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Homecoming

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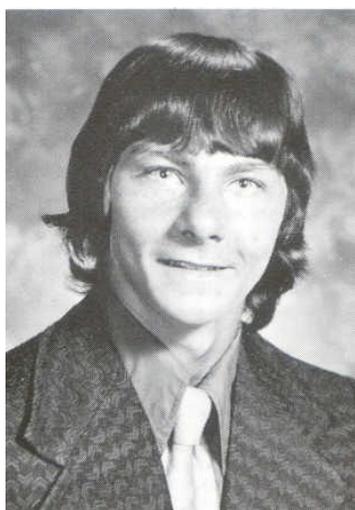


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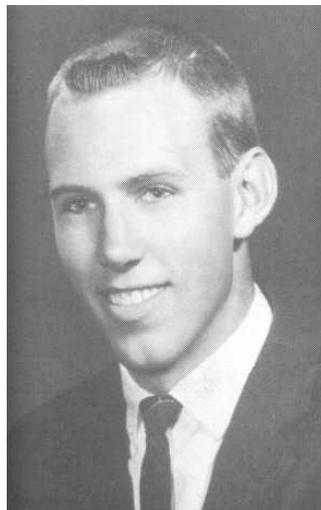
Association Newsletter

## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

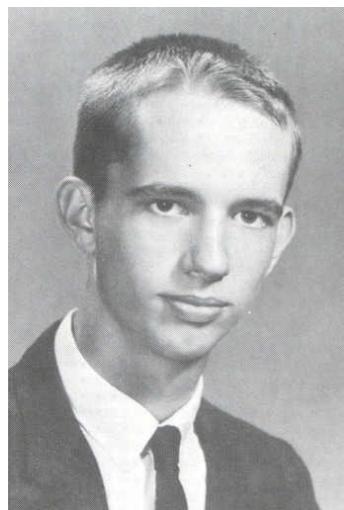
### ANNOUNCED FOR 2015



Johnny Reed



Michael Carroll

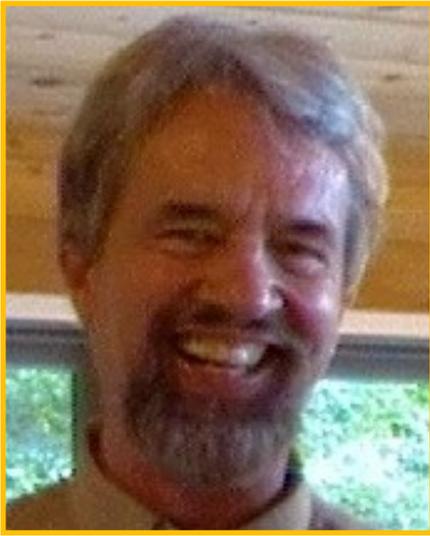


Doug Carnine



Sharon Lake

From the careers of a county judge, special education professor, Air Force Top Gun pilot/teacher, and an entrepreneur in the medical technology industry come our next four TCHS Hall of Fame candidates. Being inducted this Homecoming 2015—over the Oct. 9th and 10th weekend—will be 1965 graduates, Michael Carroll and Doug Carnine; 1975 graduate, Johnny Reed; and Sharon Lake, 1985 graduate. The inductees will be honored at the Alumni Association’s luncheon at 12:30 p.m. at the Douglas County Museum, 700 S. Main, Tuscola. The event will take place during Homecoming weekend on Saturday, Oct. 10th. There will be a catered dinner. You won’t want to miss this memorable event when you get the chance to hear from the inductees. Reservations and fees will be available in the fall. All are welcome to attend. The Alumni Association hopes that past Hall of Famers will be able to attend this event. Special guests will be our Class of ‘65. Raffle tickets for the 50/50 cash drawing will be sold and the winner drawn at the end of the luncheon. Please, enjoy reading about our inductees on the following pages. . .



Douglas Carnine is a Professor Emeritus of Education at the University of Oregon. As an undergraduate at the University of Illinois he was a James Scholar, Bronze Tablet Scholar, and a National Science Foundation Fellow in Psychology, graduating with distinction and Phi Beta Kappa in 1969. He completed his M.A. in Special Education at the University of Oregon in 1971, and his Ph.D. in Educational Psychology at the University of Utah in 1974. In 1981 he received the Ersted Award for outstanding teaching at the University of Oregon, the first faculty member from the College of Education to win the award. In 2003 he received the Scientific Translation Award from the Association of Behavior Analysis. In 2005 he received the Life Time Achievement Award from the Council for Exceptional Children. Professor Carnine served as a member of President Bush's education advisory for the 2000 election and a committee member of the Educator's for Bush Steering Committee for his 2004 campaign. In 2003 President Bush nominated Doug to be on the board for the National Institute for Literacy. He was confirmed by the Senate and served as program committee chair. Professor Carnine consulted with several agencies within the Department of Education and on a few occasions with the National Science Foundation. As Director of the National Center to Improve the Tools of Educators for ten years, he worked with publishers on incorporating evidence-based practices in educational tools and with legislatures, state boards, business organizations, community groups, and unions to understand the policy implications of evidence-based educational materials for at-risk learners. Professor Carnine has worked with these groups in California, Virginia, Washington, Texas, and New York.

Dr. Carnine has over 100 scholarly publications: over 60 research articles in referred journals, 40 essays, over 20 chapters in books, and six books (Pascal for university-level computer science with the other for education: *Teaching Higher Order Thinking, Theory of Instruction, Instructional Strategies for Diverse Learners, Direct Instruction Reading, and Direct Instruction Math*). He is a co-author of textbooks for the elementary grades (mathematics and science), for the middle grades (science, world history, US history, and English literature and composition), and English literature and composition textbooks for high school. He has presented at over 100 conferences in the United States, Canada, South America, Europe, the former USSR, Africa, Australia, and New Zealand. He has served as consulting editor or editorial board member for eight journals.

After retirement, he has focused on the importance of kindness and built the website [feedkindness.com](http://feedkindness.com). He and his wife Linda are lay ministers in the Order of Buddhist Contemplatives and founding members of the Eugene Buddhist Priory. He has had a prison ministry for five years, which has resulted in a book based on letters from the prisoners. He and his wife purchased forest property with important conservation value, entering into partnerships with U. S. Fish and Wildlife, the McKenzie River Trust, and the National Resource Conservation Service. As part of his life-long interest in martial arts, he joined the Seattle Taoist Institute's journey to meet with a number of tai chi masters in China, as a way to celebrate his 60<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Doug's wife, who earned her PhD at the University of Oregon, served as an administrator and principal and worked on literacy development with primarily indigenous groups for years before retiring. Now she is active in Rotary and in a number of service organizations operating in Africa and Central America. Their older daughter Berkley, who received her MFA at Arizona State University, is a lecturer at Northern Arizona University and works with organizations to support Navajo elders at Black Mesa. Their younger daughter Leah, who received her MA as a physician's assistant, works at the El Rio Clinic, which serves Yaqui Native Americans. Leah also works with a variety of human rights organizations.

Sharon Lake was never supposed to exist. But the unplanned fourth child of Kern (K.O.) and Barbara Lake was born anyway, and thus began her life of (usually) lucky coincidence.

Sharon and her siblings; Jeffrey, Susan and Mark; lived in Park View most of the time, but they also spent summer weekends at a cabin on Lake Sara. Sharon's love of the outdoors started with such daring accidental feats as getting her tongue stuck to the metal mailbox in the middle of winter and riding a bike that had no brakes down a steep hill and into the lake. This kind of random experimentation helped form the basis of her science-oriented education, and so those occurrences that may have seemed unlucky at the time proved to be helpful eventually. Plus, they were funny. During her tenure at TCHS, Sharon participated in Drama Club, Scholastic Bowl, and Science Club. She graduated from high school in 1985 as the Valedictorian and then went on to receive an American Legion scholarship to attend the University of Illinois. She completed a degree in mechanical engineering and then accepted the lowest-paying job that was offered to her because she was passionate about that industry: healthcare technology. Late that summer, Sharon moved to Minneapolis, unaware that it is dramatically colder and snowier than Illinois in the winter, and started her career. Within a couple of years of working in medical technology industry, she left Minneapolis for a start-up company in California (where it's dramatically warmer than Illinois), and that's where she learned that being on a small fast-moving team suited her personality much better than being with a slower, more established group. She was an executive at one of the first medical device incubators in the world, and from that gained a tremendous amount of entrepreneurial experience. Sharon has been a member on the founding team of over a dozen companies – 6 of which, to date, were acquired for a combined value of over \$400M and the remaining are still active. Over the course of her career, she has served as a CEO, General Manager, and executive in Business Development, Operations, and R&D. She contributed intellectual property to a number of companies and is a named inventor on over 30 patents. Currently, Sharon sits on the boards of CutaGenesis, RMx and Bowman International School. Previously, she sat on the boards of Eureka College (Ronald Reagan's alma mater) and Water.org.



Sharon feels blessed to have been a part of teams who have truly shaped some of the medical treatments available today. She has worked on many projects including the first minimally invasive cardio-defibrillation device, a new and durable treatment for cerebral aneurysms and a gastric pacemaker to treat obesity. She has spent quite a lot of time working in Europe where early clinical trials are often conducted – serving as a resource to physicians who try new devices for the first time on patients. There's no greater satisfaction than knowing that she is part of a team that changes the world in a small but measurable way.

In a departure from her work on medical products, Sharon was also on a small team who licensed technology from Battelle National Lab to create a new airport security screening device that replaces metal detectors by using millimeter wave technology. Those devices are now in some of the world's largest airports and are at the entrance to The Hague and other landmarks.

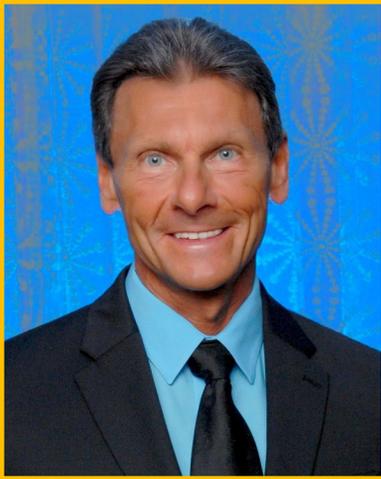
Currently, Sharon is the CEO of a small company that produces a cosmetic cream that contains high levels of oxygen. Recently, the company received national attention because the product was listed on the treatment plan for Angelina Jolie's breast surgery.

But of all of the organizations with whom Sharon has been involved, she is most proud of the work that she did with Water.org. Water.org's mission is to provide safe water and sanitation to every person on the planet. She sat on the board of that organization from the time it was very small (raising around \$250k/year) through the transition to it being the global leader it is today. She has traveled through Ethiopia with the founder and has seen first hand the amazing impact this organization has on the lives of so many people. She spent countless hours raising awareness for the group and worked with a partner to organize a fundraiser that raised \$2M in a night. Immediately thereafter, she collapsed.

Sharon feels that growing up in Tuscola absolutely shaped who she is today. The biggest influence on her life continues to be her family. Sharon credits her parents for teaching her to give back, and she thinks that's what makes a community – local or global. Her parents, as well as her 3 amazing siblings, also taught her to face life with a sense of humor, and that is what keeps her going. She feels that life is much easier when you know you have the love and support of your family.

Then there is the Tuscola Community! Sharon feels blessed to have had some incredible teachers along the way. She credits Julie Pangrac with really changing her approach to learning, and the dedication and compassion that she saw every day from various teachers was inspiring. And again, there were some really funny people who made life just a little more magical.

Sharon is also touched by the way that Tuscola takes care of its own. Today, powered by Facebook and other social networks, she sees the fundraising and hope-raising that people frequently do for one another. And she knows she remains a part of that network. Sharon loves visiting because she always feels like she has an extended family. Even Sharon's choices on building a family have been influenced by Tuscola. She has 2 wonderful children: Natalie (age 11) and Ely (age 8). Natalie is a biological child and Ely is adopted from Guatemala. Sharon decided when she was 12 years old that she wanted to adopt. That decision came from her exposure to the plight of orphans throughout the world that was discussed at the Presbyterian Church. The description of the lives of orphans struck her, and she knew that adopting a child was her path. Natalie and Ely remind Sharon of what's important each day. Although Sharon has resided in the San Francisco Bay Area in California for many years, she remains connected to Tuscola and is thankful for her hometown and all that she has learned. Without the foundation, she wouldn't be where she is today.

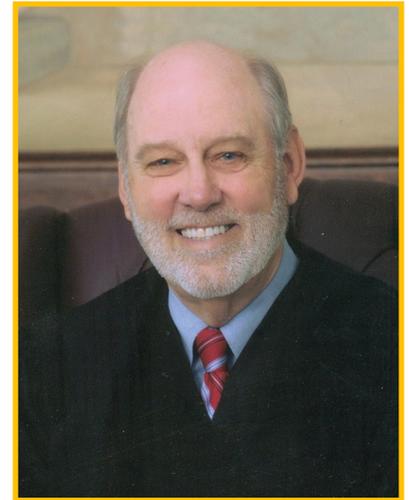


Johnny Reed is the son of Jim and Shirley Reed. He was born and grew up in Tuscola spending the majority of his early years as the typical small town American youth of the period, active in sports, hunting, fishing, and anything else outdoors. He graduated from TCHS in 1975 and entered the U.S. Air Force in 1977. After graduating Jet Engine Mechanic School at Chanute AFB, Ill, he was stationed at Mt Home AFB, Idaho as an F-111 Jet Engine Mechanic. During his enlistment, Johnny attended Boise State University for Aeronautics and Engineering Science and was awarded early discharge from the Air Force in 1981 in order to complete his bachelor degree at Eastern Ill University (EIU). After graduation from EIU in 1983, he attended Air Force Officer Training School (OTS) and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant. He began T-37 basic flight training in January, 1984 and completed T-38 tactical-fighter-lead-in-training in December 1984, graduating in the top 10% of his class. Johnny then completed F-111 tactical fighter training in 1985 and was assigned to the 77<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron, RAF Upper Heyford, UK. He was selected for early Instructor Upgrade training and graduated from the F-111 Flight Instructor program in 1986 with an "Exceptional Qualification" (EQ) placing him in the top 1% of all Air Force aviators and the only aviator that year to receive an EQ rating for any flight evaluation. He was appointed as a NATO Tactical

Flight Evaluator conducting flight evaluations for U.S. Air Forces Europe and NATO allied air forces and selected, out of over 100 US Air Force candidates, to attend the NATO Top Gun School (Tactical Leadership Program (TLP)) in Jever, Germany in 1987. In 1988 he was assigned to the 366<sup>th</sup> TFW, MT Home AFB, Idaho where he served as the Squadron Weapons and Tactics Officer, Flight Commander and as an F-111 Flight Instructor. In preparation for Operation Desert Storm in Iraq, Johnny served as F-111 Mission Commander for Green Flag operations responsible for developing combat tactics and assessing electronic threats in Iraq. He was assigned to oversee the development of Mission Planning Cells at Incirlik, AFB, Turkey and conduct initial weapons and target selection for combat missions in support of Desert Storm. In July 1991, he was assigned to the USAF Tactical Air Warfare Center, 79<sup>th</sup> Test Squadron, Eglin AFB, Florida where he served as Project Manager for Advanced Technology programs. He conducted Operational Test and Evaluation (OT&E) on programs including; the Joint Tactical Information Distribution System (JTIDS) which provided real time intelligence and target data into the F-15 cockpit; and Theater Missile Defense (TMD), commonly referred to as "Star Wars", which included hi-energy laser programs, the Air Forces Airborne Laser (ABL) and magnetic rail guns. Johnny was sent to Luke AFB, Arizona in 1993 for 4 months of F-15E upgrade flight training and then assigned to the 391<sup>st</sup> Fighter Squadron at Mt Home AFB, Idaho as lead Project Manager for the operational test and integration of JTIDS into the F-15C and F-15E. He spent the next 2 years conducting operational flight testing of the JTIDS modified F-15E and F-15C, developing new combat flight tactics which integrated the intelligence data collection capabilities of JTIDS with AWACS, JSTARS and satellite data. In addition, he worked with Boeing Aircraft Corporation on the integration of similar "Real Time Intelligence" into the F-18 cockpit. Working out of Boeing's Seattle, Washington research facility he flew dozens of combat scenarios in the F-18 simulator evaluating the combat effectiveness of a new data link communication system similar to the F-15 JTIDS. In 1996, he deployed with the 391<sup>st</sup> Fighter Squadron to Incirlik, AFB, Turkey in support of Operations "Provide Comfort" and "Desert Strike", flying 28 combat missions over northern Iraq in defense of the Kurdish population and targeting Iraqi surface-to-air missile sites. He returned to Mt Home AFB and went on to complete his graduate studies in Computer Systems Science from City University of Seattle in 1997. In July 1997 he was assigned to the 25<sup>th</sup> Air Support Operations Squadron (ASOS) at Wheeler AAF, Hawaii as Executive Officer and Air Force Liaison Officer to the Army's 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade. In early 1999, he worked as an Air Force liaison officer to NATO and US commanders at Aviano AFB, Italy, advising on target selection, threat analysis and the use of air power during the conflict in Kosovo. Johnny retired from the Air Force in June 1999 and began work for the Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD) in Orlando, Florida as Project Manager for F-18 Logistics, overseeing the training programs and flight simulators for Navy F-18 Pilots. In 2005 he was assigned as Program Manager for the Command Aircraft Crew Training (CACT) program, overseeing Navy and Marine Corps flight training curriculum development and flight simulator evaluations and certifications. He is currently responsible for developing flight training programs, conducting simulator evaluations, flight instructor certifications, and overseeing all aspects of flight training for the Navy's C-37, C-20, UC-35, UC-12, TC-12, T-44, C-39, C-40 and C-26 aircraft. Johnny is a three time recipient of the U.S. Air Force Air Medal and Meritorious Service Medal and was awarded the Navy Annual Sustained Excellence Award in 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 for Program Management of Navy Aircrew Training Programs. He is a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Institute of Technology and holds certifications in: Project Management for Advanced Technology Programs; Developmental Test and Evaluation; and Functional Test Flight Evaluator. He is also a graduate of the Defense Acquisition University with Certifications in: DOD Program Management; Advanced Simulation and Modeling; Science and Technology Management; Systems Planning, Research, Development and Engineering; Logistical Management; and Information Systems Technology and Cyber Security.

He is married to Tereza Vieira-Reed and lives in the "Disney developed" town of Celebration, Florida. Tereza is from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, has a BS/MS in Mathematics and an MBA in Entertainment Business. She is employed at Full Sail University in Orlando, FL as Program Director for the Teaching English as a Second Language (TESOL) Department. She speaks 7 languages and serves as Vice President of the Florida chapter of TESOL educators. Johnny has three children: Shauna Reed-Daniels lives in Dallas Texas and has a BS in Marketing and Health Science from University of Florida, and an MBA from Texas Southern Methodist University; Casey Reed-Finger lives in Bangkok Thailand and teaches English at ASCOT International Academy in Bangkok; Cody Reed currently serves in the USAF at Little Rock AFB, Arkansas and works as an Avionics and Electronics Countermeasures Technician on the C-130J.

Mike Carroll was born in Tuscola, a Jarman baby, to Betty (McGuire) (TCHS 1940) and Homer Carroll of Atwood. In high school, Mike was class president, member of the Honor Society, shared the senior art award with Steve Baer and athletics award with US Olympian, Linda Metheny. His athletic achievements include 12 varsity letters in the three sports offered; Chicago American Little All State end/linebacker in football; and still holds the following records in men's basketball: 33 rebounds in a game, 932 in career.



After graduating in 1965, Mike attended his freshman year at Millikin University where he lettered in basketball and golf. He transferred to Eastern Illinois University, graduating in 1969 with a BS degree. That same year, he began law school at the University of Illinois. His law school education was interrupted while he served two years as an officer in the US Army. He returned to law school, graduating in 1974 with a JD degree.

After graduation, he worked with the US Army Construction Research Lab in Champaign, designing innovative bid, design and contracting models for the Army to use in their procurement activities. During this work, he was involved in major projects world wide, such as the planning for the construction of King Kahlid Military City in Saudi Arabia. At night, he attended Parkland College earning an AD degree in law enforcement.

In 1976 Mike was elected Douglas County State's Attorney. He was re-elected in 1980 but resigned in 1982 to become a partner in the law firm of Lemna, Moore and Carroll. During his 24 year private practice, he advised various units of local government on large public projects: the City of Tuscola on the Factory Outlet Mall, Ironhorse subdivision and golf course, downtown historical restoration, and the Arcola/Tuscola joint water line project; Douglas County on the creation of the 911 phone system; and Newman on Recontek. In 1996, Mike and Mayor Dan Kleiss were honored as Tuscolian of the Year for their efforts on behalf of Tuscola. In 2006, Mike was elected as Douglas County Circuit Judge, and retained in a 2012 election.

During his private practice, Mike also wrote a weekly column for the local paper for many years covering a wide range of topics, developed real estate and managed construction. Mike developed, along with partners, projects such as South Ward Square and Patterson Springs as well as constructing or renovating over 40 houses.

Mike is married to Rebecca (Keigley) Cook (TCHS 1966). After receiving her PhD in education from the University of Illinois in 1993, Becky began her teaching career at Eastern Illinois University in Special Education, where she still teaches. In 2006, she was honored by Illinois Teacher Education Division of the Council for Exceptional Children as the University Teacher of the Year for the State of Illinois.

Since retiring from the bench a year ago, Mike is busy restoring a 100 year old home in Tuscola, finishing his ten year effort in writing a book in theology, and currently serving as a member of the Douglas County Board of Trustees. Mike's other hobbies include golf, photography, gardening, antiques, art, films from the 30's and 40's, cars, reading and writing, enjoying friends, family and watching Tuscola students grow, mature and achieve in all endeavors.

Mike and Becky are regular attendees at the First Christian Church in Tuscola, Illinois and remain busy in their activities. Both of their mothers are still alive. Mike's sister, Melinda (TCHS 1963), passed away after a long battle with diabetes in 1989.

# TCHS Basketball 1,000-point Club



(l-r) Patti Waters, wife of Corky Waters, Mike Carroll, Tim Seip, brother of Mark Seip, Doug Dietrich, Chris Spencer, Caleb Englehardt, Jacob Hilgendorf, and Nick Bates were honored on Feb. 11, 2015 before the boys' varsity game against Arcola.

## All-Time Leading Scorers

1-Brian Hatfield	1421	9-Fred Wakefield	1247
2-Rudy Huber	1353	10-Dale Waters	1176
3-Don Fortney	1312	11-Bob Wyatt	1159
4-Mark Seip	1300	12-Doug Dietrich	1133
5-Anthony Gunnell	1299	13-Caleb Englehardt	1124
6-Jon Surma	1274	14-Nick Bates	1062
7-Chris Spencer	1272	15-Matt Washburn	1058
8-Mike Carroll	1248	16-Jacob Hilgendorf	1032

***The TCHS Alumni Basketball tournament is still being planned—  
watch for the announcement of the date!!!***

# TCHS PRESENTS "OKLAHOMA" AND HAS ALUMNI NIGHT

The Tuscola High School Drama Club presented "Oklahoma" from March 11 through March 15. An exceptional cast did a superb job of depicting this musical. The original Broadway production opened on March 31, 1943. On Saturday evening in the high school cafeteria, seven alum came back to be recognized by their alma mater for their past participation in the play. Present were: (l-r) Jerry Hall, Mary Hortin, Jennifer Bender, April Nettleton, Mary Jo Dunn, Rob Bennett and Alan Patton.



**Join your TCHS  
Alumni (1,217)  
on Facebook!**

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

***-Friday, Oct. 9, 2015-***

- 2:45-4:00**      **Parade/Pep Rally**
- 4:00-5:00**      **Tours/Alumni Reception in Library honors Class of '65**
- 5:00-6:00**      **Tailgate with sandwiches/drinks (fee benefits Pow-Wows)**
- 6:32-6:37**      **Recognition of the Class of '65- 50<sup>th</sup> reunion - please report to the football field by 6:30**
- 7:00**            **Kick-off of Tuscola/St. Teresa football game**
- 9:00**            **All TCHS Homecoming Reunion—Community Building—21 and over welcome—donation at the door—videos of the past—music—drinks—see ol' friends from all TCHS graduating classes**

***-Saturday, Oct. 10, 2015-***

- 8:00**            **5K Run/Walk & Kid's Color Run—Community Building**
- 7:00-10:00**      **Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast—Community Building**
- 12:30**          **Hall of Fame Induction Lunch - Douglas County Museum, 700 S. Main St., Tuscola, for reservations call 217-253-2377 (TCHS office)**
- 7:00**            **TCHS Coronation & Dance**

**(Subject to change)**

## **TCHS Alumni Association becomes Public Charity**

The Tuscola High School Alumni Association committee found out from the IRS this past week that we have been approved to be a public charity and will have tax exempt status. We have been working on this since last May. Contributions to the Alumni Assoc. are deductible; and we are qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts. We are so pleased to make the TCHS Alumni Association "official."

