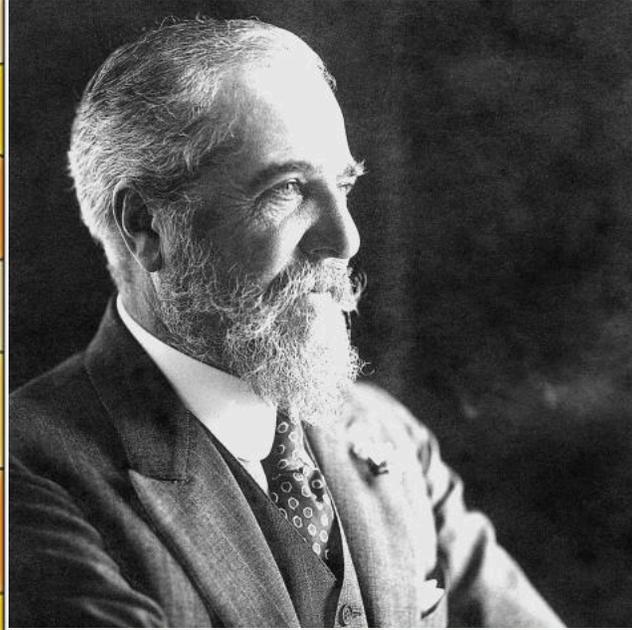


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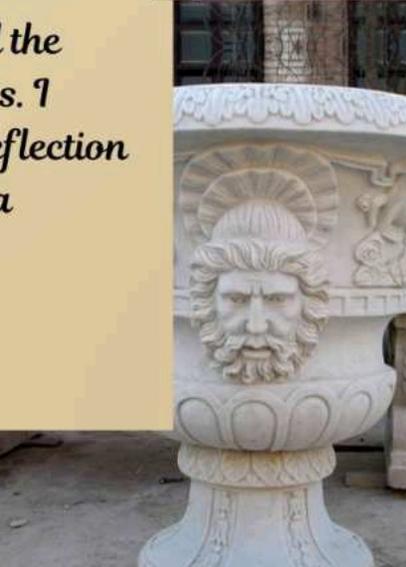
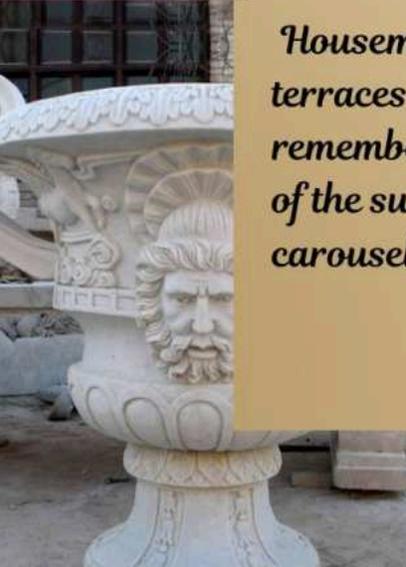
## Seeing Tuxedo Park For The first Time ...1886



*We witnessed grand mansions with gargoyles lining the rooftops. Windows, that seemed to smile with their clean faces as they watched wooden mallets meeting polo balls on soft summer afternoons. On the broad, expansive lawns, turrets with feudal signature designs cascaded through the courtyards, where dozens of push mowers whirred through the leaves as they fell.*

*The forest seemed to hug the countryside that was dimpled with magnificent shade trees and enormous pines that seemed to reach up and touch the pristine blue sky. With almost soundless steps, our ponies crossed a moss-lined path, and the expanse of woods opened to the large estate where I lived. The wide lawn introduced a perfect manicure to the stately mansion. Flowerbeds blossomed with colorful arms, and buds moved to the rhythm of the silent breeze, like ribbons gracefully amusing their audience.*

*The atmosphere had a childlike euphoria about it. Lace and family linen draped over clotheslines in the walled drying yards, concealed out of sight. The scent of lavender laundry, drifted beyond the walls and mingled with the fragrant wisteria violet flowers that clung to the red Harvard style bricks.*



*Housemaids with starched-white aprons bustled around the terraces carrying sparkling crystal glasses on silver trays. I remember the silver being so polished that it caught the reflection of the sun with a blinding veil, pushing the reflection like a carousel, across the lawn.*

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*From Diaries, Memories, & Social Clippings  
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# The World of Louis Tiffany in **TUXEDO PARK**



Although Louis Tiffany had a 600 acre estate known as Laurelton Hall on Long Island, he was a frequent visitor and guest in Tuxedo Park. He had many friends whose mansions he furnished with his famous "Tiffany stained glass". St. Mary's-In-Tuxedo Park, was adorned with his precious works of art. At one time, almost every mansion you walked into, in Tuxedo Park, showed off Louis Tiffany's work. Grand entrance ways boasted some of his most exquisite works.

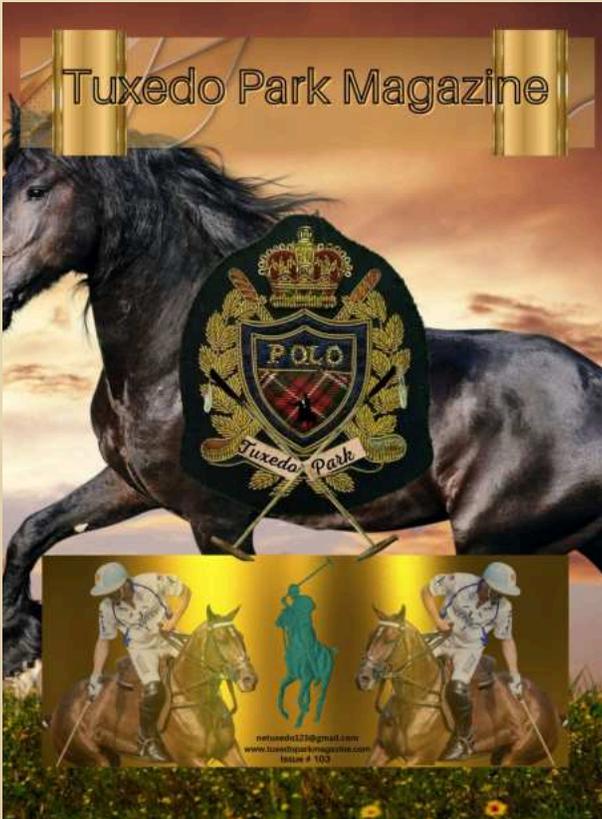
He was an American artist and designer who worked in the decorative arts and is best known for his work in stained glass. At the beginning of his career, Tiffany used cheap jelly jars and bottles because they had the mineral impurities that finer glass lacked.

Tuxedo Park families such as the Costers, the Breese's, Charles Hyde, and George Preston, had Tiffany windows dedicated to their loved ones in St. Mary's Church in Tuxedo Park. Whether his stained glass was dedicated for beauty, worship, or in memory of a loved one, Louis Tiffany gilded Tuxedo Park with his talent, and his devoted friendship.

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## Tuxedo Park Magazine



## *Stories From The First Gilded Age Society... Tuxedo Park*

*Footnotes*

*From Diaries, Memories, & Social Clippings*

Many stories shared with us over the years were gleaned from diaries, memories, and social clippings from archival literature. Stories from direct descendants of the original Gilded Age Cottagers in Tuxedo Park.

Vocal memories accompanied a twinkle in the eye of several, as they unfolded their tales willingly. In front of grand fireplaces, on white wicker furnished veranda's, and formal gardens over one hundred years old, stories unfolded and carried a clear glimpse of life in the first Gilded Age Society known as Tuxedo Park.

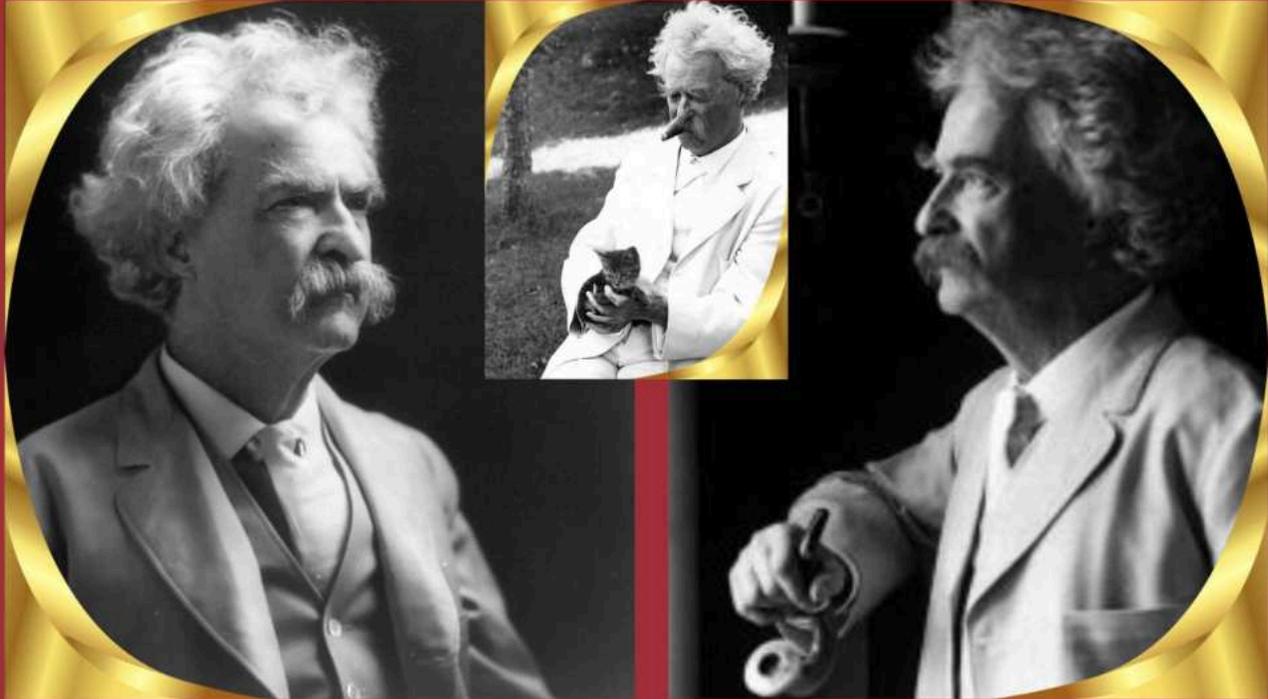
Many of these story-tellers were direct descendants of captains of finance and industry in the Gilded Age. Legendary icons enabling this country to become strong and independent. Industrialists and philanthropists revolutionized industry and defined the structure of monetary gain. They walked through the finest clubs in America, where money was "aged", and "new" money balanced on that noble money, became ripe. The blue bloods of iconic industry, their gilded empires appeared like legendary fairytales of capital worth, and sent echoes of success down the corridors of Wall Street. The old clubs which still exist such as the Tuxedo Club, the Union Club, and the old Knickerbocker Club, where once these men shared visions of industry and wealth with one another over fine brandy and cigars. Some of the corridors of these clubs still display an old portrait or two of the club's founding fathers. These portraits are a tangible glimpse into the world of the Gilded Age, and the men who moved it.

Many wonderful stories of the grand women are also in our collection.

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*"Tuxedo Park is a charming place; I think it hasn't its equal anywhere".*

*Mark Twain Tuxedo Park...1907*



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**Enamored with Tuxedo Park, Mark Twain used to summer at Voss Cottage. His remarkable talent for making friends adhered him to the then social set in Tuxedo Park. He made friends with many but most notably with Henry Rogers.**

**Henry had one of the finest yachts in the country, and would let Mark captain it. They would leave the park for a few days at a time and sail on the "Kanawha" where Henry Rogers would always say that Mark Twain "Was the temporary owner of his yacht" whenever Mark sailed it.**

**Mark Twain and Henry Rogers remained friends for the rest of their lives. The memories they made in Tuxedo Park sparked Mark Twain's famous book, "The Gilded Age," based solely on Tuxedo Park. It was Mark Twain who originally coined the phrase "The Gilded Age" after one of his favorite places, where he felt comfortable and truly at home...Tuxedo Park**

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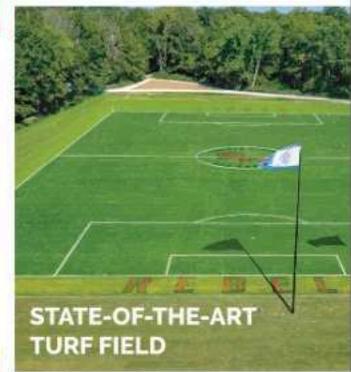
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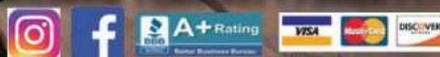
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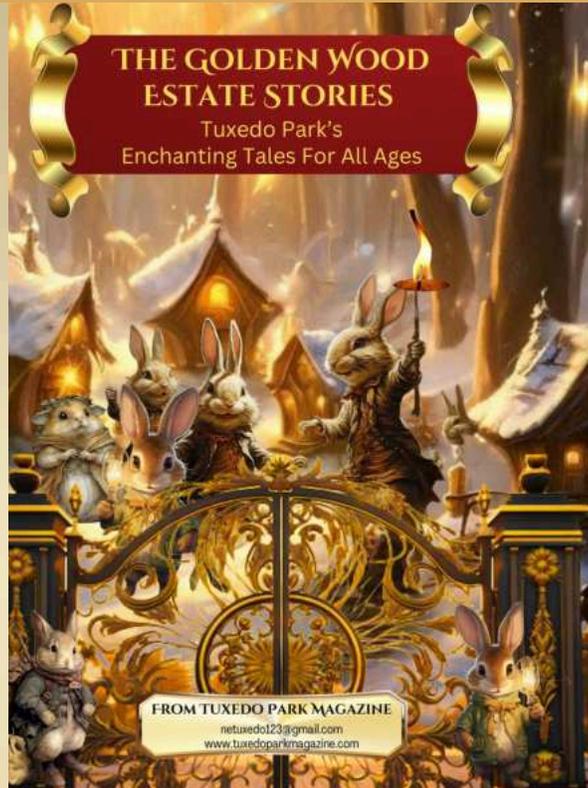


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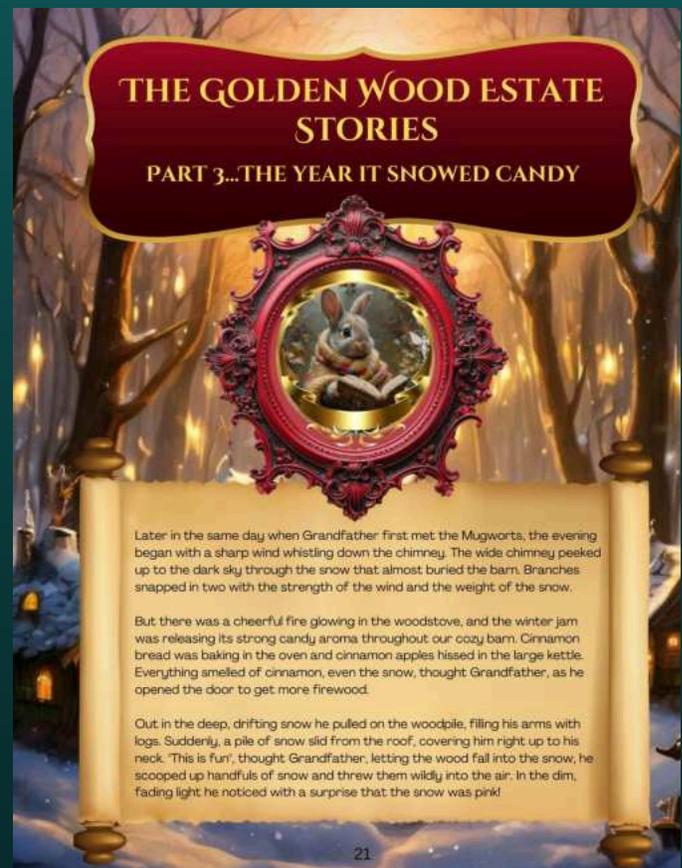
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Later in the same day when Grandfather first met the Mugworts, the evening began with a sharp wind whistling down the chimney. The wide chimney peeked up to the dark sky through the snow that almost buried the barn. Branches snapped in two with the strength of the wind and the weight of the snow.

But there was a cheerful fire glowing in the woodstove, and the winter jam was releasing its strong candy aroma throughout our cozy barn. Cinnamon bread was baking in the oven and cinnamon apples hissed in the large kettle. Everything smelled of cinnamon, even the snow, thought Grandfather, as he opened the door to get more firewood.

Out in the deep, drifting snow he pulled on the woodpile, filling his arms with logs. Suddenly, a pile of snow slid from the roof, covering him right up to his neck. "This is fun", thought Grandfather, letting the wood fall into the snow, he scooped up handfuls of snow and threw them wildly into the air. In the dim, fading light he noticed with a surprise that the snow was pink!

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*The early morning's coolness was lifting, making room for the approaching heat of the mid July day. The scent from the ancient cedar trees mingled with honeysuckle that perfumed and drifted throughout the gardens.*

*In the near distance, the sound of clipping was present from the gardeners' trimming hedges, and push lawn mowers were being moved briskly over the velvet lawn. The estate was stirring, and the tranquil morning was making way for a beautiful day.*

*We strolled through the herb garden where spearmint and sage quelled the mosquitos and carried the scent of freshness. A young kitchen maid could be glimpsed gathering armfuls of fresh rosemary and lavender for the preparation of the evening's meal, of pork cutlets and lamb chops.*

*Our guests would be arriving soon for an afternoon of croquet on the south lawn. We took one last deep breath of the scented morning mood in the formal gardens, and we were on our way back to the mansion to ready ourselves for a wonderful day on the estate.*

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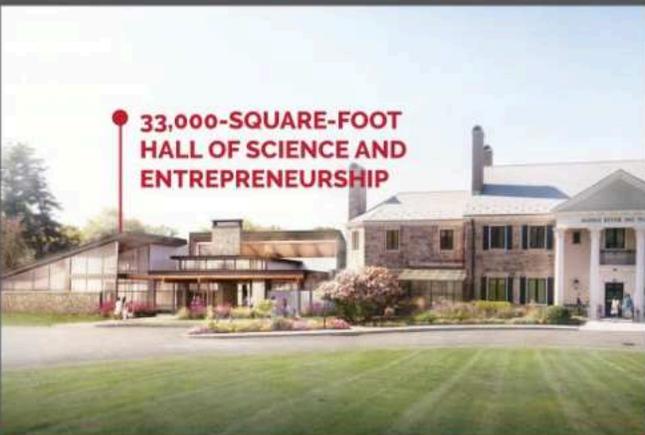
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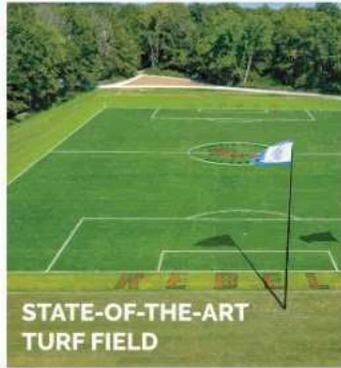
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There was a wall built in 1644 on the lower end of Manhattan by Dutch settlers to protect themselves against attacks from pirates, outlaws, and other dangers to them at the time. When the defensive wall was gone, the road alongside remained, and was called Wall Street. Prior to our financial center known as Wall Street, Boston was the financial center of America, as well as Philadelphia who founded their exchange around 1790. Bonds for projects of roads, canals, and bridges, as well as contracts for commodities, were bought and sold mostly by Boston dealers.

Belgium established their exchange in 1531 and Amsterdam soon followed.

In the early 1600's under the Amstel Bridge, shares of the East India Company were bought and sold. Money was raised there to finance the pilgrim's trip to America. The Pilgrims sailed to the "new country", where it was only a matter of time that America would organize formal stock and bond trading. In 1792 when organized, Wall Street was New York's center of commerce, it was only a few blocks long, not paved nor lined with cobblestones. There were warehouses for goods from all over the world. Wealthy businessmen, along with their ordinary trade, would sell lottery tickets, bonds and shares of stocks in new banks that were forming. Until 1792, a person wishing to buy or sell an investment would either advertise, or spread the word among associates and friends. Some of the first men on Wall Street were Leonard at 16 Wall Street, and Sutton at 20 Wall.

On a single day, 100 shares actually changed hands. The first organized stock exchange was created under a Buttonwood tree in Battery Park. John Sutton, Benjamin Jay, and about 22 other financial leaders signed an agreement of rules, regulations and fees. The organization was originally called The Stock Exchange Office, being a very exclusive organization, allowing only the elite of New York's financial community to join. The New York Stock and Exchange Board was formally organized in the early 1800's. The exchange rented a room at 40 Wall Street, and every morning the president, Anthony Stockholm, read the stocks to be traded. Due to the exchange being a private organization, new members were required to be voted in, and a candidate could be black-balled by three negative votes.

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Liborio Derario's original pen & ink drawings—when architectural renderings were created “the old-fashioned” way.



# ARCHITECTURE IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Today, many young architects have been trained to design using CAD (computer-aided design) systems and 3-D modeling programs. I, too, now use these programs myself and find them very useful indeed. However, it was not long ago when the Architect needed to produce 3-dimensional perspectives and color renderings using the tools of an artist.

It seems some of the nuance of architectural design have been passed up by the digital age of computer-aided graphics. As a student of architecture in the late 70's and early 80's at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York, I was taught the old-fashioned way. I used a drafting table and a T-square to produce many of the drawings required to convey a design and construct a potential project.

The architect's training took him through an assortment of art classes, painting classes and sculpture classes. These classes taught the young architect how to mix colors, create forms out of many different mediums and communicate these ideas to others.

Life drawing allowed the student to train in transferring what the eye was

seeing in the real world and re-creating those forms with shade and shadow onto a two-dimensional surface (paper or canvas). My training was in the classical Beaux Arts style of architecture, while simultaneously being on the cusp of the newly developing post-modern and neo-classic styles. It was a very interesting period in architecture and many architectural design colleges were just starting to embrace the computer as a tool to perform architectural designs.

This article came to mind while I was scanning some of my pen and ink perspectives and pastel wash renderings I had completed for some of my first clients projects in the early 80's, when I started my practice. I reflected back on numerous times while working these pen and ink drawings. I could only proceed with a little spot at a time until the ink dried on the mylar or vellum and then move along to the next spot on the drawing. I also remember the pain and frustration of making a mistake with the pen and ink. This meant I had to start over!!! Needless to say I became

very proficient in the art of pen and ink rendering so as to not complete the drawings two or three times.

I believe that this type of training and visual representation of a project gives it more softness and character, and expresses the design with more feeling than a photo-realistic rendering. The architect, like a sculptor, is fully engaged with the form of the structure.

I truly enjoyed this time in my career and the different mediums I used for these project renderings. I believe, however, with the advances in CAD they have all but disappeared from the architect's tool box. The field has advanced to a point where the client expects instant revisions in color and form, which now can only be achieved timely through computer-aided design!

For my design process, I still start all my projects with pen and paper...

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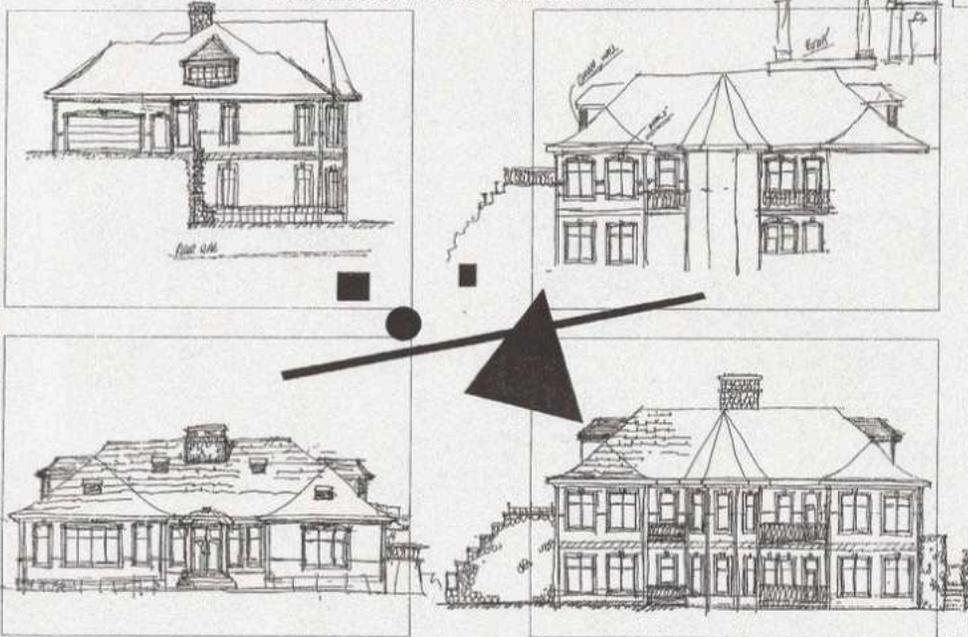


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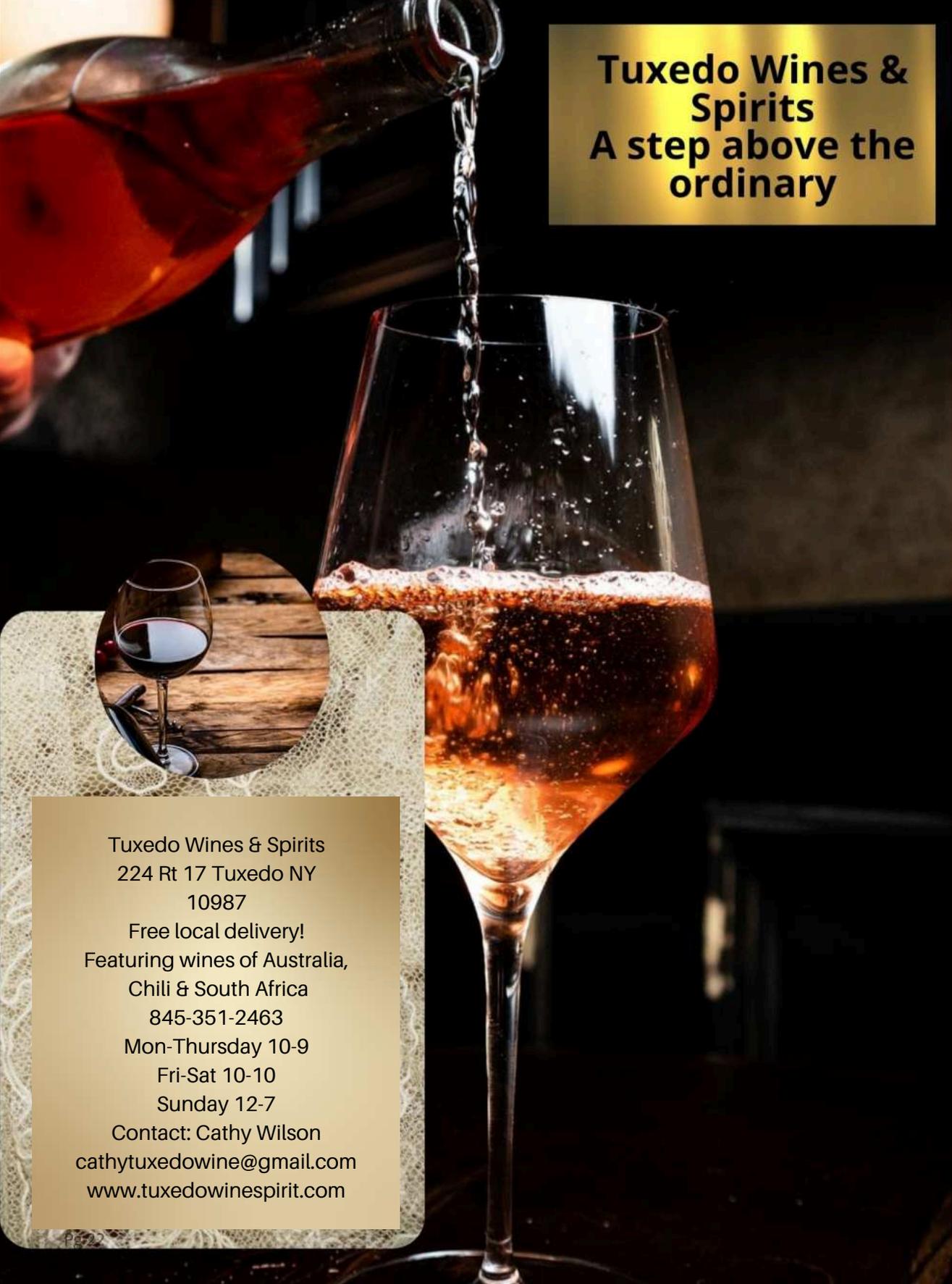
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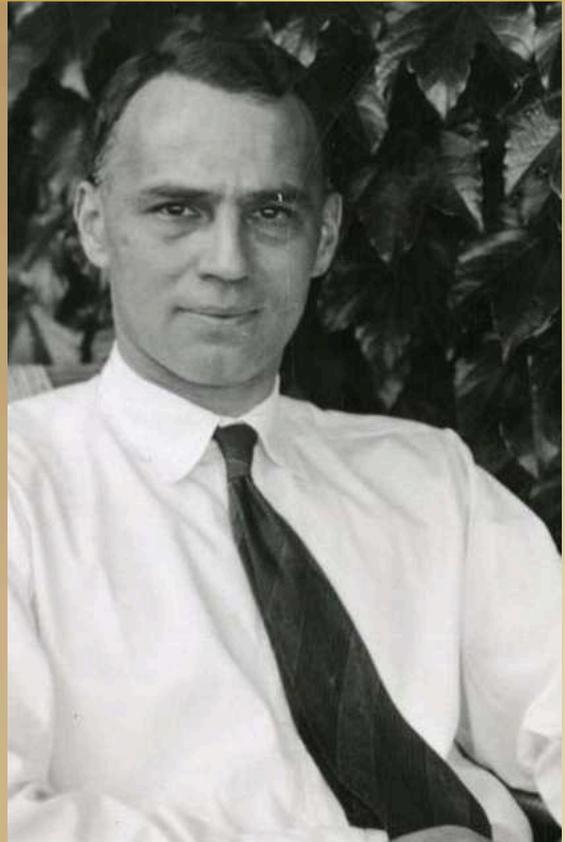
*Tuxedo Park's, Alfred Loomis...  
President Roosevelt praised the value  
of Loomis's work, describing him as  
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Allied victory in World War 2.*

Throughout the years, he traded vast sums of money on the financial market during the week—in the evenings and weekends he worked with the world's greatest scientists at his own secret laboratory in Tuxedo Park.

In the early 1920s, Alfred Lee Loomis and his staff conducted experiments in sound waves, spectrometry and precise time measurements.

He was credited with the inventions of the Aberdeen chronometer, a microscope centrifuge, and a pressurized fire extinguisher.

In 1928, anticipating the coming Wall Street Crash of 1929, he, his partner, and his firm had converted their investments into cash, having determined that the market had risen so dramatically that it was unsustainable and a crash was inevitable. Once the stock market crash had bankrupted the majority of speculators, and Wall Street floundered, he and his firm became extremely wealthy as a result of purchasing stocks cheaply after they had plummeted in value, and few people had the cash to reinvest.



From the late 1920s through the 1930s Loomis and renowned scientists performed successful research at his Tuxedo Park laboratory.

Besides working on ultrasonics; he collaborated with George Kistiakowski on spectroscopy; and with E. Newton Harvey on electrical signals in the brain and heart. His Tuxedo Park laboratory was nicknamed the "Tower House" and "The Palace of Science".

He turned this Tuxedo Park laboratory into a meeting place for the most visionary minds of the century, such as Albert Einstein. Alfred Loomis invented the artillery chronograph to better measure the speed of artillery shells, and conceived of and patented the LORAN system (Long Range Aid to Navigation) of navigation transmitters and receivers.

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He worked with Vannevar Bush, who in mid-1940 convinced Franklin Roosevelt to start the National Defense Research Committee (NDRC) to coordinate the work of civilian scientists in the event that America was drawn into the European war.

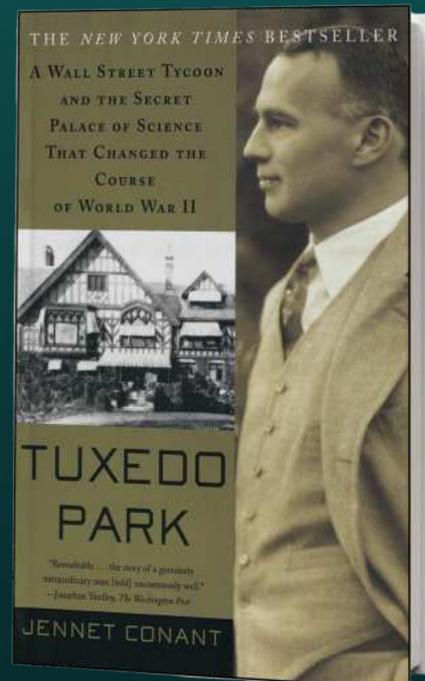
Loomis's own radar studies, coupled with his money and influence, being a first cousin to Henry Stimson, Secretary of War in both World Wars, made him an ideal choice to head the NDRC's Microwave Radar Project.

It was in that capacity that Loomis hosted the British scientists who brought the cavity magnetron to Tuxedo Park.

Loomis later worked closely with FDR and his administration in preparing the country's technological base for war.

Using his many contacts in New York finance, and with generous sums from his own considerable fortune, he financed the early developments in radar before government money could be provided.

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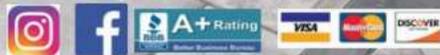
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