we watch on the football field.

Our heartfelt thanks to Coach Romine, his coaching team, and Lance and Julie Little. You are truly the leaders of our Warriors.

Rita and Richard Willoughby

my Personal side

By Craig Hastings



I feel as though we are all on our own, every man and woman for themselves. Every day since Donald Trump was elected President, Democrats and Republicans alike have done nothing but witch hunt one another. One full year later this activity has grown into a full on sex scandal. What isn't true is made up and given to the ever hungry news media to print, pronounce, and exaggerate and all from mostly "unnamed sources." There are so many alleged players and self proclaimed victims how in the world are the rest of us supposed to sort to the truth?

Better yet: I'm at a point where I don't even care any more. Nobody will be criminally charged and most will remain in office unless they voluntarily step down...most won't. In a year or less we will all have moved on to listen to new rumors about the newly accused. How am I so sure there will be more? Because FOX NEWS has promised they have information a whole new cast of players and victims are forthcoming. And why not, all of this is great for viewer ratings for all of the networks. You see, if the news media would just stop with everything but the proven factual accusations, this sex scandal, soap opera crap hysteria would all but stop.

This Alabama congressional race going on has rocketed off the charts! Allegedly 40 years ago the Judge running as a republican groped, fondled, pursued, and other activity verbs, teenage girls when he was 30 years old. He says no he didn't and a few girls now in their 30s say yes he did. Am I so insensitive to say "I don't care"? This was 40 years ago, none accused him of rape or forced sexual activity so no, I don't care to know 40 years ago. Democrat Sen. Al Franken photo op-ed himself with a big smile on his face performing a make believe grope of the breasts of an enlisted woman now a news anchor. Someone else got a snap shot of Franken doing what this same woman alleged was Franken trying to put his tongue in her mouth. Caught in the act! Okay, no way to deny what happened here so Franken does an all out apology tour in the news media outlets.

So much is out there being consumed by us viewers that why not tap into the old news and forgotten politicians too. No, let's not give anyone a pass that's long retired trying to move on with the rest of their lives. After all, this is a Democrats vs the Republicans vs Hollywood. Hollywood sex scandals are a big score for the Republicans because 98 percent of the who's who of Hollywood supported Hillary Clinton before and during the last election. The list of Hollywood males accused of inappropriate conduct towards women grows weekly. This 1/3 of the soap opera floors me. After all, isn't too much of movie making comprised of men forcing women to unwanted affection before finally at the end of the 90 minutes she finally falls in love with this abuser? Violent sexual explicit movie scenes....hmmm; nothing new from the past 40 years here to discover.

Some activists are insisting that President Trump, retired President Bush 1, retired President Clinton, deceased President Kennedy, and other long ago elected congressional members be investigated for their alleged inappropriate comments or activities as they relate to so far unnamed females. While this craziness continues the business of the county is stalled. As if the Democrats and two or three Republicans haven't already managed to stall forward progress simply because they're still boo hooing over the election in which all feel blindsided. No blindside, just the American population tired of being the loser in every election regardless of party lines. Their biggest complaint...being exposed for what really goes on in Washington, D.C. Every one of these elected men and women are being forced to look over their shoulders and doing their damndest to remember any past improprieties that might be revealed at the least opportune moment.

I'm sure that there are a few planning on an earlier than expected exit from politics for fear of being "caught". You will be able to pick these members out easy enough. They will be the ones home sick, out of the country, or hiding in the restroom during debates over everything so not to catch any attention. Most all of us have moments in our lives we might have done different if we could do them over. If we eliminate all candidates for elected offices who may have faltered here and there in their lifetimes, who of any quality gets elected? Answer: not many. Again, the pool for qualified high ranking elected officials has shrunk for sure. Who in the hell wants to put their families through what's going on now!?

Don't misunderstand me, I'm not advocating letting the guilty slide. What I want is to hear about only those proven guilty of something. Don't tell me about the personal smear of someone based on undisclosed sources simply because of their politics. I think there should be criminal repercussions on those who tell lies for fortune and fame. Do your ridiculous little special committee investigations but do them behind closed doors without "leaks" to the press. Criminally charge those who publish or repeat these "leaks" unless they have revealed who the leaker was. I have an idea: let us read, listen, watch news of how Congress is progressing to solve the problems of this country and how they are further stepping up the protection of its citizens. Now that's real news we want to know about.

If you have press releases, announcements, news briefs or other copy you would like included in The Tuscola Journal, please email them to kayleigh@thetuscolajournal.com. Story ideas and contact names are also most welcome.

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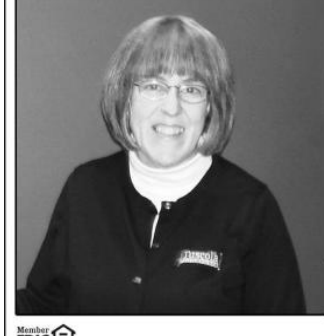
You have about 6 weeks left to feel better before your new deductible hits in January. Take advantage of these last few weeks and have more energy and less pain for the upcoming holiday season.

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