



# Kiwaniis®

## CLUB OF TUSCOLA

**NEWSLETTER**  
**OCTOBER 2018**

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and on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/tuscolakiwanisclub](http://www.facebook.com/tuscolakiwanisclub)

### 2018 Events/Activities

Tuesday, October 9	K-Kids Picnic – Ervin Park (rain date 10/10)
Wednesday, October 10	Kiwaniis Board Meeting – Smith House
Saturday, October 20	Rotary/Kiwaniis Food Drive for SAM Pantry
Fri/Sat, October 26-27	Peanut Days
Fri/Sat, Nov 30 & Dec 1	Christmastown Table – Comm. Bldg./Parade

### 2019 Events/Activities

Saturday, March 9	Pancake Breakfast – Forty Martyrs
Thurs/Fri, April 4 & 5	Fish Fry Thaw & Fish Fry Dinner – Forty Martyrs
Saturday, April 20	Tuscola Easter Egg Hunt – rain 4/27 Ervin Park
Saturday, May 11	USPS Stamp Out Hunger for SAM Food Pantry
Saturday, June 15	Relay for Life – 4p-10p

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### Upcoming Meetings & Program Assignments

October 1	Officer/Club Director Installation
October 8	2017/2018 Club Awards
October 15	Debbie Graber
October 22	Carol Hausmann
October 29	Jim Hausmann
November 5	Judy Heilich
November 12	Kim Higgins
November 19	Sherrie Hoel

November 26	Betty Leonard
December 3	Candy Hudson
December 10	April Kauffman
December 17	<b>Club Christmas Party</b>
December 24	<b>No Meeting – Christmas Eve</b>
December 31	<b>No Meeting – New Years Eve</b>
January 7	Judy Landeck
January 14	Tim Hoel
January 21	Jean Leonard
January 28	Jerry Leonard
February 4	Jaci Manzella
February 11	<b>No Meeting – Presidents Day</b>
February 18	Sharon Marsh
February 25	Carol Martin
March 4	Dave Morgan
March 11	Val Morgan
March 18	Donna Motley
March 25	Dennis Opperman

If your program date does **not** work for you, please notify Janet Butler as soon as possible so a date swap can be arranged.

**Don't forget to give Janet Butler your Volunteer Hours at the end of the month!**



## Meeting Minutes – September 10, 2018

- Attendance

47 – Members

1 – Guest: Chris Ayers, our speaker

- Free Lunch Winner – Sandy Simpson

- Birthdays – 9/12 Alan Shoemaker

- Brags – Tammy Baer, Elaine Bryant, Carol Burwash, and Jeannine Fortney

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Reminders – Stewardship Day 9/13,  
Homecoming Parade 9/28 and Homecoming  
Pancake Breakfast 9/29

Thank You Note – The club received a  
thank you note from Coach Ryan Hornaday.

SAM Pantry Food Drive – Tuscola Rotary  
and SAM Pantry have set the food drive for  
Saturday, October 20. Sign-up sheet will be  
going around.

## Program:



Pat Damler introduced our speaker, Chuck Ayers. Chuck is the owner of The Ayers Farmstead, LLC – Country Weddings and Events. The homestead farm is located between Villa Grove and Tuscola.

Chuck is a graduate of Villa Grove High School and the University of Illinois. He started the venue after retiring from 40 years of farming.

If you would like more information, go to Facebook and search for The Ayers Farmstead, LLC.

Or email Chuck at [rcayers@gmail.com](mailto:rcayers@gmail.com) or call 217-369-8338.



## Meeting Minutes – September 17, 2018

- Attendance

46 – Members

9 – Guests: Soon to be members... Jeff Martin, Suzanne Mooday, Dave Moody; and Chris Brown, Les Evans; Sara Evans, Moses Evans, Charles Smith, and one of our speakers, Jessie Hanner.

- Free Lunch Winner – Dave Morgan

- Birthdays – 9/21 Toppo Mooday, 9/23 Carol Bauer, 9/23 Sandy Simpson

- Brags – Pete Buckley, Carol Burwash, Jan Chappell, Jack Corum, Mike Damler, Linda Damler, Jeannine Fortney, Jaci Manzella, and Doris Young

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

2018/2019 I-I Governor Visit – Janet Butler sent around a sign-up sheet for the incoming I-I Governor Alan Arbuckle. It is being hosted by the Champaign-Urbana Kiwanis Club for Divisions 25, 26, and 27. The dinner is being held at the Hawthorne Suites by Wyndam on Wednesday, October 10 at 6:00PM. Dinner is \$15.00, paid at the door. Deadline to sign up is October 1.

Reminders – Homecoming Parade 9/28 and Homecoming Pancake Breakfast 9/29, SAM Pantry Food Drive 10/20.

## Program:



Jeannine Fortney introduced our speakers, fellow Kiwanian, Faculty Adviser to the North Ward K-Kids, Beth Linstead, and Jessie Hanner, Tuscola School Social Worker.

Beth reported that after 21 years of teaching 4<sup>th</sup> grade, she is an MTSS Coach and Title Math teacher. She primarily works with North Ward students one-on-one. She does testing, improving math and reading skills, identifies struggles, and gets parents involved to help the child.

Jessie attended training this past summer for Therapeutic Crisis Intervention and De-escalation Techniques. The goal is to calm students down, listen to what the student is saying, talk about future alternatives and solutions, make a plan, and teach new coping skills.

Jessie also discussed Restorative Practices which is a philosophy that sees relationships as central to learning, growth and a healthy school environment. It emphasizes the importance of positive relationships as central to building community and repairing relationships when harm has occurred.

Jessie and Beth also thanked members for all the school supplies provided by the club.

## Meeting Minutes – September 24, 2018

- Attendance

46 – Members

12 – Guests: Soon-to-be-members Suzanne & Dave Moody, Todd Black, guest of Doris Young, and nine non-Kiwanian members of the Kitchen Band

- Free Lunch Winner –

- Birthdays – 9/25 Carol Martin, 9/27 Tim Hoel, 9/28 Donna Motley

- Brag –

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Peanut Days – Will be held October 26 & 27 at Main & Sale, North Line & Prairie, Shopko, and Tuscola IGA. Sign-up sheets will start around at our October 1 meeting.

Thank You Note – The club received a thank you note from the Douglas County Farm Bureau, thanking the club for the volunteers who helped with Stewardship Day at Walnut Point.

Reminders – Homecoming Parade 9/28 and Homecoming Pancake Breakfast 9/29, SAM Pantry Food Drive 10/20.

### Program:

Happy Keenagers Kitchen Band – This great group of ladies, led by Darla Gardner, presented several musical numbers for our enjoyment.



Homecoming Parade – September 28, 2018



More photos on club website

**Homecoming Pancake Breakfast – September 29, 2018**



**More photos on club website**

**TUSCOLA KIWANIS CLUB &  
KIWANIS CLUB OF TUSCOLA ILLINOIS FOUNDATION  
2018 SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at The Smith House on Wednesday September 13, 2018 at noon by President Jan Chappell with the following officers, club directors and guests present:

Maureen Bergeson (2018)	X	Candy Hudson – Treas	X	Guests:	
Pete Buckley – Pres Elect		Carol Martin (2019)	X	Carol Burwash	X
David Butler – Past Pres	X	Dave Morgan (2020)	X	Mike Damler	X
Janet Butler – Secretary	X	Dennis Opperman - VP		Pat Damler	X
Jan Chappell – Pres	X	Jerry Reynolds (2018)	X	Jerry Leonard	X
Tim Hoel (2019)	X	Doris Young (2020)		Val Morgan	X

The following items of business were conducted:

1. Minutes of August Board Meeting – Carol Martin made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. Maureen Bergeson seconded the motion and it was approved. Copy of Board meeting minutes are on club website under “Members Area.”
  
2. August Secretary’s Monthly Reports – Janet Butler had emailed Board members copies of the monthly Tuscola Volunteer Hours report and the Kiwanis International monthly report for their review. There were 807 service and 82 fundraising hours reported for a total of 889 hours. Tim Hoel made a motion to approve the reports. Dave Morgan seconded the motion, and it was approved. Copies of the monthly reports are on club website under “Members Area.”
  
3. September Treasurer’s Monthly Reports – Candy Hudson had emailed Board members a copy of the club and foundation monthly treasurer’s reports. As of 9/12/18, the current balance for the club is \$13,767.33 and the foundation balance is \$8,975.51. The last 2018 scholarship had been paid out – Miah Phillips. Janet Butler made a motion to approve the reports as submitted. Janet Butler reported that the club foundation will receive a donation of \$17.67 from Amazon Smile. Carol Martin seconded the motion and it was approved. Copy of treasurer’s reports are on club website under “Members Area.”
  
4. Dues Update – Candy Hudson gave an update on unpaid dues to the Board. There is only one member in question. Janet Butler reported that she would add enough new members by 9-30-18 to make the club +1 so the club’s legacy will continue as I-I Distinguished Club.



5. Disbursements/Reimbursements –

Approved disbursements:

<i>Club Administrative Account</i>	<i>Club Foundation Account</i>
\$363.38 Reimbursement to Janet Butler for club supplies	\$665.52 Reimbursement to Janet Butler for school supplies \$200.00 Budgeted donation to SAM Food Pantry \$100.00 Budgeted donation to the PASS After School Program \$100.00 Douglas County Museum – Photo Contest

Janet Butler asked the Board to authorize Candy Hudson to make the last ELIMINATE Project donation after our meeting of 9/24 and before 9/30 so that the donation falls into the 2017-2018 Kiwanis year. Jerry Reynolds made a motion to approve the disbursements. Carol Martin seconded the motion and it was approved.

Dave Morgan suggest the club provide the Key Club officers and Faculty Advisor Darcey Voyles with Key Club Notebooks at \$8.50 each purchased from the Kiwanis online store. After discussion, Dave Morgan made the motion to do so. Carol Martin seconded the motion and it was approved. Janet Butler will check with Darcey for the correct number of notebooks to order, order them, and request reimbursement at the next Board meeting.

LTG Pat Damler generously refused the budgeted disbursement of \$100.00 to assist her with Lt. Governor expenses. Thank you, Pat!

6. New Donation Requests – None

7. New Requests of the Club – The club received a request from Norma Fiedler, president of Mary Todd Lincoln Tent 48, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865. This group has undertaken the project of cleaning headstones in the historical Thomas Lincoln Cemetery near Charleston. They are seeking another service organization to help them with this project. She stated that there are several rogue trees that need to be removed that are damaging headstones. The group has received permission from the trustees of this cemetery to remove the trees, but they need manpower and chainsaws to do this.

After discussion, Dave Morgan made a motion to decline the request. Maureen Bergeson seconded the motion and it was approved. Janet Butler agreed to advise Ms. Fiedler of the decision and to suggest to her that she contact Charleston/Mattoon landscapers, tree trimming companies, and/or construction companies to see if they would donate manpower and equipment for their project.

8. Builders Club Update – Jan Chappell will deliver the East Prairie school supplies to the school today and bring back Ashley Wishard’s new member application to Janet Butler this afternoon. It is expected that the Builders Club will start meeting twice a month beginning in October.
9. Key Club Update – Mike Damler reported that the Key Club had its first meeting last week with 48 students attending. The club has a full slate of officers with Sabrina Alcorn as president. Great start to the school year!
10. Dan Russell Memorial Tree – Jan has been following up with Michael Smith. The plaque is still not here. The delay is excessive. Jan Chappell will follow up again.
11. One Stop Community Christmas – Janet Butler reported that the four dates for registration have been set – two dates at Tuscola United Methodist Church during SAM Pantry and two dates at the Tuscola Library. If no one from the club steps up to purchase and inventory the socks/underwear, Janet suggested that the club donation be given to Mattoon Kiwanis in cash for them to purchase what they need to fill out sizes. Janet believes that the Key Club, Builders Club, and Key Club will do a sock drive in November. Board members suggested that a representative from One Stop come and speak to our group. Janet will see if that can be arranged.
12. Rotary/Kiwanis Food Drive – The date is confirmed for Saturday, October 20. This year Rotary will handle all the publicity, drivers, volunteers to pick up the food, providing carts, and weighing the food. They will also contact youth organizations to volunteer to help with the event. Kiwanis’ focus will be the sorting and putting away of food with pantry volunteers. Carol Beals is heading this part of the event. A sign-up sheet has started going around for Kiwanians to volunteer the time or cookies/water for the volunteers.
13. 2018 Peanut Days – Carol Burwash confirmed the dates of October 26-27. The locations will be Main & Sale, North Line & Prairie, and two locations where members can be seated – Tuscola IGA and Tuscola Shopko.

14. Homecoming Parade – Friday, September 28 Dennis has submitted the parade form. Jerry Reynolds will provide a truck, trailer, and to see about some type of seating since Tim Hoel's straw bales will not be available. The Board needs members to donate individually wrapped candy to be thrown. Jeannine will advise regarding K-Kids participation.
15. Homecoming Pancake Breakfast – Saturday, September 29 Pat Damler is circulating sign-up sheets. All in on track. Janet Butler asked if the Board would like the Tuscola logo spinners to be sold at the breakfast. The Board agreed with the request with the caveat to not set up the spinners sales near where people come in and give a donation for the breakfast.
16. Document Shredding/Recycle – Dave Morgan estimated the possible cost to the club to provide this event to our community, and suggested we charge \$5.00 per television/computer monitor, regardless of what type (tube & flat) with a limit of 2 per vehicle. After discussion, Janet Butler made a motion that for the 2019 event, the club would charge \$5.00 per each television/computer monitor, regardless of what type (tube & flat) with a limit of 2 per vehicle, and that each Tuscola Kiwanis member could bring up to 2 televisions/monitors for free, for the member's own use. Dave Morgan seconded the motion and it was approved. The Board agreed that as each vehicle approached, a member(s) would determine if they had any televisions/monitors. If yes, the driver would be reminded that we will only take two, and that each is \$5.00. Once paid, the Kiwanians would give the driver 1 or 2 tickets, as appropriate. The driver would then surrender the ticket(s) to the loaders so that they know the fee was paid. It was stressed that the flyers and publicity must be very clear on the rules, and that this is for residents of the 61953 zip code, excluding Tuscola Kiwanians who can bring items regardless of where they live.
17. Financial Reports – Board members reviewed the 2017/2018 Actuals to Budget and the 2019 Budget drafts. Based on the recycle discussion, it was agreed that the budget would reflect \$1,000 in receipts and \$1,000 in expense. Janet Butler will provide the final report at the October Board meeting.
18. New Member Approvals – Tim Hoel made a motion to approve the following new members: Michele "Missy" Chappell, Leslie Ray Evans, Terri Haas, Casey Higgins, Jeff Martin, David Moody, Suzanne Moody, Todd Shunk, and the new Builder Club Faculty Advisor, Ashley Wishard. The club pays for Ashley's new member fee and dues. Carol Martin seconded the motion and it was approved.

19. Tuscola Methodist Men's Request – On behalf of the Tuscola Methodist Men, Jerry Leonard asked if they could borrow the pancake dispenser for an event on October 28. Janet Butler made a motion to approve the request with Jerry Leonard taking responsibility to return the dispenser undamaged. Maureen Bergeson seconded the motion and it was approved.
20. Next Board Meeting – The next Board meeting will be Wednesday October 10, 2018 at the Smith House at noon.
21. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55PM.

Submitted by:  
Janet Butler – Secretary

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*Keep Our Trick or Treating Kids Safe!!!*

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Please provide any pictures, updates and corrections for newsletter or website to:  
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