ARCOLA
vs
TUSCOLA

NOVEMBER 9, 1956
Each year for many seasons, the Tuscola-Arcola football game has been a big event for the two schools and the people in both communities. The 1956 game promises to be as interesting and eventful as those in the past. Enthusiasm is bound to be high in both camps and each will be going all out to win.

The will to win is the heart of all competitive sports. However, we must remember that if there is a winner, there must also be losers. Victory is always easy to accept; defeat seldom easy and too often bitter. It is the mark of true sportsmanship on the part of both participants and spectators to accept defeat without bitterness, rancor or excuse. It is my earnest desire that this years game will be one in which all can take pride. The victor for winning a tough battle through superior skill; the vanquished in having shown that they did their best and never stopped trying. May the best team win and the spirit of good will prevail.

Thomas M. Butler, Principal
Arcola High School
For a few hours each year all friendship ceases between the students of Arcola and Tuscola. When the final whistle blows and the football game is over, the boys and girls are again friends until another of these traditional tussles takes place. It is through such encounters that our students learn to be gracious winners and good losers. This is important. Life will be full of victories and defeats, and youth must learn to take the bitter with the sweet. During the game it will be the same on both sides of the field. Cheers of "Push 'em back" and "Hit 'em harder" inspire each team to their utmost, but through all of this the teams and the students mean no real harm to anyone. The boys who play hardest in the game will probably work hardest in the life’s work, and all who play will learn to face competition.

Cooperation, too, is important. The team wins, not two or three players. Each player has a definite assignment and if he does his job, the play will succeed. Life, too, is filled with occasions for team-play. In all business, cooperation plays a very important part.

Let’s play hard! Let’s give our best and cheer loudly, but when the game is over we’ll congratulate the winner, and once again be friends. But don’t forget. For about two hours we will be enemies. The game will be tough but fair, vicious but clean, and the friendship between our schools as strong as ever regardless of the outcome.

J. H. Hammack, Superintendent
Tuscola High School

We welcome Tuscola Athletes and Fans to our school tonight.
Our facilities are yours as hosts of the Riders and Arcola Fans on this Nov. 9 evening.

The rivalry that has permeated this annual game for the past years will no doubt be exhibited in full force tonight.

We know that fans and players from both schools enjoy the game as evidenced by the crowd it always draws.

Close rivals, at times, find it a little difficult to keep in mind the ultimate goals in our sports. However, when close rivals meet, the test is on.

We all know that “when you buy something for a song, you must watch out for the accompaniment.”

Enjoy your visit to our school and may the best team win.

Clyde Browning,
Supt. of Schools
Being new in this conference, I don’t know too much about its history, although I am told that this rivalry between Arcola and Tuscola dates back to 1895. Also, that at one time the game had to be suspended as the rivalry became too intense. I hope the contest between our two schools maintains its tradition but hope we can keep it on a sound football basis so that it will not have to be suspended again. I think rivalries of this sort make football the interesting game that it is. That is why there have been many upsets in this series.

As for this year’s game, we are expecting it to be of our toughest, and I know it will be. Our boys, and yours, I am sure, will give all they have to emerge victorious on the night of November 9th, 1956.

Bill Butkovich, Football Coach (Tuscola)

This is my fifth year of coaching here at Arcola and as I look back over the past four seasons it has certainly been a pleasure, both in victory and defeat, to have been a part of the Tuscola and Arcola tradition in football rivalry that exists between our two schools. Without exception the games have been hard fought, clean, with good sportsmanship exhibited on the field of play as well as by the fans. This year should be no exception.

As to this year’s game, we are definitely the underdog. Tuscola will, without a doubt, go into this game undefeated. We hope to give them a respectable game.

Lou Baker, Football Coach, Arcola
One of the latest additions to the excellent Arcola-Tuscola relationship has been the instigation of a post-game party for the students of both schools. In 1954, the Arcola student council proposed that this party be held at the school of the losing team, with the visitors as guests. The Tuscola student council heartily agreed with this suggestion, and on November 12th, 1954, the first co-operative “student get together” was held in the Tuscola high school gymnasium, Arcola having emerged the victor of the football game the previous day.

In 1955, the Tuscola student council suggested that the party be held each year at the school which was host to the game. It was felt that in this manner, students would have a better opportunity to make plans for the affair. This plan was endorsed by the Arcola student council. The 1955 party was held at Tuscola on November 11th, immediately following the game. Each year refreshments are served, a record dance is held, and speeches are made by the coaches and the principals. The expense is shared equally by the student councils of the two schools.

This party exemplifies more than any other one thing, the wholesome spirit of competition and rivalry between our two schools. It is only with complete understanding and respect for one another that such an annual affair could take place. We, in Tuscola, are very happy to be able to co-operate with Arcola in this activity, and are confident of the continued good will of the student body of each school, in the future.

Ken Michael, Principal
Tuscola High School
PAST HISTORY OF

ARCOLA - TUSCOLA GAMES

1896—Arcola 16, Tuscola 0
1898—Tuscola 10, Arcola 5
1899—Arcola 11, Tuscola 0
1901—Arcola 0, Tuscola 0
1902—No Game
1904—No Game
1905—Tuscola 6, Arcola 0
1906—Arcola 0, Tuscola 0
1907—Arcola 0, Tuscola 0
1908—Arcola Won By Forfeits
1909—Tuscola 14, Arcola 3
1910—Tuscola 28, Arcola 0
1911—Arcola 5, Tuscola 0
1912—Tuscola 53, Arcola 0
1913—Arcola 76, Tuscola 0
1914—Arcola 13, Tuscola 7
1915—Arcola 27, Tuscola 7
1916—Tuscola 21, Arcola 13
1917—Arcola 26, Tuscola 7
1918—No Game (Flu Epidemic)
1919—Tuscola 31, Arcola 0
1920—Arcola 30, Tuscola 7
1921—Tuscola 7, Arcola 0
1922—Arcola 6, Tuscola 0
1923—Tuscola 13, Arcola 6
1924—Arcola 20, Tuscola 0
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The first Arcola-Tuscola football game was played in 1896. Since then, 55 games have been played to date. Tuscola has won 27 of these and Arcola has won 24, one by forfeit. Only 4 ties have been played. The two most one-sided games were played in 1912 and 1913. In 1912 Tuscola tromped Arcola 53 to 0. In 1913, Arcola rallied and slaughtered Tuscola 76 to 0. Since the founding of the Okaw Valley Conference in 1926, Tuscola has won or shared the conference championship 11 times, Arcola has had it 9 times, and several times it has been decided in the Arcola-Tuscola game. In the past 17 years, Tuscola has had 12 victories, one tie, and 4 defeats.

We of the Arcola Class of '57 would like to express our thanks to all of the people who have helped make this booklet a success. We particularly want to thank the advertisers and the ones who wrote articles, both in Tuscola and Arcola. It is our sincere hope that this will be continued and perfected in future years.
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