

Peace Meal Menu

Monday, Apr. 24 - Chili, Cheese Salad, Mandarin Oranges, Tomato Salad, Bread & Crackers
Tuesday, Apr. 25 - Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Bean Casserole, Coleslaw, Roll
Wednesday, Apr. 26 - Turkey Pot Roast, Baby Bakers, Peas & Pearl Onions, Bread, Dessert
Thursday, Apr. 27 - Goulash, Mixed Greens, Corn, Fruit
Friday, Apr. 28 - Peppered Beef over Brown Rice, Glazed Carrots, Buttered Hominy, Fruit
 Call 800-543-1770 for reservation information. Skim milk and desserts with no sugar added are available in many locations. Ask the site supervisor for information. Sometimes we need to substitute on our menus. We still guarantee a nutritious meal. The Peace Meal Senior Nutrition Program suggests a donation of \$3.50 for each congregant and home delivered meal. No older person shall be denied a meal because of their failure to contribute all or part of the cost of the meal. We accept the Illinois Link Card.



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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ILLINOIS DOUGLAS COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN CHARLES HUFFER, DECEASED No. 2022-PR-21 NOTICE OF DEATH AND CLAIM PERIOD

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS AND CLAIMANTS: Letters of Administration were issued on May 16, 2022, to JASON HUFFER, Administrator of the Estate of JOHN CHARLES HUFFER, Deceased. The Attorney for the Estate is J. STEVEN BECKETT of STEVE BECKETT LAW OFFICE, LLC, 508 S. Broadway Ave. Urbana, Illinois, 61801.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, 401 S. Center Street, Tuscola, Illinois, or with the Executor (care of her attorney), or both, within six (6) months from the date of this Notice. Any claim not filed on or before said date is barred. Copies of the claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative via her Attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DOUGLAS COUNTY, ILLINOIS IN THE INTEREST OF A.D.V., Minor No. 2023 JD 2 NOTICE TO: ADRIAN VASQUEZ, SR.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on the 9th day of March, 2023, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, by Kate Watson, Douglas County State's Attorney in the Circuit Court of Douglas County, Illinois, entitled "In the Interest of, A.D.V., a minor" and that in Courtroom No. 1 in the Douglas County Courthouse in the City of Tuscola, Illinois, on the 3rd day of May, 2023 at the hour of 3:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this cause may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the child declared to be a ward of the court under that Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS PROCEEDING TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS, AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

Unless you appear you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights. Now, unless you appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

Natan Burton
 Circuit Clerk
 Clerk of the Circuit Court of Douglas County, Illinois
 Dated: March 28, 2023
 Published: 4/5, 4/12, 4/19/23

Emergency Response

Tuscola

Sunday, April 16

Tuscola Police dispatched to the 100 block of North Raymond Drive at 4:56 p.m. regarding a suicidal subject. The subject was voluntarily transported to Sarah Bush Hospital.

Tuscola Police made contact with a vehicle driving the wrong way on Route 36, Eastbound, at 12:10 a.m.

Friday, April 14

Tuscola Police were dispatched to the 100 block of Prairievew at 12:09 a.m. The subject was experiencing a mental episode and barricaded themselves in a bedroom with a kitchen knife. The subject's spouse was able to retrieve the knife prior to police arrival. The subject was later transported to Sarah Bush Hospital.

Thursday, April 13

Tuscola Police were dispatched to the 800 block of East Pembroke at 4:02 p.m. regarding a suicidal juvenile.

Wednesday, April 12

Tuscola Fire Department and police removed a semi blocking the roadway on Moore Avenue at 8:30 p.m. The Semi's engine was on fire and extinguished.

Tuscola Fire Department was dispatched to Pesotum at 9:45 a.m. regarding the smell of gas. The department was disregarded by Pesotum Fire Department when they arrived on scene.

Tuscola Police performed a welfare check on a subject in the 500 block of East South Central. The subject refused any help or advice from the police.

Tuscola Police were dispatched to the Cooper Motel at 10:18 p.m. regarding an alleged assault between two parties. The intoxicated aggressor was transported to the hospital for injuries. No parties involved wanted to pursue

charges.

Tuscola Police were dispatched to the 800 block of East Newkirk at 10:36 p.m. regarding alleged fighting.

Tuesday, April 11

Tuscola Police were dispatched to the 500 block of South Central at 11:15 p.m. regarding a domestic verbal situation. The caller reported a subject allegedly being choked. Police separated both parties and found no evidence of any physical contact. Both parties were advised of their options.

Tuscola Police received a call from a parent regarding a missing child, at 4 p.m. The child did not reach the babysitter but was later found on the bus and dropped off by the babysitter.

Police contacted the juvenile and parent and advised options. Police said the bus driver missed the child on the bus or had the wrong name.

A suicidal subject was transported to Sarah Bush Hospital from the 100 block of Raymond Drive at 7:23 p.m.

Tuscola Police were dispatched to the North Pavilion at Ervin Park at 1:55 p.m. regarding a subject offering children juice boxes. The subject was suspected to be an alleged sex offender, but the allegation was found to be untrue.

Tuscola Fire Department was dispatched to Tolono at 11:16 a.m. regarding a shed fire.

Monday, April 10

Tuscola Police spoke with two subjects at 3:45 p.m. regarding an alleged Facebook Marketplace scam.

Tuscola Fire Department was dispatched to the 500 block of East Overton at 8:31 a.m. regarding a CO2 alarm.

Villa Grove

The following is activity for the Villa Grove Police Department April 9-15:

The JOURNAL

The Journal (USPS 023-673) is published weekly. Subscription rates are \$50 annually within Douglas County and \$60 annually outside of Douglas County. The Journal office is located at 115 W Sale St, Tuscola, IL 61953. Periodicals postage paid at Tuscola, IL 61953. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to The Journal, P.O. Box 170, Tuscola, IL 61953-0170. ©The Journal.

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Church

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first ordained minister for the church.

New members joined from the Okaw Church and others

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF DOUGLAS ss. CERTIFICATE

I, Elizabeth A. Leamon, certify that I am the duly elected and acting Municipal Clerk of the City of Tuscola, Douglas County, Illinois.

I further certify that on April 10, 2023, the Corporate Authorities of the City of Tuscola passed and approved Ordinance No. 2023-0-4, entitled

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 52.29 OF THE CITY OF TUSCOLA CODE OF ORDINANCES TO INCREASE THE REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT FOR SIDEWALK REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT

which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of Ordinance No. 2023-0-4, including the Ordinance and cover sheet thereof, was prepared, and a copy of such Ordinance was posted in City Hall, 214 N. Main St., commencing on April 12, 2023 and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the City Clerk.

DATED at Tuscola, Illinois, this 10th day of April, 2023.

Elizabeth A. Leamon, City Clerk
 Published: /23

LEGAL NOTICE

ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of DOUGLAS County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting, and transacting the business known as:

A & A SERVICES
 320 N WALNUT ST.
 ARCOLA, IL 61910

Dated this 21 day of March, 2023
 Judi Pollock, County Clerk
 Published: 4/5, 4/12, 4/19/23

from out of state, as far away as Ohio and New York.

Samuel Daggy, after whom a street was named in Tuscola, worked at the church for 15 years.

Building the church at the time was no cheap endeavor; it cost \$2,000 at the time. Today that amount would be equivalent to \$73,618 according to the U.S. inflation calculator.

The church went through hard times in the following 10 years after its initial founding of the church. Elders Noah Amen and Thomas Robinson led a group of thirty-four members out of the church who formed the Second Presbyterian Church of Tuscola. However, the split did not last forever. In 1874 the two branches were re-united under the Presbytery of Mattoon.

From 1876 to 1885, the number of active members dropped from 160 to 118. Those numbers eventually bounced back and grew to over 200 by 1915.

The original structure received two enlargements. First, in 1888, a manse was constructed to house the church's minister and family.

In June of 1902, the cornerstone for the present stone building was laid and the new church was dedicated in November of the same year. A second manse was built on West Daggy Street in 1904 to replace the first.

During the 1910s, there was also a plan to combine the First Christian Church, the Baptist Church and the Presbyterian Church. It was voted down, possibly because worship was planned to be conducted at the Presbyterian Church.

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In the 1930s, the church suffered for at least 10 years. Rev. Kelly served the congregation without salary during that time.

For the church's 90th anniversary, a redecoration program costing \$10,000 was completed in the church. The old pipe organ was replaced by a Hammond Organ, given by the Van Voorhis family. The church also received new carpeting.

The Hine Room was dedicated to the many faithful years of service by Dr. C.L. Hine to the Tuscola Boy Scout organization. Hine was also the Sunday School superintendent.

The Church went through another remodeling in 1953. The sanctuary was remodeled and redecored. The Hine Room was redecored with knotty pine paneling, the kitchen was remodeled with additional cupboard space and four stainless steel sinks. The remodeling was achieved through the support of the members of that time.

The Church adopted a new theme of "Prairie Perseverance" for the 90th anniversary of its founding, celebrating the church's survival, even with relatively small numbers of people supporting the church.

However, the church did close its doors, finally, after 94 years in 1996. The congregation reluctantly voted to disband after Dr. William Bodamer announced he was giving up his ministerial position in the church. Bodamer, a professor of religion at Millikin University in Decatur, acted

as pastor in both the Tuscola and Newman parishes at the time.

The church didn't stand abandoned without purpose for long. According to an article by Colleen Lehman, Diana and Gary Herring bought the building for \$60,000 at an auction on August 12, 1999. Diana had always admired the stone building, which closely resembled a European castle. The location was suitable for her two businesses, Diana's and Tomorrow's Treasures.

"I always thought it looked as much like an old castle as it did a church, and we felt that anyone who had seen the building would remember it that way also," said Diana, on naming the building the Castle Mall.

In the article, Diana states, "We felt if everyone else was going to work on the downtown, we should get something going in our building, particularly since it had quite a history in starting out as the Cashford Art Store."

The Castle Mall sold a variety of items, including Diana's dolls, children's clothes for weddings, and formal wear. Diana also created custom wedding items such as veils, garters and flower arrangements.

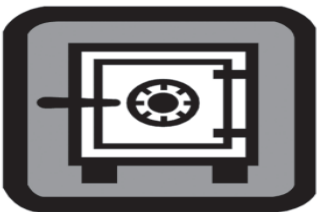
The rest of the auditorium was filled with other curiosities and collectibles and served as a sort of gift shop as well as a supply store for crafts.

Diana and Gary Herring eventually sold the building to Daniel and Sara Escalera in 2018 for \$50,000, according to the Douglas County Assessor website.

The Castle Mall burned down July 9, 2022 in a suspected arson case. The structure was demolished in April, after the city took possession of the building. The city sued the previous owners in order to ensure the removal of the broken down structure after finding it to be unsafe.

The Douglas County Museum will be opening a time capsule at a May 8, City Council meeting. The capsule was found in a cornerstone of the church.

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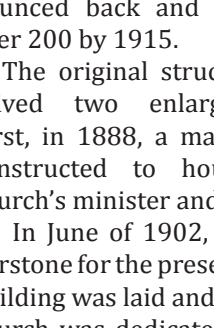
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