

## Registrations due for Richard C. Schoenbaum Memorial Golf Open

The registration deadline is quickly approaching for the first annual Richard C. Schoenbaum Golf Open, to be held Saturday, August 27 at the Zoar Village Golf Course in Zoar. Registrations must be made by July 15 in order to give the course an accurate count of participants.



The event is named in honor of former Foundation president Dick Schoenbaum. Dick provided the Foundation with more than three years of strong leadership before passing away unexpectedly in December.

The entrance fee is \$50 per person, which includes an 18-hole, four-man scramble, use of a golf cart, games, prizes, giveaways and an evening dinner at the Camp Tuscazoar Dining Hall. One hole will be specially designated for a new-car giveaway. A golfer landing a hole-in-one on this chosen hole will win a new car.

Proceeds from the event will be used for needed improvements and maintenance at Camp Tuscazoar.

The Foundation is encouraging golfers to form their own four-man teams when registering for the event. However, single golfers are welcome as well, and will be assigned to a foursome the day of the event.

Please complete and send in the form below to register for the Golf Open. Again, the deadline for registration is July 15. If you would like additional information, or want to register by phone, please contact Camp Tuscazoar at 216-859-2288 or contact Ted Novak at 216-478-2511. Register today to join the fun and help Camp Tuscazoar!

## Tuscazoar receives grant for new adirondack

The Hershey Foundation of Concord Township, Ohio, has awarded a grant to the Camp Tuscazoar Foundation to help build an adirondack shelter.

"The Camp Tuscazoar Foundation greatly appreciates The Hershey Foundation's generosity," said CTF president Ted Novak. "This represents the first major step in our efforts to construct several adirondacks to offer better shelter for our campers, particularly for winter campouts. An adirondack is also useful for youth groups that do not own tents."

The adirondack, which will be similar to those that stand at the Three Legs campsite, will be built in the Rex Farrall campsite this summer. The wooden structure will hold 6 to 8 campers and should be open for fall camping.

### The 1st annual Richard C. Schoenbaum memorial Golf Open for Camp Tuscazoar

Yes, I will join the fun on August 27 at the Zoar Village Golf Course!  
Enclosed is my registration fee of \$50.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one below:

I will be joined by the following teammates.  
Their registration fees are enclosed.

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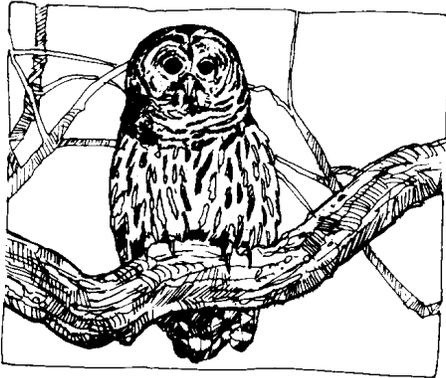
I will be attending alone. Please assign me to a foursome.

Please return this form  
by July 15 to:

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# Tuscazoar events, programs and activities

For reservations or additional information, contact Camp Tuscazoar at 216-859-2288



## Woods will come alive for Enchanted Tuscazoar

Ohio's forests are home to an abundance of wildlife species. On Oct. 22 and 23, visitors will learn more about these creatures at the 3rd annual Enchanted Tuscazoar event.

From 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., walks will be led through the Tuscazoar woods. Along the way, several woodland animals, birds and insects will appear (actually volunteers in costume) to talk about themselves. After the walk, light refreshments will be served in Kimble Hall.

Enchanted Tuscazoar is a safe, educational fall activity for young children. The cost is \$2 per person and groups will be offered their choice of a time and date to attend. Last year, walkers met a deer, a mouse, an owl, a skunk and several others. What will this year bring? Come and see!

## Calendar, brochure will list 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary activities

The annual Tuscazoar event calendar and a special brochure describing Camp Tuscazoar's 75th anniversary celebration in 1995 will be mailed in early August.

The camp calendar will list all activities at Camp Tuscazoar from September 1994 to October 1995 including camp workdays and Foundation meetings. The calendar also lists significant dates in Camp Tuscazoar's history.

The 75th anniversary brochure will detail the year-long programs and events celebrating Tuscazoar's 75 years of operation as a camp. Several exciting activities are being planned.

Watch for these mailers and plan now! If you do not receive them, or if you would like additional copies, please contact the camp.

## Climbing wall, nature hikes return by popular demand for '94 Pig Gig

Falling leaves and cool, crisp winds will again signal the return of the Pig Gig Campout to the hills of Camp Tuscazoar Sept. 16-18.

This year, two popular events return: the Tuscazoar climbing wall and nature hikes led by an expert from the Wilderness Center. Other programs will include a pumpkin carving contest, a hog calling contest, vespers at Pioneer Point and other games and contests. A special display will allow campers to actually see and touch several of Ohio's native forest creatures. And, as always, the weekend will offer an opportunity to explore the surrounding hills and observe the scenic fall colors.

Saturday dinner will feature "pigroast" fixin's, including roast pork, baked beans, potatoes, applesauce, bread and butter, dessert and a beverage. The evening will conclude with a campfire at Hoover Lodge.

Don't miss the fun and fall activities. Cabins and campsites are now available. The cost for all activities and Saturday dinner is \$5 per person. Camping fees are additional.

## Tuscazoar memorabilia to return at Pig Gig ceremony

In a special ceremony during the Pig Gig's Saturday evening campfire at Hoover Lodge, the Buckeye Council B.S.A. will formally present several plaques and other memorabilia associated with Tuscazoar to the Camp Tuscazoar Foundation. Many of these items honor individuals who made major contributions to Camp Tuscazoar and area scouting during the camp's 74-year history. These items had been displayed at Tuscazoar until scouting activities shifted to the Seven Ranges Scout Reservation in 1985. The plaques and memorabilia will be placed on display at Tuscazoar in time for the celebration of the camp's 75th anniversary in 1995.

## Come and get it! It's Pigroast time

Tickets will go on sale August 1st for the Camp Tuscazoar Foundation's annual Pigroast Fundraiser. This year's Pigroast is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 18 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Presale tickets are \$8 for adults, and \$4 for children. Tickets at the door are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

The menu includes roast pig, beans, applesauce, baked potatoes, rolls and home-made desserts. The event will offer an opportunity to view the fall foliage in one of Ohio's most beautiful areas. Guests will also enjoy country music entertainment.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the camp. Tickets may be purchased from Foundation members and trustees. If your organization would like to help sell tickets or assist with the Pigroast, please contact Ted Novak at 478-2511.

# The Historic Land of Tuscazoar

by David Tschantz

(The 5th of a Series)

## Part Five: George Markley and the McKinley Area Council, B.S.A.

The Tuscarawas Coal and Iron Co. (TCIC) which, beginning in 1865, came to own most of what is now Camp Tuscazoar, retained the bulk of its land holdings through the remainder of the 19th century, to the year 1908.

In that year the TCIC was sold to the Tuscarawas Mineral Land Company. However, prior to that date two tracts were sold to private individuals. These sales were to have a direct impact on the creation of the camp.

The first sale by the TCIC occurred

in 1871 when 113.7 acres of the southwest quarter of Section 4 was sold to Lewis Geckeler. This land was kept in the Geckeler (later spelled Geckler) family for three generations, finally being owned by George and Paulena Geckler.

After this transaction, George died and Paulena remarried. Her new husband was Theodore Render and in 1925, 1927 and 1929 the Renders sold for nominal amounts a total of 13 acres to the Harter Bank as trustee for the McKinley Area Council, B.S.A. The funds were provided by Frank G. Hoover.

The second sale by the TCIC occurred in 1879 when the north half of the north west quarter of Section 7 was sold to John Lab. Mr. Lab's heirs, as Mr. Geckeler's, were well disposed toward the Boy Scouts and in 1928 sold, for \$1,050, the entire 81 acre tract to the Harter Bank, as trustee for the McKinley Area Council, B.S.A. The funds for this transaction were likewise provided by Frank G. Hoover.

The Tuscarawas Mineral Land Company retained the entire estate of Tuscazoar land conveyed by the TCIC for only five months when it sold almost 30 acres of the southwest quarter of Section 4 to John Bimeler, a son of Joseph Bimeler, leader of the Zoarites. In the next nine years this tract had 6 owners, with title finally vesting in 1917 with future McKinley Council Commissioner William P. English and his wife Abbie. It was this couple that in 1924 sold the first tract of land to the Harter Bank for the use of the McKinley Council scouts.

The entire tract sold to the scouts included both the land sold to John Bimeler by the Tuscarawas Mineral Land Co. in the southwest quarter of Section 4 and the land southeast of the Tuscarawas River in the southeast quarter of Section 5, which English had also acquired in 1917. (This tract in Sect. 5 had also been owned by John Bimeler).

Thus, by 1930 the McKinley Council had, through the generosity of Frank G. Hoover, William P.

English and the Lab family acquired over 150 acres. The remainder of what would be Camp Tuscazoar remained in the hands of the Tuscarawas Mineral Land Company and its president, George Markley.

(Kirk Albrecht, in his book *Challenge and Opportunity: The Buckeye Council Story* states on page 36 that the Johnny Applesseed clearing belonged in 1921 to Jacob (sic) Hildebrant. I believe this is incorrect as I have been unable to find any deed for any part of this property [the northeast quarter of Sect. 6] in Mr. Hildebrant's name. In addition, I.W. Delp in *Tuscazoar and Tales of the Tuscarawas*, in the caption of his camp map on Page 9, credits John (sic) Markley with giving the scouts extensive hiking privileges. Thus, it appears that George Markley owned this property and was the person who leased it to the council.)

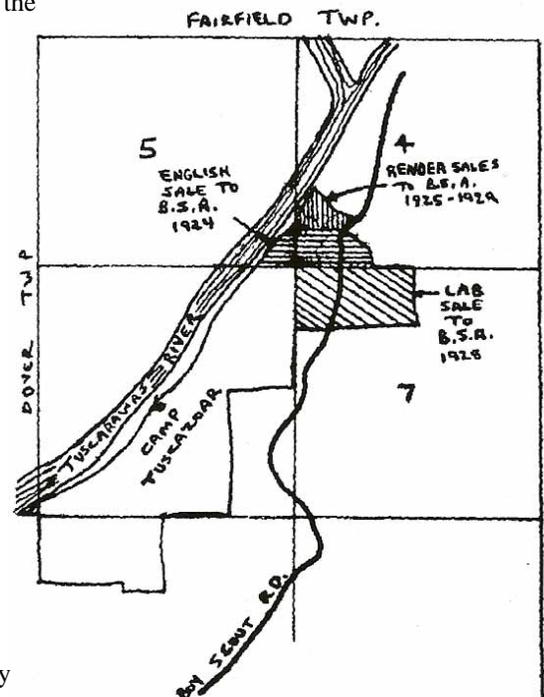
Fortunately for the camp and the scouts Mr. Markley allowed them to use his land to visit Buzzard's Roost and the old Zoarite Iron Mines.

(Next: Dover Dam and the Railroad Relocation)

## Troop 5 and its cabin

In his book, *Tuscazoar and Tales of the Tuscarawas*, I.W. Delp describes the construction of Troop 5 Cabin, which led to the establishment of Camp Tuscazoar.

"The snows of 1920 were falling by the time the boys had selected a cabin site on the terrace above Gist's Spring and building plans were completed. Every week-end saw these sturdy chaps trudging down the hill with bedding, food, and tools. It was a cold winter. Ears and toes tingled until fires were built, and saws and axes stirred the circulation. Merrily they cut down trees and shaped logs for the walls. Rocks were rolled down the hill for the foundation. Not since the Zoarites cut oak and burned charcoal on these hills had these woods seen so much activity. By the time the blue birds were coming back, the cabin was ready for the roof. Lumber for the floor and roof, and cement for the fireplace were brought down the railroad on a hand-car. Mud was carried from the river bank for chinking the cracks. By the winter of 1921, the cabin was ready for use."



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## Items of interest:

A flagpole has been erected at Pioneer Point in memory of past Foundation president Dick Schoenbaum. A stone inscribed with a tribute to Dick will be placed beside it. The flag can be seen from nearby Route 800. Watch for it as you drive along the Tuscarawas River.

Present and past scouts and scouters from Troop 16 recently gathered at Camp Tuscazoar to celebrate the troop's 75th anniversary. Approximately 100 people descended on the camp, pitched tents in Keppler Field, hiked the camp and visited the refurbished Troop 5 Cabin. Everyone had a great time becoming reacquainted with Camp Tuscazoar and reliving old memories.

## Coming Events:

July 10	CTF Board Meeting
July 16	Camp Workday
Aug. 7	CTF Board Meeting
Aug. 20	Camp Workday
Aug. 27	1st Annual Golf Outing
Sept. 11	CTF Board Meeting
Sept. 16-18	Pig Gig Campout
Sept. 18	Annual Pig Roast

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## Bricks to be displayed in Central Camp

Plans are being finalized to lay the first bricks from the Buy-A-Brick campaign in a patio in front of Duryee Lodge in Central Camp. The patio will be completed at the end of August.

To date, more than 70 bricks have been sold in the ongoing fundraiser. Proceeds from the brick sales have been used to fund repairs to Hoover Lodge, Jamboree Lodge and Troop 5 Cabin.

For a donation of \$25, friends and supporters of Camp Tuscazoar can have their name etched in a paving brick. Orders can be placed using the Foundation's Buy-A-Brick brochure.

The Buy-A-Brick campaign will continue through the celebration of Tuscazoar's 75th anniversary in 1995.



## Troop 5 Cabin officially reopened during Dover Dam Weekend events

The restoration of Troop 5 Cabin was officially completed with a ribbon-cutting ceremony as part of the seventh annual Dover Dam Weekend activities in May.

Following the cabin's official re-opening, visitors watched a re-enactment of key events in the history of the Tuscarawas River valley and Camp Tuscazoar. Although rain fell earlier in the day, the skies cleared in time for the evening program.

Despite the day's rain, campers participated in a variety of activities, including touring Dover Dam, riding horses in Hoover Field, and hiking to the Zoarite Iron Mines. A whistle from the old-time steam engine parked by the stockade periodically echoed through the hills.

A big thank you to the many volunteers who made the weekend a success. Additional Dover Dam Weekend patches, which depict Troop 5 Cabin, are for sale at the camp trading post.