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In Brief

Holiday meeting this Friday

A meeting to discuss ideas for Culver's holiday decorations and events is scheduled for Friday, October 16 at 2 p.m. at the town hall. Anyone interested in sharing ideas or serving on a holiday committee is invited to attend. Those with questions may call the town hall at 574-842-3140.

Trick-or-Treating

Halloween Trick-or-Treating in Culver will take place Saturday, October 31 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Town Wide Clean-up Day this Saturday

The Town of Culver is sponsoring a Town Wide Clean-Up Day Sat., Oct. 17, from 8 a.m.- 3 p.m. A dumpster, provided by the town, will be placed at the water tower on Lake Shore Dr. Please know that hazardous materials and tires will not be accepted. Those wishing to have items picked up from their homes may call Bob Porter at 574-292-3943.

Native American history ride this Saturday

The Bike Barn – located at 103 E. Lake Shore Drive in Culver – will sponsor a bicycle tour of several of the Culver area's historic Native American-related sites, led by Jeff Kenney of the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver. The event will take place at 9 a.m. this Saturday, October 17. Participants in the approximately 20-mile ride will ride to the east shore of Lake Maxinkuckee and the Twin Lakes area north of Culver, where musician and author George Schrieker will perform. Then riders are invited to the Bike Barn for refreshments and conversation. All bicyclists are asked to bring their own bicycles and helmets. Those with questions may call 574-842-3606 or email don@bikebarnculver.com.

Tree volunteers needed

The Culver Tree Commission is in need of volunteers to help with the planting of 61 trees Saturday, November 7. Volunteers will meet about 8 a.m. for coffee and rolls, and when finished in the early afternoon, will be treated to pizza. The results of the volunteer efforts will be seen in Culver for de-

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Fall fun

PHOTO AT LEFT: John and Susan Childs guide the haywagon – and the Belgian draft horses pulling it – used to provide fun and education at their Childs Farm near Culver, where they use horses to farm Certified Naturally Grown produce in a circa 1900 style. PHOTO AT RIGHT: Visiting Childs Farm to select pumpkins are, from left to right, Ezra Venegoni (in red hat, age 2), Abigail Johnson (aged 14 months), Jared Cargo (age 8), Arielle Venegoni (age 5), McKenna Cargo (age 5), and Emma Venegoni (age 9) examine pumpkins with Susan Childs. The youngsters – all home schooled students from the Knox area – visited the farm October 6 where they took a hayride, chose pumpkins to take home, visited the animals on the farm, and learned about the old-fashioned farming methods employed by the Childs. SEE STORY BELOW, RIGHT.

Academies museum, gift shop opens downtown

As those living in or passing through Culver have likely observed, the Culver Academies Museum and Gift Shop has opened for business at 102 South Main Street (the corner of Main and Jefferson Streets, in the building formerly occupied by Mary's Shoppe). Though the museum officially opened October 2, months of intensive effort has taken place on the part of many involved, including Academies Trustee Jim Dicke II who made the building available to the school and emphasized the importance of a center to preserve its rich history, according to Culver's Head of Schools John Buxton.

"The Academies Museum and Gift Shop is the culmination of over a year's worth of planning and execution," notes Buxton. "First, we are grateful to the Dicke family for not only making the space a reality, but also for providing invaluable concept ideas and staffing to prepare the museum.

"The purpose of this facility is two-fold," he continues. "One: to promote, preserve, promulgate, and interpret the history of the Academies, Summer Schools, and Woodcraft Camp. Two: to offer an easy access visitors' center to provide for area residents and visitors who wish to explore the school's history and to learn more about the admissions employment opportunities here."

Visitors to the Museum and Gift Shop will experience the history of Culver Academies chronologically, starting with the arrival of Henry Harrison Culver – already a successful businessman with the Wrought Iron Range Company in St. Louis – to the area and continuing with his various endeavors on the land which would become Culver Military Academy in 1894. Included, too, are some of the early pillars of CMA such as General Leigh R. Gignilliat, Col. A.F. Fleet, Col. Robert Rossow, and others.



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Mary Eiler, a member of Culver Academies' Culver Parents Association board, browses some of the items available at the retail store portion of the Culver Museum and Gift Shop, which opened October 2 at 102 S. Main Street in downtown Culver.

Moving forward in time, visitors will learn of the earliest days of young women's involvement in the Academy and formation of the Culver Girls Academy.

All of this is illustrated through original artifacts, dating from 1864 to the present, according to Culver Alumni Director Alan Loehr, who notes the museum also includes a "movie room" in which guests may view some of the hundreds of hours of archival footage relating to the Academies and learn about the Hollywood

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An old fashioned fall

Couple's new venture is educational fun for community

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

As John and Susan Childs point out, horse-drawn hayrides don't have to end with the month of October; they're fun year-round, and springtime – for example – affords the opportunity to take in the beauty of newly-blooming flowers. But the Childs know October is likely the most popular month for the age-old activity, and they've got hayrides, alongside a pumpkin patch and a number of other amenities, to offer.

The Childs Farm, at 14118 Peach Road just outside Culver, has really just opened for business this fall, though its proprietors are familiar faces to regular shoppers at Plymouth's farmer's market, where the couple offers its heirloom vegetables and other fresh produce. For the uninitiated, heirloom vegetables are "just very old, open-pollinated varieties" not available in most stores and not hybrids as most commercial vegetables tend to be, says Susan Childs. One variety of cheese pumpkin the Childs sell, for example, dates back to 1834; some of the vegetables to Colonial times.

The cultivation of those vegetables, the couple's choice to do most all of their farming with horses using circa 1900 methods, and the farm's status as Certified Naturally Grown are facets of the operation the Childs hope visitors will embrace as much as the hayrides they offer on their 45 acres of land.

The pumpkin patch is open with horse-drawn hayrides to the patch the middle three weekends in October. Reserved group hayrides are available with a bonfire (no pets or alcohol, please – call for reservations), and there are weekend bobsled rides starting in December, or whenever the prerequisite three inches of snow covers the ground. That prospect has many who've seen the Child Farm flyer excited; it's an old-fashioned offering not available to many in the area for many decades.

John and Susan Childs, originally from Lake County, Indiana, began their journey in 1997 when Susan, a Purdue Master Gardener with a love of heirloom plants and history, asked if she could volunteer to help in the gardens at the popular Buckley Homestead Living History farm in that county. Before long, she was interpreting – that is, explaining – the gardens to guests while dressed in period costume and was eventually joined by fellow history buff, husband John in a variety of roles at the farm.

A four-day, intensive workshop on farming with horses at Tillers International near Kalamazoo in 1998 gave Susan a love for the method, something John picked up a few years later at the same workshop.

The couple's purchase of their Peach Road farm was really, says John, a "fluke" occurring while they sought farmland in Tennessee or Richmond, Indiana, on which to move following his retirement from the Illinois Central railroad. Glancing at a home sales magazine, the two assumed the farm's price had to be a mistake and called the realtor from the car. They closed the deal almost right away, purchasing the land in October, 2006, though they didn't take possession until the following February.

"We did our research about the area (and) I realized there wasn't any living history thing (like Buckley nearby)," says Susan. "At first I was disappointed. We really

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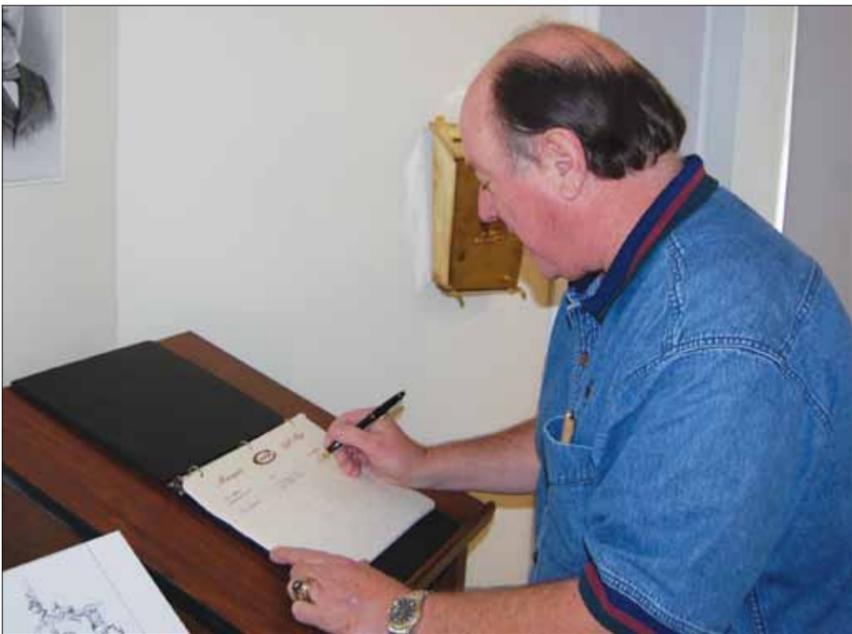
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Bill Githens (Woodcraft class of 1960, CMA class of 1965) signs the Culver Academies Museum and Gift Shop visitor's log. Githens is one of the most avid collectors of Culver memorabilia in the nation and graciously loaned many of the rare and interesting artifacts currently on display, according to Alan Loehr of the Academies.

films centering around Culver as well. In addition, says Loehr, there's a lounge area for visitors to relax, enjoy a hot or cold beverage, and peruse a vin-

tage Roll Call yearbook or browse the school's online archive, the Digital Vault.

"There will also be dynamic displays changing periodically that feature an

interesting aspect of Academy people, buildings, personalities, and events," Loehr adds. "We're fortunate to have Jeff Kenney as our museum curator, and a

docent is always available to assist visitors."

The opening of the Academies Museum marks the second local museum to grace Culver's downtown: the Center for Culver History, open but still in ongoing development by the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver, is located across the street from this new museum, in the historic Carnegie room of the Culver Public Library.

"We want to compliment the work of the Historical Society and the Center for Culver History in the public library," says Loehr, himself an AHS board member. "Why two museums in such a small town? We think there's room and the history is so rich. We're going to work together on this."

Of course, the Culver Academies Museum and Gift Shop, as its name implies, is not just a museum. A section of the facility makes a variety of Culver-related products more easily available in the downtown, easy-to-access location.

"From my perspective, I think it's a great addition to the community," says Lee Willhite, Culver's Director of Food Services and Campus Store Retail. "The gift shop is an opportunity to share some inventory of what Culver has to offer... it really helps put Culver on the map for those not aware of what the school offers. On the retail side, we have typical items like coffee cups and stickers, but also different types of memorabilia and apparel of Culver."

Among the many offerings in the retail center, too, are rare historical items not available elsewhere in the area.

The location of the facility will likely be "a great asset" for Culver and boon to local businesses, too, says Greg Fassett, president of Culver's Chamber of Commerce. "As a whole, it gives people another reason to visit the downtown area (and) the downtown merchants at the same time. The Chamber is supporting it (and) hopes it stays operational a long time. We

think it's a real progressive step for the community to be able to have another establishment to draw people with interest to Culver.

"The academy is a Chamber member," Fassett adds, "which supports this community as members and in being good citizens...we're proud to have them here."

Jim Dicke, II, who helped make the Museum and Gift Shop a reality, sees its existence as beneficial to the Academies, the town, and all in the area. "It is a great day for the town and the Academies," Dicke says. "(It's) just another way they are a part of a joint community excellence effort."

The Culver Academies Museum and Gift Shop is open Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., with extended hours during special event weekends. Large groups are asked to call ahead for guided tour appointments. The Museum and Gift Shop may be reached by phone at 574-842-8842.

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wanted to stay involved."

That's why the Childs hope area schools and groups pick up on the lessons to be learned from their historic methods of farming, their choice to

go "naturally grown," and their use of heirloom vegetables. So far, so good: last week a group of homeschooling moms visited the farm, and a group of 60 students from the South

Bend school system will be visiting soon (Susan had to trim the numbers down from the 120 originally requested by their teacher) to study "where our food comes from." The couple has hopes of finding an historic log cabin for the more remote portion of their land they call "the back five" to create a period garden and host visitors in clothing from the era as a small living history farm.

The farm's status as Certified Naturally Grown is another attribute popular with farmer's market shoppers. The Childs point out the distinction between CNG and "Certified Organic," which they say is a label patented by the USDA, which oversees

certification and which would require at least two weeks of paperwork per year, says Susan, on a farm their size with just over an acre in production. CNG, which the Childs say fits them better, is run by farmers in nations all over the world and actually has more rigorous standards of natural farming, notes John, who adds, "The term 'organic' kind of got loose in some ways."

Natural farming, he says, was part of keeping the couple's "carbon footprint as little as possible...when the horses expel gas, that's it! We think it's the right thing to do; it's the right



A hayride on the Childs Farm.

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way to take care of the land and animals."

CNG status doesn't require foregoing use of modern farming equipment; that was a choice the Childs made on their own. They even use a manual, 1925 "sickle" mower attached to their Belgian draft horses to mow. "It does a better job than my 2007 tractor and it takes about the same amount of time!" chuckles John.

Heirloom and other produce grown on the farm has attracted the curious during this. the Childs' first year

selling at the farmer's market.

"We tell people it's ok to ask questions," says Susan. "It (heirloom produce) looks different, so we know we have weird stuff! We'll tell you about it. We've had some wonderful, wonderful customers (who) kept coming back."

Clearly, sharing their passion for what they do as an educational opportunity is a part of all facets of the Childs' farm, though they stress they want the place to stay "very low key, very casual. We don't want to be a large-scale farm. We just want to be a simple farm with no frills."

"But," she adds with a laugh, "We do have a porta-potty!"

The Childs farm may be contacted at 574-936-9262 or visited online at www.childsfarm.net.

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Drumming up support

Jim Donovan, a founding member of the million-selling recording group Rusted Root as well as an accomplished solo musician and teacher, visited Culver Elementary School's recently-renovated gymnasium September 24, much to the delight of students there. The full time instructor of music at Saint Francis University in Loretto, PA, and current director of the Saint Francis University World Drumming Ensemble led several drumming workshops in which students — who were also hands-on participants — learned about rhythm and had a good time doing it. What would have been more of a performance by Donovan became something of a giant "drum circle" since new bleachers had not been installed in the facility yet, allowing students to sit on the floor surrounding Donovan. The internationally known Donovan also noted students might be familiar with some of his music which has appeared on soundtracks to films like "Ice Age" and "Matilda."

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, Oct. 15: Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, peas, bread and margarine, fruit cocktail, and milk.

Friday, Oct. 16: Pork Cutlet, macaroni and cheese, mixed vegetables, bun, grape juice, dessert, and milk.

Monday, Oct. 19: Ham and beans, pickled beets, cornbread and margarine,

apple crisp, and milk.

Tuesday, Oct. 20: Pork loin, peas, vegetable blend, bread and margarine, fruit cocktail, and milk.

Wednesday, Oct. 21: Cheeseburger with pickle, corn, green beans, bun, apricot, birthday cake, and milk.

Thursday, Oct. 22: Beef cutlet with mushroom gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, bread and margarine, peaches, cookie, and milk.

Friday, Oct. 23: Stuffed baked potato, shredded cheese and sour cream, taco meat, broccoli, fruit parfait, muffin, and milk.

Engagement



Chris Alan Wise Jr. of Jackson, Mich. and Cara Ann Sieber of Tippecanoe, announce their engagement to be married Dec. 5, 2009 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Plymouth.

The future bride is the daughter of Bob and Susan Sieber of Plymouth.

She is a 1997 graduate of Plymouth High School, and earned her bachelor's in Elementary Education and Reading Minor from Purdue University, West Lafayette, in 2001. She earned her master's in Education from Indiana University South Bend, in 2005. She is a first grade teacher with Triton School Corporation, Bourbon.

The future groom is the son of Chris and Patricia Wise of Jackson, Mich. He is a 1996 graduate of Lumen Christi High School, Jackson, and earned his bachelor's in Business Management from Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids, in 2002. He is an electrician and estimator with Wise Electric, Jackson.

Community Calendar

Thurs., Oct. 15

Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library
 Kiwanis Club, noon, Culver Public Library
 Master gardening, 5:30 p.m., Culver Public Library
 Community meal, 6 p.m. Grace United Church of Christ, Plymouth Street
 Thursday Tech Time, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library
 Board of Zoning Appeals mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall
 Knights of Columbus St. Mary of the Lake Council #13720 business mtg., 7 p.m., church rectory basement

Fri., Oct. 16

Friends of the Library clearance book sale, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library (continues Saturday)
 Computer class, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library

Sat., Oct. 17

Scrapbooking for adults and children, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ, Plymouth Street
 Culver's Native American history bike ride, 9 a.m., starting at the Bike Barn, Lake Shore and Main
 Quilting group, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library
 Friends of the Library clearance book sale, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library
 Oktoberfest (see Brief this issue), 6 p.m. to midnight, Culver Coffee Company, Lake Shore Drive

Mon., Oct. 19

Knitting Class, 5 p.m., Culver Public Library
 Computer class, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library
 DivorceCare, 7 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ

Tues., Oct. 20

Fitness class, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library
 Master gardening, 5:30 p.m., Culver Public Library
 Plan Commission mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall
 Culver Public Library board mtg., 7 p.m., Culver Public Library

Weds., Oct. 21

Genealogy mtg., 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
 Garden Club, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library

Thurs., Oct. 22

Fall break (today and Friday), no school, Culver Community Schools
 Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library
 Kiwanis Club, noon, Culver Public Library
 Master gardening, 5:30 p.m., Culver Public Library

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Death notices

McFarland

Phebe C. McFarland
 Sept. 6, 2009

PLYMOUTH — Phebe C. McFarland, 74, of Plymouth, died Sept. 6, 2009 at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center, Plymouth.

She is survived by sons: Mike McFarland of Plymouth and Randy McFarland of Argos and two grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at the Culver Depot Sat. Oct. 17 at 1 p.m.

There was no visitation and interment was private. Odom Funeral Home, 104 Lakeshore Dr., Culver, was entrusted with arrangements.

Benedict

Eva L. Benedict
 Oct. 4, 2009

ARGOS — Eva Louise Benedict, 90, formerly of Argos, died Sunday, Oct. 4, 2009 at Bremen Health Care Center.

She is survived by two granddaughters; a great-granddaughter; a cousin; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation was at the Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, Argos from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9.

Funeral services took place Saturday, Oct. 10 at 10 a.m. in the Argos Bible Church with visitation one hour before the service.

A private burial took place at the Richland Center Cemetery, north of Rochester.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Argos Bible Church.

Library 'Tech Time' launches Oct. 22

The Culver-Union Township Public Library will host a new program, Thursday Tech Time, an open discussion group for anyone interested in computers and technology. Residents are encouraged to come and talk, share, listen and ask questions.

Sessions will be held monthly from 6 to 7 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month. Each session may have a speaker and topic or it may simply be open discussion. Sessions are free and open to the public.

The launch event will take place Thursday, October 22 at 6 p.m. and will focus on Microsoft Windows 7 the day Microsoft launches the new operating system.

CUTPL Tech Manager Andrew Baker will give a presentation of Windows 7, explaining and demonstrating new features.

Third Annual Hoosier Women Veterans Conference

The Third Annual Hoosier Women Veterans Conference, sponsored in part by the Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs, the Federal Department of Veterans Affairs and the Richard L. Roudebush, Ft. Wayne and Marion VA Medical Centers, will be Saturday, Oct. 31, at the Indiana War Memorial, 431 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis. There is no cost to participate and lunch will be provided. Pre-registration sign-in begins at 8 a.m.; the event begins at 9 a.m and ends at 3 p.m. Due to limited space, pre-registration is recommended by calling Kris A. Bertrand at 317-232-3921; online at www.in.gov/veteran or by e-mail at kaberland@dva.in.gov.

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The Great Ecumenical Council

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I was very sorry to see Fr. Glenn from St. Mary's go to St. Vincent de Paul in Elkhart. Fr. Glenn is a friend of mine, and he has a heart for ecumenical work. He was a great guy for me to work with at the Academies. Perhaps just as important, he was a familiar guy to work with at the Academies. I was sorry to see him leave for a number of reasons.



Pastor's Corner

By Tom Haynes
St. Elizabeth's
Episcopal Church

I met Fr. Tad when he came to town, and we talked a little about Uganda. My bishop has been to Uganda three times on projects with the Episcopal Church, and he asked if I could help arrange an opportunity for him to meet Fr. Tad. A few emails later, and we had a lunch on the calendar. That lunch took place September 29, and I am calling it a "Great Ecumenical Council." I had told Jeff Kenney I would try to remember a camera to document this event, and I left the camera at the office, so I am hoping he will take a Pastor's Corner column instead.

As we were driving to South Bend for lunch, I had a chance to talk to Fr. Tad. Uganda is a country where the Christians are roughly equally divided between the Roman Catholic and Anglican Churches. In the early days of missionary work, there was some territorial conflict, but for a while the groups have gotten along fairly well.

On my church calendar, I have a day to remember Ugandan Christians who were martyred between 1885 and 1887. Thirty-two of them were burned to death for being Christians on June 3, 1886. These men were united in faith and died together. Denomination made no difference to the executioners, and so you are welcome to search the internet if it is important to know what church they attended.

In one of those interesting things, Fr. Tad and I were preaching somewhat parallel sermons on unity Sunday Sept. 27, and the Scripture was Mark 9: 38-39. "John said to Jesus, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.' But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him.'" Following the disciples may be important to the disciples, but Jesus wants us to follow Him and do the work of the kingdom.

When we got to lunch, it turned out that Bishop Little had been to the same area of the country where Fr. Tad had lived and worked. They had flown in and out of the same airports with armed soldiers lining the runways. They threw out names until they found a common friend. They both know a Fr. Zebedee in a town I can't pronounce. It was a great lunch.

It occurred to me later that I am not sure if Fr. Zebedee is Roman Catholic or Anglican. Perhaps the point is that it should not make any difference to me. He is my brother in Christ, and he is a man held in high esteem by two people I respect.

My prayer is that we can learn to look for those things we have in common with other Christians and that it won't take persecution to unite us. I give thanks for the churches in town, and the ways in which they work together for the good of the community.

Blessings to each of you from St. Elizabeth's!

Tom Haynes is the Pastoral Leader at St. Elizabeth's as he prepares for ordination in the Episcopal Church. He also teaches math at The Culver Academies and is the Assistant Director of Religious Programs.



Buried treasure

Culver Elementary School Principal Chuck Kitchell, left, and Assistant Principal Craig Hopple alongside a number of items unearthed during renovation of the CES gymnasium this summer. Among them: graduation, play, and sports events programs from the days when the building housed Culver High School, some dating back as far as 1930. The items had apparently been dropped during events and lost behind the now-defunct seating.

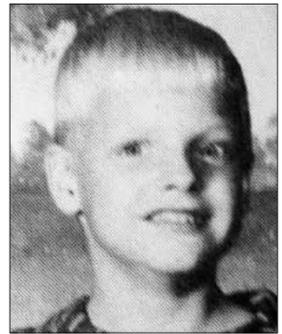
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Name that Culver "citizen"



At left: Last week's Mystery Citizen, Larry Brockey, then and now. Right: this week's mystery citizen.

Chris Rennaker, Maggie Nixon, Tim McCarthy, Carin Clifton, and Iris Hyland correctly guessed last week's Mystery Citizen, who was, indeed, Larry Brockey, a Culver Community High School graduate and proprietor of Brockey Insurance on Main Street. The editor suspects a number of other readers knew his identity but didn't get in touch...as one correct



guesser pointed out, Larry hasn't changed that much over the years and this one was pretty "easy" for those who know him!

This week's Mystery Citizen is seen and heard from around Culver fairly regularly; whether that's a good thing or not depends on one's outlook.

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This year's LMax fest a successful Culver event



PHOTO/BILL BIRK

By Judy Sawhook

The success of the 2nd annual Lake Maxinkuckee Film Festival, "The Gift of Warmth" community event was announced at the recent final meeting of the event's steering committee. Initial plans for next year were also laid for this community-wide event. The group was hosted by one of the event's founders and this year's chairman, John Zeglis and his wife Carol.

In addition to over 600 pounds of donated children's winter clothing, after event expenses, there was a cash surplus of over \$4,000. That money will be used to help defray home heating costs and to purchase additional needed clothing. The sole beneficiaries of this community's generosity are the children attending the Culver Community School District. Although much of the cash was donated by the Festival's generous Patrons and Sponsors, it was amply supplemented by over \$1,000 in cash donations on Saturday. Additionally, more than a dozen local businesses provided generous support.

The steering committee for the event this year consisted of: Gene Benedict, Dan Bickel, Pat Burk, Lois Broeker, Rev. K.C. Dehning, Dick Dugger, Ellen Freese, Jim Harper, Dusty Henricks, Lynn Overmyer, Judy Sawhook and Steve Sturman.

This year's Festival was dedicated to the memory of Arthur "Art" Birk who dedicated much of his life to volunteering in support of others. And that is the essence of what this annual event is all about.

Operation Quiet Comfort 2009

The Operation Quiet Comfort 2009 program is now accepting sponsors to send boxes to troops in the United States Armed Forces. Established in 2004 to honor and comfort service members injured while serving in harm's way, these boxes cost \$150 and feed 40 troops. Each box includes a griddle, pancake mixes, a 30-cup coffee urn, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, cooking and eating utensils, syrup, condiments and much more. To donate, make checks payable to: Operation Quiet Comfort, P.O. Box 263, LaSalle, Mich., 48145 or visit online at www.operationquietcomfort.com. For more information contact Jan Houin at janh@operationquietcomfort.com.

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Sopata wins Design Excellence Award in Chicago



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Hilary Sopata, well-known in the Culver area where she grew up and attended high school, holds her award for Green Design, given at the Celebration of Design gala in Chicago recently.

CHICAGO — Hilary Sopata, Illinois Chapter President of The American Society of Interior Designers and graduate of Culver Community High School, has been singled out for honoring at the sixth annual "Celebration of Design" Gala at Chicago's Merchandise Mart.

The ASID – Illinois Chapter (ASID-IL) and i4design magazine produced and hosted the event Thursday, Sept. 17. Thirty-three Illinois-based interior designers and design teams received a prestigious "Design Excellence Award."

Sopata, who returns frequently to Culver and has been a leader in her profession in Chicago, was one of more than 150 guests who attended the black-tie-optional Gala with a Latin party theme.

"The amazing design talent and record number of entries submitted in the competition this year truly gripped the guests in attendance," said Sopata, ASID, LEED-AP, 2008-09 ASID-IL chapter president. "Almost everyone today is adjusting their business strategy and adding value however they can to stay competitive. Our clients are thinking differently – and interior designers are responding by coming up with solutions for every budget while remaining innovative."

Sopata herself won Honorable Mention in the Green Design - Contract category of the awards.

Holiday mailing deadlines for service members announced

Friday, November 13, is the deadline for sending holiday packages to troops stationed overseas using Parcel Post to all Air/Army Post Office (APO) or Fleet Post Office (FPO) ZIP Codes.

"The U.S. Postal Service is encouraging the use of these early deadlines to make sure that packages reach their destinations in time for the holidays," said Kim Yates, a spokesperson for the Postal Service in Indianapolis.

The Postal Service places APO/FPO mail on special charter flights, commercial airlines and military service aircraft to reach armed services members overseas as quickly as possible.

All military mail, regardless of destination, is sent by domestic mail rate. International rates do not apply to military mail delivery.

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The 50-percent larger Priority Mail Large Flat Rate Box offers a \$2 discount to APO/FPO destinations and ships for just \$11.95. Customers can access shipping information by adding Delivery Confirmation, which is available for almost all military destinations outside the United States. Delivery Confirmation provides customers with the date, ZIP Code of delivery, and time the package was delivered. This information can be accessed online at www.usps.com.

The Postal Service's popular Military Care Kits also help military families and friends keep free shipping supplies within reach. Each kit contains three Priority Mail Flat Rate boxes, two cube boxes, nine address labels, and 16 customs forms. The kit may be ordered by calling the USPS Expedited Package Supply Center at 1-800-610-8734.

All packages and mail must be addressed to individual service members, as required by U.S. Department of Defense regulations.

"There may be no bigger morale booster than mail for our soldiers, sailors, Marines, airmen and Coast Guardsmen during the holidays," said Yates. "Packages and letters bring them closer to family and to the comforts of home."

The complete list of military mailing deadlines is available at www.usps.com.

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Sports



CMA breezes to 4th straight sectional title

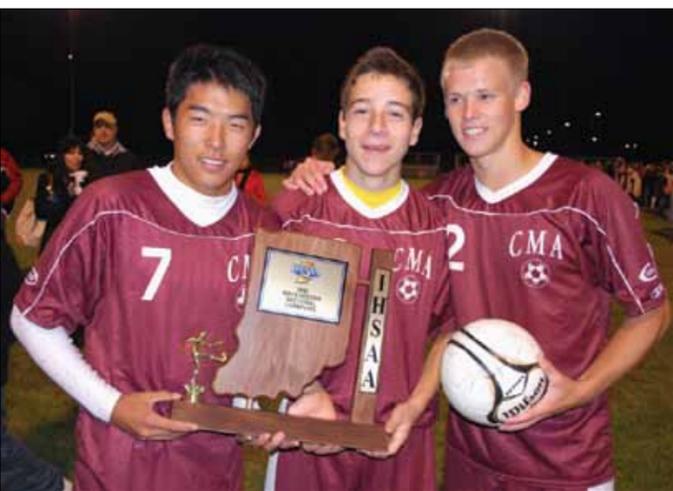


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Culver Military's team captains Hyoung Lim (7), Issac Mollinedo Portilla, center, and Nick Ahlers (2) pose with their 2009 Culver Community Sectional championship trophy following their victory over Winamac Saturday at Culver.

CULVER — Trailing 2-1 after the first half, Culver Military hit the field running with three straight goals in a four-minute span en route to an eventual 6-2 Culver Community Sectional Championship Saturday.

"We managed to get it rolling and what was good to see was it came from Luther Jacobs, a player who hasn't really scored many goals all year," said CMA head coach Jim Brugh. "Without him the score looks a little different."

Jacobs, a freshman midfielder with the team, put the Eagles up 1-0 on an unassisted run in the ninth minute. He scored the go-ahead for his team in the 44th minute on an assist from Andres Gomez to put the Eagles up for good.

While Jacobs netted two scores to lead the CMA offense Saturday, he got plenty of support from his teammates as the Eagles spread their six goals between five different players — Jose Herreso, Manuel Ituarte and Joonghan Lee in addition to Jacobs and Gomez, who scored the tying goal in the 43rd minute to spark

CMA's three-score spurt.

"We had five different scorers, so it was good to see the scoring kind of open up a little bit," said Brugh.

Earlier in the day, Culver Military breezed to a 9-1 victory over host Culver Community in the opening semifinal. The Eagles owned a 6-0 lead by the half and were able to sit several players out in the second half. By contrast, Winamac had to slug it out with Kouts — with whom the Warriors had tied during a regular-season match — for a 2-1 overtime win.

Winamac was never able to score following the first 40 minutes of play in the championship game, while CMA had its way with five goals for a comeback win.

"What was really nice was that we were able to score enough goals in the first game so that we could glide through the second half," Brugh said. "We were able to rest some of those kids that started in that game, so that we had a fresher team in that second game."

With their fourth-straight sectional championship in tow, the Eagles now head

to the Valparaiso Regional, where they'll face Kankakee Valley on Wednesday at 5 p.m.

"It's tough at this point of the season because you know if you lose your game this has been a fun team to mold, and we know if we lose our seniors as soon as we lose, so we're going to try to go as far as we can," Brugh said.

CULVER COMMUNITY SOCCER SECTIONAL
At Culver Championship
CULVER MILITARY ACADEMY 6,

WINAMAC 2

First half
CMA — Luther Jacobs (unassisted) 9th minute
W — Joel Frain (Tristan Conner) 16th minute
W — Frain (Keagan Scott) 20th minute

Second half
CMA — Andres Gomez (unassisted) 43rd minute
CMA — Jacobs (Gomez) 44th minute

CMA — Jose Herreso (unassisted) 46th minute
CMA — Manuel Ituarte (unassisted) 66th minute
CMA — Joonghan Lee (unassisted) 76th minute

Semifinals

CULVER MILITARY 9, CULVER COMMUNITY 1
First half
CMA — Jesus Castro (Dustin Cowell), 2nd minute
CMA — Andres Gomez (Alejandro Lafon-Riojas), 5th minute

CMA — Gomez (Maneu Ituarte), 9th minute
CMA — Patrick Carr (Fernando Perez), 15th minute
CMA — Bryan Espiritu, 19th minute
CMA — Kevin Salazar (Perez), 39th minute

Second half
CC — A.J. Neace (unassisted), 72nd minute

CMA — David Zaccaria (Nick Ahlers) 77th minute
CMA — Ahlers (unassisted), 80th minute
WINAMAC 2, KOUTS 1 (OT)

Second half
K — Grearu, 63rd minute
W — Own goal (Tristan Conner), 75th minute
W — Conner, 84th minute

2nd half sends Glenn past Cavs

By Dee Grenert
Correspondent

CULVER — John Glenn's special teams and defense heard a halftime earful Friday at Culver Community.

Considering the first two plays of the third quarter, the Falcons clearly got the message.

Glenn kicker Charles Dreesen pinned the Cavs deep in their own territory to start the second half and linebacker Ross Columbia recovered a fumble on the first play from scrimmage as the Falcons turned a relatively close game into a windy, cold and muddy 43-14 Northern State Conference football victory.

The Falcons crossed the goal line four plays after Columbia's big play on sophomore speedster Josh Anderson's 10-yard run — Glenn's third fourth-down conversion for a touchdown of the game — to take a 36-14 lead just 46 seconds into the second half.

"You can't give an offense like that a short field," Culver Community head coach Andy Thomas

said. "We had had a lot of success on offense. We had a chance to score, or certainly move the ball, but we had a turnover. That wasn't the one thing that lost the game. We felt the wind go out of our sails, but that wasn't the deciding factor."

Meanwhile, Glenn's offense rolled all night, scoring in each of its first four possessions and piling up 403 yards of total offense, 390 of those on the ground. Culver, which played without injured running back Michael Salary, looked poised to keep the game close until the fateful third quarter.

Junior Dennis Davis, who shouldered much of the load in Salary's absence, bowled his way to 115 yards on 22 carries, including a 1-yard run to make it a 29-14 game with 1:06 to go in the second frame. Defensively, Davis pounced on a loose pigskin for Glenn's lone turnover of the night.

"We hope to get Michael back next week or the week after for sectional," Thomas said. "But we think we

can be a good team even without Michael. Our kids battled all night.

"We got beat by a better team," he continued. "They're hard to stop, and we got a little desperate in the third quarter."

Also for the Cavs, quarterback Collin Stevens set up Davis' touchdown with a 23-yard hook-up with senior tight end Robert Molebash, and opened the scoring for Culver with a 1-yard plunge and 14-7 game in the opening minute of the second quarter.

The Falcons travel to Bremen Friday, while Culver heads to LaVille.

JOHN GLENN 43,
CULVER COMMUNITY 14
At Culver
Score by quarters
John Glenn: 14 15 14 0 — 43
Culver: 0 14 0 0 — 14

Scoring summary
First quarter
JG — Josh Anderson 9 run (Charles Dreesen kick), 8:00.

JG — Harley Robbins 13 pass from Cody Singleton (Dreesen kick), 3:39.

Second quarter
CC — Collin Stevens 1 run (Stevens kick), 11:16.

JG — Kevin Stewart 26 run (Anderson pass from Singleton),

See Cavs page B4

CMA tennis tops Plymouth, falls short at Regionals

Eagles defeat Plymouth 3-2

By James Costello
Sports Editor

SOUTH BEND — It was a classic Plymouth vs. Culver Military battle. For the Pilgrims, the result was all too familiar.

Too similar to their regular season tilt with the Eagles a little more than a week ago. Too much like last year's regional championship match.

CMA No. 2 Adam Holt clinched a tough match against Plymouth's Bo Davidson, tipping the final score in the Eagles' favor and sealing a 3-2 victory at the South Bend Clay Tennis Regional semifinals in Leeper Park October 7.

The 3-2 decision echoed an earlier, regular-season meeting between the two teams Sept. 29, as well as another 3-2 Eagles win for the Clay title last season. In fact, it marked the third straight year CMA — which is trying for its third straight regional crown at Clay — has knocked Plymouth out of the state tournament.

Although the final score was the same, Wednesday's rematch was a much tighter affair as it came down to the narrow 7-6(5), 6-5 decision at 2 singles.

SOUTH BEND — Following last year's regular-season loss and regional reprisal over Penn, Culver Military was looking for a little of that old 2008 magic.

Instead, the Eagles suffered a 4-1 loss as the Kingsmen spoiled their bid for a third straight Clay Regional title at the South Bend Racquet Club Friday.

Wilson Wu claimed the only win for CMA with a 6-0, 6-4 victory over Karter Kistler at 3 singles.

"He made some shots we knew he had in him but hadn't seen from him this year, which really bodes well for him as a sophomore," said CMA head coach Alan Loehr.

While falling short of another team point, the Eagles were able to put up a fight at the other two singles positions in the loss.

Adam Holt, fresh off a semifinal-clinching victory over Plymouth's Bo Davidson, split sets with Brian Hickman Friday, taking eight games from the Penn junior but ultimately falling 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.

"He went three sets against a boy who was playing his best tennis of the year. I think Hickman just decided he wanted it a little more," said Loehr.

On the 1 singles court, Kevin Park — who underwent a radical transformation this year after spending his sophomore season at 2 doubles for CMA — hung tough against a heavily-favored Andy Hansen at the No. 1 spot, losing 0-1 in a match that was more competitive than the final score reflected.

"A vintage CMA-Plymouth match," said CMA head coach Alan Loehr. "We beat them 3-2 in the regular season... and there was some separation there. It wasn't that tight a match when it was 3-2, but today, boy, they gutted it out and they made us move for every point. They had a strategy, particularly at 2 singles where Bo was going to chase every ball. It didn't matter if he was going to end up inside the fence or under the net. The strategy there was make Adam hit balls."

Davidson was able to hang tough matching his athleticism and will against Holt, but skill and experience won the day as the CMA senior outlasted his Plymouth counterpart 7-5 in the first set tiebreaker and held him off for the straight-set win.

Holt was able to rely on a depth of big-match experience to stay calm and put the match away, however.

"What I try to do is forget about the last point and start over on the next one, really just try and block out the point regardless of what happens," said Holt.

"It always feels good when it comes down to you,

and you win," he added with a wide grin. "It does feel good."

Plymouth's two victories at the match both came at the doubles positions as Plymouth's No. 1 tandem of Preston Bastardo and Connor Flynn beat Culver's William Stackhouse and Blake Roubos 7-4 in a second-set tiebreaker, and the Pilgrims No. 2 duo of Matt Scheetz and Jon Tyree beat Nicholas Rosen and CMA alternate Christian Sassano 6-3, 6-4 to tie the match at two points apiece.

"Plymouth gives us fits at doubles," said Loehr. "In tight matches, in tight sets Plymouth is going to get 90 percent of those because they're that much better in doubles."

CULVER MILITARY ACADEMY 3, PLYMOUTH 2
At South Bend Clay
Tennis Regional Semifinals
Singles: 1. Kevin Park (CMA) beat Andy Langdon 6-2, 6-1; 2. Adam Holt (CMA) beat Bo Davidson 7-6(5), 6-5; 3. Wilson Wu (CMA) beat Gabe Vervynck 6-4, 6-2
Doubles: 1. Connor Flynn-Preston Bastardo (P) beat William Stackhouse-Blake Roubos 6-2, 7-6(4); 2. Matt Scheetz-Jon Tyree (P) beat Nicholas Rosen-Christian Sassano 6-3, 6-4
PENN 4, ST. JOSEPH'S 1
Individual regional result
No. 1 doubles: Kevin Kirkland-Jason Rankin (Riley) beat Bryant Davenport-Darius Stevens (Triton) 7-6(4), 6-3

Eagles fall to Kingsmen at Regional final

"I was very proud of the way that Kevin came into the match and kept his head," Loehr said. "He was clearly the underdog, and he did what he was asked to do, which was hang around as long as he could."

Facing an uphill battle against the favored Kingsmen, the Eagles knew they would need a victory on at least one doubles court to stay in the match, but it was not to be as they fell in straight sets at both 1 and 2 doubles Friday.

"Our doubles were mildly disappointing," said Loehr. "We knew we needed a win

said Loehr. "We're much younger than we were last year. We didn't have the leadership of Christian Sunseri and Nithin Reddy. We didn't have their talent, and therefore it was a tough assignment to make the tournament run we made last year in making the semistate final.

"We've had a very nice run here in the last six seasons. I think in terms of our program, our hope was to become a regular in regional, and our hope now is to become a regular in semistate... The kids this year maintained expectations.



PILOT FILE PHOTO

Culver Military's Wilson Wu hits a two-handed backhand shot during semifinal play at the South Bend Clay Regional Thursday. Wu collected CMA's lone win at 3 singles in a 4-1 loss to Penn for the championship Friday

in doubles, and they just never got out of the gate to use the old cliché. They took us out of our game pretty early."

CMA's young squad bowed out of the tournament with the loss, but while the squad fell short in their repeat regional defense, it was at least able to maintain a six-year string of regional appearances, a streak that's included four appearances in the regional championship match and three Clay titles.

"We finished 11-7. We met expectations,"

They didn't let down, but we need to raise expectations that we need to make it to semistate every year."

SOUTH BEND CLAY BOYS TENNIS REGIONAL Championship
PENN 4, CULVER MILITARY 1
At South Bend Racquet Club
Singles: Andy Hansen (P) beat Kevin Park, 6-0, 6-1; Brian Hickman (P) beat Adam Holt, 6-3, 2-6, 6-3; Wilson Wu (CMA) d. Karter Kistler, 6-0, 6-4.
Doubles: Andrew Bushnell-Brad Walter (P) beat Will Stackhouse-Blake Roubos, 6-2, 6-2; Cameron Haramia-Spencer Heise (P) beat Nick Rosen-Jack Mitzell, 6-1, 6-2.
Records: Penn 16-4; CMA 11-7 (final)

Culver Academies' Chinese connection enhances area culturally, globally



PHOTO/GARY MILLS, CULVER ACADEMIES STAFF PHOTO

The Culver's Academies' "Confucius Classroom" dedication ribbon cutting included Consul General Ping Huang, Consulate General of the People's Republic of China in Chicago (center), State Senator Ed Charbonneau (center left), Representatives from Valparaiso University Dean of Graduate Studies Dr. David Rowland (left), Director of the Confucius Institute at Valparaiso University Prof. Jianyin Meng (center right), and Dr. Mike Owens (far left). Culver Headmaster John Buxton (far right) joins Culver Chinese instructor Ning Schultz (right), and Global Scholars from the Global Studies Institute at Culver Academies (left to right) Sarah Warmbein, Irena Balzekas, Sihua Qiu, Jiayin Dai, Deborah Ohiani-Jegede, and Luke Schumacher.

Culver Academies dedicated one of the first ten "Confucius Classrooms" in the U.S. Wednesday, September 16. The dedication will take place on the patio east of the Gignilliat "B" Language Building.)

The Confucius Classroom at Culver Academies is the result of a partnership between Culver Academies and the Confucius Institute at Valparaiso University with support from the global organization of the Confucius Institute based in Beijing, China. The program will support the study of Chinese language and culture, encourage exchange programs with China, sponsor public events for the wider community, and enhance understanding and friendship between the young people of China and the U.S.

Immediately preceding the dedication, Culver hosted the Zhejiang Butterfly Performing Troupe of China in the Eppley Auditorium, sponsored by Culver's Global Studies Institute's China Program. The Chinese artists, who are the principle performers of Zhejiang Provincial Singing and dancing Theater and have performed at many famous venues around the world, presented traditional Chinese instrumental and vocal music, folk dance, acrobatics and excerpts from famous Beijing opera classics.

Zhejiang is a province located to the south of Shanghai and is one of the most prosperous provinces of China. It became Indiana's sister province in 1989 and is now an important trading partner of Indiana. As cultural ambassadors from Zhejiang to Indiana, the Butterfly Performing Troupe further strengthened the flourishing cultural and economical ties between the two sister province and state.

In attendance at the dedication were Consul General Ping Huang and his wife, Ai Ping "Lillie" Zhang; State Senator Ed Charbonneau – who also spoke at the event; David Rowland, Dean of Graduate Studies, Valparaiso University; John Buxton, Headmaster, Culver Academies; Jianyin Meng, Director of the Confucius Institute at Valparaiso University; Ning Schultz, Director of the Confucius Classroom at Culver Academies; John Buggeln, Director, The Global Studies Institute.

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Our trip together: The Great Lakes Confucius Institute Music Festival



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Christa Finley, left, Culver Academies senior and Plymouth native, tries her hands at the Guzheng, a Chinese instrument, Saturday at the Great Lakes Confucius Institute Music Festival at Valparaiso University.

the instruments and music, they help us keep the day on track.

We listen briefly to another orchestra work through Mahler with their clinician and our host, Dr. Dennis Friesen-Carper, and then join with the Northwest Indiana Youth Symphony to rehearse together two pieces which we perform in the evening concert. There is time only to tune, run through the pieces briefly, check and adjust individual parts and do some work in our sections before we are ushered into the recital hall. Musicians from the institute's performing ensemble, the Butterfly Troupe are onstage and they give us an in-depth demonstration of their folk instruments. Instruments like the bamboo flute, the erhu, the guzheng, the yanquin, the ruan and the pipa appear both other-worldly and also as familiar variations of Western instruments we all have seen before. The similarities are many, but the playing technique and stylized performance practice have matured over time in what appears to a parallel universe.

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Next up is lunch at the Chinese restaurant nearest to campus.

At the Dynasty Buffet, students are given the luxury of an hour or so to eat- something we rarely see at home, and Culver students make the most of it. Here, with endless food that is not from the dining hall, we actually relax and share observations and reflections with one another. Do we use chopsticks or a fork? How about that ruan player... it was so fast. We can go back as many times as we want? Do you think we'll see tonight the same program they presented at the all-school meeting? I'm so full. It's nice to be complimented by another patron on the way out that yes, they couldn't help but notice that our students are so well-behaved. They'd better be.

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By Maj. William Browne
Academies Director of Orchestra

CULVER — The morning began as most do Culver trips — counting heads, clarifying last minute directions, leaders making sure everyone has the right gear.

Then, out to the parking lot to load, and board and jockey for seats; one dozen musicians with instruments quickly fills up the real estate in small vans.

In our transition to Central time, we actually arrive before we left at the Valparaiso University Center for the Arts. We unload our instruments, coordinate our final instructions and begin a unique day, unlike other days in the sense that music and particularly Chinese music and culture is the order of the day. We meet our guides- one institute member from China, and one university student who is in her first year of Chinese studies. As we become entranced with the details of

the instruments and music, they help us keep the day on track.

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can produce a new and bizarre sound. Christa Finley, Alberto Maiocco and Hong Bo Ye will rehearse with 30 others later on,

and learn to play the Jiangsu folksong Mo Li Hua (Jasmine Flower), on the erhu. It is similar to the music used in the 2008 Olympic Medal ceremonies, and right now the goal of performing at the evening concert seems like a tall order. No one even flinches at the challenge.

Our mass rehearsal for the evening concert is very brief. Time only for instructions on storing instruments, a new seating plan, practice in how to get smoothly on and off stage, a run-through of Kangding Qing Ge (Kangding Love Song) and Beijing Xixun Dao Bian Zhai (Big News from Beijing). for balance, and last minute logistics. Our musicians are taken back with perhaps the largest orchestra in which they will ever play, more than 250 musicians.

After dinner in the Harre Student Union, we return to our evening venue, and dress for the concert. The next event is to perform that which they have put together only this morning.

First up is the Valparaiso University Orchestra opening with a traditional Verdi overture. The next two pieces are so exclusive to this assemblage of university, director and Chinese musicians, it is likely we will never hear this piece again in our lives. Of course the

Club news Kiwanis bass fishing tournament



PHOTO AT LEFT: Winners of the five heaviest bass fish in the Culver Kiwanis-Collins Realtors-Portside Marina bass fishing tournament are: Jeff Hartz (left) and Rich Patton (center). They were awarded \$600 by tournament director Jim Weirick (right).



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PHOTO AT RIGHT: Shawn Mark (left) is awarded \$375 for catching the biggest bass, 2.86 pounds, in the Culver Kiwanis tournament by Jim Weirick, Director.

The Culver Kiwanis-Coffins Realtors-Portside Marina bass fishing tournament was held on Lake Maxinkuckee September 26. There were thirty entries

on fifteen boats. Fishermen came mainly from Culver, Plymouth and Winamac. Shawn Mark pulled in the biggest bass at 2.86 pounds, winning \$375, while Rich Patton and Jeff

Hartz caught the five biggest fish, a total of 9.81 pounds, which won them \$600.

Shawn Mark and his partner, Jim Grey, also won second place for the five

biggest fish, while John Bradley came in third.

The fisherman started the competition at the Culver town park at dawn and finished there eight hours later. The prizes were award-

ed by Jim Weirick, Kiwanis Treasurer and Tournament Director along with fellow Kiwanian Dick Swennumson.

Culver Kiwanis wishes to acknowledge the assis-

tance of the Marco Bass Masters Club in operating the tournament; the Club was indispensable.

Kiwanis Governor installs local officers

The Indiana Kiwanis Governor, Darwin DeLaughter, from North Manchester, came to the Culver Kiwanis Club meeting October 1 at the Culver Public Library and installed the club's officers for the 2009-2010 year.

The President will be David Baker, who succeeds Grant Munroe. Munroe was awarded for his fine service by the club, which will donate \$100 to his favorite charity, the Culver Boys &

Girls Club. First Vice President will be Julie Bess and Second Vice President Michael Doss. Mary Weirick and Jim Weirick will continue as Secretary and Treasurer, respectively.

The Board of Directors will consist of Janet Kline, Marian Rineholt, Dick Brantingham, Jeff Kenny, Russ Mason, Mary Baker, Kay Tusing, Dick Swennumson, Bob Volkert and Latham Lawson.

The treasurer reported that the club has \$12,000 in its treasury, plus over \$57,000 in its Scholarship Endowment Fund in the Marshall County Community Foundation. The Governor was presented a check for \$1,000, a donation to Riley Hospital

Speakers for the Thursday meetings in October include Don Kline on Medicare changes in 2010 (October 15), Bill Cleavenger on his duties as County Coroner (October 22), and

Kyle Elliott on the Building Trade Class at Culver Community High School (October 29).

America Legion offers scholarship opportunity

The American Legion is offering high school students in the area to compete in the 73rd annual American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program. The invitation is extended by District 3 Oratorical Chairman Jim Hewitt of Hamon Gray Post #83 of LaPorte.

The subject in the eight- to 10-minute Prepared Oration portion of the contest must be on some phase of the United States Constitution, emphasizing the duties and obligations of a citizen of the United States government. The Prepared Oration must be the original effort of each contestant.

The contest's state champion will automatically advance the National Finals held April 9 through 11. The top three National winners will receive \$18,000, \$16,000, and \$14,000 scholarships. Eligibility is open to any student who is enrolled in classes to the regular ninth through twelfth grades. All students must be younger than 20 years of age and must be a citizen of the United States.

Deadline to register for the District 3 Contest is Dec. 14. For more information, contact Jim Hewitt at 219-393-9958 or via e-mail at www.jrhewitt083@gmail.com.

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orchestra ends its portion with American jazz- some great Duke Ellington standards.

The Butterfly Troupe performs longer than expected, but nonetheless the time seems to go by quickly. It is essentially the same program we saw in Culver, but with a few new works. We now see things differently, with our first-hand knowledge of the instruments, the music, the performers and difficulty of this program. And finally, it is our turn to perform.

Christa Finley, Alberto Maiocco and Hong Bo Ye join the other erhu players from all the other high schools, and under the erhu master Jia Chen's patient guidance, they begin the first notes of Mo Li Hua.

It begins softly, but there is no struggle. The five notes reveal themselves as if somehow they were always there, waiting patiently to sound. The world's 30 newest erhu players follow their leader easily, and without hesitation and we notice no errors. This gentle melody is agreeable to Western ears, and has a familiar enough pattern to be easily digested. The audience sits in silence after the last note fades, and it is unclear whether the audience or the performers were more surprised by the result. The raffle was held as promised, and our own Hong Bo Ye won the erhu. And... he was in the ensemble!

A quick stage reset and the mass orchestra of 250+ performers begins Dr. Friesen-Carper's setting of Kangding Qing Ge (Kangding Love Song). Western and Eastern instruments balance beautifully in this gentle and translucent setting of a love song from an area known as the gateway to Tibet. It is an unusual contradiction between the calm nature of the piece and the mass of performers before us.

A distant horn call sounds, and the orchestra comes forth with Beijing Xixun Dao Bian Zhai (Big News from Beijing) as if the floodgates were opened. The postgame camaraderie swirls throughout the Arts Center as they strike the set and everyone packs up instruments for home. We review the highlights of the day as we prepare for a late return to Culver.

Culver students who attended were: Mackenzie Bruch, Hiram, Ga., violin; Christa Finley, Plymouth, violin; Laura Freymiller, Nappanee, oboe; Kelly Lee, Bloomington, violin; Laura Ma, Indianapolis, cello; Alberto Maiocco, Springfield, Ill., saxophone; Elise Paré, Culver, violin; Ariel Paré, Culver, cello; Jaibao Wang, Culver, flute; Jaibei Wang, Culver, flute; Jon Weitgenant, Valparaiso, tuba; and Hong Bo Ye, Avon, violin.

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H1N1 fears? How Culver coped with the great flu pandemic of 1918

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

If there's a bright side to current concerns over the spread of H1N1, type A influenza in our area, it's that the problem could be a great deal worse. Culver could be experiencing the flu pandemic, for example, of 1918. In those days, the "Spanish flu" (a strain, as a matter of fact, of H1N1) infected a third of the world's population, or around 500 million people, says Wikipedia.com, and killed between 50 and 100 million people worldwide, considerably more than the horrific and better-remembered World War I raging at the time.

In Indiana, the first reported case of infection took place in Evansville in October, 1918, approximately the time most historians consider the pandemic to have started worldwide (the pandemic was consid-

ered over across the globe by June, 1920). According to 1918.flupandemic.gov, a US government website on the event, 164,500 cases were reported in Indiana during the first and deadliest wave of the illness, between September, 1918 and February, 1919, though today historians rank the number of cases in the Hoosier state much higher at around 350,000. About 10,000 lost their lives in Indiana during that wave of influenza.

The State Board of Health banned all public gatherings starting October 9, allowing churches to remain open only for prayer and meditation, not for services; all public funerals were also banned throughout Indiana. In Indianapolis, schools were closed and re-opened through this period, Halloween festivities banned, and residents required to wear masks to

prevent spread of germs.

Here in Culver, the October 9, 1918 Culver Citizen offered, as its lead cover story, "Precautionary measures in avoiding influenza," including treating all cold symptoms as possible influenza, avoiding crowds, and washing out nasal passages regularly with salt solution, among other suggestions.

The December 4, 1918 Citizen declared "The Academy has closed."

"Up to Saturday night not a single cadet was ill with influenza (but) by Monday upwards of 60 young men were either unmistakably ill with it or suffering from colds which might easily pass into serious stages. Meantime several employees had laid off with clearly defined cases.

"In the face of a contagion which might result in complete demoralization of the functions of the school it was decided by 5 o'clock Tuesday evening to send all the boys home the next day.

"Requisitions for railroad tickets were placed with Station Agent Parish who, with his assistant, labored all night routing, filling in, punching, and stamping the long green slips. Upwards of 200 cadets with their suitcases boarded the 6 and 7 o'clock morning trains for points within eight hours of Culver. The remainder, except those under treatment, left on later trains. The usual Chicago Special could not be had owing to the

shortage of railroad equipment (probably due to the war - editor). Meanwhile 230 parents were notified by wire of the scheduled departure of their sons.... all this work was the task of the local operator which lasted until midnight.

"The instructors will be detained a few days to act as hospital orderlies.

"If conditions are favorable, the 1919 session will open December 31 instead

(unnamed) author quipped in verse, "Enjoyed have we, a great old time; And school just sends a; Streak of blue about us; Still, God bless the influenza; The 'flu' has served us well, 'tis true; Just think of that vacation; No, don't - the thing will make you blue; But think of graduation!"

Less humorous were reports, throughout this period and the months following, of "Culver men," CMA

kett and an eight month old child of Owen Banks.

The two most serious cases in town were those of Mrs. Dr. Slonaker and Dr. N.S. Norris. Pneumonia developed in the doctor's case and for several days it was doubtful he would recover. On Monday an improvement took place and today he is delirious and his condition remains serious."

The article went on to report Mrs. Slonaker ap-



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An ounce of prevention...

No, these Culver residents aren't lining up for an H1N1 flu shot. Instead, Al Bunner (left), Mick Henley (center), and Pat Birk (right) are receiving seasonal influenza vaccinations from Eric Zukowski of Maxim Health Care in Mishawaka, an offering of REAL Services. The shots were made available to Culver area seniors October 6 at the REAL Meals site at the Culver beach lodge.

of January 7 as previously scheduled."

During this period, according to CMA's Vedette newspaper, West Barracks were made into a temporary hospital and South Barracks a convalescent ward. "Removal to the latter was a sign that a man could go home in two days, and such a sign was greeted with cheers of joy," wrote one cadet in the January 18, 1919 edition.

"As Dr. Reed announced in chapel last Tuesday, the academy is indeed fortunate to have passed through the attack of the epidemic with really no serious cases and to have brought everybody back to duty in such good shape," added the Vedette article.

In a humorous poem printed the same issue, the

graduates serving in the "Great War" overseas and dying of the flu at a steady pace, as was the case across the board in combat, where close quarters and lack of proper nutrition and hygiene spread the illness like wildfire, often with deadly results.

As might be expected, the spread of influenza in the town itself was also steady during this period. The December 11, 1918 Citizen reported a "general" spread throughout "the town and vicinity" in the last ten days.

"One doctor says he has 175 cases with over 50 new cases this week, and the other doctors have apparently had their hands full. There have been two deaths: a seven year old daughter of Ulysses Bur-

peared to be on the road to recovery, but that pneumonia had developed in the case of "little Walter Mike-sell," whose parents Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Mike-sell had been afflicted with the flu.

The same issue reported the Zion school was closed because of influenza.

Influenza as a pandemic never reached the proportions of that 1918 strain, thankfully, though many among us today will recall the much later - and fortunately much less deadly - pandemic of "Asian flu" in 1957.

Women from the town of Culver as well as faculty wives assisted in treating the 40 percent of cadets at CMA hit by the pandemic in October, 1957, many before vaccinations administered by Academy doctor Milan Baker could take effect. Regular Academy functions as well as that year's Homecoming festivities were suspended during the wave of illness, as faculty took shifts caring for students housed in makeshift "hospitals" well beyond the confines of the infirmary.

Since then, of course, there have been what could best be described, perhaps, as "bad flu seasons," but nothing to compare to past pandemics.

As of this writing, H1N1 influenza is spreading rapidly across Indiana, with a handful of cases likely in Marshall County. Most, however, seem to be recovering from the illness after a matter of days. Hopefully then, we're a long way from the deadly days of 1918.

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Rushing yards: 390 152
Passing yards: 13 74
Passing: 1-5 5-13-2
Fumbles-lost: 1-1 2-1
Punts-avg.: 0 2-29
Penalties-yards: 3-16 5-45
John Glenn individual stats
Rushing: Anderson 16-206, Thornton 15-131, Kevin Stewart 7-57, Trevor Duff 1-1, Ross Columbia 2-(minus)2, Singleton 2-(minus)1, Collin Howard 5-(minus)2.
Passing: Singleton 1-4, 13 yards Anderson 0-1.
Receiving: Robbins 1-13.
Tackles: Anderson - 6.
Culver individual stats
Rushing: Davis 22-115, Sam Hendrickson 4-28, James Dulin 6-23, Stevens 7-(minus)14.
Passing: Stevens 5-13-2, 74 yards.
Receiving: Hendrickson 3-46, Robert Molebash 2-28.
Tackles: George VanSky - 6.
Records: John Glenn (5-3, 5-1 NSC) Culver 5-3 (3-3 NSC).

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Sports briefs

Football

Central Catholic blanks CMA behind state's best defense

CULVER — Culver Military Academy's s leading rusher, Zach Deery, was lost with an ankle injury on the first series of the game. Lafayette Central Catholic's defense, the best in the state, held the Eagles to just 35 total yards on 49 plays in a 42-0 shutout of CMA at Oliver Field.

Still, it was also the lowest offensive output for the Knights this season. CMA's leading rusher was Ralph Laux with 12 yards.

The leading rusher for CC was Tom Almond with 73. Field conditions were very wet and sloppy. • CENTRAL CATHOLIC 42, CULVER MILITARY 0
At Culver
CC: 7 14 14 7 — 42

CMA: 0 0 0 0 — 0

First Quarter
CC — Mark Withers 30 pass from Chris Mills. Niall Noonan kick, 1:03.
Second Quarter
CC — Chris Mills 5 run. Noonan kick, 5:15.
CC — Connor Mackey 11 pass from Mills. Noonan kick, 0:48.
Third Quarter
CC — Cody Christopher 8 run. Noonan kick, 3:47.
CC — Danny Anthrop 7 run. Noonan kick, 0:11.
Fourth Quarter
CC — Anthrop 14 pass from Mills. Noonan kick, 11:34.

CC		CMA	
First downs	14	4	
Yards rushing	168	30	
Yards passing	92	5	
Passing	9-24-1	1-13-0	
Punting	0-0	0-0	
Fumbles/lost	3-2	3-1	
Yards Penalized	0	0	
Records:	CMA 6-2, Central Catholic 8-0.		

Boys cross country

Culver Military dominates Cass

Culver Military crowded visiting Lewis Cass out

of all but three of the top 10 spots, and the Eagles breezed to a 19-44 win at their home course.

Coleman Zimmerman paced the race in 17:33, while Austin Welch, Alex Burke and James Kinsey grabbed the three through five spots for CMA. Connor Hague and Josh Branson completed the team score in sixth and seventh place, respectively. • CULVER MILITARY 19, LEWIS CASS 44
At Culver
Top 10: 1. Coleman Zimmerman (CMA) 17:33, 2. Nate Wilson (LC) 18:07, 3. Austin Welch (CMA) 18:16, 4. Alex Burke (CMA) 18:25, 5. James Kinsey (CMA) 18:47, 6. Connor Hague (CMA) 18:47, 7. Josh Branson (CMA) 19:11, 8. Adam Freymiller (CMA) 19:45, 9. Kalen Linback (LC) 19:57, 10. A.J. Soloway (LC) 19:57.

Girls cross country

Lady Eagles win

Moira Kelley and Emma Pettinga finished one-two for the Lady Eagles, and Culver Girls Academy beat visiting Lewis Cass 22-33 Thursday.

Kelley clocked a race-winning 21:25, followed by Pettinga just six seconds back, and Stephanie Burian and Katie Gawor finished just four seconds apart in the four and five spots, respectively, for CGA. Kacie Hermanson broke into the top 10 with a 23:36 to seal

the CGA victory. • CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 22, LEWIS CASS 33
At Culver
Top 10: 1. Moira Kelley (CGA) 21:25, 2. Emma Pettinga (CGA) 21:31, 3. Ashley Baber (LC) 21:40, 4. Stephanie Burian (CGA) 21:57,

5. Katie Gawor (CGA) 22:01, 6. Sharaya Woodmanser (LC) 22:08, 7. Jenna Yeakley (LC) 22:37, 8. Hannah Johnson (LC) 22:53, 9. Brianna Robertson (LC) 23:09, 10. Kacie Hermanson (CGA) 23:36.



PHOTO/GARY MILLS, CULVER ACADEMIES

CMA football players Juwan Brescacin (No. 17, center), Trace Thews (no. 62, left), and Ryan Stec (no. 3, right) tackle #34 on the Lafayette Central Catholic football team at Friday night's home game.

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acades to come. More information will follow.

Scarecrow contest on hiatus

Culver's annual scarecrow contest, a fall tradition for more than a decade, will be on hiatus this year due to lack of participation, according to Judi Dodge, who has spearheaded the project for the past several years. Dodge expresses regret to the community for the late notice and hopes interest in the contest will revive in the future to facilitate its return.

Oktoberfest this weekend at CCC

The Culver Coffee Company's annual Oktoberfest event returns Saturday, October 17 from 6 p.m. to midnight. The Jay Graves band will play cover songs everyone will know and love from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Beer, brats, wings, wine, music and fun will be provided. The event takes place in the Ride-on/Brockey Insurance parking lot just west of the Culver Coffee Company, 634 E. Lake Shore Drive. Those attending must be 21 years old and have a valid ID to enter.

Community meal at Grace tonight

Grace United Church of Christ will hold its monthly community meal Thursday, Oct. 15 at 6 p.m. All are invited to this free, ecumenical event whose purpose is to share a friendly meal in a welcoming, community atmosphere. The meals are held on the 15th day

of each month in the basement of the church.

Friends of the library book sale

The Friends of the Culver-Union Township Public Library will hold an end of the year "clearance" book sale -- with all books priced at just \$1 per bag Friday, October 23 and Saturday, October 24 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the library.

CBC ladies' Bible study

All ladies in the community are welcome to the ladies' Bible study group at Culver Bible Church on South Main Street. The group meets each Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the church basement. This season's study is Beth Moore's series "Esther." Those with questions may contact Kathie

Huhn at 574-842-3056, or Karin Keiser (the facilitator) at 574-772-3711.

Brush pickup

A reminder that the town of Culver routinely picks up brush -- sticks and small branches only; no grass clippings please -- during the third week of each month. Town leaf pickup will begin in October, and residents are reminded not to combine leaf and brush piles. Brush as well as leaves are to be left at the edge of residents' yards and not in the street. Questions may be directed to the town hall at 574-842-3140.

Scrapbooking workshop

A scrapbooking workshop will be offered Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Grace United Church of

Christ, 307 North Plymouth Street in Culver, for ages five to adult. Five to 12 year olds are asked to attend between 8 and 11 a.m., 13 to 17 year olds between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., and adults anytime during the work shop. There will be a \$5 fee, which will go to the church. Those with questions may call Marsha Mahler at 574-542-9899.

Culver holiday committee formed

The town of Culver is forming a holiday committee to assist in facilitating

Culver's holiday decorations this holiday season. Individuals and organizations are encouraged to contact the town via the town hall, 200 E. Washington Street in Culver, or 574-842-3140 to learn more and get involved.

Culver Scout popcorn sales to begin

Culver's Cub Scout Pack 290 and recently-formed Boy Scout Troop 291 will hold their annual popcorn through October 30. Those seeking more information are encouraged to contact

Chuck Dilts at 574-842-4432 or crdilts@culcom.net.

Citizen contact info

Drop-off boxes for community news are located at the Culver-Union Township Public Library and the Culver Coffee Company on Lake Shore Dr. These boxes will be accessible during the locations' normal business hours. Citizen editor Jeff Kenney may be reached at 574-216-0075. News can be sent by e-mail to: citizen@culcom.net.

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