

In Brief

Candlelight service at CBC

The Culver Bible Church will hold its annual candlelight service Sun., Dec. 21 at 6 p.m. Various members of the congregation will be participating through music and readings. Refreshments will follow in the church basement. All are invited. The church is located at 718 S. Main St. For more information, call 574-842-3056.

Maxinkuckee Players

meet

The Maxinkuckee Players will meet Sunday, Dec. 21 at Grace Church of Christ, 307 N. Plymouth St., Culver for their board meeting. The board meeting begins at 2 p.m. and the general board meeting will take place at 3 p.m. The group will discuss the election of officers and place selections for the 2009 events.

REAL Services Christmas meal

Keeping Culver's food pantry afloat

Amy Hutchins, left, flanked by shelves of food in Culver's food pantry, located in the basement of Grace United Church of Christ on Plymouth St. Hutchins, inn charge of the panty for more than ten years, says shelves empty almost as soon as their full, though a recent surge in donations thanks to Culver area churches, businesses, organizations, and individuals has been helping. At right, volunteer Melisa Gouker helps unload boxes and bags of donations.

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Meeting Culver's needs Hutchins, pantry invaluable in tough times

By Jeff Kenney Citizen editor

Like the rest of the nation, Culver has been markedly affected by current nationwide conomic woes, and – as has been noted in recent issues of the Citizen – Culver's food pantry has been feeling the pinch.

Culver Council of Churches president and food pantry director Amy Hutchins says the number of people visiting the pantry, located in the basement of the Grace United Church of Christ on Plymouth Street in Culver, has dramatically increased since early September. We used to get maybe 10 families a visit," she says, referring to the 10 a.m. to noon open" hours at the pantry the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. "The last time we had 30. That breaks down to close to 200 individual people.'

Hutchins believes Culver has had a food pantry at least since the formation of the Council of Churches in the 1940s. She's been in charge of the pantry since 11 or 12 years ago, when the pastor of Grace at the time asked her at a Council of Churches meeting to take

Academies headed to inaugural

Parade will mark 15th appearance since 1913

Culver Academies' Black Horse Troop and Equestriennes have received and accepted an invitation to participate in the Obama-Biden Presidential Inaugural Parade in Washington D.C. on January 20, 2009. This will mark the 15th time that Culver Academies has participated in the Inaugural Parade.

In addition to multiple state and national events, the Black Horse Troop, the boys' unit, has participated in 14

Culver's REAL Services for older adults invites the community to share its annual Christmas meal Tues., Dec. 23, starting at 11:30 a.m. Besides the food, Santa will be on hand along with plenty of holiday fun and cheer. Those interested in attending are asked to call 574-842-8878 by Fri., Dec. 19 to make a reservation. There is a \$3.50 suggested donation for the meal.

Culver HS basketball history book on sale

Culver High School's Business Professionals of America is selling copies of the Culver Community boys and girls basketball record book. The book is a compilation of statistics from teams from 1968 through the present. It includes coaches' and players' individual and team records, awards, and year-by-year, team-by-team scores. The cost of the book is \$10. Anyone who has followed basketball here over the years will want this novel idea for a Christmas gift. Copies may be purchased at the Culver High School.

St. Mary's Nativity pageant Dec. 19

St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church will hold its annual Nativity Pageant, reenacting the Gospel story

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over his work there. "There was nothing in it but green beans at the time," she smiles, 'but it was here."

Since then, Hutchins - who lived in the surrounding rural community before moving nto the town of Culver in 1989 – has worked to improve See Pantry page 2 he pantry's offering. "I asked why there was no USDA

Record-breaking commitment to Academies will impact entire area School is largest employer in county

inaugural parades, with the Equestriennes, the girls' unit,



Culver Academies' Black Horse Troop in its first presidential inaugural parade, 1917.

PHOTO/CULVER ACADEMIES ARCHIVES

Culver hit the TV news and regional headlines twice last week; once when the Academies' Black Horse Troop accepted an invitation to the presidential inaugural in January, and again at the announcement of a record-breaking donation to the school whose impact will be felt beyond the Academies' campus and into the community and county, where Culver Academies represents the largest employer in Marshall County.

Landmark Communications founder Frank Batten and his wife, Jane, who reside in receiving an invitation is never taken for granted, espe-Virginia Beach, Va., have given his Culver alma mater a two-part gift that could reach \$70 million.

The Batten gift to Culver includes a \$20 million endowment for the creation of the Baten Fellows Program that will help ensure competitive salaries and professional developnent opportunities for Culver's faculty, today and in the future.

The second part of the Batten gift, to be known as The Batten Leadership Challenge, s a commitment to match gifts up to a cumulative total of \$50 million. The funds raised nust be for endowment purposes only, as part of the school's \$300 million "By Example" campaign. The Batten Leadership Challenge will run until Jan. 31, 2010. It is believed to be one of the largest challenge grant programs for any secondary school.

If the school earns the full match for The Batten Leadership Challenge gift, it will bring the total commitment of the Battens to Culver to over \$100 million. Frank and Jane Baten have already donated over \$34 million to Culver, including a \$20.8 million gift in 2003. Previous gifts established the Batten Scholars program which has enabled Culver to attract outstanding students from throughout the United States.

In making the gift, Mr. Batten said, "Culver was a very positive influence in my life at an impressionable age with its unique emphasis on individual responsibility, ethical lecision-making, and student leadership. Jane and I are pleased to give back to present and future students what was given to me."

John Buxton, Culver's Head of Schools, said "This is he gift every head of schools in the country dreams about.

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in five inaugural parades.

the Black Horse Troop at

"We are absolutely thrilled to be able to carry on a tradition that began nearly one hundred years ago," said John N. Buxton, Head of Schools for Culver Academies. "While cially in an election year that has galvanized the interest of the voting public, our students actually began preparing for this opportunity in September. Receiving this invitation is a testament to their efforts as well as an acknowledgement of Culver's history as a participant in the parade. We are grateful to everyone who supported us and made this a reality. We are especially honored to be representing the Culver Academies, the great state of Indiana, and the United States of America."

Culver's participation is a tradition dating back more than 90 years to Woodrow Wilson's inaugurals in 1913 and 1917. In both, Culver's Black Horse Troop served as the personal escort to former Indiana Governor and then Vice President, Thomas Marshall.

The Black Horse Troop made its third appearance during President Dwight D. Eisenhower's second inaugural in 1957, and then participated in every inaugural parade through 1989. It returned to the parade in 1997. The Equestriennes, formed in 1980, first participated with

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'Making change with change'

J.C. Kids' Sunday School class asked congregants at Emmanuel Methodist Church to give their change and "Make Change with Change." and opted to help Miller's Merry Manor. They asked the nursing home what they could do and presented to Miller's a new DVD player and two games for their Wii machine Sun., Dec. 7.

In the photo above, front row, left to right: Colton Morgan, Kainen Morgan. Second row: Angela Lewellen, Robert Andre (Resident Council President), Tia Romig. Third row: Peggy Biddle (Assistant Activity Director), Christine Baker (Activity Director).

"These children are learning that God's gift to us is Jesus," said Cara Lewellen, J.C.'s Kids teacher. "Now they want to help others who need some cheer at Christmas."

"Change" can make "change." The students still have some money left, and they plan to help a local family at Christmas with food and gifts. J.C.'s Kids are Tia Romig, Kainen Morgan, Colton Morgan, and Angella Lewellen. Their teachers are Linda Porter and Cara Lewellen.

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AHS memorial bricks a unique gift idea

With the holiday season upon us and folks scurrying around looking for just the right gift, the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver has a suggestion. This would be a wonderful time of year to give a remembrance brick.

As most readers are aware, these bricks become a permanent part of beautiful Heritage Park at the corner of Main and Jefferson Street in downtown Culver.

These individual pavers are a thoughtful and lasting way to create a wonderful remembrance of families, relatives or friends. And it's not necessary to have passed on to have a brick in the park. Not surprisingly, more than a few pets have been memorialized in the park.

Four by eight inch bricks with one or two lines for \$50 and eight by eight inch bricks with up to four lines for \$100 are available. These donations to the Society for the bricks are tax deductible.

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food or anything, and they said they couldn't do it. It took a couple of phone calls and contracts being signed, and then we got the stuff."

She says the South Bend food bank is the source of the majority of the pantry's food, followed by USDA government-issued food and community donations. Hutchins is grateful for the help of Lions Club members who assist in the stocking of the pantry. Lion Leroy Bean – recently awarded "Volunteer of the Year" by Culver's Chamber of Commerce – picks up the food in South Bend and from the United Methodist Women's thrift store in Culver (one of several drop-offs for items), with Bean and other Lions like Art and Pat Birk aiding in putting items on the pantry shelves.

"It looks full today," notes Hutchins, glancing around a pantry with shelves fairly wellstocked with hundreds of canned and dry foods. "But by the time I get out of here at noon, it will probably be pretty well used up."

It's not quite 10 a.m. and already half a dozen people are waiting in the room outside the pantry proper. Hutchins says there's no screening process to receive food, but visitors to the pantry are asked to sign in and write the number of people in their family. "The amount of people I have is the key for the government to figure out how much commodities they'll be able to give me," she explains.

In recent weeks, a number of community organizations – from churches to service clubs, to schools and businesses – have stepped up to the plate in Culver to help raise money and food for the pantry. As Hutchins speaks, Brian and Carla McCormack of Papa's Pizza walk in with several boxes of donated food, the result of a request made on the billboard sign outside their restaurant. They say the donations are the result of a week of advertising, and they plan a longer campaign in the future. Wesley Preschool held two "pajama parties" for its students, with a food item for the pantry as the entrance fee. Culver Public Library's "food for fines" campaign is offering one dollar off patron overdue fines for each item donated towards the pantry.

Culver Academies student Ian Greenberg, in charge of community service amongst students, heard about the need from art instructor Bob Nowalk. He and other students launched a campus-wide drive that included placing boxes around the campus for food donations, holding a \$20 per person challenge for teachers, and passing the hat at church

services, which resulted in an anonymous donor offering matching money for whatever was collected. The result: over 300 pounds of food and a check for the pantry of more than \$1,200. And the list goes on.

Hutchins says she's very thankful for the donations, but also reminds people that the need extends beyond the holiday season. "This will be needed all year long until things pick up," she notes.

In particular, Hutchins says, personal supplies like shampoo and deodorant – which the food bank doesn't carry – are in short supply and always welcome. She encourages those wishing to donate to call her at 574-842-2598 or contact Pastor Robin Keating of Grace United Church of Christ at 574-842-2331.

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of the birth of Jesus, Fri., Dec. 19 at 5:30 p.m. Following the pageant, an Advent party and carry-in will take place in the basement of the church at 124 College Ave. in Culver. The public is welcome.

Winter open gym

An open gym will be held for adults at the Culver Middle School gym this winter, Sundays from 1 to 3 p.m., from Nov. 30, 2008 to March 1, 2009. Cost is \$2 per Sunday, or \$15 for the entire winter. Questions can be directed to Ken VanDePutte at 574-274-9942.

4-H enrollment

2009 Marshall Co. 4-H enrollment forms are now available in the Marshall Co. Extension Office. The 4-H enrollment period for regular 4-H membership (grades 3–12) will continue until Feb. 15. The enrollment period for mini 4-H (grades 1 & 2) and "first-timer" (those in grades 3–12 that have never previously enrolled) will extend until May 15. New for 2009, there are now separate enrollment forms for regular and mini 4-H membership. Questions regarding any facet of the 4-H program can be directed to the Extension Office at 935-8545.

Culver library's 'food for fines'

The Culver-Union Twp. Public Library will accept donations of non-perishable food and personal items for Culver's food pantry to offset fines accrued for already returned items, between Nov. 3 and Jan. 3. Each item donated is good for one dollar off a patron's fine. Donated items may not be used to pay for lost or damaged items, and will not be accepted to pay fines for items still unreturned. Items should be brought to the circulation desk and given to a clerk along with the patron's name.

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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.

Citizen cell phone

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

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Christmas in Culver Holiday events around the area

Please submit your holiday events to citizen@culcom. net or by calling 574-261-7887.

Dec. 13: Stories and cookies with Santa, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library

Dec. 14: Annual Christmas Vespers, 5:30 p.m., Memorial Chapel, Culver Academies campus

Dec. 15: "Spirit of Christmas" Huffington Concert Series performance, 7:30 p.m., Eppley Auditorium, Culver Academies

Dec. 19: Nativity Pageant and Advent party with Santa, 5:30 m. St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church

5:30 p.m., St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church **Dec. 21:** Christmas candlelight service, 6 p.m., Culver Bible Church

Police blotter

Dana S. Neer, 45, of Russiaville, Ind., cited for speeding, 70 mph in a 55 mph zone Oct. 19.

Megean Grace Girard, Culver, was charged with operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, driving while suspended, improper display of registration plate, and driving while suspended Oct. 21.

Robert L. Smith Jr., 20, of South Bend, cited for driving while suspended Oct. 22.

Weston S. Workman, 23, of Knox, cited for expired registration Oct. 27.

Lesley A. Stout, 26, of Lafayette, cited for an expired registration Oct. 27.

William L. Clingler, 49, of Culver, was cited for an expired driver's license Oct. 29.

Cheryl L. McKinley, 50, of Donaldson, cited for speeding, 79 mph in a 55 mph zone Nov. 2.

Brock Edward Lee Sims, Culver, was charged with two counts of battery resulting in bodily injury Nov. 2.

Charles J. Margolis, 29, of Indianapolis, cited for a golf cart ordinance violation Nov. 3.

Alexander R. Sage, 18, of Culver, was cited for a seatbelt violation Nov. 3.

Jessica Jean Jelinek, Culver, charged with battery resulting in bodily in-

jury, resisting law enforcement, illegal consumption of an alcoholic beverage, criminal mischief Nov. 16.

Gary L. Braasch was charged with operating a motor vehicle after forfeiture of license for life, improper or no tail or plate light, and expired plates in Culver Nov. 16.

Jane B. Sheets, 37, of Culver, cited for a seatbelt violation Nov. 18.

Carles E. Garmon, 22, of Bloomington, Ind., was issued a citation for speeding, 70 mph in a 55 mph zone Nov. 21.

Elizabeth S. Strzelecka, 50, of Chicago, was cited for speeding, 34 mph in a 20 mph zone Nov. 22.

Leon M. Wright, 38, of Knox, cited for seatbelt violation Nov. 22.

Carl E. Hollar, 56, of Argos, cited for seatbelt violation Nov. 22.

Kathleen M. Frederick, 23, of Rindge, NH, cited for seatbelt violation Nov. 22.

Kent C. Hackler, 50, of Knox, cited for seatbelt violation Nov. 22.

Sean M. Dunnuck, 23, of Culver, cited for seatbelt violation Nov. 22.

Joel A. Grandbois, 64, of Rochester, cited for seatbelt violation Nov. 22.

Tiffanie R. McMichael, 20, of Culver, cited for speeding, 70 mph in a 55 mph zone.

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Honored for his service

Culver-UnionTownship EMS secretary-treasurerTomThornburg awards a plaque Dec. 1 to Herb Newman in recognition of his dedicated service to the community and the EMS. Newman retired from the EMS this year as a driver after nine years of service.

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Culver's Tetzloff awarded

The Shaffer Trucking terminal in Columbus, Ohio, once again named Jeffrey Tetzloff of Culver Driver of the Month for September. Tetzloff also received this award in April and August of this year.

Tetzloff started driving 24 years ago and has logged more than a 2.5 miles.

Tetzloff will receive a plaque and compete with drivers of the month from 13 other fleets for Shaffer Trucking's Driver of the Year award, which is awarded in December.

Community Calendar

Thursday, Dec. 18

Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., Culver Library Board of Zoning Appeals mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall Knights of Columbus business mtg, 7 p.m., St. Mary of the Lake church rectory basement

Friday, Dec. 19

Nativity pageant, 5:30 p.m., St. Mary of the Lake Catholic church

Sunday, Dec. 21

Open gym, 1 p.m., Culver Middle School gymnasium Christmas candlelight service, 6 p.m., Culver Bible Church

Monday, Dec. 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

DivorceCare, 7 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ Culver Comm. School board mtg., 7 p.m., administration bldg.

Tuesday, Dec. 23

Fitness class, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library Town council mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall

Wed., Dec. 24-Thurs., Dec. 25 Christmas Eve & Christmas day.

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Death notice - Redweik

Karl P. Redweik Dec. 8, 2008

SAN PIERRE — Karl P. Redweik, 61, of San Pierre, died Monday, Dec. 8, 2008 at home.

He is survived by his daughter, Karla (Daniel) Kreamer of Winamac; son, Martin (Leslie) Redweik of Knox; sister: Olga A. Matzat of Culver; brothers: Ewald Redweik of Kewanna and Rolland Redweik of North Judson; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Visitation was Thursday, Dec. 11 from 4 to 8 p.m. CT at the O'Donnell Funeral Home, Inc., North Judson. Funeral services were Friday, Dec. 12 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery, North Judson.

CPD 'Operation Pullover' leads to chase, arrest

Each year the Culver Police Department participates in four blitzes throughout the year in which officers of the department conduct extra traffic enforcement focused on "safe family travel," which consists of targeting D.U.I. and seatbelt enforcement.

The most recent enforcement period was held over the Thanksgiving holiday and was conducted during the period of Nov. 14 through 30. During this time frame, the CPD utilized four officers working an additional combined thirteen hours of enforcement.

During the enforcement, the CPD made several traffic stops, one of which resulted in a driver being arrested on an outstanding warrant. The project also resulted in a subject being arrested for felony charges based on a police pursuit which started after the driver refused to stop for police.

On Nov. 24, Officer Bill Strong of the Culver Police Department had been working overtime patrol when he approached the intersection of SR 10 and SR 17 and found a vehicle disregard the four way intersection at a high rate of speed. Officer Strong attempted to stop said vehicle for the violation; however, the driver refused to stop and a pursuit entailed. While refusing to stop, the driver was involved in a minor single vehicle accident in which the vehicle he was driving collided with a utility pole. The driver continued until he started to travel down an unpaved lane in the 15,000 block of SR 17, where he ran his vehicle off the lane and was no longer able to continue. The driver was identified as 21 year old Richard Michael Morris of Culver and was taken into custody without further incident. Officer Strong was assisted by Deputy Chief Chad Becker and the Marshall County Sheriff's Office.

Morris was arrested and later formally charged with the following:

Resisting law enforcement: class D felony; operating a vehicle while intoxicated: class D felony; failure to stop after property damage accident: class B misdemeanor; disregarding stop sign: class C infraction; failure to use seatbelt: class D infraction.

Morris was also found to have an active warrant from Fulton County. Indiana.

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OPINION

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A Savior is born Many times at Christmas, we get bogged down with so many things like what to buy who, Christmas cards, Christmas decorations, Christmas parties, and Christmas

dinners, that we forget what Christmas is all about. We have heard so much in the news lately about the

economy and, are we going to spend enough this Christmas to keep the economy going, that we forget that it is the birthday of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

In Matthew 1: 20, 21, the angel tells Joseph that Mary had conceived of the Holy Ghost and will give birth to a son, and she will call him Jesus because "Je will save his people from their sins.'

In Luke 2: 10, 11, the angel tells the shepherds to "not fear for unto you is born this day a Savior who is Christ the Lord."

The word Christmas itself implies what we celebrate at this time of year, but we often forget what it's all about.

Nostalgia

75 years ago Dec. 20, 1933

The feat of a cat belonging to A.J. Hewes of Culver, which recently walked 185 miles in 99 days to get back home from Bloomington, has been spread over the country by radio. Famed news commentator Lowell Thomas, over a national radio network, broadcast the news from the pages of the Citizen, making the cat one of the most famous in the feline family.

Paul Snyder has purchased the Medbourn grocery store on South Main Street, taking possession Dec. 18. The grocery will take the name Snyder's Grocery; Mr. Snyder has several years in the grocery business. Mr. Medbourn has resumed his job as a traveler for a manufacturing concern, and will continue to live in Culver.

\$1,015 was disburssed into this community -adding a boost in sales according to local retailers -- as a result of local workers in CWA projects. Cement pavement curbs have been completed on Ohio St. from Washington St. to Lake Shore Dr. Sewers are being laid along the schoolhouse and then paving will resume from the Community Bldg. to Main St. Also being worked on: Slate St., paving streets on the south end of town, the fish hatchery is being expanded and improved, the interior and exterior of the library are being repainted and improved, Ten men are at work on the road connecting Jefferson St. with Road 10.

The community Christmas tree was erected by the town board at the corner of Main and Jefferson Streets Fri. night and lighted the same evening. The wiring was donated by E.O. Byrd.

The cadets of Culver Military Academy have a notoriously large appetite in between meals. During a period of one month selected from last year's records, the CMA canteen dispensed no less than 1,070 large glasses of milk, 1,008 half-pint cartons of ice cream, 10,272 tencent servings of ice cream, 5,205 ice cream bars, 15,468 packages of confections, 336 sandwiches, 840 boiled eggs, 1,456 bags of popcorn, 950 malted milks, 4,406 fountain drinks.

Santa will be at Oberlin's 5c and 10c store on Main St. Fri. and Sat. nights from 7 to 9 p.m. to hear what children would like for Christmas.

50 years ago

Dec. 17, 1958

The entire community is highly aroused about the

If someone saved us from a fire, or maybe from drowning or an accident, we would always be grateful to them for saving our lives, and they would become a hero.

Think about it! Jesus is our Savior. He came to save us from sin and give us eternal life, and we spend money for

> everything else and forget all about whose birthday we are celebrating.

This Christmas, please stop and think and stop and thank God for sending his only begotten son, and our Savior, to save us from sin and give us eternal life. It's "His birthday."

When you get together at Christmas, stop for five minutes and read the Christmas story from Luke 2: 1-19. Your Christmas will have so

much more meaning.

We hope that Jesus is your Savior this Christmas.

is entirely frozen over, with temperatures averaging 20 degrees for the first two weeks of the month. Despite the bitter cold, some ice boats were sailing on Lake Maxinkuckee Sunday. It's been a long time since the lake has been so completely frozen over this early in the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Thomas Strang will celebrate their Golden Wedding anniversary Dec. 23. They have lived in Culver since 1913 and he was postmaster here from 1934 until his retirement in 1956. Both have been active through the years in the Methodist Church and civic and fraternal organizations. They have two children: Fletcher P. Strang of Denver, Colo., and Mrs. Robert Ott of Culver.

Glenn Tibbetts Factory Outlet Store in Burr Oak is holdinng its closeout sale, including building, equipment, and 1.4 acres of ground. Also on sale from 30-50 percent off: work clothes, platform rockers and tv chairs, sporting goods and fishing equipment, electric drills, paints, hardware items, and much more.

25 years ago

Dec. 21, 1983

Receivinig special emeritus designation from the board of the Culver Educational Foundation were 15 retired faculty members of the Culver Academies, eight of whom attended the ceremonies: Frank W. Walaitis, William J. Macquillan, Wallace H. Helber, Alfred J. Donnelly, Patrick H. Hodgkin, Myron E. Benner, Martin A. Uebel, and Dr. Milan D. Baker.

The Culver Chamber of Commerce inducted 1984 officers and directors into office at its annual meeting last week. Included: Larry Boetsma, president; Larry Berger, first vice-president; Art Shafer, director; Marianne Ransdell, director; Karen Dehne, second vice president; Ralph Winters, secretrary; Jack Keldenich, treasurer; Dr. Michael Deery, additional director.

REAL Services

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, Dec. 18: Chicken Patty, red potatoes, broccoli, bun, applesauce, and milk. Friday, Dec. 19: Chili, shredded cheese & onion, oyster cracker, pears in season, fruit bar, and milk. 22: Monday, Dec.

Cheeseburger w/ onions, bun, corn, green beans, apricots, and milk.

Tuesday, Dec. 23: Pork loin, cornbread dressing, macaroni & cheese, peas & pearl onions, jellied cranberry sauce, blueberry pie, dinner roll, and milk. Wednesday, Dec. 24: Closed for the holiday. Thursday, Dec. 25:



Pastor's Corner By Ron Lewellen Emmanuel

United Methodist church

lowdown person or persons who removed between 500 and 600 feet of heavy lineal chain which constituted the upper and lower parts of the fence along the southern border of Culver's Masonic Cemetery. Replacement costs of t he fence could run more than \$600. A reward of \$50 has been offered for information leading to the arrest of the guilty party.

Culver and the surrounding area is still shivering with the worst cold snap in the area since 1871. The lake

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Closed for the holiday. Friday, Dec. 26: Ham slice, cheesy mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, bread & margarine, pears, tomato juice, and milk.

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Sports CHS falls to tight Knox defense

Lady Cavs, Eagles battle to 1-point game

Sports Editor **CULVER** Knox packed a potent 1-2 punch Saturday at Culver Community.



PHOTO/DEANNA L. GRENERT Culver Community's AJ Neace, right, leaves his feet to make a pass against Knox Saturday at John R. Nelson Gymnasium. Also pictured is Knox's Devin Garbison, left.

The Redskins landed the first blow with tenacious man-to-man defense that allowed just 15 points through three quarters.

Meanwhile, 6-foot-6 junior post man Kyle Sanders delivered the knockout connection with 14 of his game-high 23 points during the second half of the Redskins' 53-35 Northern State Conference boys basketball win at John R. Nelson Gymnasium.

The wiry Sanders also piled up 15 rebounds and three blocked shots against best 14 points, tossed in

By Dee Grenert a Culver lineup with no player taller than 6-1.

> Even with limited firsthalf touches, Sanders still managed seven points during an 11-0 second-quar-

ter opening run that staked the Redskins to a 19-4 advantage at the 4:15 mark.

Knox. which pounded the ball inside during the second half after hanging around the perimeter during the first half, stayed in front by double figures the rest of the way. The Redskins shot 56.7 percent from the field, led by Sanders' 8-of-11 showing.

"(Sanders) has great hands and uses his body very well," Culver Community head coach Kyle Elliott said. "He's a tough matchup for any of our players. In the first half we double-teamed him, but Knox did a very nice job working the ball. They were patient enough to break us down."

Defensively, Knox's Todd Fornelli locked up Culver sophomore guard Zoe Bauer throughout the first three stanzas. Although Bauer ended up with 11 hardearned points, he scored eight of those during the final 4:43 of the game.

With Bauer tied up, the Cavs struggled to find any offensive continuity. Justin Master, who scored a teamtwo of Culver's three firsthalf field goals. In fact, the Cavs racked up twice as many turnovers — a fairly low six — as baskets in the first half and trailed 23-7 at the intermission.

'Knox comes at you defensively with a tight man to man," Elliott said. "They force you out of your spacing and offensive rhythm. They did a very nice job on Zoe Bauer. We're still trying to get our guys to understand that when the first option is taken away, we need to look for the second option, and they are the second option.

Devin Garbison added 11 points and three rebounds for Knox.

Patrick Mulvihill handed out three assists for Culver, and Larry Clingler nabbed two steals.

• KNOX 53, CULVER COMMUNITY 35 At Culver Score by quarters Knox: 8 23 31 53 Culver: 4 7 15 35 KNOX (53): Todd Fornelli 1 2-2 4, Devin Garbison 3 4-4 11, Joe Rietow 1 2-4 4, Kyle Sanders 8 6-7 23, Cody Binkley 3 0-0 7, Chris Newbauer 1 1-2 4, Jared Benson 0 0-0 0. TOTALS: 17 15-19 53. CULVER (35): Adam Neace 0 1-2 1, Nick Peterson 0 0-0 0, Brock Elliott 1 2-3 5, Justin Master 6 1-3 14, Zoe Bauer 4 1-2 11, Patrick Mulvihill 0 0-0 0, AJ Neace 1 0-2 2,

Larry Clingler 1 0-1 2. TOTALS: 13 5-13 35. 3-point goals: Knox 4 (Garbison, Sanders, Binkley, Newbauer), Culver 4 (Bauer 2, Elliott, Master); Turnovers: Knox 10, Culver 11; Rebounds: Knox 24 (Sanders 15), Culver 16 (Bauer 4); Assists: Knox 9 (Garbison 3), Culver 5 (Mulvihill 3); Steals: Knox 6 (Sanders 2), Culver 6 (Clingler 2); Fouls (fouled out): Knox 19 (Binkley), Culver 21 (none); Records: Knox 4-0 (1-0 NSC), Culver 1-4 (0-1 NSC).

JV score: Knox 37, Culver 24.

Sports Editor CULVER Culver sophomore Community Gwen Zehner won on the stat sheet.

By Dee Grenert

Culver Girls Academy second-year standout Kylee Shipley prevailed on the scoreboard.

Shipley, a middle school teammate of Zehner and three other Culver varsity performers, scored a teamhigh 21 points and clutched six rebounds to lead the visiting Eagles to a 49-48 win in front of a vocal crowd at John R. Nelson Gymnasium Wednesday.

That solid performance allowed the Eagles to withstand an eye-catching 30 points and 18 rebounds from the 6-foot-1 Zehner.

"We survived," CGA head coach Gary Christlieb said. "I give our kids credit. We did a nice job executing late and looking to get the ball to Shipley. I give Culver credit. Over here, on the road is always a tough game. Culver always plays their best game against us.

Shipley's traditional 3-point play broke a 42-42 deadlock - the game's seventh — with 4:37 left in the fourth quarter and put the Eagles in front for good.

Following a jump ball with just less than a minute to play, CGA burned almost 40 seconds, only allowing Shipley and fellow reliable foul shooters Katie Barnes and Cassie Felton to touch the ball. Shipley converted 1-of-2 charity attempts with 19 seconds left to put the Eagles up 49-46.

With the Cavs out of play stoppages, CGA shut off the 3-point arc, leaving Culver to settle for Zehner's final bucket of the evening with three seconds to play.

Meanwhile, the Eagles

also several of the unforced variety. The Cavs also finished a miserable 5-of-16 from the free-throw line, while CGA went 18-for-26.

"Those two things, turnovers and free throws, sum it up," Culver head coach Ashli Faulkner said. "We shot free throws well in our first game, but we haven't shot well since. We've hit rock bottom.

"Turnovers, obviously, were a problem," she added. "A lot of them were just unforced — travels, double dribbles, not-sogreat passes. Still, I told the girls that they've got absolutely nothing to hang their heads about. CGA's a good team."

Even with the turnover and free-throw disparity, the Cavs nearly pulled off the win, battling back to erase eight-point deficits during both the second and third stanzas.

The Cavs consistently pounded the ball inside and rode the Clydesdale-like Zehner, who polished off the third quarter with her third rebound basket, to a 38-37 lead at the end of three quarters.

Culver, which boarded poorly against Bremen Saturday, nearly doubled up CGA on the glass, 40-21. Guards Alison Zehner and Susannah Baker chipped in seven and five boards respectively. Sarah Bailey, pressed into action with reserves Olivia Knapp and Liz West unavailable, tallied a rebound bucket during an 11-2 Culver run that

turned a 33-25 CGA lead with 3:13 left in the third into a short-lived 36-35 CGA edge.

For the Eagles, Felton fought through foul trouble to finish with 12 points. Barnes, like Shipley, nailed a pair of first-half 3s against Culver's 1-3-1 zone, en route to nine points, and also dished out three assists. Emily Loehmer recorded three thefts for CGA, which struggled to a 30 percent mark from the field.

"Early we had some fool's gold; we shot the 3 and then we seemed to try to do the same thing in the second half," Christlieb said. "I thought our offense became a little stagnant."

Both teams play at home Saturday - CGA hosts Riley, while the Cavs entertain Knox in the front end of a boys-girls doubleheader. • CGA 49, CULVER COMMUNITY 48

At Culver Score by quarters CGA: 11 27 37 49 Culver: 8 23 38 48 CGA (49): Alexis Christlieb 0 0-0 0, Katie Gawor 1 0-0 2, Moira Kelley 0 0-0 0, Kylee Shipley 5 8-11 21, Emily Loehmer 1 3-6 5, Erica Sims 0 0-0 0, Cassie Felton 4 4-5 12, Katie Barnes 2 3-4 9. TOTALS: 13 18-26 49.

CULVER (48): Nicole Carnegie 3 0-0 6, Susannah Baker 1 0-0 2, Whitney Sanders 3 1-8 8, Alison Zehner 0 0-0 0, Sarah Bailey 1 0-1 2, Cindy Miller 0 0-0 0, Gwen Zehner 13 4-7 30. TOTALS: 21 5-16 48.

3-point goals: CGA 5 (Shipley 3, Barnes 2), Culver 1 (Sanders), Turnovers: CGA 19, Culver 28; Rebounds: CGA 21 (Shipley 6), Culver 40 (G. Zehner 18); Assists: CGA 6 (Barnes 3), CGA 9 (Baker 3); Steals: CGA 9 (Loehmer 3), Culver 8 (Carnegie 3); Fouls (fouled out): CGA 14 (none), Culver 17 (none); Records: CGA 6-2, Culver 2-6. JV score: Culver 26, CGA 24.

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late-game victory

.ady Cavs topple Knox in

Sports Editor

CULVER — Knox's girls basketball team put Culver Community right where it wanted it.

Apparently that suited the Cavs just fine.

Pulled out of its 1-3-1 zone by a late-game Knox spread and staring down the barrel of a 57-50 fourthquarter deficit. Culver snapped off a 21-2 rally over the final 6:04 and sprinted to a 71-59 Northern State Conference win at John R. Nelson Gymnasium Saturday.

"That was by far our best fourth quarter," Culver Community head coach Ashli Faulkner, whose team shot 50.8 percent from the field for the game, said. "That was a tremendous comeback. I think they've learned from our previous close games.'

Culver sophomore Whitney Sanders recovered from first-half foul trouble to score 16 of her team-high 18 points during the second half, including a drive with 3:07 left in the game that put the Cavs in front for good at 61-59.

Once Culver came after Knox's four-corner offense, Sanders converted three steals into breakaway lavups.

"(Sanders) did a good job reading the defense," Faulkner said. "She saw where the gaps were and went after the ball. I think the light bulb flipped on. Her defense was huge."

Meanwhile, the Redskins turned the ball over an astonishing 11 times during the final frame.

Culver junior guard Su-

By Dee Grenert sannah Baker chipped in 11 of her 17 points during the first half while three starters rested with three fouls apiece. Baker also dished out a game-best eight assists.

"Susannah was huge," Faulkner said. "She knew we were in foul trouble and

she had to shoulder the scoring load. She was attacking the basket, hitting shots and when she didn't

hit shots she was getting to the freethrow line. Ι compliment her her on leadership in

the first half." Inside,

6-foot-1 sophom o r e center

Gwen Zehner hit 7-of-10 from the field on her way to 16 points and seven rebounds, while 6-3 sophomore Patrice McBee scored 12 points and hauled in 12 rebounds during her Culver season debut.

McBee, who missed the Cavs' first eight games with an injury, swatted a shot during her first defensive possession. • CULVER COMMUNITY 71,

KNOX 59

At Culver Score by quarters Knox: 17 35 48 59 Culver: 11 31 46 71

KNOX (59): Paige Wagner 1 3-4 6, Janyl Zachary 2 2-2 6, Heather Pick 0 0-0 0, Erika Combs 2 8-9 12, Kierstynn Combs 5 7-8 20, Laura Simpson 5 0-0 11, Elisabeth Caudill 0 0-0 0, Brittany Tetzloff 0 0-0 0, Pattie Olson 2 0-0 4. TOTALS: 17 20-23 59

CULVER (71): Nicole Carnegie 2 2-6 6, Susannah Baker 6 5-8 17, Patrice McBee 6 0-0 12, Whitney Sanders 7



PHOTO/DEANNA L. GRENERT Culver Community's Whitney Sanders (31) hunts for room on the baseline against Knox's Pattie Olson (31) at John R. Nelson Gymnasium. Sanders scored a team-high 18 points in the Cavs' 71-59 Northern State Conference win Saturday.

> 4-6 18, Alison Zehner 0 0-0 0, Sarah Bailey 1 0-0 2, Cindy Miller 0 0-0 0, Gwen Zehner 7 2-4 16. TOTALS: 29 13-24 71.

3-point goals: Knox 5 (K. Combs 3, Wagner, Simpson), Culver none; Turnovers: Knox 26, Culver 22; Rebounds: Knox 25 (E. Combs 6), Culver 36 (McBee 12); Assists: Knox 9 (E. Combs 3), Culver 15 (Baker 8); Steals: Knox 8 (K. Combs 3), Culver 11 (Sanders 3); Fouls (fouled out): Knox 21 (Simpson, Olson), Culver 21 (none); Records: Knox 1-7 (0-2 NSC), Culver 3-6 (1-1 NSC). JV score: Knox 52, Culver 9.

- who turned the ball over 19 times — benefited from 28 Culver turnovers, five of those created by a thirdquarter full-court press, but

Sports briefs Boys basketball

Eagles triumph

A pair of freshmen led resurgent Culver Military Academy to a 71-48 basketball win at Fleet Gymnasium Friday.

Rookie Travis Britt exploded for 20 points, while classmate point guard Jermaine Myers chipped in 19 points for the Eagles. CULVER MILITARY 7 ELKHART CHRISTIAN 48 At Culver Score by guarters ELKHART CHRISTIAN (48): Matt Dembinski 0 0-0 0, Kyle Revella 1 4-7

6, Mitch West 4 4-5 13, Drew Lyon 7 3-4 17, Sean Addison 2 1-3 5, Caleb Hartman 0 0-0 0, Jess Alexander 0 0-0 0, Jared Metz 1 0-0 2, David Abrell 0 0-0 0, Josh Stephens 1 3-5 8. TOTALS: 16 15-24 48.

CULVER MILITARY (71): Jermaine Myers 9 0-0 19, Wells Davis 3 1-2 8, Ramsey Bradke 0 0-0 0, Blayne Baker 2 0-0 4, Brian Wang 0 0-0 0, Travis Britt 7 2-4 20, Trent Sanders 0 0-0 0, Braxton Troyer 0 2-2 2, Carl Rivera 2 0-0 5, Alex Dodane 0 0-0 0, Trace Thews 3 2-4 8, Trevor Weaser 1 0-0 2, Nick Ahlers 1 0-0 3. TOTALS: 28 7-12 71.

3-point goals: EC 1 (West), CMA 8 (Britt 4, Myers, Davis, Rivera, Ahlers); Personal fouls (fouled out): EC 12 (none), CMA 19 (none). Technicals: CMA 1 (Weaser). Officials: Pat Richter and Nick Mark. Records: Elkhart Christian 1-3, CMA 4-1. JV score: CMA 34 (Ahlers 13), Elkhart Christian 20 (Colin Craft 9).

Girls basketball CGA wins

CGA sophomore Kylee Shipley erupted for 36 points and six rebounds to lead the Eagles to a 66-49 basketball win over Riley Saturday.

Senior Katie Barnes chipped in 16 points for CGA. • CGA 66

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LOCAL Water rate to increase 25.7%

By Jeff Kenney Citizen editor

At the start of the Dec. 9 Culver town council meeting, there really was no question the town was facing a water rate increase. Up for debate, instead, was the amount of increase Ordinance 2008-010 would bring about. At the council's previous meeting, Steve Carter of accounting firm Umbaugh & Associates recommended a 21 percent increase in monthly water rates for Culver, just for the town to break even on costs. He also expressed concern that gradual, annual increases in the two percent range building up to the needed amount might leave water funds in a lurch should a major problem arise requiring heavy capital. Some council members expressed concern, however, about such a large lump increase adding to residents' existing economic woes all at once.

Council member Ralph Winters, noting he had run some of the numbers involved, discussed smaller rates of increase (2.9 and 2.8 percent) annually building up to a final increase between 24 and 26 percent, greater than the 21 percent "break even" amount. "I think we should reach for one of those higher numbers," he said. "That would give us a little room to help rebuild our reserves, which have really been sliding."

Council member Lynn Overmyer agreed the 21 percent increase was likely only to yield yet another substantial increase next year. "I hate to do that to people twice," she added.

Council member Ed Pinder was the dissenting voice on the percentage of increase. "I'm probably the only one who's going to vote 'no' on this, but with the economy the way it is, and poor people in town having to pay for this...I'm almost always proactive about (things), but this is one case I'm not. Steve (Carter) told us we can get by with a 21 percent increase, and I think we should."

Responding to Overmyer's suggestion that the actual dollar amount on residents' bills resulting from the increase is not substantial, Pinder said the increase would be significant for families with multiple water users. "They're the ones who can probably afford it least," he noted.

Council member Ginny Munroe sympathized with Pinder, acknowledging, "if this happened with every bill you pay, certainly you'd be hurting," adding the suggestion the council increase the rate 21 percent now and 2.8 percent annually following, as a matter of policy. "If we keep waiting seven or eight years to sustain the (water) system, we're reacting to a broken system."

In the end, the council passed raising the rate 25.7 percent as a preliminary move, pending advertisement and a public hearing.

The council also opted for a Dec. 18 work session to discuss policy relating to properties not within, but abutting town limits and whether or not new residences on those properties are required to hook up to the town sewer system if they're located within the designated 300 feet of a sanitary sewer.

At issue was planned construction of a residence for Susie Mahler at the corner of Cass and Clymax Streets. According to law, since Mahler's proposed home lies within 300 feet of the town sewer, the town has an option whether to require her to hook up to that sewer or allow her to install a septic system, the latter of which Mahler said is her preference due primarily to cost. The sewer hookup, she said, will cost in the \$18,000 range versus the \$6,000

cost of installing a septic system. Mahler said the county health department has already approved installation of a septic system at the property not to be a health risk.

Of primary concern to the

y tion project, urged the council to establish criteria for making the decision soon.

"We're going to set a precedent," noted Overmyer. "We've got to have it across the board and not pick and choose."

Mahler agreed to bring written validation of opinion from the health department at the Dec. 18, 4:30 p.m. work session.

Town clerk Casey Howard will look into decisions made in the past as to responsibility for town Christmas decorations. The discussion arose after audience member Jean Rakich noted no wreaths or Christmas lights have been hung in Culver so far this year. Fire chief Mike Grover said the lights and decorations in the Culver Lions Club's possessions are in "bad shape" and he didn't feel lighted decorations club safely be hung, though holiday ban-

ners would be fine. Overmyer said the Culver Chamber had agreed to create a list of which organizations and entities in the community would handle decorating.

The council also approved purchase of a new police car for the Culver department, Howard noting police chief Wayne Bean has been "pinching pennies" to prepare for purchase of the vehicle, and will encumber just over \$16,000 in addition to \$10,000 already budgeted for the purchase. Bean said the vehicle, for use by officer Chad Becker, will likely be a Dodge Charger.

The council approved Mike Grover's request to purchase two new dry suits for use in ice rescue or scuba diving in Lake Maxinkuckee, part of the nineperson dive team formed within the fire department.

Grover also agreed to look into purchasing a pole suitable to mount the new fire siren at the town hall in response to Ricciardi's concern that the existing pole is a hazard and liability due to its condition.

Town attorney Jim Clevenger told the council Mr. Ratcliff on the south shore of the lake has filed in court challenging Culver's Board of Zoning Appeals' denial of special use permit for storage sheds on Ratcliff's property. Clevenger has spoken with the BZA's Peter Trone and town building inspector Russ Mason, and they plan to defend their position. A pretrial conference will take place

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In the meantime, Mason reported speaking to the overseers of Ratcliff's property and contacting the Marshall County sheriff's department over trailers sitting on the same property, which Mason said qualify as abandoned vehicles in the absence of proper plates. Mason said Ratcliff's representative told him the trailers are for storage, which brings them under the same zoning violation as the existing storage sheds. Mason, who said he's received three phone calls from neighbors complaining about the trailers, added Ratcliff's representatives told him the property owner "has made his point."

The council will also generate a list of several proposed road projects the town would like to see completed, and which could begin within 120 in hopes of possible funding. Tom Turner, executive

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Between Friends

Sandy Wakefield, left, president of the Friends of the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library, hands a \$600 check to library director Colleen Carpenter, middle, as Friends treasurer Marizetta Kenney looks on. The money, derived largely from Friends book sales, will go towards the purchase of new books for the library.

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council was the probable establishment of a precedent for handling such matters, which members agreed will arise again, in the future. "My inclination," said council president Sally Ricciardi, "is to say, if you're within 300 feet, you should hook on. But because of the cost, I'd like to take a look at it."

Mahler, expressing concern as to a time table to proceed with her construc-

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LOCAL

First Farmers says 'no' to TARP program

First Farmers Financial Corporation, the parent company of First Farmers Bank & Trust in Culver, announced that the bank will not participate in the government TARP Capital Purchase Program. The board stated that despite economic uncertainty, First Farmers believes their adherence to long held strategies of serving local depositors and borrowers will continue to reward stockholders, customers, and employees and that bank capital remains significantly above levels designated "Well Capitalized" by regulatory guidelines. The bank continues to generate earnings sufficient to support current and expected dividends, and retains earnings to support future growth expectations.

The board did announce that First Farmers will participate in all available Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Programs allowing customers to benefit from extended FDIC insurance for all depositors. This includes the increase in coverage to \$250,000 in FDIC insurance, unlimited coverage of non-interest bearing demand accounts, and guarantee of inter-bank lending facilities.

First Farmers Bank & Trust operates 17 branch locations in Indiana and holds over \$630 million in assets.

Inaugural, from page 1—

Ronald Reagan's second Inaugural in 1985.

The Black Horse Troop and Equestriennes are comprised of the best horsemen and women in Culver Military Academy and Culver Girls Academy. Culver expects to take 100 riders with their horses to the parade in January. Plans are to have about 80 Black Horse Troopers, each carrying the American flag. The Equestriennes, an honor organization at Culver will follow the Black Horse Troop. The Black Horse Troop and Equestriennes represent 20 states and 11 countries. Students riding in the Inaugural Parade must maintain good academic standing and citizenship, while demonstrating proficiency in equitation.

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director of the Marshall County Economic Development Council was joined by Development Council board member Kevin Berger and County Commissioner Kevin Overmyer in explaining to the council they'd been contacted by the Michiana Area Council of Governments, the area conduit of the Indiana Dept. of Transportation, that area communities may have a chance to receive monies as part of president-elect Barack Obama's plan to pump federal funds into improving American infrastructure. The three said one proposal in discussion is running fiber optic cable from South Bend down US 31 as far as the State Rd. 10 intersection. Full fiber optic capability would improve the chances of prospective tech industry developments in the Culver area.

Discussed – as suggested by Kathy Clark of the Second Century Committee -- as another possible project needing such funding was moving utility poles and widen West Jefferson Street, part of a plan to make that corridor industry-ready within the next year.

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S.B. RILEY 49 At Culver Score by quarters Riley: 11 22 40 49 CGA: 11 35 50 66 RILEY (49): LaTavia Johnson 3 1-2 7, Angela Dainelli 0 0-0 0, Finesse Bartlett 0 0-0 0, Nicole Konkey 1 2-2 4, Carmen Sahw 0 0-0 0, Shaniqua Williams 0 1-2 1, Lauren Sheffield 1 0-0 2, Jacques Donaldson 4 4-6 12. Ashlin Sanders 10 1-2 23, Jenny Sommers 0 0-2 0. TOTALS 19 9-18

49. CGA (66): Katie Gawor 1 0-0 2, Kylee Shipley 12 9-11 36, Emily Loehmer 3 1-4 7, Cassie Felton 0 0-0 0, Katie Barnes 7 2-2 16, Alexis Christlieb 0 0-0 0, Andrea Lin 0 0-0 0, Moira Kelley 0 1-2 1, Lindsay Haller 0 0-0 0, Erica Sims 2 0-0 4. TOTALS: 25 13-20 66.

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3-point goals: Riley 2 (Sanders), CGA 3 (Shipley). Fouls (fouled out): Riley 15 (none), CGA 16 (Felton). Rebounds: Riley 38 (Sanders 9), CGA 48 (Shipley 6). JV score: CGA 36 (Monica Weaser 9), Riley 32 (Cendenra Hoskins 10, Turquoise Patton 10). Records: CGA 7-2, Riley 2-7.

Boys swimming Eagles coast

CMA earned a 117-67 swim meet win over Marian Saturday. CMA's Derek Samies

played a part in four wins. •CMA 117, MISHAWAKA MARIAN 67 At Culver

Eagles cruise

CMA's swim team splashed its way to an easy 131-54 victory over visiting Logansport Wednesday.

Sam Thomas, Derek Samies and David DeVries were all quadruple winners for the Eagles. • CMA 131, LOGANPORT 54 At Culver

The Batten Fellows Program may be the most generous gift for faculty salaries in the history of secondary school philanthropy. The gift benefits those who make the real difference in students' lives: the faculty. Culver may be the first school in the country to have such an endowment. We are extremely grateful to Frank and Jane Batten for making such a program possible for Culver. This gift will allow us to recognize excellence in teaching and to promote its faculty in a more appropriate way."

James A. Henderson, the Chairman of The Culver Educational Foundation Board, said, "Frank and Jane Batten have made a transformational gift to Culver. This magnificent gift is consistent with Frank's strong advocacy of Culver's emphasis on student leadership and character education and an endowment that can support it properly for students and faculty. The Batten Leadership Challenge is designed to give the Culver constituency the opportunity and inspiration to build Culver's endowment rapidly to ensure we can offer our unique education in perpetuity. We are more than grateful; we are energized."

Mr. Batten, 81, is an emeritus member of The Culver Educational Foundation Board of Trustees on which he has served as a member and officer for 24 years. He is a 1945 graduate of Culver Military Academy and a former student and instructor in Culver's Summer Schools and Camps. After graduation from Culver, Mr. Batten served in the Merchant Marines during World War II and received his bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia and an MBA from Harvard Business School. He is the retired CEO of Landmark Communications in Norfolk, Va. which he built from The Virginian Pilot and Ledger-Star Publishing Company into a major media player in newspapers, television, and internet markets. Mr. Batten also served as chairman of the Associated Press from 1982 to 1987. Landmark recently sold The Weather Channel to a consortium of NBC, Blackstone

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For more information, visit <u>www.culver.org/</u> batten.

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