

## Poplar Grove fundraiser kicks off this month

Poplar Grove United Methodist Church, just east of Culver, will begin efforts to raise funds needed to restore its historic stained glass windows -- which list names of pioneer descendants who helped fund the church -- with a large-scale sale during Culver's townwide yard sale, later this month. Pictured above are memb ers of the church's women's group, left to right: Lida Norris, Nancy Strycker, Imogene Clifton, Norma Clark, Mary Large, Marjorie Hartman.

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## Pioneer church works to restore historic windows

Ćitizen editor

Most Culverites have passed the Poplar Grove United Methodist church on state road 10, even if they didn't notice the name on the sign, much less realize sale. There is no cost for the event. A map of the locations | the congregation and building. If the name doesn't ring a bell (and the large, original bell from the 1800s building is housed in a concrete stand in front of the church), odds are the church's edifice will. Located just east of Culver on SR 10, Poplar Grove conveys the look of the quintessential country church, resting as it does atop one of that road's many rolling hills and flanked to the east by the IOOF cemetery.

In Brief

need books

Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library organization is in need of

books to sell at the group's book sale Sept. 26 and 27. Those with books to donate

are asked to take them to the

front desk of the library, 107 N. Main St., downtown Cul-

Town Wide Yard Sale The Town of Culver is

sponsoring a Fall Town

Wide Yard Sale on Fri. and

Sat., Sept. 26 and 27 from

8 a.m.-4 p.m. Anyone inter-

ested in participating should

contact the Town Hall be-

tween 8 a..m and 4 p.m. at

574-842-3140 from Thurs.,

Sept. 11 through Tues., Sept.

23. Please provide your ad-

dress and the date(s) of your

hosting a yard sale will be

disbursed by noon on Wed.,

Septe. 24 at the Town Hall,

Culver Express and Osborn's

Cub Scouts popcorn

Culver's Cub Scout pack

290 has launched its annu-

al popcorn fundraiser. The

pack, which meets regularly

at Wesley United Methodist

Church, will be at the follow-

ing "show and sell" sites in

Culver Coffee Company -

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Park N' Shop - Sept 26, 5

Park N' Shop - Sept 27, 10

Park remembrance

The Antiquarian and His-

torical Society of Culver re-

minds everyone that Heritage

Park Remembrance Bricks

are still available. These in-

dividual pavers are a lasting

way to create a wonderful

remembrance of families,

relatives or friends. They

become a permanent part of

beautiful Heritage Park at the

corner of Main and Jefferson

Charlotte Hahn advises that

bricks are inscribed in batch-

es of 12 and she has seven or-

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Sept 20, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Sept 21, 1 p.m.-3 p.m.

bricks available

Mini-Mart.

Culver:

p.m.-7 p.m.

a.m.-3 p.m.

sales launched

While most locals have seen the outside of Poplar Grove, fewer may have seen the inside of the structure, notable for its simple yet elegant stained glass windows, more than 100 years old and bearing names of Culver area stalwarts whom our foreparents would have known well...names like Mosher, Clifton, Myers, and Pontius, to name a few.

Those historic windows – part of the building erected prior to 1891, replacing a log frame structure that burned in 1891 -- are feeling the effects of their age, says church member Susan Strycker, and are badly in need of repair.

"Our windows are part of what makes the church historical," she notes. "Right now have almost \$18,000 to raise for the 12 windows. The leading becomes weak over time, because the glass is so heavy. A lot of supports have broken and the glass is starting to sag."

She says the company engaged to do the work has restored stained glass from small Indiana towns to New York City cathedrals, and will not only repair the glass itself, but re-do the wood exterior and put a vented protective system on the outside of the windows as well.

Strycker

the effort will be hard work with a congregation the size of Poplar Grove's (lifetime member Lida Norris, age 90, says they are "thrilled to see 40 people" on a Sunday morning), but she rightly notes the 150 year-plus histhe historical significance of tory of the church, founded by some of the earliest settlers to the area, makes the

effort worthwhile. That effort will begin with a huge yard sale at the church during Culver's townwide yard sale weekend of Sept. 26 and 27). "The entire church basement is full (of sale items)," says Strycker. "Every table is filled. So far, we have everything from an antique Sears & Roebuck farm wagon...to baby clothes to boat oars to a used moped

with only a couple hundred miles on it. We have Culver Academy and Woodcraft clothes. You name it, it's down in our

basement!" Strycker adds that the church will take place rain or shine, since items will be moved to the basement in the event inclement weather. The plan, she says, is to hold an elaborate auction next spring to continue the fundraising ef-

Susan Strycker has a long history with Poplar Grove. Her mother, Nancy, a lifetime member, is a great, great granddaughter of Nathan Clifton, an early area settler settlers here arrived in 1836) who deeded one acre in 1872 that would form the "old" part of today's Poplar Grove Before that, land was deed-

meeting in the Poplar Grove atic way of finding it out school and in homes before the building was built, then on the corner of today's Pine Rd. and SR 10. After Clifton's 1883 death, his heirs deeded the second church site, west of the original cemetery land. In 1891, the collective cemetery land was deeded to the Maxinkuckee IOOF Lodge, whose group were caretakers

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#### Poplar Grove United Methodist church: landmark moments

Prior to 1851: members meet in homes and the Poplar Grove school building

Sept. 13, 1851: first land deeded for a church building, located on the Green Township line, one-half in Green Twp. and one-half in Union Twp.

March 28, 1872: Nathan Clifton deeds one acre of land to Poplar Grove church cemetery trustee Henry Smith. This will make up the oldest portion of the present cemetery.

**June 8, 1886:** the church is located west of the old cemetery on three-fourths of an acre, deeded by Nathan Clifton to the M.E. church, so long as it's used for church pur-

**Sept. 23, 1891**: the original church location land is deeded to the trustees of the Maxinkuckee IOOF lodge n. 373 along with about two acres east of the old cemetery. On the same date, Pulaski Wickizer deeded the present church lot consisting of three-fourths acres to church trustees.

**1891**: the church is remodeled with a belfry, vestibule, stained glass windows, and present ceiling put in. After two moves, the church is eventually located on its present

**1930s**: a full basement is added with Orval Tracey

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## State-of-the-art tech in Academy's new web venture

After a nearly two-year, labor intensive process, Culver Academies has launched a state-of-the-art new website that the school feels is far more reflective of the powerful impression the campus and its programs leaves upon visitors. And the new site accomplishes that goal with a depth, ease-of-use, and utilization of high-end technology that will surely dazzle new users...or online readers accustomed to the Academy's

"We felt that the (old) website was becoming more of a static repository that folks almost prided themselves in finding ed for the first Poplar Grove treasures in," says Academies Director of Strategic Commu-Methodist church on Sept. nications Bill Hargraves, who spearheaded the project. "We 13, 1851, with members had thousands of pages of great information, but no system-

> Add to that the inconsistency of aesthetics in the old site and its lack of incorporation of newer technology, and the decision was made to "re-boot" (to use digital parlance) www.

After a lengthy search, it was decided to engage SUGO three fourths of an acre for agency near Silicon Valley, Calif., which boasts such clients as Google, Coca-cola, eBay, Pottery Barn, and more, to work with the Academy team in charge of the redesign.

"Our objective (with) the website is to wow the customer," notes Hargraves. "We have a very warm, colorful front page that allows you to look onto the three big experiences we have here: CMA, CGA, and the Culver summer schools and camps. Users have the ability to immediately connect to people by way of the video content, which includes comments from students, faculty, counselors, and (head of school John Buxton. In a matter of less than two minutes, you can get a quick overview of something that might

be of interest to you." See Academy page 7

## Council tackles sidewalk decision, votes to study PUD impact

By Jeff Kenney

After much discussion, Culver's town council agreed to reimburse Loren Loehmer of Culver for a portion of the cost of sidewalk replacement at his Lake Shore Drive property, at its

The decision came after Loehmer's claim at the last council meeting that his request for reimbursement through the town's sidewalk sharing program – in which the town pays for part of a resident's sidewalk repair or replacement via a fund set aside for that purpose – was unfairly denied due to town building inspector Russ Mason's assertion that Loehmer was doing extensive remodeling at his property. The sharing program excludes properties undergoing any major remodeling or building project. At that meeting, council member Lynn Overmyer raised concerns that Mason had allowed participation in the sharing program by Leon and Peg Bennett of Culver, even though their property was undergoing major construction as well.

At the Sept. 9 meeting, Overmyer moved that Loehmer be reimbursed "since we've paid for one project; but in the future, major remodeling

projects should not be reim-See Council page 9 bursed."

(the first wave of Argos acknowledges of permanent



## Culver's Dilts delpoyed to Iraq

Joe (Joseph) Dilts of Culver deployed Sept. 5 for Iraq. Dilts, a Culver High School graduate, is married to Nicole (Nicky) and has three stepchildren, Candice (a CCHS sophomore) and twins Mark and Stephen, in seventh grade also at CCHS.

Dilts' uncle, Jon Dilts – a journalism teacher at Indiana Univ. Bloomington - attended deployment ceremonies at Camp Atterbury and reported that Dilts' company has about 160 soldiers, with around 500 family members attending the event. After the initial ceremony, says Jon Dilts, "we drove over to the USO, where USO volunteers fed everybody burgers, brats, beans, salads, desserts, and drinks. It was low key but very friendly."

"Joe said he is not eager to go back to Iraq," reports his uncle, "but it is clear that he is really quite comfortable with his buddies and, in this environment, is every bit a soldier and veteran. Brig. General Margaret S. Washburn (Indiana's first female general officer in the National Gurard, from Westfield, Ind.) stopped and chatted with him for a few minutes (and) acknowledged his Combat Infantryman Badge, and knew this was not his first deployment. I don't know what Joe thought about being chatted up by a General, but it was clear she believed he was what he seemed to be: confident and disciplined. It was a good moment."

"I know he does not want to do this," concluded Jon Dilts, "but you can't help but admire him for doing it anyway. Considering the situation, he seemed just fine. Just pray that he stays safe."

Barbara Winters, Joe Dilts' aunt, assisted with this ar-

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of the cemetery for the decades following. At the same time, Clifton's son-in-law, Pulaski Wickizer, deeded the present church lot to the Poplar Grove church trustees.

Sometime before, the original log church gave way to the core structure we see today, which was moved to its present site in 1891. Over the years, a number of changes have occurred (see sidebar), but the historic building, cemetery, and yes, those windows, have remained.



## Symbols of the past...

abound at Poplar Grove, such as the deceptively large (and weighty) original steeple bell, relocated for safety reasons to a place of honor outside (above) and many facets of the sanctuary, from the renovated altar area, to the stained glass windows, the original ceiling, to the loft whose perspective forms the photo at right.

CITIZEN PHOTOS/JEFF KENNEY

In the early days, Poplar Grove filled a critical need: providing church services for the settlers' descendants – some of the earliest in the area – who spread out over the land east of Lake Maxinkuckee and into today's Walnut township. Through the years, says Nancy Strycker, people from Argos and Culver have fed into the congregation, which she said once included a number of children and teens (Lida Norris says the 1960s saw an average Sunday attendance numbering in the 60s).

Since Jan., 2006, lay pastor Henry Sprunger serves Poplar

Grove, the latest in a long line of clergy, earlier from the Methodist Episcopal tradition before the church became the United Methodist Church; Norris proudly notes Poplar Grove was recently certified for 30 years paid in full in that ecclesiastical body. Poplar Grove is part of a cluster of UM churches that includes nearby rural churches like Santa Anna and Mt. Hope, as well as the two Methodist parishes in Culver, and churches

in Argos, Leiters Ford, and Monterey.

Active at Poplar Grove all these years has been the United Methodist Women's organization, which longtime member Imogene Clifton says is comprised of about 10 members at present, working together to collect food for area pantries and support local and regional community charities. Norris recalls heady days of busy activity amongst the church's women's group, including quilting (for a penny a yard), chicken supper fundraisers (a quarter

a supper in the 1930s), ice cream socials with home made dessert, and mincemeat pie sales.

Member Norma Clark sums up the appeal for many longtime Poplar Grove members: "Since we're a small group, we're a family." Most agree that folks accustomed to country living feel comfortable there, though Clark stresses strangers are welcome. One lake family from Indianapolis, say the women's group members, began attending a few years ago, probably seeking out a small church experience different from attending a large, city congregation. "Sometimes they've brought a whole row of young people,' smiles Clifton.

The church has also become something of a tourist attraction, making the cover of a gospel singing group's CD and being a popular place for weddings. "A lot of people stop out here and take pictures," adds Nancy Strycker.

Norris also recalls services for many years taking place

Sunday nights to accommodate pastors whose home churches required their presence on Sunday mornings. Lighting, then, became a concern. "We had no electricity then, but we had an engine in the basement (that) supplied our lights.

Every now and then it would quit. Somebody would have to go start the engine again so we could have lights! Electricity came in 1938.' Evidence that the old days haven't entirely disappeared can be seen in the hymnal racks of each pew: classic hand-

the church. The IOOF-maintained cemetery is also a walk through names that form part of the area's early history. "We almost

held fans to compensate for the lack of air conditioning in

all have somebody buried out there," notes Clifton.

"We're going to help the cemetery to grow!" laughs Clark, before continuing, "Everybody that shows up every Sunday are the backbone of the church; they will take up the man-

"In the future, we're trying to do whatever we can to keep a nice church, a nice building," adds Nancy Strycker. "We want to continue to please the (United Methodist) Conference, but also be a support for the families that do attend here."

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heading up the work; the walls are laid with field stone. This is also probably when a pump was drilled to prevent having to carry water from nearby homes.

1940s: Ten feet added to the north end of the church; balcony and two stairways leading to classrooms added. New plaster added and a new altar area. Also at this time, the bell was removed from the top of the church as a safety measure.

Late 1950s-early 1960s: a new organ was purchased from Shemberger's at Plymouth. The piano had been purchased ome 60 years prior.

April, 1970: the Friendship class added the cement strucure and flower containers to preserve the bell and allow it to ring once again (this is located just off SR 10, north of the church). Seats were also refinished by the church women, and rearranged to create a center aisle.

Dec., 1998: Poplar Grove UM church was given a Historical Landmark award by the Marshall County Historical Society. The award was presented to Nancy Strycker and Charles and Imogene Clifton.

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## Monterey days royalty

"Royalty" crowned over Labor Day weekend's annual Monterey Days festival included Little Miss and Little Mr. Monterey 2008 Taylor Smith and Jeb Smith (photo at left) and Prince Monterey Austin Zehner (photo at

PHOTOS/ STEPHANIE SMITH

## Anniversary - Bradford



George and Connie Bradford of Plymouth celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Sept. 11, 2008. They were married Sept. 11, 1983 in Odessa, Fla.

George works at Hoosier Tire & Rubber as a machine operator. Connie is the owner of Connie's Crafts and Collectibles.

Genealogy mtg., 10 a.m.,

Lions Club mtg., 6:30 p.m.

Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m.

Kiwanis Club mtg., noon,

Yoga, 6 p.m., Culver Pub-

Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Culver Pub-

Sept. 26-27 weekend:

Culver townwide yard sale

Kiwanis charity bass tour-

nament, Sun., Sept. 28

Anonymous

Culver Public Library

Thursday, Sept. 25

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(Fri., Sat.)

Alcoholics

train station/depot

## Community Calendar

Thursday, Sept. 18 Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m.,

Culver Public Library Luke Puckett, congressio-

nal candidate, Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library

Yoga, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library

Anonymous Alcoholics Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Culver Public Library

Culver BZA mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall

Knights of Columbus St. Mary of the Lake council business mtg., 7 p.m., St. Mary's church rectory base-

Monday, Sept. 22 Knitting Class, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library

Al-Anon Mtg., 5:30 p.m., Culver Public Library Overeaters Anonymous

Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Culver Public Library

Comm. Culver School board mtg., 7 p.m., administration bldg.

Tuesday, Sept. 23

Fitness class, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library

Yoga, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library Town council mtg., 6:30

p.m., town hall

Taste of Home cooking show, 7 p.m., Eppley auditorium, Culver Academies

Wednesday, Sept. 24

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## Letter to the editor

#### Thanks from AHS

The Center for Culver History would like to thank everyone Friday, July 13 1894, Marmont Herald.

Sam Easterday, Furniture; D.E. Zechiel, Grocery; Urias

The museum is seeking your help in obtaining stories, photos and or artifacts of some of the people and businesses mentioned in the paper. You may either make them a permanent gift to the collection or give as a loan. Artifacts, stories, photos may be dropped off at the Culver Public Library History Department.

level of the library. Fall hours are Wed. 10-5, Thurs. 10-5 and Sat. 10-noon.

Chris Landskron. **Antiquarian & HIstorical Society of Culver** 

for their generous donations to the museum. These donations will help in preserving the history of, the town, lake, rural area, Native Americans, CMA, and people of our past and present. In looking through the wonderful web site of the Culver Union Township Library (www.culver.lib.in.us) I came across the following names and businesses in a Vol.1 No.1

Menser, General hardware; F. Smyth & Company, Bakery; Mrs. J. W. Smith French styles of millinery; L.C. Wiseman, drugs and medicines; Dillon & Castleman, Grain dealers; W H. Wilson, Blacksmith; Henry Oyler, boot and shoe repairer; Charles H. Curtis, Bicycles for sale; F. H. Mow, Livery, feed and sale stable; G.L.Morris & Co., lumber business; Hayden Rea, Harness shop; E.B Vanschoiack, The Exchange Grocery and Meat Market; Nusbaum, Mayer & Company "big store"; Ozias Duddleson, pianos and organs; William Swigart, General Drayman; J.H Born, bla-cksmith; Henry Ross, Grace Reform Church; M.E. Church; B.W.S Wise, O.A. Rea, Physicians; Herbert G Nealy, Instructor in music; J.M. Ohler, tonsorial artist (Barber); Kreuzberger Park; Frank D. Lampson, manager Lake View Hotel; Marmont Exchange Bank; George Nearpass, publisher Marmont Herald.

Please stop in and see the museum in the lower Carnegie

## **REAL Services menu**

Those interested in sharing a meal at REAL Meals are asked to call Ruth Walker at the nutrition site (the Culver beach lodge) before 11 a.m. on the day before for reservations, at 574-842-8878. There is a suggested donation of \$3.50 for each meal.

Thursday, Sept. 18: Beef Manhattan, gravy, bread & margarine, mashed potatoes, beets, fruit, dessert, and

Friday, Sept. 19: Turkey & noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread & margarine, fruit cocktail, brownie delight, and milk.

Monday, Sept. Smoked sausage & bun, green peppers and onions, mashed potatoes, carrots, spiced apples, and milk.

Tuesday, Sept. 23: Country fried steak, white gravy, mashed potatoes, spinach, bread & margarine, strawberries, and milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 24: Meatloaf, baby bakers, margarine & sour cream, green beans, bread & butter, peaches, and milk.

Thursday, **Sept.** 25: Chicken patty, red potatoes, broccoli, bun, applesauce, and milk.

Friday, Sept. 26: Chili, shredded cheese and onion, oyster crackers, coleslaw, pears, fruit bar and milk.

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## Obituary

#### Doris C. Yocom

Aug. 6, 1918 - Sept. 6, 2008 CULVER — Doris Claire Yocom, 90, of 730 School St.,

Culver, passed away at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, 2008 at Miller's Merry Manor in Culver. She was born Aug. 6, 1918, in Winamac to Everett and Esther Roach Vanaman. She was married to Dr. Emery James Yocom Jr. on April 11, 1941 at Clinton. He died on Dec. 11, 1985.

She attended school in Winamac and Monterey. She was a lifelong resident of Culver. She maintained the office of her husband's veterinary practice in Culver. She enjoyed gardening and music. In later years, she traveled the local countryside with her longtime friend Katy Cummins, shopping, deer watching, and telling stories.

She will be fondly remembered for her optimism, wit, and some of the happiest piano playing in the area.

She was a member of the VFW Auxillary in Culver.

She is survived by a daughter, Shari Zussman of Sterling, Ill.; sons: Thomas Yocom of Springfield, Ill. and James Yocom of South Bend; six grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her father, Everett B. Vanaman; mother, Esther Fern Roach Vanaman; husband, Emery James Yocom Jr.; and sisters: Donna Groth and Marcie Cox.

Graveside services were held at 3 p.m. EDT Friday, Sept. 12, 2008, in Winamac Cemetery, Winamac, with Pastor Kevin DeKoninck officiating

Burial took place in the Winamac Cemetery.

Messages of sympathy may be sent to the family at www. frainmortuary.com

## Death notices

#### Frank Poor Sept. 9, 2008

CULVER — Frank Poor, 87, of Culver, died Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth. He is survived his companion, Mary Garrison of Culver; nephews: Theodore Poor of Michigan and Arthur Poor of Plymouth; and niece, Bonnie O'Donnell of Winamac.

There will be no services.

The Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of the arrangements.

#### Lucille M. Cortez Sept. 12, 2008

PLYMOUTH — Lucille M. Cortez, 71, of Plymouth, died Friday, Sept. 12, 2008 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She is survived by daughters: Marie Clark of Plymouth and Janet (William Jr.) Pietsch of Culver; three grandchildren; and sisters: Erma Lindeman of El Sobrante, Calif., Janet Stofferahn of French Lick and Beverly Williams of Midlothian, Ill. Visitation is Thursday, Sept. 18 from 4 to 8 p.m. and Friday,

Sept. 19 after 7 a.m. at the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services are Friday, Sept. 19 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. A graveside service will also be held at 12 p.m. CST Friday, Sept. 19 at Skyline Memorial Park, Monee,

Memorials may be made to the family.

## Good prepares for Naval basic training

Civilian Jesse H. Good, son of Tammy E. and Jeffery H. Good of Culver, Ind., recently enlisted in the United States Navy under the Delayed Entry Program at Navy Recruiting District, Detroit, Mich.

The program allows recruits to enter the Navy and take up to one year to complete prior commitments such as high school. Using recruiters as mentors, this program helps recruits ease into the transition from civilian to military life. Good will report for active duty to undergo basic training at

the Navy's Recruit Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill. Good is a 2008 graduate of Culver Community High School

of Culver, Ind.

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# A morning with W.O.

The Big City Paper had an article one day this past summer about the Mishawaka Public Library and its new Civil War tribute, a painting of "Houghton's Charge." The hero depicted in the painting turns out to be no relation of mine, but reading about his career reminded me, in a roundabout sort of way, of one of my most interesting interviews from thirty years ago, a conversation with W. O. Osborn. It's what the Editor calls "the story about the mule."

The Mishawaka painting commemorates Captain James Houghton, of Mishawaka, and his men of Company I of the 9th Indiana Volunteer Regiment; years ago, the Mishawaka Chapter of the Grand Army of the Republic (the Civil War equivalent, for Union soldiers, of the American Legion) was also named for Captain Houghton. In April of 1862, the 9th Indiana was part of Colonel William Hazen's 19th Brigade, in Brigadier General

William Nelson's 4th Division of the Army of the Ohio—50,000 men under the overall command of Major General Don Carlos Buell.

The 35,000-man Army of the Tennessee, under newly-reinstated Major General Ulysses S. Grant, had marched south along the Tennessee River, almost completely divided the state of Tennessee, and was on the brink of seizing a vital rail hub just across the border at Corinth, Mississippi. The Confederacy, realizing the danger, marshalled forces from as far away as New Orleans to stop Grant before he could get to Corinth; Buell, meanwhile, was marching southwest from Nashville to reinforce Grant. Grant decided the area on the west side of the Tennessee River between Pittsburgh Landing and Shiloh Church would be a good one in

which to make camp and drill his largely inexperienced troops into shape. Twenty-some miles south, Confederate General A. S. Johnson had other ideas, and his Army of the Mississippi attacked Grant's almost completely unprepared forces on the morning of Sunday, April 6,

By late afternoon, the Union forces had been driven back, with great losses on both sides, including General Johnson and Union Major General W. H. L. Wallace (not be confused with Hoosier Major General Lew Wallace, future author of Ben Hur, who was also commanding a Union division in the battle). At about 5:30, Johnson's deputy, P. G. T. Beauregard, erroneously informed that Buell had turned aside, broke off the attack, thinking that Grant could be finished off on Monday. At almost the same moment, the first units of Buell's Army arrived at Pittsburgh Landing, ferried across the river by steamboat.

Monday morning saw the Union counterattack. General Nelson's division was on the left of the Union line, with the river on its own left and Confederate Maj. Gen. William Hardee's Third Corps in front of it. Hazen's 19th Brigade was on the right side of Nelson's division. About 10 am, they bore the brunt of a major Confederate attack and began to fall back; reinforced by the 22nd Brigade, they turned the tables, forcing back the Confederates. They overran a Confederate artillery battery, but came under friendly fire, and retreated. Confederates then advanced against the remaining Union brigade (Col. Ammen's, the 10th), and nearly captured the neighboring division's artillery. When the 6th Ohio drove the rebels away from the artillery posi-

Hazen seized the moment and ordered a charge, led (I take it) by Captain Houghton, the only officer of the 9th to be killed in that day's battle.

I mentioned that there were two General Wallaces on the Union side. It turns out the Union had two Houghtons as well: in addition to Capt. James Houghton of Mishawaka, there was First Lieutenant James E. Houghton of Plymouth (29th Indiana, 5th Brigade, 2nd Division, my first cousin four times removed, and brother-in-law of Bayless Dixon, the first proprietor of Union Town). Lt. Houghton's company commander, Capt. Daniel Casey, was shot in the hand as their unit moved into position on Monday morning, and Lt. Houghton assumed command of the unit for the duration of the war. He is buried next to his father in the southwest

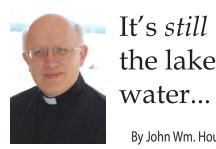
corner of Oak Hill Cemetery in Plymouth.

Now, as to my morning with Mr. Osborn—I went to see the great man of Culver banking at his office in the State Exchange Bank. At 89, he was still sharp as a couple of tacks, and had a story for every occasion. For our conversation, he reminisced about one of his early cases as an attorney, defending the will of my great-great-grandfather, Thomas Houghton. Thomas had been married three successive times, and the children of his first marriage disagreed with the way he had distributed his property amongst the various half-siblings. Their grounds for having the will overturned, Mr. Osborn said, were that Thomas had been mentally incompetent since the Civil War (a period of fifty some years, during which he had, among other things, served

as Union Township Trustee). As evidence for this claim, they pointed out that Thomas had not served in the Civil War. He had been excused, they said, for medical reasons: specifically, he had been kicked in the head by a mule (or fallen off a horse, or something) and was mentally incompetent thereafter. "Now Thomas," Mr. Osborn said, "kept meticulous records, and I knew if he had some

sort of a medical excuse, he would have saved it all this time. So I searched that house high and low, and it turned out they were right. I found a medical deferment, and it actually was because he had been kicked in the head by a mule. But it wasn't because he was of unsound mind. That mule had kicked out his teeth. And with false teeth, he couldn't rip open a cartridge to load a muzzleloading rifle." -30-

A sixth-generation native of Culver (and resident of Houghton Street), the Rev. John Wm. Houghton, Ph.D., was educated in the Culver-Union Township Schools, Woodcraft Camp, the Naval School Band, and Culver Military Academy. He holds degrees from Harvard, IU, Yale and Notre Dame, and has taught in Culver Summer Camps and the Academies, as well as at independent schools in Fort Wayne, St. Louis, and Baton Rouge. A fellow of the Episcopal Church Foundation and an Episcopal priest, he is Chaplain and Chair of the Department of Religious Studies at the Hill School in Pottstown, PA. He has published a number of academic articles on theology, medieval studies, and J. R. R. Tolkien, and is author of a novel, Rough Magicke, and of Falconry and Other Poems.



By John Wm. Houghton



## Once-familiar sight

Steve Guise of Culver shared this photo of the Rossa grocery at the Maxinkuckee landing on the corner of East Shore Dr. and 18B Rd., once part of the Maxinkuckee Village's business community. The store, which closed in 1969 and sat on property now owned by the Rocaps, was best known for its iconic water wheel, seen at the right.

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## Nostalgia

#### 75 years ago Sept. 20, 1933

 Mrs. E.A. Thssin has purchased the Main Cafe of Paul Snyder, who has operated the restaurant successfully for the past five years. He plans to devote his spare time to his chicken farm west of town on State Rd. 10 (Editor's note: this restaurant was located south of today's Gladie's Deli on North Main St., in what is today a vacant lot. Paul Snyder owned the Culver hardware store before his son, Bill, the owner until last year, bought it from him).

· A monkey-faced own measuring 46 inches from wing to wing was shot by Don Van Duyne, who lives near the Horner school and believed the owl to be one killing a number of area chickens. The bird, striking in appearance, was of a kind seldom seen in this area.

The Union Twp. Parent Teachers Assoc. held its first meeting of the new school year last night in the community building with Carl Adams, president, in charge. The meeting featured the third annual Flower and Vegetable Exhibit and a reception for the teachers. Mrs. Dick Newman was chairman of the exhibit. whose committee included Mrs. Robert Peck, Mrs. Ira Mc-Clane, Arthur Eckman, and M.H. Ewald. Prizes for the garden exhibit were made possible by August Wennerstrom and Leigh R. Gignilliat.

## 50 years ago

Sept. 17, 1958 Carl M. Adams had the thrill Sept. of 150 good friends and relatives honoring him on his 49th anniversary at the State Exchange Bank (vice president, director, and cashier) and his 50th birthday. Robert Rust was toastmaster and presented a beautifully bound volume of congratulatory greetings. Mr. Adams' neighbor, Robert Discher, presented him with a beautifully engraved watch.

Considerable verbal fireworks ensued when a delgation successfully protested what they considered a ridiculously high budget for the town of Culver, to the Marshall County tax adjustment board. As a result, the budget was slashed from \$87,000 to \$57,000; under fire were levies for

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street repair, a new downtown parking lot, and the night marshal's salary. Leading the charge against the proposed budget were A.R. McKesson and Don G. Trone. Culver businessman and former town board head Don Hand was the toughest critic, suggesting the "slovenly" document showed total lack of responsibility on the part of the person or persons who put it together.

After having been without a jeweler and watch and clock repairman for months, Culver is pleased to welcome H.J. Forester, with more than 35 years' experience in the business. His shop will be located on South Main St. where he will share the quarters of the Overmyer Plumbing and Heating company.

#### 25 years ago Sept. 21, 1983

Jennifer Ahlenius was crowned Homecoming Queen during halftime festivities at Fri. night's Culver Comm. High School homecoming game.

Culver's plan commission met last Weds. in a special meeting and approved Harbor Condominiums' expansion of its originally planned 18 units to 20 units. At issue was the alley connecting the planned condos to Washington St. City attorney Jim Easterday told the commission the alley was never dedicated, making it city property. At the reuest of Jean Williams, Harbor agreed to submit a written document agreeing

to maintain the alley, which will remain public property. Marlene Mahler and John and Donna Large of the



Above: Mutz, Mahler, and the Larges, 1983.

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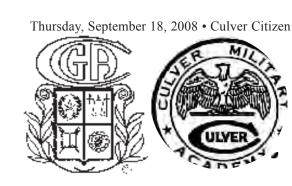
Culver Rough and Hilly Young Farmer chapter received a proclomation declaring Sept. 18-24 Farm Safety Week from Lt. Governor John Mutz, Ind. commissioner of agriculture. The Culver chapter has been recognized on the state and national level for its work in the farm safety area.

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# Sports



# CGA girls defeat Argos with 'monster' scoring spree

By James Costello **Sports Writer** ARGOS — Culver Girls Academy soccer head coach Harry Canellakis likens his team to Dr. Jekyll and Mr.

Well, his players went on a monster scoring spree at the start of the second half Thursday as they netted three goals in a six-minute span, and the Lady Eagles transformed a 2-2 first-half shoot-out into a forceful 7-3 win at Argos.

"This team so far, we're a Jekyll-and-Hyde team," Canellakis said. "We're brilliant for 10 minutes, and then we're very average for 10 minutes. That's something we want to work on. It wasn't as though we did anything that different (in the second half), it was just simply a more competitive spirit on their part."

"We got a little unsettled there at the start of the second half," said Argos girls soccer head coach Jon Alcorn. "We finally got it back together and started putting passes together again and got a nice goal, but I think we're not that deep and we got rattled. We've only lost two games this year, but in both those games we gave up a lot

As lopsided as the final tally was, CGA and Argos battled back and forth evenly throughout the opening half. The Lady Dragons got

baugh — who was honored before Thursday's game after notching her 80th career goal during a 4-1 victory over Warsaw Saturday — assisted on a Kyla Van Der Weele goal in the fourth minute. Hollabaugh drew a pair of

on the board first, as Argos

forward and all-time school

scoring leader Kelsie Holla-

Eagles defenders down on a run into the corner, then shot a back pass to Van Der Weele, who capitalized on the defensive opening to give Argos a 1-0 lead. Along with the assist, Hollabaugh scored two goals at Thursday's game. Her first came on a solo shot from point-blank range on a break in the 20th minute, giving Argos back the lead after an unassisted Dineo Mmutla goal in the 12th minute knotted the score at 1-all. The senior Dragons forward's second score came off a Jami Hooker cross in the 68th minute, but it was in vain with the Dragons already trailing 6-2.

"She works very, very hard," Alcorn said of Hollabaugh. "She hates to lose. She's a competitor, and she wasn't happy, none of us were happy with how we played."

After the break, CGA adjusted the space between their middle three midfielders, spreading the Argos defense out and exploiting the resultant passing lanes for three

goals and a commanding 5-2 lead in a rapid-fire, sixminute span at the start of the half. Hannah Bouline wasted no time with an unassisted goal in the 41st minute, and the Eagles gave the Dragons little time to recover as Emily Loehmer followed up off a Kylie Shipley assist in the 42nd minute. Jenna Iwaniec struck again for CGA in the 47th minute, and Victoria Weitgenant widened the gap further with a solo goal in the

54th minute. "We play with a 3-5-2 formation, and our middle three in the first half were way too compact," Canellakis said. "Instead of making 5- to 10-yard passes, we were making 15- to 20-yard passes and just spread out the field. This field is so big that if you don't use the space it's very easy for a young team to close us down, and that's basically what happened the first half."

Shipley tied the game the second time for CGA Thursday on an assist by Iwaniec who finished with two assists in addition to her goal. Iwaniek's second assist came in the 77th minute with a pass to Loehmer for her second and the team's final goal of the night. Eagles' goalie Alicia Shaefer logged one save as the Dragons got off just four shots on goal versus 16 by CGA, although they parlayed three of those shots

into points.

Argos goalie Prochno made nine saves and got gloves on a pair of goals by the Eagles, but she couldn't hold on. CGA remains undefeated at 5-0-1 with Thursday's outcome, while Argos falls to 5-2-1.

"We'll go back and watch the tape and see what we need to do," Alcorn said. "Last year we lost a game here and came back and ended up sectional champions. We've got to build from here and see what we can do." CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 7, ARGOS 3

At Argos FIRST HALF

 Kyla VanDerWeele (Kelsie Hollabaugh) 4th minute C — Dineo Mmutla (unassisted) 12th

A — Hollabaugh (unassisted) 20th minute
C — Kylie Shipley (Jena Iwaniec)

34th minute SECOND HALF C — Hannah Bouline (unassisted)

41st minute - Emily Loehmer (Shipley) 42nd C — Iwaniec (unassisted) 47th min-

C — Victoria Weitgenant (unassisted) 54th minute A — Hollabaugh (Jami Hooker) 68th

C — Loehmer (unassisted) 77th min-

Shots on Goal: CGA 16, Argos 4 Saves: CGA 1 (Alicia Schaefer), Argos 9 (Cassie Prochno) Corners: CGA 5, Argos 3 ecords: CGA 5-0-1, Argos 5-2-1 JV: Argos 3, CGA 0 (Ashely Rice scored twice for Argos. Katelyn

Susannah Baker scored

twice in the first half to lead

the host Cavs. Kalee Miller,

assisted by Whitney Sand-

ers, scored to give Culver a

HALFTIME SCORE: Culver 3,

C — Susannah Baker, 4th minute

Kalee Miller

L — Lindsay Rich 32nd minute

**CGA falls to Pioneer** 

CGA dropped a 25-23,

18-25, 25-14, 28-26 vol-

leyball decision to Pioneer

Zafiro Joseph piled up

11 kills and seven blocks

for the Eagles. Also for

CGA, Mariah Tabor served

up four aces, Lauren Jones

handed out 18 assists and

Mindy Privett came up

Aces: Mariah Tabor 4, Kristen

Kills: Zafiro Joseph 11, Lex Ludewig

Blocks: Joseph 7, Deborah Ohiani-

Jegede 3, Kirsten Elliott 3, Stafford 3.

Digs: Mindy Privett 19, Stafford 13,

JV score: Pioneer beat CGA, 25-12,

**Culver slays Dragons** 

Culver Community's vol-

Madeline Danesi 12, Tabor 11.

Perla Avalos 20th minute

C — Baker 30th minute

Sanders), 31st minute

L — Rich 57th minute

L — Rich 66th minute

**VOLLEYBALL** 

Monday.

with 19 digs.

At Culver

CGA stats

Stafford 3.

Record: CGA 2-3.

9, Stafford 6.

PIONEER 25-18-25-28,

CGA 23-25-14-26

Assists: Lauren Jones 18.

short-lived 3-2 edge.
•LOGANSPORT 5,

**CULVER COMMUNITY 3** 

Logansport 3 FIRST HALF

. — 2nd minute

SECOND HALF

Zechiel scored once.)

**CAVS** hang with Cougars at rainy homecoming



CULVER — The Cavaliers couldn't move the ball in a loss to New Prairie Friday.

Culver Community recorded just 72 total offensive yards compared to 288 by the Cougars, although the Cavs did manage to break onto the scoreboard first on a trick play as running back Michael Salary connected with Zoe Bauer from 8 yards out halfway through the second quarter.

Salary led his team in rushing with 60 yards in 20 carries, while Dennis Davis recorded 35 rushing yards in 5 carries. Quarterback Kyle Pugh was hit in the backfield for a net loss of minus 67 yards, although he connected three out of six times for 35 yards in the air. • NEW PRAIRIE 21, CULVER COMMUNITY 6 NP: 0 0 14 7 — 21 CC: 0 6 0 0 — 6 Second quarter CUL — Michael Salary 8 yd pass to Zoe Bauer, 6:11 Third quarter NP — Dave Siddall 63 yd run (83 Eric Singleton kick), 5:26 NP — Elliot Lusk 13 yd run (83 Eric NP — Dave Siddall 58 yd run (#83 Eric Singleton kick), 4:47 Team statistics

First downs Rushes - yards 38-283 34-28 Passing yards 1-6-0 4-7-0 Comp - att - int Return yards Punts - average Fumbles - lost Penalties - yards 10-65 6-42 Time of possession 20:51



## The parade that wasn't

Heavy rains drowned out the traditional homecoming parade through downtown Culver that led up to the Cavs' battle with New Prairie last Friday night, though the precipitation didn't damper the spirits of fans. Above: a "cougar" hung in effigy on one CCHS parade float, docked during the game.

Sept. 6.

with 21 digs.

• BREMEN 25-25, CGA 19-18

Lauren Jones 2.

Assists: Jones 8. Aces: Madeline Danesi 3.

Digs: Mindy Privett 5.

Assists: Jones 13.

Records: CGA 2-2.

Triton Sept. 4.

Culver.

Rochester 25-20, 25-20.

Aces: Danesi 1, Privett 1.

Cavs fall in 3

Digs: Privett 16, Stafford 8.

Ohiani-Jegede 3, Stafford 3.

At Culver

CGA stats

CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

Aces: Sam Houin 1. Digs: Carter 34, Recupido 33, Kelsey

Panthers bat down CGA

Kristen Stafford

CGA 17-22-15 At South Bend

Kills: Kristen Stafford 4, Kirsten Elliott

Deborah Ohiani-Jegede 2, Shaun Devlin 2, Lex Ludewig 1, Elliott 1. Assists: Stafford 9, Madeline Danesi

Aces: Ludewig 2, Mindy Privett 1. Digs: Privett 19. Records: CGA 2-4. JV Score: CGA beat Washington, 25-23, 13-25, 15-13. Records: CGA 3-1.

**CGA** wins again

CGA's volleyball team

Lex Ludewig and Zafiro Joseph slammed down seven kills apiece for CGA, with Joseph adding a team-best two blocks. Lauren Jones added a team-high 12 assists, Mariah Tabor served up four aces, and Mindy Privett came up with nine digs. · ČGA 25-25-27-25,

Kills: Lex Ludewig 7, Zafiro Joseph 7,

Assists: Jones 12, Kristen Stafford 12. Aces: Mariah Tabor 4, Stafford 4, Jones 3, Madeline Danesi 2. Digs: Mindy Privett 9, Jones 6. Records: Culver Girls Academy 2-0. JV score: Culver Girls Academy beat Lakeland Christian 25-8, 25-6. Records: Culver Girls Academy 2-0.

CGA's volleyball team lost

to Bremen, 25-19, 25-18,

and Rochester 25-20, 25-20

Lex Ludewig finished

the day with 10 kills for the

Eagles, while Zafiro Joseph

contributed nine blocks. Lau-

ren Jones piled up 21 assists

for the day, and Mindy Priv-

ett led the Eagles' defense

Kills: Lex Ludewig 7, Zafiro Joseph 3.

Blocks: Joseph 6, Kristen Stafford 4

Culver Girls Academy lost to

Kills: Ludewig 3, Joseph 3, Deborah

Blocks: Stafford 5, Joseph 4, Ohiani-Jegede 4, Mariah Tabor (CA) 2.

Culver Community kicked

off its Northern State Confer-

ence volleyball season with

a 25-9, 25-22, 25-15 loss at

Shaylyn Johnson collected

a couple of kills and 10 digs

for the Cavs. Aspen Kitchell

added eight digs and three as-

sists, Patrice McBee chipped

in two kills, and Beth Woj-

dyla dealt a pair of aces for

Blocks: Thaver 2. Record: Argos 3-2

CGA dropped a 25-17, 25-22, 25-15 volleyball decision at Washington Wednes-

Kirsten Elliott recorded four kills and one block apiece for the Eagles, with Stafford adding a team-best nine assists. Zafiro Joseph piled up a team-leading five blocks and Mindy Privett came up with 19 digs for CGA.
• WASHINGTON 25-25-25

Blocks: Zafiro Joseph 5, Stafford 5,

picked up a 25-12, 25-14, 27-29, 25-7 win at Lakeland Christian Sept. 2, to improve

LAKE. CHRISTIAN 12-14-29-7

At Warsaw

Kirsten Elliott 5.

Blocks: Joseph 3, Lauren Jones 2,

• TRITON 25-25-25, CULVER 9-22-15 At Bourbon Kills: Patrice McBee 2, Shaylyn Johnson 2. Assists: Kitchell 3. Aces: Beth Wojdyla 2.

Digs: Johnson 10, Aspen Kitchell 8. Record: Culver 2-9 (0-1 NSC).

TENNIS Eagles drop a trio of matches

CMA's tennis team dropped three matches Sept. 6 — 3-2 to Penn, 4-1 against West Lafayette and 5-0 to

See Scoreboard page 9

## Sports briefs

## FOOTBALL

CULVER — Culver Military improved to 3-1 Friday with a 27-14 home win over North Judson.

CMA's defense created six total Judson turnovers at Friday's game — including two interceptions and a blocked punt for a touchdown by John Sabo in the second quarter — while holding the Blue Jays to just 99 yards rushing. Culver chewed up 210 yards rushing and scored three times on runs of 30 yards or more.

The Eagles were led by Zach Deery with 68 total rushing yards and a 36-yard touchdown in the final quarter. Tom O'Neill ran for a 32-yard score in the first frame, and he kicked three PATs Friday. Ryan Stec scored CMA's other touchdown with a 30-yard run late in the first quarter.

 CULVER MILITARY 27 NORTH JUDSON 14 At Culver NJ: 6 0 8 0 – 14

CMA: 14 6 0 7 – 27 First Quarter NJ – Terry Howard 65 pass from Drake Barrett. Pass failed, 10:29. CMA – Tom O'Neill 32 run. O'Neill

CMA – Ryan Stec 30 run. O'Neill kick, Second Ouarter

CMA – John Sabo blocked punt recovery. Kick failed, 7:13.

NJ – Howard 8 run. Barrett-to-Andrew

Frasure pass, 6:20. Fourth Ouarter

CMA – Zach Deery 36 run. O'Neill kick, 4:48. CMA

First downs Plays/yards rushing32-99 43-210 Yards passing 119 76 4-10-2 6-21-2 Passing 2-29 Punting 4-28 5-46

#### Fumbles/lost Yards Penalized 6-65 Records: CMA 3-1, North Judson 1-3. **BOYS CROSS COUNTRY**

Culver Military Academy's cross country team picked up a win over visiting Triton Tuesday. Team scores were: CMA 24, Triton 33.

CMA scratches out home

CMA's Chris Trennepohl set the pace with a time of 17:49. Triton's Blake Lemler

posted a runner-up time of 18:09. • CULVER MILITARY 24, TRITON 33

At Culver 1. Chris Trennepohl (CMA) 17:49, 2. Blake Lemler (T) 18:09, 3. Curtis Nordmann (T) 18:38, 4. Alex Burke (CMA) 19:05, 5. Zach Hewitt (CMA) 19:51, 6. Mike Buschman (CMA) 20:03, 7. Travis Riffey (T) 20:31, 8. Josh Branson (CMA) 20:34, 9. Jason Barron (CMA) 21:01, 10. Nick Nordmann (T)

#### **GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY Eagles beat down Triton**

CGA snared a cross country win over an incomplete Triton squad Tuesday. Team scores were: CGA 15, Triton

CGA turned in the seven fastest times, led by Kaye Sitterley's 21:38.

Ashley Kann paced Triton with a time of 26:42. • CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 15, TRITON 50

At Culver 1. Kaye Sitterly (CGA) 21:38, 2. Stephanie Burian (CGA) 21:47, 3. Carson Canonie (CGA) 22:00, 4. Katie Gawor (CGA) 22: 28, 5. Anisa Holmes (CGA) 25:14, 6. Sara Reeser (CGA) 25:15, 7. Vanessa Morales (CGA) 25:59, 8. Ashley Kann (T) 26:42, 9. Jessica Calvert (T) 26:59, 10. Tori Emoff (CGA) 30:08.

## **GOLF**

Tigers swat down Eagles

CGA's golf team dropped a match to Warsaw Tuesday. Team scores were: Warsaw 206, CGA 218.

Frances Staadt finished the Par 36 course in 47 strokes to lead CGA.

Warsaw's Alyssa Cameron was medalist with a 44. • WARSAW 206, CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 218

At Mystic Hills Golf Course Par 36 WARSAW (206): Audrey Petro 52, Alyssa Cameron 44, Kayla Hutcherson 55, Sarah Hartle 55, Kristina Cripe

CGA (218): Frances Staadt 47, Brady Banks 56, Brenna Newell 55, Carie Birkmeier 64, Mandy Mortach 60.

**Eagles beat Triton** 

CGA downed Triton in a golf match at Rozella Ford Thursday. Team scores were: CGA 191, Triton 237.

CGA's Brenna Newell was match medalist with a round

Peggy Nifong paced Triton

**TRITON 237** At Warsaw, Rozella Ford Par 35 TRITON (237): Bethany Shively 56, Kelsey Bessinger 77, Aubrey Boardman 59, Peggy Nifong 52,

CGA (191): Frances Staadt 47, Brady Banks 47, Brenna Newell 43, Mandy Mortach 54, Carie Birkmeier 58. Record: Triton 4-8.

## **BOYS SOCCER**



PHOTO/ALAN HALL CMA's Cameron Dabir (4) clears against Boone Grove Thursday.

#### Wolves shut down CMA CMA's soccer team fell to Boone Grove Thursday, 3-0.

The Eagles outshot the Wolves, 10-8. • BOONE GROVE 3, CMA 0 At Culver

FIRST HALF BG — Matt Malone (unassisted), 12th minute. SECOND HALF BG — Mitch Aquilera (Nathan Johnson), 56th minute. BG — Aquilera (unassisted), 74th

Shots: BG 8, CMA 10. Saves: Trevor Spangenberg (BG) 6, Luke Sandler (CMA) 4. Corner kicks: BG 3, CMA 6.

**GIRLS SOCCER** 

Logansport scored twice in the second half to beat Culver Community 5-3 in girls soccer action.

**Berries slip past Cavs** 

Argos' Melissa Carter pounded out 11 kills and

digs. Teammate Brooke Thayer added nine kills and two blocks, and Ashley Recupido chipped in 14 assists. CÜLVER 19-25-25-22-16, ARGOS 25-23-16-25-14 At Argos Argos stats Kills: Melissa Carter 11, Brooke Thayer

Eagles drop 2

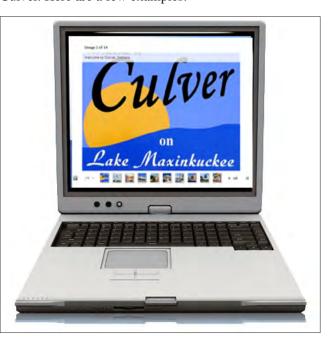
leyball team beat Argos in five games Tuesday, 19-25, 25-23, 25-16, 22-25, 16-14.

added a team-leading 34

Assists: Ashley Recupido 14.

## Important stops on a 'virtual' visit to Culver: town, lake, and Academy

The "reboot" of Culver Academies' website is the latest in is a sort of clearing house of links to sites of local interest, what has become an eclectic and engaging collection of websites covering a wide array of aspects of life in and around Culver. Here are a few examples.



#### Government and civic sites

www.townofculver.org - The official town website includes information about all the town departments, minutes to public meetings, a town calendar, photos from the past and present, and more. Also available here are the important Culver Comprehensive Plan developed a few years back, and the Culver Charrette Report of around the same period, both available for download.

www.culver.k12.in.us – Official website of the Culver Community School corporation, here you'll find pages for each school in the system (with teacher and administrator contact info), school calendars, lunch menus, and news and announcements, to name but a portion of the site's content.

www.culver.lib.in.us - The Culver-Union Twp. Public Library's online home includes a searchable catalog of items in the library, library board meeting minutes, a calendar of upcoming library events, and an extensive collection of photos and documents of local history.

www.culcom.net/~cutems - Home of the Culver-Union Twp. Emergency Medical Services includes upcoming events, training opportunities, staff roster, history of the EMS, and more.

#### Clubs and organizations

www.culverchamber.com – Besides information on the Chamber itself and its member businesses, this site includes a listing of Chamber events, shopper's guide, another Culver calendar of events, and more.

www.culverlions.net - The online home of one of Culver's longest-running and most active service organizations. Included are upcoming club program previews, contact information, info about the work of the Culver Lions, and pho-

www.culverlmec.com - The Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council's site features the LMEC's newsletter, past and present projects, and data on the lake from an eco-

www.myc-culver.org - The historic Maxinkuckee Yacht Club's website features club info, a calendar of club

events, regatta photos, and more. www.bgcculver.org – Learn about the Culver Girls & Boys Club and its popular annual fundraising auction here.

www.culverlakefest.com - Not technically a "club," but an event, nonetheless Culver's Lakefest committee has been keeping the event going for 25 years now. Past photos and previews of upcoming festival dates and features can be

www.culverhistory.com - The Antiquarian and Historical Society's online home includes information on past and present projects and archived AHS newsletters.

www.geocities.com/tour de max - The popular Tour de Max bike race is sponsored annually by Culver's Tri Kappa organization. Details of past and present "Tours" are

## General information

www.culcom.net - Not only home to Culver's only home-based email and internet service, and surely the earliest of Culver's websites, Culver Communications' home page

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including pages created by Culcom subscribers via the businesses' own servers.

www.maxinkuckee.com - This site accurately describes itself as a "one-stop resource for information and links to everything about Lake Maxinkuckee." Information on events, boating, lodging, local restaurants and shopping, real estate, churches and schools, and a plethora of other content, is featured.

www.thepilotnews. com – Yes, the 'virtual' Culver Citizen can be accessed here by visiting the Culver Citizen link in the left-hand column of the site, where you'll find current and archived articles from the pages of the paper.

#### Churches

www.culcom.net/~cbc The Culver Bible Church's website includes information about the pastor, service times, and the church's bewww.culcom.

net/~stmarys – St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church's website includes Mass times, a history of the church, archived church newsletters, and more.

www.culvertrinitylutheran.com – The online home of Trinity Lutheran church in Culver showcases the church through service times, upcoming events listings, photos, and more.

www.culverwes**leyumc.org** – One of Culver's longest-existing churches, Wesley United Methodist church online shares its current info and service times, an online calendar, information about its preschool (the only one, currently, in Culver), and a history of the church.

#### Culver history

www.genwiz.gene-<u>alogenie.net/lake</u> maxinkuckee/max index.htm - For sheer volume of historical data - names, dates, obituaries, business indexes, lake cottage histories - and photos, it doesn't get much more thorough than this site, maintained by Judi

#### www.culver.lib.in.us/ culver photos.htm

Even though Culver Public Library's site has already been mentioned, its history section includes thousands of images and online books and other publications, fulltext. Among the highlights: scans of the 1894-1905 town board minutes, the oldest in the town hall's records.

culveralumni.culver.org (see "History and Traditions" at left and choose "History on Review") - Culver Academies historian Robert B.D. Hartman holds 'virtual' court here in the form of articles, photos, and even a journal/

blog, all pertinent to Culver Academy history.

www.books.google.com - Search for the word, "Maxinkuckee." Read, full-text and searchable, Evermann and Clark's landmark early 20<sup>th</sup> century survey of the physical and biological traits of the lake. Read Mark Roder's extensive "A History of Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee," the only publication of its kind. There's more there, and doubtless more to come, but this is an amazing start.

## Academy, from page 1-

Hargraves says the site's various pages are organized to be intuitive and anticipate what readers might be looking for. He cites the various academic department pages, which include biographies of faculty and staff that also interlink to a given faculty member's various other activities on-campus, such as coaching, which in turn allows readers to explore other areas of student lives.

"We find that the website's all about storytelling," Hargraves continues. "Most people that have come to Culver have had some sort of storytelling experience. Our objective is to successfully organize different ways to find the right kind of story for the right kind of person. We've done a good job of being able to think through the navigation while working with all the departments. We're really proud of that. One of the toughest jobs was facilitating all the departments to understand that we have an objective, which is to connect people who don't

Behind the scenes, he says, the site enables any department to "take ownership of their story" or department pages, which they can edit themselves in a manner that will maintain the site's design and keep information both fresh and appealing.

Besides video based "storytelling," other features of the site include: "virtual" campus tours; webcams displaying live feeds of various points on the campus; on online version of the school's bookstore - selling Culver products and gift items -- with a user-friendly ordering cart; links to area businesses and accommodations; an interactive, flexible news calendar. And there's more on the way. The school's recent football season opening game was broadcast live online for a small fee all across the world. On the way, too, are "international" versions of the site in various languages, reflective of the global community Hargraves says the school prides itself in.

There's a parents' portal that encourages parents to engage actively in their children's academic and nonacademic life on-campus, including a massive collection of constantly-updated photos from events, activities, and around campus, available for ordering in a variety of formats. Down the road, Hargraves says, there are plans to create a student portal to allow more

All of this, he says, "makes things very exciting and keeps people at a 'wow' level."

Head of Schools Buxton agrees, noting the new site "will allow Culver to present, engage, and respond to a world that has become not only familiar, but dependent on digital media.' "John Buxton, in his leadership, has given us the leveraging power to do this (website),"

Hargraves adds. "When we took a look at the website and said, 'We're shooting for excellence,' we were given the means and the access to do it; we had his backing."

"If anybody should be applauded," concludes Hargraves, "it would be the entire community of people working together to make this a better place: faculty, staff, people in the community. We're all tied together and integrated, and this website shows that we're just really excited being where we're at with this.'

## Briets, from page 1-

ders on hand. With five additional orders in the next several weeks, it will be possible for all of them to be set in the ground before winter.

4"x 8" bricks with 1 or 2 lines for \$50 and 8"x 8" bricks with up to 4 lines for \$100 are available. These donations to the Society for the bricks are tax deductible.

Bricks may be ordered from Charlotte by contacting her at 574-842-3267. Order forms are also available in the Museum room at the library.

Library computer classes in September

The Culver-Union Twp. Public Library will be offering free computer classes starting in September. These classes are hands-on and will start with basic computer skills and move into the Microsoft Office suite of applications. Classes for September include Internet/E-Mail on the 22, and Microsoft Word Part I on the 29. Classes will be held at the library from 6 to 8 p.m. All required materials will be supplied by the Library, but participants are welcome to bring their own laptop computers if they wish.

## Bass tournament fees reduced

The entrance fee for the fourth annual Two-Person Team Charity Bass Tournament on Lake Maxinkuckee has been reduced to \$100 from \$175 in order to encourage greater participation, according to Culver Kiwans Club president Dick Swennumson. The event, sponsored by Collins & Co. realtors, Portside Marina, and Plymouth MARCO Bassmasters, will take place Sun., Sept. 28, 2008. Proceeds from the tournament will benefit Culver's Kiwanis Club and its charities, with an 80 percent payout to the winner.

## Center for Culver History needs items

The Center for Culver History is in need of area artifacts to display in our recently renovated space, the future home of our museum. Items can either be a permanent gift to our collection or a loan. Artifacts may be dropped off at the Culver Public Library. Please stop in and see us in the lower Carnegie level of the library during regular library hours.

## Citizen cell phone

Culver Citizen editor Jeff Kenney may be reached by cell phone at 574-261-7887.

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# Culver Academies open 115<sup>th</sup> school year

Culver Academies welcomed 795 students from 41 states and 22 countries back to campus Aug. 27 during the annual opening convocation, held this year in Eppley Auditorium.

The enrollment includes 462 boys and 333 girls, representing the largest number of students since 1983. The 524 returning students mark the best retention rate since 1968, and the male enrollment is the largest since 1985.

A total of 271 new students matriculated at the Academies, led by a freshman class of 160, 65 sophomores, 41 juniors, and five seniors.

Beginning his tenth year as Head of Schools, John N. Buxton presented his opening remarks to students, faculty, and staff. Buxton told students that they are authors of their own stories and that the decisions they make should align with who they are and what they want to be in life. Buxton highlighted this with real and fictional examples and closed by telling the audience, "Culver should reinforce for us the responsibility and the opportunity we have to create our own realities, to become as confident and hopeful as the best politician, as prepared and determined as an Olympic competitor, and as ethical and selfless as a modern day

With more than 19,000 living alumni that hail from all 50 states and 56 countries, accomplished Culver alumni include actor Hal Holbrook '42, Weather Channel founder Frank Batten '45, New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner '48, author and U.S. National Ambassador for Young People's Literature Jon Scieszka '72, Abbott Chairman and CEO Miles White '73, Dr. Elizabeth Feighan MD '79, The Daily Herald journalist Patricia Babcock McGraw '90, and one of the world's foremost authorities on infectious diseases, Dr. Sally Hodder MD '72.

For more information, visit www.culver.org.



## Culver Boys & Girls Club winner

The Culver Boys & Girls Club held a drawing Aug. 29 for anyone who joined or renewed their membership during the month of August. The winner had a chance to win a 19 inch color TV. Sixty people qualified for the drawing. Pictured is the winner, 3rd grader Reilly Reinhold and her mother Rhonda Reinhold (at left). Also pictured, from left, are Mary Ann Tidwell, program director, and Stephanie Koepkey, secetary and program staff. The Club is located at Culver Elementary School and runs daily from 3 to 6:50 p.m. Cost is \$25 for a year's membershi; scholarships available for those who qualify. Questions or concerns may be directed to 574-250-0103.

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## **Books for babies**

Candy Bash (far left) of the Marshall County Reading Council presents one of 50 donated "Books for Babies" bookbags to obstetric nurses (from the left) Lorrie Peterson and Sara Mahoney in one of the Community Hospital of Bremen's new birthing suites. Director of Nursing Andrea Koontz holds the bookbag which is a result of a whole community effort.

The bookbag was made by the Walnut Ruralites Homemakers Group and the bags were stuffed by Culver 5th grade teacher RaeAnn Stevens class with books gathered by Culver Elementary students. Every new baby at the hospital will receive one of the bookbags to encourage new parents to read to their babies and older children.

## **CMA Band places first** in Blueberry Festival Parade

By Mary Jo Finley

The Culver Military Band, directed by William Browne, David Weirich and Chad Guard, on first place in the Blueberry Festival Parade Monday. There was only one award. Student leaders are Drum Major Staff Sergeant Kent Turner, French horn, senior, LaPorte; and Company Commander Lieutenant Ryan Puccia, trumpet, senior, Terre Haute. George Middleton is Band Unit Counselor.Browne said, "They played the entire route. The kids just paced themselves and they did a great job. They were really moved when we turned the corner at Garro Street and everyone stood.

Other marching bands competing in the parade included: Argos, Bremen, Culver Community, John Glenn, Oregon-Davis, Rochester, Triton and John Adams, who in a goodwill gesture, played Plymouth's fight song. Plymouth served as host, not competing. Judges were the "Three Bs" -- not Bach, Beethoven and Brahms -- but David Benefiel, Tom Boyes and Donna Burroughs.

Hopefully everyone got out to hear some of the free, great music at the Blueberry Festival. It was sure an honor for Denver Bierman and the Mile High Orchestra to come to Plymouth and put on their powerhouse show. Bierman and fellow musician Adam Beck, Plymouth native, served as parade marshals.

## Trail of Death caravan leaves this weekend

The Trail of Death Commemorative Caravan will travel from Indiana to Kansas Sept. 22-28. This is the fifth time the caravan has been organized, having traveled first in 1988 for the 150th anniversary of the Potawatomi Trail of Death, a forced removal from north central Indiana to eastern Kansas. In 1988 the caravan encountered drought, in 1993 the worst flood in 100 years - they rescued an elderly Potawatomi man from a flooded creek in Kansas, in 1998 they gave programs to many schools on the way, and in 2003 they dedicated the last Trail of Death historical markers needed to complete their goal of erecting markers at each camp site every 15 to 20 miles. All the markers were sponsored by volunteers at no expense to taxpayers. In 2003 the Potawatomi families on the caravan adopted Shirley and Bill Willard, Rochester, Indiana, for their many years of work commemorating the Trail of Death, having established the Trail of Courage Living History Festival in 1976, erecting markers, and helping with every phase of the caravan.

The Willards have retired but are still helping with the Indiana segment of the trip. George Godfrey, Athens, Illinois, is leading the caravan this year. He is a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation and had ancestors on the Trail of Death. Godfrey is president of the Potawatomi Trail of Death Association, a branch of the Fulton County Historical Society, Rochester. It has members in all 25 counties along the Trail of Death route.

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The Trail of Death caravan will begin at Chief Menominee's statue north of Culver on Peach Road at 9 a.m. Sept. 22. George Schricker, Plymouth, will sing the song he wrote about "Menominee - The Man Who Would Not Sign." Menominee refused to sign the treaty of 1836 in Fulton County, refused to sell his land for \$1 an acre and move

west. So the Indiana government sent militia to round up the Potawatomi and forced them to leave. On Sept. 5, 1838, they were marched at gunpoint down

Rochester's Main Street. The public is invited to the ceremony at the Menominee monument and also to come along with the caravan as far as they wish, half a day or all the way, 660 miles to Kansas. The first day they will eat lunch at Logansport hospital, visit the Wabash and Erie Canal Center in Delphi, and spend the night at Lafayette. They will be traveling in cars and staying in motels in each town: Springfield, Ill. Sept. 23, Quincy, Ill. Sept. 24, Moberly, MO Sept. 25, Independence MO Sept. 26, Lawrence, Kan. Sept. 27. For a complete itinerary and to register to travel with the caravan, see www.potawatomi-tda.org. Pictures of all the historical markers and driving directions are also on the web site.

In 1994 the state legislatures of Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Kansas passed resolutions declaring the Trail of Death to be a Regional Historic Trail.

For more information call George Godfrey at 217-636-8120 or Shirley Willard at 574-223-2352.

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## Scoreboard, from page 6-

• PENN 3, CULVER MILITARY 2 At Culver

SINGLES: 1. Andy Hansen (P) beat Christian Sunseri, 6-3, 6-4. 2. Ethan Leiter (P) beat AleJandro Blake, 6-4, 6-2. 3. Kevin Park (CMA) beat Spence Heise, 6-2, 6-1.

DOUBLES: 1. Nithin Reddy-Herman Liz (CMA) beat Vince Beam-Oliver Gunter, 6-4, 6-4. 2. Brian Hickman-Andrew Bushnell (P) beat Adam Holt-Jack Mitzell, 6-2, 2-6, 10-8. WEST LAFAYETTE 4, CMA 1 SINGLES: 1. Joey Frank (WL) beat Christian Sunseri, 6-3, 6-4. 2. Andrew Voss (WL) beat AleJandro Blake, 6-3, 6-2. 3. Kevin Park (CMA) beat Eric Basaran, 6-3, 6-1.

DOUBLES: 1. Christopher Post-Sean McCabe (WL) beat Nithin Reddy-Herman Liz. 2. Taylor Kehl-Joey Krause (WL) beat Adam Holt-Jack Mitzell, 6-3, 2-6, 11-9. MUNSTER 5, CMA 0

SINGLES: 1. Bill Heuer (M) beat

Christian Sunseri, 6-1, 6-2. 2. Aadityah Shah (M) beat AleJndro Blake, 6-2, 6-0. 3. Zach Tritsch (M) beat Will Stackhouse, 6-1, 6-0.

Stackhouse, 6-1, 6-0.

DOUBLES: Eli Wilson-Austin Wynn
(M) beat Kevin Park-Adam Holt, 6-2,
6-2. 2. Brian Heuer-Chandler Marcus
(M) beat Jack Mitzell-Blake Roubos,

## Council, from page 1

Council member Ed Pinder pointed out that trees located within town jurisdiction have significantly damaged Loehmer's sidewalk, making his a special case that should be reimbursed regardless of Bennett's. Overmyer countered that an agreement had already been reached that any money left over from the sharing program would go towards sidewalk repairs around town due to tree damage, in conjunction with Culver's tree commission.

Council member Ginny Munroe agreed that the Bennett property should not have been allowed reimbursement, but expressed concern that reimbursing Loehmer to compensate for the Bennett action would set a bad precedent. "Are we going to go back and reimburse the people who applied in (years) past?" Munroe asked. "Are we going to open up that can of worms?"

Loehmer asked about qualifications required to be building inspector. "I don't think we should be discussing that," replied Pinder. "Russ isn't here to defend himself. We've hired him to do a job and we need to let him do it."

Noting the town can require sidewalk replacement after a major construction or renovation project is underway, audience member Grant Munroe suggested the council revise the specifics of the program so property owners aren't informed halfway through a project that the cost of sidewalk replacement must be added to their expenses. Town clerk Casey Howard noted such a concern needs to be brought up through Culver's plan commission, through which Mason technically works.

The council agreed – with Munroe voting against – to share the cost of 600 square feet of sidewalk on the side of Loehmer's property, where tree damage to the existing sidewalk has occurred.

The council also formally agreed to research and choose a vendor to conduct a neutral study of the possible impact on the community by a planned unit development on the southeast side of Lake Maxinkuckee tentatively dubbed Maxinkuckee Village. The move came after extensive discussion of the matter at a council work session the previous week.

The council held its third and final reading of ordinance 2008-008, its annual salary ordinance, which establishes a salary scale for town employees for the following year.

Discussion also arose concerning Culver wastewater superintendent Joe Sheppard, whose request to take a part-time job as wastewater superintendent at Bruce Lake was a topic of discussion at the previous council meeting. Sheppard's Culver co-worker Chip Shoffstall, who said he would assist Sheppard in the after-hours endeavor, was on hand Sept. 9 to explain to the council that Culver's wastewater concerns would take priority over Bruce Lake's, and that work at the new job would not be performed during on-the-clock Culver hours. Concern had been expressed by council members at the last meeting that the Bruce Lake job could compromise Sheppard's effectiveness locally if a problem arose at both locations simultaneously.

Munroe and Overmyer expressed concern about already-existent overtime hours in the water-sewer dept. at Culver, which they felt could increase if Sheppard and Shoffstall take the new job. Shoffstall noted Sheppard has not yet been formally offered the Bruce Lake position.

Culver park director Kelly Young told the council firm dates have been established for building Vandalia Village, the community-built playground in the east (lower) end of the park, a project for which fund-raising efforts have been ongoing over the past few years.

Oct. 18 and 19 will be work days, Young said. She hopes to coordinate with Bob Porter of Culver's street dept. to remove existing equipment there in the near future, and intends to move rubber ground cover from the east end to play areas in the park's west end, which will be unaffected by the new construction. Young also noted Vandalia Village is "an open-ended project. If additional money comes in, we can expand...we felt it was important that we get something down there to inspire people to continue contributing."

The council approved posting ads for, and hiring, two additional part-time employees to assist in this fall's leaf pickup. Also approved was forgiving \$78.76 from a resident's sewer bill after a water heater pipe broke in her basement, causing an unusually high water and sewer bill, according to Howard.

Town attorney Ron Gifford reported he has given building inspector Mason copies of other cities' policies on handling abandoned houses, an issue raised at recent council meetings. Gifford also noted a south shore property owner has filed an appeal relating to a decision made by Mason that storage sheds built on that property are not compliant with existing ordinances. The appeal is based on the assertion that the plan commission, which ruled on the matter, was not the proper body to handle the decision, and the property owner is filing for special use with the board of zoning appeals.

Gifford shared with the council the noise ordinance in use by the city of Plymouth, which limits the amount of feet a nuisance noise source can exist from an affected property, an issue raised at the last meeting. Culver police chief Wayne Bean said the approach presented by Gifford is "probably the best scenario as far as ordinances. You have to individually look at each (situation). There are different remedies for different things."

The council will discuss the matter further at its next work session.

\$2,000 was approved by the council for placing advertisements on government, national, state, and local sites and newspapers seeking a new town manager for Culver, after Munroe reported she had narrowed her efforts down to an optimal few venues in which to advertise. The council plans to go through the hiring process itself, with potential hires meeting with town department heads. A final job description will be available on the town's website at <u>www.townofculver.</u> org, in the future.

Dick Brantingham noted three street banners had been apparently stolen over the past weekend, bringing the total stolen to seven. Council president Sally Ricciardi added that a number of street identification signs have been removed over the summer as well.

The council also approved Culver Academy students placing a Relay for Life on Lake Shore Drive over parents' weekend this fall, after which it will be removed. Students, said Ricciardi, also hope to raise the banner again at a date closer to the second annual Relay event in the spring of 2009.

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# LMax film fest was success, say organizers

By Jeff Kenne Citizen edite

No doubt recuperating from months of hard work, the Lake Maxinkuckee Film Festival committee has tallied up some of the results of the first annual event, held over Labor Day weekend at the Uptown Cinema and town park. The theme of the event was "the gift of warmth," and collected over the course of the weekend were "150 pounds of good, wearable coats," says Dick Dugger, one of the organizers of the festival. Add to that ger says will be matched by government funding through NIPSCO to provide heat for those in need in Marshall County. The Culver school district, which the "gift of warmth" is meant to target, encompasses three counties besides Marshall (Starke, Pulaski, and Fulton), and Dugger says work is being done to ascertain how to get donations to Culver area students in those counties as well.

Dugger thanked "the people of the community who came out, enjoyed the evening, and made a contribuappreciation for the town of Culver and the fire department for use of their parking lot, as well as the park board, Lions Club, Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver, Trinity Lutheran church, and Ralph Winters for their efforts as well.

"It seems to have been well received," Bickel says of the event. "The biggest (questions) I got were, 'Is it going to become bigger next year,' and 'Will more people know about it?' They certainly will. This was a good test, getting the first one out, and



Audience members at the first annual Lake Maxinkuckee Film Festival are serenaded Aug. 30 by members of the Culver Comm. High School's Jazz Street choir group, under the leadership of director Diane Derrow. Jazz Street was part of a roster of entertainment in Culver's town park leading up to the showing of the film "Chicago" on a 25-foot screen in the park.

CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

80 pounds of sweaters, 50 pounds of knit caps, mittens, gloves, scarves, and boots, and 40 pounds of winter vests, sweat shirts, and lighter weight winter wear, and it's safe to say the event was a success, especially for its first year. That's not counting over \$5,000 (final tallies aren't yet in, and Uptown owner and festival organizer Dan Bickel says donations are still arriving) in monetary donations, which Dug-

tion."

He also thanked the festival steering committee, which besides Dugger included Lois Broeker, Ellen Freese, Jim Harper, Pastor K.C. Dehning, Dan Bickel, Dusty Henricks, Pat and Art Birk, and John Zeglis.

Bickel offered a special note of thanks to Larry Surrisi, Bridget and Shane Lowry, and the Culver Academies – particularly for use of its tents for the event. He expressed the word spread well. People are excited and talking about it. We expect and hope next year's event will become much bigger and better."

Bickel added that the festival achieved what he had hoped in that "it bridged all the elements of Culver: the town, the lake, and the Academy. It brought everybody together in a positive way."

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