



## In Brief

### Emergency services softball game, Sept. 11 remembrance

Culver's Police, Fire Department, and EMS will once again hold a charity softball game Sunday, September 81 at 11:30 a.m. to benefit the Culver Food Pantry. The event will be held at the Culver High School softball field. Admission is just food donations, non-perishable, for the pantry.

Additionally, emergency services personnel will be remembering, respecting, and mourning the ten year mark of the many police officers, EMS, and firefighters who bravely gave their lives in the line of duty.

Questions can be directed to Ken VanDePutte at 574-274-9942

### Community meal at Grace Sept. 15

Grace United Church of Christ will hold its monthly community meal on Thursday, September 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.

### Scout fund-raiser Sept. 17

Boy Scout Troop 229 will hold a Port-a-Pit barbecue chicken drive through fund-raiser Saturday, Sept. 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. One-half chicken is \$5. The event will take place at the NAPA auto parking lot on U.S. 35 N in Winamac. The funds will help a local Culver Scout earn his way to Eagle Scout.

### Free computer classes at CUTPL

Culver-Union Township Public Library offers free computer classes Monday evenings at 6 p.m. and Friday mornings at 10 a.m. (each class lasts two hours). These include **Internet for Beginners** (Sept. 12 and 16), **Email for Beginners** (Sept. 19 and 23), Micro-fof Office overview Part I (Sept. 26 and 30), and Part II (Oct. 3 and 7). For more information, call 574-842-2941, visit [www.culver.lib.in.us](http://www.culver.lib.in.us), or e-mail [abaker@culver.lib.in.us](mailto:abaker@culver.lib.in.us).

### Culver town-wide yard sale Sept. 23-24

The town of Culver is sponsoring a fall town-wide

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## L'Max Film Fest 2011 full of highs and lows

The 4th annual Lake Maxinkuckee Film Festival ("Gift of Warmth"), which took place over the weekend, was equal parts joy ride and tearjerker ending, as a warmly received Sponsor's Night Friday evening -- the best-attended in the event's history -- gave way to a disappointingly drenched Saturday evening, which left the festivities almost entirely cancelled due to the weather. Those who attended that evening huddled under the awning of the train station-depot in the town park, as summarized in the photo at LOWER LEFT. Happier times reigned Friday, as evidenced by the photo at UPPER LEFT, in which event committee member and sponsor John Zeglis, right, congratulates student film contest winner Daniel Skubal, left, after his victory. Earlier in the evening (LOWER RIGHT), event chair Gary Shaffer, left, shared a laugh with committee member Patty Stallings, during the meet and greet preceding film screenings in the Uptown Cinema (CENTER). MORE PHOTOS AND COVERAGE ON PAGE 9.

## Culverites, past and present, saw 9-11 attacks firsthand

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

As the entire country prepares to remember the event which arguably defined the lives of a generation -- the attacks on America on September 11, 2001 -- during this, the tenth anniversary of its occurrence, we pay a visit to two Culverites (one past and one present) who were there for the attacks. It happens both men were at the Pentagon that day for work-related reasons, though both have somewhat different perspectives on the attacks.

### Bill Walaitis

Present-day Culver resident and Culver Military Academy graduate Capt. Bill Walaitis (formerly of the U.S. Navy Reserve Director of Reserve Programs National Reconnaissance Office) shared his reflections on the events of September 11 at the Pentagon, with the Culver Alumni magazine, and his com-



Bill Walaitis

ments were printed in the December, 2001 edition. What follows are those

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### Randall Harper

Randall Harper -- who attended 1st through 7th grade in Culver, and is the brother of well-known, present-day Culverites Jim Harper -- had an all too close-up perspective on the events of September 11, 2001.

Harper, who completed high school in Terre Haute, moved with his sister shortly thereafter to Washington, D.C., where he's lived ever since (with wife Diane and daughter Kelly). After stints at a few other jobs, he transitioned from working with the U.S. General Services Administration, to a post as a Pentagon police officer, which he held from 1986 to his retirement in 2007.

"When 9-11 happened," he recalls, "I was commander of the Inspection section. I had attended the Army Inspector General school, which was one of the requirements. You just performed inspections on different units...it was a very mundane job with very little action, but after 9-11, everything ceased -- inspections weren't important anymore."

Harper's office at the time was in the Navy Annex about two blocks from the Pentagon, across the street from Arlington Cemetery. On September 11, he'd given a young officer a ride downtown and was planning to head to the Pentagon next, a place he frequented in his line of work.

He says in retrospect it's amazing he didn't hear the "boom" of the plane hitting the building, but instead saw people in a panic, running.

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## Academies building projects bring major changes, top-notch facilities

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

It's been hard for Culverites to miss signs of some of the major construction projects underway at Culver Academies lately, many of which represent significant changes and enhancements not only to the campus, but in a broader sense, to the entire community.

For months now, work has been underway on Academy Road towards finalization of the Rosemary Berkel Crisp and Harry L. Crisp II (CMA 1953) Center for the Visual Arts, which will not only relocate the school's visual arts program to its academic quadrangle (in the refitted Eppley Hall of Science building), but will provide a prime venue for the Academies to exhibit its storied art collection. The new Center, which will expand the visual arts program's classrooms from three to seven, according to fine arts Master Instructor Bob Nowalk, is slated to open in October. An in-depth look at the renovation and its offerings for both Academies students and the community at large is in the works for publication in the Culver Citizen in the near future.

Another obvious recent area of fervent construction work is just south of the intersection of State Roads 10 and 117, where the longstanding "crew shed" -- storage facility for much of the equipment used in Culver's successful rowing program -- has already been razed and framing begun for the school's lavish new White-

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## Pro-wind farm forces set up internet site

By Rusty Nixon,  
Correspondent

PLYMOUTH — A local group has decided to step into the battle over the wind in Marshall County. NextEra Corporation's proposed "wind farm" project in Marshall and Fulton Counties has brought a storm of controversy from property owners opposed to wind turbines in the county, especially around Lake Maxinkuckee.

While the opposition to the wind projects have made their position clear another group of residents has their own take on the controversy.

"Long before any of this ever happened there has been a group of people that have been meeting on a regular basis to talk about ways to help our community be more resistant to the affect of diminishing fossil fuels," said Mike Good, one of the members of the group. "They call them 'transition communities' and renewable energy sources have always been a big interest of what we're doing."

Good's group has put together a blog — [marshallcounty-windfarm.blogspot.com](http://marshallcounty-windfarm.blogspot.com) — to present more information for those in the county as the topic continues to be debated.

"There was a lot of wrong information out there about just where the project is proposed to go," said Good.

"The Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental folks were concerned about the wind turbines on the horizon but really where this project is supposed to go has more affect on Argos than Culver. Its important that people know exactly where the project is going to be located." Good's group also wants residents to be aware of the economic impact of the projects on the county.

"You're looking at close to \$180 million invested in the county in the 20 year life span of these turbines," he said. "It's another cash crop for the farmers whose land they place turbines on. Anywhere from \$8,000 to \$12,000 a year per turbine in lease arrangements. They project that they will hire at least eight new employees at salaries between \$40,000 and \$50,000. NextEra will be paying property taxes on all their facilities."

And of course the bottom line is the environment. "We'll be directly displacing coal with the energy produced by the wind facility here," said Good. "That's less toxins in the air." The blog will be updated on a regular basis as the debate goes on. "We just want to be sure that people have accurate information, especially about the site of the project as this goes forward," said Good.

## Petitioners hope to remove Monterey from Culver school system

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

Last weekend, a group of eight in the Monterey area gained petition signatures from the crowds attending the town's busy Monterey Days Festival, to add to the more than 300 names it already had gathered in hopes of Monterey's Tippecanoe Township de-annexing from the Culver Community School Corporation and instead joining the Eastern Pulaski Community School Corporation. If accomplished, the move could eventually signal the loss of hundreds of students from the Culver system.

Monterey town board president Jim Fluery says the group plans to go door-to-door in the township to add to the signatures, and will then present the petition to the Culver school board. He says he's not certain yet what's involved, on a state level, in making de-annexation a reality, but the group is looking at its options. And, he says, less than 10 of those asked to sign the petition, so far, have refused.

Fluery acknowledges that the group is upset over the closing of MES

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Pictured from left to right: Kalee Miller, Cassie Vansky, and Chelsey Jones

## CCHS Girls State delegates

TERRE HAUTE — Three local students participated in the Hoosier Girls State program, sponsored by American Legion Post 399, Monterey. Kalee Miller, Cassie Vansky, and Chelsey Jones represented Culver Community High School.

According to the organization’s website, “Hoosier Girls State is a program designed to educate young women of Indiana in the duties, privileges, rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

It is a week of living and learning the political system of Indiana through a mythical City, County and State.”

Indiana State University hosted the event.

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“I had been sitting in my office watching the events in New York saying, ‘I can’t believe this.’

“As I was leaving my office, folks said, ‘Did you hear that? You didn’t hear that noise?’ When we got to our car, everybody was driving like crazy, panicing, going home -- we had a massive traffic jam on all the freeways. Cell phones just got overloaded and went dead; you couldn’t make calls on your cells. As I was leaving my office my daughter called and said, ‘Dad, are you alright?’ Then the news media was there. Someone from my family saw me on the news.”

Harper noticed, upon arrival at the Pentagon, that no one had set up a security perimeter, which he undertook along with some FBI agents.

“So many people were hurt and burned (outside the building), not to mention those who died in the plane and the Pentagon,” he recalls.

“We had officers pulling people out of windows...by that time you had fire, police, and ambulances -- my concern at that time was to set up a perimeter to make sure nothing

else could get through (and we) were concerned about preserving the evidence.

“We had an after-action meeting at 10 o’clock that night and the building was filled with smoke -- you could smell the jet fuel. The building smoldered for two or three days, not to mention the body parts and that whole thing, so the next day it’s still chaotic and we were put on 12 hour shifts with no days off and no leave. For a month and a half, the officers were dead on their feet.”

Harper was placed in

charge of the crash site as the FBI took over investigation of the crash itself. He stayed on the site for a month and a half.

He recalls the magnitude of the one-month anniversary of the crash, in October, when several U.S. presidents (Bill Clinton, George Bush Sr., Jimmy Carter) and a host of senators arrived at the site, an event for which Harper was Watch Commander of Operations. He and his Lieutenant had to come up with a plan to make sure it all went off without a hitch, which it did.

“So from that day forward, I became daytime Commander of Operations.”

Though no one close to Harper died in the crash, he remembers a regular staff member at the Pentagon nicknamed “the candy man” for the treats he would hand out to the officers on duty each evening, was killed, and a woman he knew was severely burned. Several people had amazingly close shaves, but emerged unhurt.

Harper remembers the tightening of the Pentagon secu-

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comments alongside added remarks made today.

“My office is on the opposite side of the Pentagon from where the plane hit. I did not feel the impact.

“I did hear a loud “bang,” like someone dropped a big desk on the floor above me. As I mentioned, there is a large space between floors so I should have heard nothing. In reflection, it was the sound of the plane hitting the building, transferring around ring C. I was located on the outer side of Ring C, to the Northeast, about as far away from the contact site as you could get, unless you were in Ring E, the outer ring of the Pentagon.

“We all packed up and left in an orderly manner. I spent the rest of the day in our apartment building in Crystal City, about 15 minutes away, and returned to work the next day. It’s not business as usual but as close as we can get.

“The smell of smoke continued throughout the Pentagon for many days after the attack, and soot was visible even on our side, which was about as far away as you could get from where the plane hit.

“However, I lost a good friend who was in the Navy Command Center. He and I started Aviation Officer Candidate School together in August 1972. We were the ‘old guys;’ I was 29 and he was 28 and we both had prior enlisted service.

rity force in the wake of September 11, increases in pay for officers, worries over nuclear threats, explosive-sniffing dogs, anthrax scares, reorganization and a radically increased vigilance as has taken place in many areas of life.

“It was no longer routine,” he says. “We became much more alert...we came up with a slogan, ‘Semper Vigilant.’

“Americans thought they were untouchable (before the attacks),” he notes. “After that...we realized that can happen here.”

After 42 years of work, Harper says “it’s nice to be able to sit back and relax” under his brother Jim’s tree during a Culver visit this past summer, though he still keeps in contact with former co-workers. He plans to keep visiting his old Midwestern stomping grounds as long as he can make the trip, but those airport security checks are just some of the many changes 9-11 wrought in everyone’s lives.

“Nothing will ever be the same,” he adds. “This was our new Pearl Harbor, but with an unknown enemy.”

He left a wife and two young daughters, in the sixth and seventh grades. We had talked the week before about the ‘future’ and retirement. Then, in the blink of an eye, it all changed.

“Marleen and I did walk around a bit that evening. We had various vantage points, the hill west of the Pentagon, a hotel a friend was staying in to the south, and our first apartment building, a bit southeast. The recovery team actually searched the roof of the buildings around for pieces and parts. You could see the fires burning in the roof. There was a quiet feeling all around. Fortunately, the plane hit in the wedge of the Pentagon that had just been rebuilt and reinforced. And, it hadn’t been fully manned up yet so there were less than 300 killed, combined between the plane and the Pentagon.

“Around the impact area, across the street, next to Arlington Cemetery, and next to the Navy Annex, people left many items. Marleen (his wife) and I went to the area one evening a week after the attack to view the damage. We found flowers, pictures, candles burning, signs with encouraging messages, and many personal items on the fence of Arlington Cemetery and on the hill below the Navy Annex. There were flowers from all countries and faiths. There were teddy bears, boots, and one I remember – a 12-pack of diet Coke with a pack of Marlboro on top. The entire area for weeks was quite solemn. There are still many curious folks who stop and look.

Again, I was out of harm’s way -- one of a number of similar events I had during my career.”

## Mars honored as “true Culver hero”



PHOTO/CULVER ACADEMIES ARCHIVES

John Mars in 1981.

Over a two-day period August 31 and September 1, Mars was remembered by Chairman Emeritus James A. Henderson ’52, Head of Schools John N. Buxton, and Humanities instructor Bill Roth ’63 as the consummate Man of Culver, even though he didn’t graduate from the school. Mars is the only superintendent of the school to come from the faculty.

As Roth said in addressing students, faculty, and staff during an Aug. 31 all-school meeting, “Although you may have never known John Mars, you know his spirit, and it is indeed, the spirit of Culver.”

The news of Mars’ passing was felt far and wide throughout the extended Culver community, as Mars touched an unbelievable number of lives during his more than 40 years of service to the Academies. There is not a single place at Culver Academies where his legacy is not evident.

He joined Culver Military Academy in 1941, fresh out of Brown University, as a Spanish and French instructor as well as a coach. He left briefly in 1943 to serve his country during World War II with the U.S. Army's 10th Armored Division. He resumed his duties at Culver in 1944.

Later, as CMA began its transition from adult tactical officers to counselors – which was not just a change in

name but also one of focus as Culver sought to continue its mission of educating the whole student – he became the counselor for Battery B, one of the many times he was a pivotal figure in a time of great change at Culver.

But despite the great work he had done already at Culver, it was the 1970s where he made his greatest mark. Once again, it was a time of great change at Culver as well

time or rest,” Henderson said in his eulogy at the Sept. 1 funeral service in Memorial Chapel.

“Students had a special call on John’s time. Culver Girls Academy was in its infancy, and John embraced CGA totally and equally and helped it prosper.

“I don’t believe there was a student here who didn’t feel John’s care and concern about her or him as an individual.

They respected him and, more important, trusted him and recognized his great compassion,” he added.

That sentiment was echoed in an alumnus’s letter that Buxton read at the all-school meeting: “He believed in all of us.”

Throughout his more than 40-year tenure Mars was always the teacher, coach and counselor – regardless of his position at the time – and he distinguished himself as an exemplar in all three roles.

“John was special,” Buxton said in his remarks. “He lived the Culver Code of Conduct every day.”

Buxton said Mars’ impact on Culver can be seen in the honors that bear his name. There is the John Mars Award for the student who best exemplifies the ideals of Culver, the John Mars Award for Excellence in Teaching, two classes have created separate John Mars scholarships for students, and the southeast section of the library is The

Mars Wing.

Henderson finished his eulogy with a simple, emphatic statement.

“John Mars was one of Culver’s greatest heroes.”

Mars was preceded in death by his wife, Phyllis. He is survived by two sons, Anthony "Tony" Mars ’67 (Kim) and Dr. J. Peter "Pete" Mars ’69 (Brennan).

Contributions can be made to the John and Phyllis Mars Scholarship fund in care of the Culver Academies, 1300 Academy Rd. #153, Culver, IN 46511. You can also leave your memories about John Mars on Culver’s special Facebook page.



ACADEMIES STAFF PHOTO BY GARY MILLS.

Father Jeff Largent leads the flag-draped casket of former Academies Superintendent John Mars from Memorial Chapel at the Sept. 1 funeral service. The casket was carried by CMA cadets and the procession, which included family members, was flanked by CMA cadets on one side and the girls of CGA on the other. Burial followed in the Culver Masonic Cemetery. Father Largent is the former priest at St. Mary’s of the Lake Catholic Church and the Academies.

as in the nation and the world.

Culver was also dealing with great internal struggle and dissent. Henderson said the Board of Trustees asked Mars to be the next superintendent – a position he did not want but accepted. It was his leadership that made students, alumni, parents, faculty and staff all proud to be a part of Culver.

“It was his relationships with people that made John successful. He cared and cared deeply about each person associated with Culver – alumni, parents, faculty, staff, and employees. He made time to spend with each who needed it – at the expense of any semblance of private

## Obituary - Fleming

### June A. Fleming

Aug. 27, 2011

GLENWOOD, Ill. -- June A. Fleming nee Blakemore, 94, a longtime Glenwood, Ill. resident passed away Aug. 27, 2011.

She retired in 1982 as a secretary for Glenwood School District 167/Brookwood Junior High School. She was a lifelong member of First Presbyterian Church of Chicago Heights.

She was the wife of the late James Fleming; mother of Susan (Earl) Childs, Dennis (Barbara) Fleming and Jill (Alan) Cislak; grandmother of Stephanie (Ken) Krok, Jean E. (J.B.) Overmyer, Kelly Fleming and Jamie (Rick) Flores; great-grandmother of Michael Hartman, Luci, Ali and Brianna Overmyer, Amanda, Jacob and Robert Flores; sister of Jayne (late Frank) Olivieri and the late James “Buzz” (Lorraine) Blakemore; beloved aunt and dear friend of many. Resting at Panozzo Bros. Funeral Home, 530 W. 14 St. (US Rt. 30, # Blks E. of Western Avenue) Chicago Heights Wednesday morning Aug. 31 from 10 a.m. until time of funeral services at 12 p.m. Burial Home-wood Memorial Gardens Cemetery.708-481-9230.

## Letter to the editor

### Fly the flag on Sept. 11 national holiday

I want to remind everyone that the September 11th is a National Holiday - Patriot Day - in remembrance of 9-11-01 - one of the worst tragedies to strike our country. Everyone should have their United States Flag displayed in some way AND remind your friends and neighbors that they should also display their Flag. That day of terrible losses and those who stood shoulder to shoulder prompted this country to be red, white and blue, and our patriotism pulled us through.

But those days have passed and we see Flags displayed less and less. Have we lost our red, white and blue feelings? I don't believe so and I hope to see a sea of red, white and blue on Sunday, September 11, 2011. Our thoughts and prayers should be with those who still suffer from the losses of that tragic experience.

**Mary Lou Wise, American Chairman  
Ladies Auxiliary, VFW 6919, Culver**



War, disaster, death and God

Jesus said, “...Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them - do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish.” (Luke 13:4-5)

On September 11, our nation will commemorate the tenth anniversary of the attack by Muslim extremists against our country. For ten years, our nation has been at war against terrorism and man-made disasters and destruction. We have also witnessed other acts of violence at the hands of man, from the riots in Europe, to the attempted assassination of a congresswoman, to the disappearance and death of adults and children. Also in those ten years, the world has experienced a number of devastating natural disasters: hurricanes, floods, tsunamis, tornados, and drought.

Where is God in all of this? Isn’t He a God of love? Doesn’t (Can’t) God prevent these acts of human violence? Of nature’s violence? Why does God allow these things to happen?

Of course God is present (Matthew 28:20). God is love (1 John 4:8). Of course He is able to prevent disaster and protect those who believe in Him (Psalm 46).

But God’s first concern is the salvation of individual souls through faith in Jesus Christ and Him alone (1 Timothy 2:3-6). Jesus was asked (Luke 13) about Christians whose blood Pilate mixed with his sacrifices, Jesus then mentioned the collapse of the tower of Siloam and said, “...you repent....”

War, disasters and death all point us to the truth that from the Fall into sin by Adam and Eve, the world and all who are in it are under the curse of Original (inborn) Sin. The root cause of many wars is either greed or covetousness over land or possessions, or hatred of others. Original Sin moves people to rebel against God’s written Commandments, saying, “We know better than God.” Disasters and death point us to the fact that humans are not in control of weather, nor of all events; circumstances can change in an instant.

The questions for we who see these things are these: Do

we believe and trust in Jesus’ life, death and resurrection for us and our salvation? Have we repented by turning from our sin to Jesus alone? Those who are believing and trusting in Jesus alone are ready to face death without advance warning, secure in faith in Jesus and His resurrection! Secondly, God moves us to have hearts of compassion to help individuals who are hurting due to disaster, just as the Good Samaritan did. Those who understand God’s teaching from the Bible on Original Sin will know its results not to lord it over others, but to apply Law and Gospel: Repent of your sins and Believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior.

What of victims of disasters and death? Why does God allow these, when He could prevent them? While we can not see into the eternal counsels of God’s reasons “why,” we can know for certain from His Word: “And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose” (Romans 8:28), “When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you” (Isaiah 43:2). “In this [the hope of heaven] you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that your faith – of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire – may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed” (1 Peter 1:6-7). God strengthens, builds up faith in Christ through our adversity and disasters, as we rely upon Christ alone for forgiveness, trust in the resurrection and hope of heaven.

In the midst of war, disaster or death, or observing these from a distance, God desires to draw us closer to Himself through faith in Jesus. He does this when we gather together in worship to hear His Word and receive His blessings through that Word and also through Holy Absolution and the eating and drinking of His Holy Supper. Look to God to strengthen your faith in Christ by attending the Divine Service.



Pastor’s Corner

By Rev. K.C. Dehning  
Trinity Lutheran Church

Nas-waw-kee (Part II)

*Editor’s note: as reported on page 3, Culver will soon see placement of a monument in its town park honoring Lake Maxinkuckee Potawatomi Chief Nas-waw-kee via the Fulton County Historical Society in conjunction with the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver and an area Eagle Scout (the Chief’s family will be honored Sept. 17 at the Trail of Courage festival in Fulton County). Rev. Dr. Houghton here discusses the chief’s life and legacy in the first of several columns).*

In part I of this series, I ended with Daniel McDonald’s comments on Nas-waw-kee. McDonald was born in 1833, so his stories of the chief are necessarily at second hand (though he claimed one of his earliest memories was seeing a dead Potawatomi at Nas-waw-kee’s village, which must have happened before August of 1837). We do, though, have eyewitness accounts of the chief from the young English-American artist George Winter (1809-1876), who was present for several key encounters between the Potawatomi and the Europeans in the later 1830’s. Winter’s journals and reminiscences were edited and published by the Indiana Historical Society in 1948; digital images of the hand-written originals are available on the Web through the “George Winter Collection” in the Purdue electronic archives at <http://earchives.lib.purdue.edu/>. (For this article, I have referred to two of these on-line reminiscences of 1837, one looking back from later years to events in Logansport and the other a contemporary, certified, record of the council at Lake Bruce.)

Winter describes the chief (he spells the name Knas-waw-kay, Knas-waw-kee and Nas-waw-kay, often with quotation marks around it) as he appeared at a hearing in convened in Logansport in July, 1837, to investigate a near riot that had broken out amongst various white creditors at the past September’s annual government payment to the Potawatomi. After saying how the typical Potawatomi wore a sort of turban rather than the shaved head and scalp-lock he would have expected, Winter goes on: “Knas-waw-kay” was an exception to the aboriginal fashion. He wore his hair unusually long, gracefully falling

over his shoulders in courtly style. His coat was long in the skirts, reaching nearly to his moccasins & nearly concealing his scarlet “leggings,” and was made of a coarse white counterpane, the waist of which was girdled around with a red silken sash, which gave a pleasant effect of color. “Knas-waw-kay” was a very tall dignified Indian.’

Though I-o-wa, Nas-waw-kee’s nephew, addressed the Logansport hearing, Winter usually depicts the older chief as the primary spokesman for the Potawatomi. Nas-waw-kee would have given his speeches in Potawatomi, with translation by someone like his son-in-law Joseph Barron, who had been an interpreter for William Henry Harrison at the time of Tecumseh’s War. (Barron was much older than Nas-waw-kee’s daughter, who was his fourth wife.) Col. Abel C. Pepper (1793-1860), the U. S. Commissioner to supervise the removal of the Indians, called the Potawatomi to a council at Lake Kewau-nay (now Lake Bruce) in Fulton County, to convene on July 21, 1837. Winter was present, and later painted the scene, with Nas-waw-kee easily identified by his white coat and red sash.

Pepper gave a lengthy speech aimed at persuading the Potawatomi to move to lands west of the Mississippi, stressing that the “Great Father” (that is, the President) of his “Red Children” had been merciful in not driving the Potawatomi into the Great Lakes because of their rebellions; that the Great Father had never forced them to sell their land, though he had advised them to do so, and had paid them a good price for it; and that he now offered them, according to the on-line version of Winter’s journal, “plenty of good land, and his protection and support in a milder climate and better country than this” (6). “My Red Children!” he continued, “Here your fire has gone out. Your wigwams are sold—you have not a handful of land left. Your father invites you to a new home, and build a new fire by the side of your friends, and be happy” (6).

Colonel Pepper went on for some time in the same vein: the lands in Indiana were sold, there would soon be no game to hunt, the white men were multiplying like animals, while, on the other hand, in the land beyond the Mississippi, every warrior over 18 would receive a blanket and a rifle, every man, woman and child would get



Its still the lake water

By John Wm. Houghton



Several readers recognized last week’s Mystery Citizen, Barbara (Moore) Linhart, who many will remember for her years as principal of Monterey Elementary School and her active roles in Culver’s VFW Ladies Auxiliary and Farmer’s Market, among other endeavors. Nancy Jimenez, Sharon Lindvall Witt, Bea (Price) Stephenson, Vicki Wagner, Phyllis Lindvall, Lynn Overmyer, Judy Sawhook all contacted the editor with her name.

Rewinding to our previous installment, Vicki and Elmer Wagner correctly identified our Mystery Citizen Tim Wagner, but weren’t among the listed.

This week’s Mystery Citizen is particularly visible on a regular basis to many Culver area youngsters. Guesses may be emailed to [citizen@culcom.net](mailto:citizen@culcom.net), or call the editor at 574-216-0075.

RIGHT: Last week’s Mystery Citizen, Barb Linhart, then (left) and now. ABOVE LEFT: This week’s Mystery Citizen.





## Academies from page 1

DeVries Rowing Center, which is expected to be closed in before the snow flies this winter.

Crew has been an important competitive sport at Culver Academies even back into the 1920s, though the program has developed into an athletic success story for the school in recent decades. It makes sense, then, that an up-to-date, top-notch facility will house the program when work is completed on the brick and glass exteriored Center.



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These preliminary drawings, which will likely be slightly altered, show the in-progress White-DeVries Rowing Center (TOP). Pictured ABOVE is a projected image of the Gable tennis facility once its indoor structure (at left in the image) is complete. The LOWER two images show the rowing center's viewing deck (top) and alumni lounge (below).

An alumni lounge and balcony will provide a beautiful view of Lake Maxinkuckee and crew competitions as they take place. A free

weights and exercise room will house at least 16 ergometers among other fitness equipment for the crew program.

Perhaps most impressive is the building's planned indoor rowing tank room, which will provide team members the ability to train "on the water," indoors and out of the elements during even the worst weather. Two rowing areas will accommodate eight port and eight starboard rowers, and the tank will employ technology to move the water at high speeds and approximate boat movements to simulate the outdoor rowing experience. Such tanks have become more and more common at east coast and other prep schools and universities where crew programs are at the fore, and are sure to enhance Culver's program immensely.

According to Academies Director of Facilities Jeff Kutch, P.E., the new facility will be of the same caliber as the brand-new Olympic training facility in Oklahoma City. Culver's rowing center is hoped to be open for use by

August, 2012, for that fall's rowing season.

Another project in the works is creation of an indoor tennis facility to enhance the existing, recently-completed outdoor Gable Tennis Center behind the athletic fields north of State Road 10 (and just west of the bird sanctuary).

Five heated, all-weather courts will be available once the structure is completed, to add to the 15 outdoor courts created at the site in 2009. That's when the previous courts at State Roads 10 and 117 were converted to equestrian paddocks as part of the massive renovation of the school's Jud Little Riding Hall and new Robbie Vaughn Stable.

While less visible from streetside, analysis has taken place towards important work at one of the school's most stately and celebrated buildings as well. The Memorial Chapel's planned work will address moisture problems in time for this, the 60th year since its dedication. According to the school's Facilities department, moisture passing through the building envelope is being addressed by way of masonry restoration and re-roofing. Condensation forming on interior surfaces is another moisture-related concern attended to through mechanical systems and technology, since the chapel's architecture prevents an increase of the thermal values of the walls and roof of the structure.

Another recent project under the Facilities umbrella isn't a building at all, but is no less important. It's the installation of outdoor, emergency, "blue light" call stations -- of the sort employed at larger universities -- to the campus, the first one adjacent to one set of Culver Girls Academy dormitories. While Culver has proven itself an atmosphere generally quite safe, the call stations will add more peace of mind for students, parents, and faculty, especially for night-time travel to and from various areas of the campus.

Other projects, says Kutch, include retro-fitting of the school's former Officer's Club to be an employee medical clinic for the school. The building is slated to be complete by November 1, he notes, and the clinic is expected to open by January 1 and to act as an optional doctor's office for the faculty and staff of the school, which is the largest employer in Marshall County.

By next spring, Kutch says the department should be replacing the campus' dilapidated Woodcraft and Summer Camp piers with brand-new piers of a similar design to the "floating" pier put in use for Culver's Naval School a few years ago.

The Academies encompasses 1,800 acres of land and maintains nearly 100 major buildings on its winter grounds, which keeps its crew of over 120 full-time Facilities staff members, who work under the leadership of director Jeff Kutch, busy year-round.

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launched the move, and that he hopes it's possible Eastern Pulaski will at least look at reopening the building, if the effort succeeds.

Eastern Pulaski Community School Corporation Superintendent: Dr. Robert J. Klitzman says the school board agreed over the summer to the move, if all of the necessary legal requirements were met on the part of petitioners.

"But the whole burden," he notes, "is on the good people of Tippecanoe Township, if they do all the legwork -- all the appeals and so forth. If you look at a map, Tippecanoe Township is in Pulaski County, and this would square up the district."

Monterey Elementary School has been part of the consolidated Culver Community School Corporation since 1968, when it was one of a handful of area schools redistricted into the Culver corporation. Ten years ago, more than \$1 million was spent to renovate the Monterey school building, a fact many in the small Pulaski County community have pointed to among other reasons for their displeasure with the closing of MES. The Culver school board made the decision the building would close in June, after state legislative action and other factors resulted in massive budget cuts to the school corporation.

At the time, many families threatened to leave the Culver system for Winamac-based Eastern Pulaski.

In fact, says Klitzman, a "ballpark" number of 35 or 40 students from among the 130-plus former Monterey Elementary student body did transfer from Culver to Winamac. Those numbers haven't caused Culver school officials much consternation as of yet, says Culver superintendent Brad Schuldt.

"We have kids coming and going every year," he says, adding there "may be a few students going someplace else" besides Winamac as well. This may be all the more true since Indiana passed legislation allowing vouchers, under specific conditions, for qualifying families to have their children's tuition to a private school partially or fully funded. Further, legislation was already on the books allowing students to transfer to the public school of their choice.

Schuldt points out Culver's middle school enrollment has actually increased by around 20 students this year, though the high school is down by about 10 from last year. Enrollment fluctuation is a given from year to year, he explains, and it may range from just four or five students, to 15 or 20. This fall's numbers, he acknowledges, are "a little high."

Culver's corporation has been declining in enrollment gradually over the past 10 years in a row, he adds.

Schuldt says he's aware there's a petition circulating seeking de-annexation for Tippecanoe Township, but says he doesn't know the specific legal procedures required to accomplish the goal.

"As far as de-annexation, that's something for lawyers to work out."







# Sports



## Cavs drop Triton in NSC opener

By Dee Grenert  
Staff Writer

CULVER — Culver Community senior Sam Hissong hauled in two of junior quarterback Collin Stevens’ four touchdown tosses Friday against Triton.

Considering the pads-popping downfield block he threw to free junior running back Matt Hurford for the Cavs’ first touchdown reception, Hissong’s own catches seemed like a fitting reward in Culver’s 33-3 Northern State Conference-opening football win at steamy Cavalier Field.

“Sam made a great block,” Culver head coach Andy Thomas said. “He gave a tremendous effort. He came from across the field, he didn’t give up on the play and kept hustling. It was a good, hard, physical play.

“Every win in the NSC is huge,” he added. “Triton’s always been a big game for us; whenever we play Triton it’s always a hard-fought game. This was a nice game for us under tough conditions, tough conditions for both teams. I’m proud of our guys.”

All told, Stevens capped off the Cavs’ opening possession with a 5-yard keeper, and then fired one touchdown pass during each quarter, starting with his 47-yard catch and carry to Hurford. He hit Hissong for 19 and 38 yards during the second and fourth frames respectively, with a 21-yard pass to 6-foot-6 Micah Budzinski sandwiched in between.

Meanwhile, Triton, which used a big-play aerial attack during the first two games of the season, showed more of a running game out of its shotgun spread against Culver. The Trojans pushed the ball into Culver turf seven separate

times, but settled for just a 27-yard Tanner Shepherd field goal to make it a 14-3 game with 5:35 left in the first half.

The Cavs answered immediately with the first of Hissong’s scores to grab a 20-3 lead with 3:03 to go before the intermission.

“Triton was a little bit different tonight; they made more of an effort to run,” Thomas said. “The first two weeks they tried to hit the home run pass. We didn’t really do anything different. All week we told our defensive backs to stay inside and in front of the ball. Don’t let the ball go over your head. We got some pretty good pressure on them.”

Triton drove the ball inside the Culver 20 in the waning seconds of the first half, but Culver linebacker Kevin Hogan broke up a pass and then sacked Triton quarterback Bryson Mosier at the horn.

Triton’s Erik Hoffman won a loose-ball scramble early in the third frame, and the Trojans once again penetrated the red zone before Culver’s Tyler Lowry recovered a fumble at his own 13 to terminate the threat.

Also for the Cavs, Cole Flora rushed for 57 yards and a two-point conversion before exiting late in the third quarter with an ankle injury.

“(Offensive lineman) Nick Zehner had some good blocks on sweeps,”

Thomas said. “Cole Flora finished

his run pretty well before he got hurt. It was a good team effort.”

For the Trojans, Mosier finished with 65 yards rushing, followed by



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Culver Community's Cole Flora runs the ball during a Northern State Conference game with Triton at Culver Friday.

## Byrne, Barnes power CMA to victory

Pierre Byrne ran for 322 yards and two touchdowns on 32 carries, and Culver Military rebounded from a loss at NorthWood last week with a 28-14 home win over Heritage Christian Friday.

Byrne recorded touchdown carries of five and 51 yards, and his 39-yard punt return set up CMA’s first touchdown of the night at the 5:50 mark of the first quarter.

Eagles quarterback Hayes Barnes scored two touchdowns at the game, a 34-yard run that put CMA up 14-0 at the 2:50 stop of the first frame, and a six-yard scamper for the home team’s final score of the night with 2:36 on the game clock.

Culver Military moves to 2-1 with the win and hits the road for Lafayette Central Catholic next week.

• CULVER MILITARY 28,  
HERITAGE CHRISTIAN 14

At Culver

Score by quarters

HC: 0 6 8 0 — 14

CMA: 14 0 7 7 — 28

Scoring summary

First quarter

CMA — Pierre Byrne 5-yd run (Diego Herrera kick), 5:50

CMA — Hayes Barnes 34-yd run (Herrera kick), 2:50

Second quarter

HC — Matt Hunt 1-yd run (Kick blocked), 10:30

Third quarter

CMA — Byrne 51-yd run (Herrera kick), 11:16

HC — Jordan Miller 29-yd pass from Bryant Clayton (Hunt run), 2:57

Fourth quarter

CMA — Barnes 6-yd run (Herrera kick), 2:36

CMA stats

Rushing: 39-322; Byrne 9-146

Passing: Barnes 1-4-1 for 14

Receiving: Byrne 1-14

First downs: 14

Fumbles-lost: 2-1

Punts-ave.: 3-27

Penalties-yds lost: 2-36

HC stats

Rushing: 39-165

Passing: Hunt 16-33-2 for 234, Clayton 1-10 for 29 yds

First downs: 18

Fumbles-lost: 1-0

Punts-ave.: 2-45

Penalties-yds lost: 6-55

Records: CMA 2-1, Heritage Christian 1-2

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# Interim pastor hopes to help Grace, First United see community potential

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen Editor

Pastor AnnMarie Kneebone says her enthusiasm and helping people see their potential, both traits ideal for an interim pastor like herself.

Kneebone began her time as interim -- replacing Pastor Robin Keating, who left earlier this year -- at both Grace United Church of Christ in Culver and First United Church of Christ in Plymouth, in June, though she actually moved to Culver in July.

She learned of the position opening for the two “yoked” churches, while living in the Elkhart area. She’d been pastoring in Chicago and began giving workshops and seminars in the Goshen-Elkhart area, all the while developing relationships in the United Church of Christ’s Indiana-Kentucky Conference.

She first took a turn at preaching at Grace church in Culver.

“When you hear of a job you consider -- you want to look into it. I was received with such warmth and enthusiasm in Culver, and that kind of caught my heart. The same thing happened at First United in Plymouth. I had an opportunity to preach twice, and then when they called me to the position, I had already said to myself I would accept it because of that.

“This town is a delightful little town,” says Kneebone -- who grew up on a 40-acre farm near a town of 1,500 -- of Culver. “I love that I can get a latte if I want to! I like the fact that the lake is here and that people who live here, in my experience, just really love living here, and that is really persuasive. Then you have all these people who come in from Indianapolis and Chicago and who knows where else -- they bring their energy and excitement into the town. That’s contagious.”

Kneebone keeps office hours in Plymouth most Wednesdays, and Thursdays in Culver, while Fridays are devoted to both churches, depending on needs.

The service schedule at both churches will stay the same as prior to her arrival: Sundays at 9 a.m. at Grace and 10:45 a.m. at First United.

“If I’m not long-winded at Grace, I make it to First with room to spare,” she laughs. “If I get a little excited about what I’m talking about, I have to rush!”

Once a month, she still preaches at a church in Chicago, where she lived for 15 years prior to her move to Elkhart, and she continues pastoral work for that church on-line.

Kneebone says she’s been in ministry “for all practical purposes” all her life to a degree, but for the past four years in a paid capacity.



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Pastor AnnMarie Kneebone

“I do a lot of pulpit supply,” she adds. “Pastors on sabbatical, or if they haven’t found an interim yet, I go in and preach for them periodically.”

She points out the role of an interim pastor is decidedly different from that of a permanent clergy lead.

“I’m here to journey with people as they reflect on who they are and who they’re becoming, and as they look at their future I kind of help them look at their past as well, in ways that are as helpful as possible. It has to do with seeing the potential...in people and communities.”

That gift intertwines with the enthusiasm she mentioned.

“I can say, ‘Did you see this? Did you see that? Isn’t this a wonderful opportunity?’

“The work of a pastor, according to the bible, is to equip the saints for the work of the ministry. You have to see the potential in people and communities, and that’s exciting.”

And while she’s looking at the future ministries of both the local churches she serves, her work in that area isn’t the same as a permanent pastor’s might be,

“The nature of interim pastoring is, you don’t know how long you’re going to be here. If they find somebody six months from now, I will have completed my ministry. The goal is to

make it so when they have made the decision of who they want to be the permanent pastor, it’s one they feel totally confident is Spirit-led and they have thought through what they need to. It’s a corner-turning time.

“I’ve really enjoyed the transitional ministry I’ve done in my career. I feel called to it.”

While different people, of course, feel called to attend church for different reasons, Kneebone invites those who aren’t yet to take part in the weekly ritual of marking time in their lives.

“That is important to me,” she notes. “As I lead worship, especially at the Benediction, where it says, ‘As you go forth from this place.’ We’ve made mistakes in that week prior and done good things. Hold on to those good things and let go of the mistakes. Know that we can move forward and say, ‘Let’s do this again.’

“In the Benediction, I think it’s important to say, ‘As you leave,’ so you know you’re not alone -- we’re still connected. It’s not just because we’re standing in this building. We’re connected because the Holy Spirit has connected us. People who are isolated, lonely, or happy and want to share their joy -- church is a good place to do that.”

## Sports briefs

### Boys soccer

#### Glenn blanks Culver

Alex Crump recorded a hat trick, and John Glenn beat host Culver 6-0 Tuesday.

James Frey netted the Falcons’ final goal and recorded assists on each of Crump’s scores, Crump assisted on the second goal of the night, and Daniel Gardner and Rafael Castro also scored for Glenn.

• JOHN GLENN 6, CULVER 0  
At Culver  
First half  
Alex Crump (James Frey, AJ Strycker)  
Rafael Castro (Crump)  
Second half  
Daniel Gardner (Mark Einhorn)  
Crump (Frey)  
Crump (Frey)  
Frey  
Records: Glenn 2-1, Culver 0-3

### Volleyball

#### Triton outlasts Culver

Triton outlasted Culver 3-2 in a five-game Northern State Conference volleyball match at Culver Thursday, 25-20, 14-25, 22-25, 25-20, 15-13.

Leading the way for Culver was Samantha Howard with 16 kills, 24 digs and three aces while Aspen Kitchell notched 10 kills, three aces and 11 assists.

• TRITON 3, CULVER 2 (25-20, 14-25, 22-25, 25-20, 15-13) See Sports page 9

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Cody Shively with 63 yards.

Culver heads to New Prairie this week, while Triton ventures to Bremen.

• CULVER COMMUNITY 33, TRITON 3  
At Culver  
Score by quarters  
Triton: 0 3 0 0 — 3  
Culver: 14 6 7 6 — 33  
Scoring summary  
First quarter  
C — Collin Stevens 5 run (kick blocked), 3:43.  
C — Matt Hurford 47 pass from Stevens (Cole Flora run), 1:53.  
Second quarter  
T — Tanner Shepherd 27 FG, 5:35.  
C — Sam Hissong 19 pass from Stevens (kick blocked), 3:03.  
Third quarter  
C — Micah Budzinski 21 pass from Stevens (Stevens kick), 4:53.  
Fourth quarter  
C — Hissong 38 pass from Stevens (kick blocked), 10:59.  
Triton stats  
Rushing: 43 carries for 198 yards (Bryson Mosier 21-65, Cody Shively 11-63, Tyler Milton 3-23, DJ Riffle 2-7, Grant Stichter 2-(minus)9).  
Passing: Mosier 7-15, 49 yards  
Receiving: Cole Creighbaum 2-22, Marc Lindsey 2-6, Shepherd 1-16, Shively 1-5, Drew Mosson 1-0.  
Tackles: Cody Shively 5.  
First downs: 14  
Fumbles: 3-3  
Punting: 2-29  
Penalties: 2-10  
Culver stats  
Rushing: 30 carries for 160 yards (Flora 7-57, Kevin Hogan 3-30, Hissong 4-29, Stevens 6-27, Matt Hurford 5-20, Shelton Barger 1-1, Shawn Russell 1-(minus)1, Preston Hansel 3-(minus)3).  
Passing: Stevens 8-11-1, 198 yards  
Receiving: Budzinski 4-77, Hissong 3-74, Hurford 1-47.  
Tackles: Kevin Hogan 10.  
First downs: 11  
Fumbles: 2-2  
Punting: 1-27  
Penalties: 8-65  
Records: Triton 0-3 (0-1 NSC), Culver 2-1 (1-0 NSC).



# L’Max Film Fest: both feel-good favorite and tearjerker ending

Donations of coats, winter wraps still sought

If Friday evening went spectacularly better than hoped for organizers of the 4th annual Lake Maxinkuckee Film Festival “Gift of Warmth” event, which raises funds and collects winter wear for area needy children and their families, the weather rained on the proverbial parade of Saturday evening’s offerings to the community.

Making its debut at this year’s event was Friday evening’s student film competition, during which seven short films created by students in Purdue University’s Film Studies program were screened, and attending sponsors -- whose contributions not only made possible the events of Saturday, but will be used to offset heating bills for needy families this winter -- could vote for their favorite.

The evening included what has become the traditional wine and meet and greet, lantern-lit dinner outside the theater (catered by the Victorian Pantry of South Bend), and a well-received performance by a pianist and singers from the Indiana University School of Music (Culver’s own Mary Weirich accompanied the earlier meet and greet on piano).

The fan favorite was Daniel Skubal’s “The Hustler and the Blind Man,” which presented a philosophically parable-like morality tale -- which stood out in large part due to the strong acting of its leads) in contrast to several comedic (and one other dramatic) shorts, many of which were also well-received. Skubal won the “gold” prize of \$1,000, while Samantha Braden’s humorous “The Bet” won the silver (second place) award of \$500.

While Friday evening’s events were the best-attended sponsor’s evening since the inception of the festival, ac-

cording to event chair Gary Shaffer, Saturday’s were surely the worst-attended, through no fault of organizers.

Following a day’s worth of 1950s-themed movies screened at the Uptown Cinema (and viewable for donation of new or lightly used winter wear or heating bill money), the giant screen in the park was erected and stage space readied for musical performances, while local organizations including the Lions Club, Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver, and Trinity Lutheran Church set up shop to feed and assist guests. By 6:30, however, the screen had been blown down by the terrific force of wind which hit the area, and rain delayed efforts to jump-start the events, even as the few attendees huddled under the awning of the Lions’ depot and shared the food and company.

Shaffer notes Kathy Overmyer and Quintin Flagg did take to the stage to perform a few numbers following the rain, and while delayed, the show did go on with the movie, shortly after 9 p.m., for the 40 or so in attendance.

As a result, organizers are especially seeking the coats and winter wear planned for donation by those who didn’t attend the event Saturday, and hope the word can be spread that they’re markedly short of such items for distribution this winter.

Those with items to donate are encouraged to do so this Saturday, Sept. 10, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the train station - depot on Lake Shore Drive, or to contact Gary Shaffer at 574-842-8926.

# Maxinkuckee’s Chief Nas-wau-kee family to be honored at Trail of Courage

The family of Chief Nas-wau-kee and Doga (also spelled Dogah or Togah) will be the honored Potawatomi family at the Trail of Courage Living History Festival Sept. 17-18. This event is held at Fulton County Historical Society grounds four miles north of Rochester, Indiana, on U.S. 31. The Trail of Courage features historic camps, foods cooked over wood fires, two stages with pre-1840 music and dance, canoe rides on Tippecanoe River, bagpipers, Woodlands Indian wigwam village, Plains Indian teepees, red-tailed hawk program, muzzle-loading gun and tomahawk contests, traditional crafts, fur trade skit, much more. This is a big festival that attracts 12,000 to 18,000 people.

A key to the city of Rochester will be presented during the opening ceremony at 10 a.m. to Michale Edwards, Moore, Okla., and other members of the Mackety family, descendants of Chief Nas-wau-kee. Edwards has been doing genealogy research and is writing a book to be published later this year. Other family members from Michigan and Colorado will also be attending.

The Mackety family, from the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi, are Nas-wau-kee’s known descendants. The Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi reservation is at Fulton, Michigan. Some of their ancestors lived in Indiana in the 1830s, the most famous of which was Chief Nas-wau-kee. He and his brother, Quash-quah, had reservations at Lake Maxinkuckee, Culver, Indiana. In 1837 they were conducted west to Kansas. The 47 Potawatomi journeyed from August 23 to October 23, 1837, without loss of life (unlike the 1838 Trail of Death, on which 42 died of 859 Potawatomi on the trip). At Nas-wau-kee’s urging, Father Christian Hoecken established St. Mary’s Mission at Sugar Creek, Kansas, where the Potawatomi lived 1838-1849. A historical marker there records the chief as Nesf-wawke.

A historical marker for Chief Nas-wau-kee will be dedicated September 16 at 5 p.m. at Lake Maxinkuckee, Culver. The marker is a big boulder with a metal plaque, the Eagle Scout project of Bryan McKinney, Winamac Troop 229, which has several members from Culver also. Bryan is a senior at Winamac High School. The historical marker will be located in the Culver park just east of the beach, at the start of the “Indian Trails” that lead to Culver Military Academy.

A carry-in supper will be held immediately after the dedication at the home of Rick and Julia Baxter at 16787 – 18 B Road. This house is located on the former Nas-wau-kee reservation. Nancy Baxter, Indianapolis author of several books about Indiana history, will provide drinks and tableware. Bring your own folding chair and two covered dishes of food to share.



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UPPER LEFT: Recent Purdue graduate (current Chicago resident) Daniel Skubal, center, beams following announcement of his winning the top prize of \$1,000 in the audience-voted student film competition at Friday evening's sponsors' event. He's flanked by fiancée Veronia Lapage (left) and mom Lori Skubal (right).

UPPER RIGHT: Not to be outdone by the evening's Purdue representation, singers from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music delighted Friday's audience with a repertoire ranging from operas to showtunes. Before the audience departed for the evening, both school's official songs had been sung (IU's by the performers, Purdue's by loyal fans of the rival school in, in the audience). Pictured, left to right, are Shelly Ploss, Andrew Murstein, and Kellie Cullinan.

LOWER LEFT: L'Max Film Fest committee member Mike Overmyer (standing) greets Warren and Marilyn Bickel, whose son Dan owns the Uptown Cinema (as well as nearby Edgewater Grille), and who helped conceive the idea for the festival prior to its debut.

LOWER RIGHT: One of the few performers to manage a song Saturday evening, the Culver Academies choir, directed by Stacy Warren (right) managed a number following the windstorm and prior to the arrival of the worst of the rain.

# Mystic Hills’ Pugh breaks 2-year dry spell with Pepsi Tournament win



NOBLESVILLE — With an old, tried and true putter back in his bag that helped him get his last win in 2009, Dave Pugh of Mystic Hills fired off a 5-under-par 67 at Purgatory Golf Club in Noblesville to win the final Pepsi Club Car Tournament Series of the year.

“I switched back just today to the same putter that I used to win back-to-back Pepsi Championships in 2008 and ‘09 — a short putter,” explained Pugh. “Most of my birdies were from within six feet today, but I made a long putt on 17 too.”

Along with the putter, Pugh’s caddie was also successful on the greens.

“Kevin and I were seeing the same line. Every putt today that we read we both pointed to the exact same spot,” said Pugh. Pugh’s familiarity with the host course and the open terrain at Purgatory also helped pay dividends in the win.

“I had a good finish in the State Open when it was here,” he said. “It’s a good golf course for me since I hit it a long way and there is a lot of room out there. I can spread it around a little. I drove it really well today and didn’t have much yardage in on most holes. I had a lot of wedges in my hand.”

Pugh’s 67 finished just one shot better than Mike Ahlers of Pine Valley Country Club and Jamie Broce of Indiana University Golf Club, who tied for second with 68s.

At Culver  
Culver stats  
Kills: Samantha Howard 16, Aspen Kitchell 10  
Aces: Alex Baker 4, Aspen Kitchell 3, Howard 3  
Assists: Kitchell 11, Kalee Miller 5  
Digs: Howard 24, Miller 5  
Record: Culver 4-6 (0-1 NSC)

**CGA beats Glenn**

Culver Girls Academy rebounded from a first-game loss to beat host John Glenn in four games Thursday, 22-25, 25-9, 25-20, 25-18.

Katie Bjornson and Abby Jeffirs led the Lady Eagles attack with 12 and 11 kills, respectively, while Amily Gilland passed out 21 assists, Andrea Lin served up six aces to complement 20 digs, and Torrie Christlieb tallied six blocks at the net for CGA, which improves to 4-1 on the season.

• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 3, JOHN GLENN 1 (22-25, 25-9, 25-20, 25-18)

At Walkerton  
CGA stats  
Kills: Katie Bjornson 12, Abby Jeffirs 11  
Aces: Andrea Lin 6, Caitlyn Logue 3, Paige Baldacci 2, Katie Bjornson 2  
Assists: Emily Gilland 21, Baldacci 9  
Digs: Lin 20, Bjornson 13, Baldacci 8  
Blocks: Torrie Christlieb 6, Gilland 2  
Record: Culver Girls Academy 4-1  
JV score: John Glenn 2, Culver Girls Academy 0 (24-25, 14-25)  
Record: Culver Girls Academy 2-3

**Culver falls to Winamac**

Culver hung tough in the third game but couldn’t get over the hump in a three-game loss to visiting Winamac Tuesday, 25-7, 25-14, 27-25.

Aspen Kitchell recorded six kills with four assists and an ace, and Samantha Howard had three kills with two assists and an ace as Culver lost to the Lady Warriors. Kalee Miller passed out eight digs.

The Lady Cavaliers slide to 4-5 on the year.

• WINAMAC 3, CULVER 0 (25-7, 25-14, 27-25)

At Culver  
Culver stats  
Kills: Aspen Kitchell 6, Samantha Howard 3  
Aces: Kitchell 1, Howard 1  
Assists: Kitchell 4, Howard 2  
Digs: Kalee Miller 8, Alex Baker 7  
Record: Culver 4-5

**CGA beats Lakeland**

Culver Girls Academy moved to 3-1 as it handed Lakeland Christian a 25-9, 25-11, 25-17 defeat Tuesday at home.

Paige Baldacci served up a slew of six aces, while Katie Bjornson put away eight kills for the Lady Eagles. Emily Gilland led in setting and passing with 15 assists and five digs.

• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 3, LAKELAND CHRISTIAN 0 (25-9, 25-11, 25-17)

At Culver  
CGA stats  
Kills: Katie Bjornson 8, Abby Jeffirs 4, Emily Gilland 3, Emily Rich 3  
Aces: Paige Baldacci 6, Bjornson 2, Jeffirs 2, Andrea Lin 2  
Assists: Gilland 15, Baldacci 8  
Digs: Gilland 5, Baldacci 4, Bjornson 3, Torrie Christlieb 3  
Blocks: Christlieb 2, Rich 1, Pita Navarro 1  
Record: Culver Girls Academy 3-1

**Girls golf**

**Lady Eagles fall**

Culver Girls Academy lost 199-217 to visiting Warsaw on its home course Monday.

The Lady Eagles were led by Samantha Seibel’s 50, while Kiira Yazales and Helen Hansen finished within a stroke of one another with respective scores of 52 and 53, and Makenzie Montgomery carded a 62 to round out the team score.

Sarah Hartel and Nikki Lalonde shot the match low with dual 46s for the Tigers, who stay perfect at 7-0.

CGA slips to an even 3-3 on the season.

• WARSAW 199, CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 217

At Culver Academies Golf Course (Par 37)  
WARSAW (199): Sarah Hartel 46, Nikki Lalonde 46, Nikki Gross 50, Elizabeth Meadows 59, Megan Dearlove 57.  
CGA (217): Samantha Seibel 50, Kiira Yazales 52, Helen Hansen 53, Makenzie Montgomery 62, Makenzie Toth 66.  
Records: Warsaw 7-0, CGA 3-3.

**Women’s college volleyball**

McBee helps IUSB to first-ever victory

Indiana University South Bend scored its program-first win with a 25-14, 25-14, 20-25, 25-19 victory over Calumet at home Saturday.

Culver Community graduate Patrice McBee registered seven kills and a dig in the historic victory.



# Culver Community School Corporation passes AYP

## Specifics of grading system complicate evaluation

By Jeff Kenney, Citizen editor, with Lydia Beers, Staff Writer  
While Culver Community Schools passed their AYP (Average Yearly Progress) test from the Department of Education (DOE) as a corporation, only the high school met the state standards in all categories.

The middle school and elementary school did not pass AYP, but each passed all but one of their categories. The middle school and elementary school have 13 and 17 categories, respectively, while the high school has only 11 categories.



Brad Schuldt

School superintendent Brad Schuldt said that he is pleased that the high school passed.

"We've got some work to do in the other two buildings," added Schuldt.

Culver Elementary made 16 out of its 17 categories, with the Special Education category not making it. Twelve of the middle school's 13 categories made it, with only the free and reduced lunch category not making the grade. Numbers were derived from last spring's scores at Monterey Elementary, which made 10 of its 13 categories.

Each school level has a predetermined set of categories ranging from "white," to "free and reduced lunch" (which is income-based), to "special education." In order for a sub-category to be factored into the equation, it must have at least 30 students. So Monterey Elementary, for example, did not have a special education category (likely due in part to its small student population overall), while Culver Elementary did.

"The whole concept was, 'No Child Left Behind,' so even if you pass in your overall scores, which we did in every building except Monterey, if any sub-groups are lagging behind, it can keep you out of AYP, and that's exactly

what happened in the elementary and middle schools."

Overall, Schuldt notes, scores in all three Culver buildings were passing, but lower scores in just one sub-category can take a fairly successful school like Culver Elementary in its overall scores, out of the running for AYP.

The complexities and, to some, somewhat confusing results of this approach have made the grading system controversial, says Schuldt.

The corporation appealed the high school's initial rating, Schuldt says, which brought that building to the letter grade "A," exemplary status. The high school ranked one-tenth of a point less than Culver Elementary (which received a "D" grade) in its performance, but because it was deemed to have so much higher improvement, the high school became ranked an "A" school.

"I think the rating system will change," Schuldt adds.

He explained that teachers are focusing on doing smaller assessments throughout the year to ensure students are learning the material.

"We're going to work hard at matching our curriculum to what the standards are," said Schuldt, "and make sure we are teaching what the state wants us to teach."

Schuldt also said that he is "very encouraged" that the high school received an 'A' rating from the DOE and the middle school received a 'B.'

The AYP is based on student's math and English scores on state tests as well as attendance. For high schools, AYP also takes into account a school's graduation rate.

AYP is part of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. Schools are required to meet AYP for both the school's overall population and any demographic group within the school that includes 30 or more students. Schools are also given letter ratings in one of five categories: A (Exemplary Progress), B (Commendable Progress), C (Academic Progress), D (Academic Watch) or F (Academic Probation).

Mart and www.townofculver.org.

### Friends book sale

The Friends of the Culver Public Library's next book sale will be Friday, Sept. 23 and Saturday, Sept. 24 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the lower level of the library. The Friends welcome donations of gently used books which may be brought to the library at any time during open hours

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## 'Maxinkuckee Mania' on ice

Dozens of families converged on Culver for what has become an annual tradition (more than 15 years now) this past summer, that of MaxMania. Many families involved, notes MaxMania chairperson Donald Hill, have been living in Culver part-time for 43 years now, and "we are on our fourth generation now in Culver. Some have moved there permanently and others are part-timers."



Families joining in the week-long event have hailed from the Illinois area, though as alluded to above, several longtime participants have moved to Culver and become an active part of the community, such as Mike and Patty Stallings, who were the primary organizers of a skating event at Culver Academies.

Hill notes, "Numerous families that we know have been taking vacation (in the Culver area) so many years ago I thought it would be a great idea if all the families planned the same week up there and would take turns hosting events. Hence, MaxMania."

Every three years, he adds, t-shirts are made up for participating families with special logos on them.

This year's activities included a boat float picnic with water balloon fight; a "girls night out" at the park; male "flight school" (paper airplane making event); "Starz Under the Starz" talent competition and s'more fire; tacos in the park and bingo; blueberry picking; ice skating at the Culver Academies ice rink; an ice cream social; a "whack attack" golf outing; and Fort Knox paintball, among other events.

Pictured at the Acadmies rink, from left to right, are Lexi Skrinak, Brendon Esposito, and Sydney Stacy (in back is Donald Hill)

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a half-section of land, a saw mill and a grist mill would be erected, and ploughs, hoes, axes and other implements would be provided (16-17).

He also noted that after the coming fall's disbursement, the government would only distribute its annual payment to the Potawatomi on the land west of the Mississippi. This was clearly the iron fist in the not-very-velvet glove. The weakness in Pepper's position was that while some Potawatomi had undertaken to leave as early as January, 1836 (and had done so), he himself had negotiated a series of treaties in 1836 specifying departure dates two years in the future: Kee-waw-nay, Nas-waw-kee and Quash-quo, for instance, weren't required to vacate until April 22, 1838. On the other hand, Pepper could legitimately claim (though he doesn't seem to have done so) that there was no realistic prospect of undertaking a long journey in winter or spring: in order to be gone by the treaty date, the Potawatomi would need to leave in the late summer or early fall of 1837.

According to Winter's notes, as cited in the printed edition of his journals, Nas-waw-kee personally was prepared to emigrate in the summer of 1837 (as he eventually did), but, as spokesman for the community, he adopted a more resistant tone, arguing for a delay in their departure (in the on-line version of his remarks, he says that he himself is no chief, but that "I wish you to hear through me the voice of our chiefs" [22]). The Potawatomi had made many treaties with the Great Father; "We can now show," Nas-waw-kee went on, "the signs, medals, and other emblems of friendship then delivered to us; and we hope, Father, that you do not consider them as mere bells hanging around our necks....You have been speaking of our miseries and wretchedness. Your counsels have brought these miseries on us.—By your advice, the very lands on which we expected to terminate our existence have been sold from us....Your counsels have reduced us to our present state. You now speak to us about going west. We have heard you often to the same purpose. We recollect the talk at Max-ee-nic-kuc-kee. It is now the same; you told us that we should be better provided for; again you say the same. We recollect all you said; you spoke on the subject of removal; you said we should not be driven away; we were glad to hear it; and we hope your views remain the same....I see not how our natural existence should be prolonged by going west—But we do not refuse your advice.

You pride yourselves upon your national character—and we hope that you will keep your vows, and hold us fast (by the hand) as your children" (106-107). In Winter's earlier certified account (pages 19-26 of the Purdue on-line version) Nas-waw-kee is even more direct: "Father, we have been promised often that we should have great riches if we would only sell our lands. We have been promised rifles and everything that we should want....We see no promises performed. Father—now we have been talking of the West—we are still shy. Something might happen to us if we now turn our face to the West. We are naked."

Pepper replied that he remembered very well what he had said two years earlier at Maxinkuckee, and that it was no different from what he was saying then. The Potawatomi had willingly sold their lands, and had promised to leave within two years. If the US were to give them plows here in Indiana, they would have no place to use them. The scene at the previous September's distribution of government payments ought to be reason enough to want payments made in the safety of the lands across the Mississippi. The Great Father would embrace and nurture them as he did his white children, but only in the lands reserved for them. "You are freemen—you are at liberty to go or stay. But if you do stay, you will scatter, dwindle and miserably finish the poor remnant of a once proud and honourable nation" (Purdue, 29).

The chiefs retired to consult amongst themselves, and when they returned, Nas-waw-kee replied that they wished to adhere to the promises of the treaty, under which they would be allowed to remain for two full years. "We perceive that we are urged—and your children conceive themselves urged to go immediately. We wish more time given. We tell you for the last time the opinion of your children—We hope to be well treated as you promised us" (Purdue, 31).

At this, Pepper got on his horse and rode away, instructing his deputies, Col. Lewis H. Sands and Mr. George C. Proffitt, to see which individual chiefs could be persuaded to sign the departure list. They did so, with little success, but then, two days later, on the 23rd, as the deputies were preparing to leave, Nas-waw-kee and the other chiefs asked for another meeting. They apologized for having offended Col. Pepper, and welcomed the sympathy they had received from Sands and Proffitt. Nas-waw-kee retracted some claims he had made about the 1795 Treaty of Green-

# Culver Comm. board changes, hires, and a CCHS grad takes teaching reins

By Jeff Kenney, Citizen editor

Culver's Dave Cooper has replaced Culver Community School Corporation board member Gene Baker as the board's town district representative, as appointed at the board's last meeting.



CITIZEN FILE PHOTO  
Brett Berendt



CITIZEN FILE PHOTO  
Eugene Baker



CITIZEN FILE PHOTO  
Dave Cooper

Baker resigned from the board due to taking a position as the Culver Community High School's business education instructor, a position left vacant with the death of longtime business teacher Mike Schwartz. Baker, himself a graduate of Culver Community High School, had been a business teacher at LaVille High School prior to his accepting the job here this past summer.

Following the departure of Tom Corey, who had been assistant principal at the high school and had filled in last year as principal of the middle school, Brett Berendt has been named Dean of Students at the high school, according to Culver schools superintendent Brad Schuldt. Corey took a position as assistant superintendent at Lake Station, Indiana.

As a result of the change, Berendt's post as middle school science teacher was left vacant, and former Michigan City teacher Ashley Trumble has just been hired by the board to take over.

The school's Industrial Technology program will be taken over by Ohio State University grad Eric Thomas.

The new positions have begun in a manner unusual in today's world, says Schuldt.

"It kind of goes back to the old way of doing things. You shake hands and you have an agreement."

That's because last spring's state-level legislative changes included, among many others, a new contract form for public schools, and the nullification of the old form as of July 1. However, the Indiana State Teachers Association has filed an injunction against use of the new form, says Schuldt, and a Marion County judge rules in favor of that request.

"So now there's an injunction against using the new document," explains Schuldt. "So we can't use the old or the new."

However, he notes the minutes of the governing body -- in this case, the school board -- serve as a document, so new staff members are legally hired even without the physical contract.

## CUTPL hosts digital photography class

Culver Union Township Public Library, located at 107 North Main Street, Culver, IN, in conjunction with the People's University hosts a class on digital photography.

If you have a camera you would like to learn to use more effectively, bring it! If you don't have a camera, and wish to learn more about digital photography, come and experience the world of digital photography with us. Some topics include hardware, digital media, the camera and some basics of digital photography like shooting a better picture and digital file management. Sign up to reserve your spot at the Marshall County Council on Aging. The class is Free and Open to All, and takes place September 14 at 6 p.m.

For more information on this event, please contact CUTPL Director Colleen McCarty or Jonathan Gaskill via e-mail at jgaskill@culver.lib.in.us or by dialing 574-842-2941. You also can view a full calendar of events for Culver Union Township Public Library by going to www.culver.lib.in.us.

ville (I haven't been able to figure out precisely which ones), and asked to resume the council in a week. I-o-wah then took Col. Sands by the hand and assured him that Nas-waw-kee had spoken on behalf of the whole nation.

When they reassembled, Nas-waw-kee said that the chiefs had determined that it would not be possible to leave immediately, but that they would be prepared to go in a year's time. Any of the young men who wished to go sooner were free to do so, and the chiefs themselves wanted to go and have a look at the territory. Finally, however, abandoning his role as spokesman, he said: "For myself, I know my situation. You have represented [?] it truly. I will tell you my opinion in regard to it. Since you have been a Nation you have been fortunate and unfortunate—I have had no reverses. I have always been unhappy. No light has shone one me: all has been dark, cheerless and comfortless—no permanent home is mine. Nothing is left to me, but to put myself under the protection of my great Father and yourself. I wish you to hold me fast by the hand. Now, Col. Sands, you have said you expect to live west sometime. We wish you to go with us and remain among us. I myself will go West if I go alone" (Purdue, 40-41). Nas-waw-kee then signed the Emigration Roll (indicating his willingness to leave immediately), Winter says, and "was followed by several chiefs and headmen" (Purdue, 41).

In part III, we'll look at reports of Nas-waw-kee's departure and the little that's known of his later life in Kansas.

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