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Have delivery service, will travel

ABOVE: Tucker Anderson of Culver launched Doorstep Delivery -- a new service to bring food and other goods to area residents as well as provide transportation -- this week, as detailed in the story below.

In Brief

Arts and crafts sale, demonstrations Saturday

A Culver community arts and crafts sale: hand-made marketplace will take place Saturday, April 26, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Culver Public Library's large meeting room. Knitting, jewelry, painting, crochet and more will be on hand. Come see what people in your community make with their hands. There will be craft demonstrations throughout the day.

Town wide garage sales this wknd

The Town Wide Garage Sale is set for Friday and Saturday, April 25 and 26. If you would like your sale listed on the map, please get the information to Town Hall via e-mail (clerk@townofculver.org) or phone (574.842.3140) no later than Tuesday, April 22. Maps will be available Thursday, April 24 online and at Town Hall, Osborn's Mini-Mart, Dairy Barn and First National Bank of Monterey.

Jazz Cafe concert Saturday

The Culver Comm. High School Jazz Cafe will perform at a dinner and show, this Saturday, April 26 at 6 p.m. in the CCHS cafeteria. Cost of the event is \$8 in advance, and tickets can be purchased at the high school bookstore, or one may purchase at the door for \$10. The public is invited to attend.

Student art show April this wknd

Culver Tri Kappa is pleased to announce the 12th annual Student Art Show on Saturday, April 26 and Sunday, April 27, at the Culver Cove Marmont Room. The art show is open to any student from the Culver Academies, Culver Community High School and Culver Community Middle School. Categories include drawing, painting, photography, print and three-dimensional. Stop by and vote for best of show and people's

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'Naturepalooza' event to hit town park May 10

The Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council has released details on its new Naturepalooza event in Culver's town park, scheduled for Saturday, May 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

What's a "Naturepalooza," one may ask. According to LMEC executive director Kathy Clark, the event speaks to the organization's "big mission," set out in its Indiana Department of Environmental Management sanctioned watershed management plan. One part of that mission is to perform public outreach and educate the public on cleaner, greener ways to impact the health of not only the lake, but its entire watershed, she notes.

To that end, she describes Naturepalooza as an "educational and fun event (which) will have many great things for the family to participate in. From meeting Zach Walker and his bald eagle Belle, to joining friends at the 'I Am An Artist' class, there is plenty to keep your family busy on the Saturday before Mother's Day."

She emphasized the importance of trying to make everyone aware of the things found in nature and how to care for them, while hopefully making the learning experience fun for all.

"We feel that Naturepalooza will help keep our community aware of the natural beauty of our surroundings, and how to safeguard the life that lives around our watershed, not only in our lake" Clark explains. "Lots of things impact the water entering the lake, like bugs, birds, plants and other animals; it is part of our mission to keep an eye on as much as possible -- to be aware of changes that occur in nature, that may eventually impact the lake. We can use all the help we can get, which is why we are always seeking ways to educate and involve our friends and neighbors."



The schedule of events for Naturepalooza includes:

10 a.m. Depot: Learn how to paint Mother Nature at **I AM AN ARTIST** by Shelly Schrimsher of Unlocked Creativity. A step-by-step instructional paint class. Each class is \$20 (preregistration only), and will include a 16"x20" wrapped canvas to take home of the participant's masterpiece. This will be a fun, positive, and encouraging environment with an emphasis on discovering the unique beauty in every piece of art! Limit of 20 seats. From 10 to noon. Go to unlockedcreativity.com/iamanartist to register.

Gazebo: Bird Watch with Your Ears! Come and listen to Jon Chapman, a professional bird watcher who conducted the LMEC Avian Study two years ago. Learn about the wide variety of birds found in our watershed, and how you too can learn to 'call' them and count them. Join him on a bird watching hike along the Indian Trails. From 1 to ?

Tent 1: Anyone Want to Build a Forest? Listen to the Moon Tree Elders as they talk about their plans to plant an entire forest of Dawn Redwood Trees. These beautiful trees became almost extinct in this part of Indiana. Pick up a FREE ticket to win one of three of these wonderful trees.

Tent 2: WHO? WHO?

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Easter weekend in Culver

ABOVE, RIGHT: Area churches held their annual observances of the Easter holiday over the weekend, including St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church (TOP PHOTO), where Bob Nowalk (right) is pictured holding the traditional Paschal candle for Vern Chmliewski Jr. to use in lighting his own, as Fr. Jeffrey Largent (center) looks on, at the start of Saturday night's Easter Vigil. In the photo BELOW, members of the choir of Wesley United Methodist Church sing "No Rose Bloomed in Gethsemane" during the church's Easter morning service.

CCHS principal Hanselman steps down

Will take lead post in vocational cooperative



CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY
Culver Comm. High School principal Albert Hanselman address Culver's Kiwanis Club during a meeting last fall.

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Culver Community Schools have seen a number of changes in recent years, from the closing of Monterey Elementary School, to the retirement of former longtime superintendent Brad Schuldt and the arrival in January of current superintendent Dr. Vicki McGuire, among others.

Add to that the news that Culver Community High School principal Albert Hanselman, who next month will take part in his 14th graduation ceremony as principal, has taken a new position as Director of the Northcentral Area Vocational Cooperative, the vocational education cooperative to which Culver schools belong, though 10 schools are included in it. Hanselman -- who will start July 1 in the new position -- will replace Jerry Hollenbaugh, who is retiring after a number of years at the post.

Hanselman is completing his 26th year in the Culver school corporation (first as a teacher, then athletic director, and assistant

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Anderson launches new Culver delivery service

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Culver's Tucker Anderson is launching something new in Culver -- though in many ways, it's the return of something longstanding, tried and true.

Anderson, Culver born and raised, officially started Culver's Doorstep Delivery earlier this week (think Culver concierge, and you're on the right track), which means those in the town of Culver, at Culver Academies, and on Lake Maxinkuckee can give him a call for delivery of foods -- whether from local eateries or local grocery -- and other products (no controlled substances, such as alcohol, cigarettes, and prescription drugs as of yet, though he's working on that) to their doorsteps.

The idea grew from Academies grad Anderson's observation that Culver Academies students utilize the few restaurants in town which currently deliver; he began to consider that those students would likely appreciate the ability to have other items, such as grocery goods, delivered as well. He initially considered offering storage services to students during the summer months between school years, he says, though he moved away from the idea.

"The kids I talked to before I even decided to jump onto this were all on board," he noted. "Not that they're not happy with the other (entities who deliver), but they would prefer more options. I thought I could definitely provide that. I know the business."

Anderson notes he's been involved in delivery service inside and outside of Culver for five years now, and he also knows the Culver community.

"I know the target audience, the demographic, and how the business ebbs and flows throughout the seasons," he says. "Especially in summer, the town and lake crowd are major hitters in delivery service. I don't know about the grocery end of it; nobody's ever done that before. I would like to extend to senior citizens or the homebound. Or there are people who have guests coming and don't have time to get groceries. It's really a service to make people's lives a little easier."

In one sense, Anderson is reviving something old as much as initiating something new. During the late 1800s, William Swigart advertised himself as the "Marmont (Culver) and Maxenkuckee Drayman," promoting "All goods delivered at any point around Lake Maxenkuckee at reasonable prices," though of course Anderson won't be driving a horse and cart as the draymen of old.

At this point, Anderson works only for himself, though he already has a formal arrangement to deliver food from the Lakehouse Grille in Culver (though only on Sundays through Thursdays -- the weekends are too busy for the kitchen staff to add delivery options). He hopes, however, to make similar agreements with other local restaurants (though he's quick to note he can still deliver from any restaurant in town, at the customer's request).

Anderson also points out items such as groceries will be provided subject to their availability, and at present the service will be cash (or local checks) on delivery, though he intends to add a credit card option in the near future. He's also willing to deliver to

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Culver High School reunion 2014 scheduled for June 28

A reunion for Culver High School (CHS) alumni is scheduled for Saturday, June 28 at the Culver Elementary School Gymnasium (the former Culver High School gymnasium). Doors will open for the reunion at 6 p.m. and close at 9 p.m. The gymnasium is handicapped accessible. Honored CHS classes will include those ending with a “4” or “9” which have an alumna or alumnus attending the reunion. That being said, CHS alumni from all years and their guests are welcome, as are those who attended but did not graduate from Culver High School. Entry to the gymnasium will be through the entrance on the west side of the gymnasium, the Easterday Construction Company side of the building. Parking will be available alongside and in front of the gymnasium. The reunion will start with a brief program which in-

cludes recognition of any honored guests, as well as the recognition of alumni in the honored classes. This program will be followed by a catered meal; recorded music from the 40’s onward; a film made in Culver in 1937; and the presentation of electronic scans of photographs from CHS Tomahawk yearbooks, as well as private photographs of school sporting events, proms, dances, parties, music presentations, et al over the years contributed to the reunion by alumni. Attendees will receive name tags at the door, and these name tags will serve as attendees’ tickets. Please forward requests for tickets (and .jpg files of photographs such as those mentioned above via CD. NOTE: CDs will not be returned) to the following address: Tom Curtis, 464 Lake St., Culver, IN 46511-1315.

Tom’s other contact information is as follows: e-mail, tomcurtis787@gmail.com or tlcurtis@mediacombb.net. Cell phone 508-369-1506 Reunion ticket requests must be received before Saturday, June 21, and must forward a check which includes the amount of \$25 for each reunion attendee. These requests must also include the name, address, and CHS class year of the requesting alumna, alumnus, or former CHS students, as well as a phone number and e-mail address for the requestor (if available). Please feel free to contact Tom with any questions that you might have. He thanks you in advance for any use that you make of e-mail, “Facebook”, or other means at your disposal to ensure that other alumni or former CHS students are aware of this event.

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boats, if docked at a reachable location. Delivery fees are 10 percent of the total bill for the items delivered, for those in town and at Culver Academies, and 15 percent for those on the lake and outside of town in Marshall County. There will be a flat 15 percent fee for groceries and non-participating restaurants, which Anderson says covers his fuel and insurance costs. Anderson says he's also offering transportation late at night on weekends, or as demand is needed (especially particularly busy event weekends), as an additional service to those in the community.

Mark Damore Jr., owner of the Lakehouse, sees Doorstep Delivery as a service to the whole community. "I think Tucker is an asset to Culver," he says, "I respect entrepreneurs; they have a special place in my heart. He's that, and he's offering a service to this town that has a lot of value. I will always support that, and I will probably call him for deliveries myself." A Culver-based delivery service, adds Damore, is "another thing Culver has to offer that's big for the community. He's the kind of guy that gives back, and I want to see him be successful."

"I feel I can provide the town of Culver -- the tourists, local people, and those at the Academy -- something that will make their lives more convenient and give them more options, and expose more businesses in town," says Anderson. "I really hope people embrace it. I don't want to step on anybody's toes, but I saw an opportunity and I would be a fool not to see what I can do with it." Doorstep Delivery may be reached by phone at 574-242-8256.

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WHO? – Learn from widely known bird rehabilitator Kim Hoover how she cares for the owls found hurt in the wild. Her rehabilitation techniques are very special and she can tell you all about the different owls she is caring for now. Meet the latest addition to her menagerie, a Snowy Owl! 10 to noon. Special care must be taken at this tent please, no dogs near tent!

11 a.m. Help Your Little Ones Plant a Garden at the Park! Come and join the fun as you learn how raised beds are built and vegetables and herbs planted for harvesting by little hands over the summer. This fun project can use hands of all ages, but the little ones get to do the planting as well as the picking as things grow! An all-summer affair! PENDING Park Board decision expected April 23.

Tent 3: Falconry & the Red Tailed Hawk! Meet the men who have trained hawks in the art of Falconry for

years. They catch birds in the fall and train them over winter, then hunt with them in the spring. They are then released back into the wild. 11 to 1. Special care must be taken at this tent please, no dogs near tent!

Tent 4: Our Past Found! Join LMEC Chairman Allen Chesser as he presents his collection of arrowheads, prehistoric tools, and Mastodon teeth.

Noon - 1 p.m. Free hot dogs and pop for the first 150 kids.

1 p.m. Depot: TNC’s Houghton Lake Project. Learn about this wonderful neighboring lake and its journey back to its natural state. LMEC member and retired Culver Academies teacher, Dan Baughman participated in this terrific project. Join him and learn how they reclaimed the land and brought native wild things back to old farm fields. 1 to 2.

a silent auction at 3 for all three rain barrels! Proceeds go to defray costs.

Tent 3: Butterflies are Free! And so are the plants they love to eat. Join us to learn about how YOU can help the Monarch Butterfly as well as the endangered Karner Blue Butterfly. Milkweed plants for Monarchs and Purple Lupine plants for Karners will be given away FREE to the first 100 people attending this presentation. One to a customer please. Plants courtesy of Cardno/JF-New of Walkerton! Seeds for Milkweed plants will also be available. 1 to 2.

Tent 4: How to Build a Terrarium. Join Amy Gormaly of Culver Grown and learn how to build terrariums and tiny garden features! Either bring your own jars or you can buy one for \$4.00 to \$6.00 here. Plants, soil, and other small things to put in your terrarium are also for sale at a very small cost. From 1 to 2.

2 p.m. Depot: “Everglades of the North.” Join LMEC Chairman Allen Chesser as he presents this wonderful, award winning movie about one of our largest wetlands, known as the Kankakee Wetland. Free showing. From 2 to 3.

Tent 3: Meet Belle the bald eagle! Join Belle and her handler Zachary Walker! This duo has appeared at the Indiana State Fair and are traveling from southern Indiana just to share her story. Learn about our wonderful bald eagles and their habitats, traits, and family structure. Special rules apply for this tent, no dogs are to be near the tent please!

3 p.m. At the Lighthouse: Canoe/kayak agility race. Bring your canoe or kayak and join us for this fun little event, see how good you are at maneuvering through obstacles! Don’t fall in -- the lake is COLD!

More information on the LMEC and its mission is available at www.lakemax.org.



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Gazebo: Peanut Butter Feeders! Learn how to build these creative feeders for our feathery friends. You can take one home with you and also pick up a free ticket to win one of three birdhouses hand crafted by LMEC Chairman Allen Chesser.

Tent 2: Rain Barrel Class. Join students from Culver Community School and the Culver Academies and learn how to make your own rain barrel for very little cost. Rain barrels will be decorated by both Culver Community School students and Culver Academy students. One barrel will be available for children to decorate as the day goes on. There will be

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Obituaries

Richard Edwin Ford

Feb. 27, 1939 - April 16, 2014

WABASH — Richard Edwin Ford, who devoted much of his life to volunteerism and philanthropic endeavors, died Wednesday in Naples, Fla., where he was visiting friends. The fourth-generation of a pioneer Wabash family, Mr. Ford was born on Feb. 27, 1939, to Wilbur and Florence (Jeup) Ford. He lived most of his life in the family home at 540 N. Wabash.

Mr. Ford graduated from Wabash High School with the class of 1956 and attended Indiana University where he was a member of Acacia fraternity. Upon graduation with a BS degree in business, he joined the family firm, The Ford Meter Box, Inc., as a salesman in the East.

He was living then in Washington, D.C. where he eventually worked for the Environmental Protection Agency and for a not-for-profit organization until he returned to Wabash in 1980. It was at that time that he took up a number of civic causes involving the arts, historic preservation and the humanities. His efforts in these fields were local, national, and international in scope. After his return home, he chaired the Ford Meter Box Foundation and was for many years a member of the board of directors of the Ford Meter Box Company.

In Wabash, he established the Charley Creek Foundation, an organization which created the Charley Creek Gardens on North Miami Street and sponsors the Charley Creek Artsfest, an annual event featuring art exhibits, art sales and music performances. The Foundation is home to the Wabass Institute, the world's first workshop devoted to players of the double bass string instrument. Instructors and students gather each year in Wabash to study and to perform.

Mr. Ford's growing interest in historic preservation took him to various towns and cities in the United States and Europe where he saw preservation efforts at work. He became involved in projects to save the city of Venice, Italy, from flooding and he was on the board of directors of the American Museum in Britain. In America, he served as president of the Council of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

He was a life member of the Honeywell Foundation, where his father, Wilbur Ford, was president for many years. The Olivette Room and the Tower Room were among his projects at the Honeywell Center.

Mr. Ford was a major force behind the creation of The Wabash County Historical Museum at 36 E. Market. At the same time the new museum project was underway, he was also developing the Dr. James Ford Historic Home on West Hill Street. Dr. Ford, Richard's great-grandfather lived and practiced medicine in the home that is now a small museum.

He was a past member of the Honeywell House board where he took an interest in programming and in maintaining the house to the late Eugenia Honeywell's strict standards.

The major project of Mr. Ford's later years was the restoration of the Hotel Indiana, which he renamed the Charley Creek Inn. He created a charming small hotel with a dining room and lounge in downtown Wabash. He was pleased with the role that Charley Creek Inn has played in the revitalization of the downtown area.

His interest in history and historic preservation was matched only by his interest in music. Over the years, he was quietly responsible for bringing talented musicians to Wabash. He was on the board of directors of the Wabash Valley Music Association, and had served as its president. He was a board member of the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra and of the National Council of the Metropolitan Opera. For several years he served as director of the Metropolitan's Indiana regional auditions.

It was his interest in music that provided him with strong ties to Indiana University after he graduated. He supported many causes at the Jacobs School of Music on the Bloomington campus.

He developed an interest in cabaret music and in the popular music segment known as The Great American Songbook, and he was particularly fond of the music of Cole Porter and Hoagy Carmichael.

Mr. Ford was the recipient of awards from many organizations, but none pleased him more than those from Indiana groups. Among those were the 1998 Distinguished Citizen award from the Wabash Chamber of Commerce, the 2004 Indiana Living Legends award from the Indiana Historical Society, and the 2009 "Spirit of the Prairie " award from Conner Prairie. Indiana Landmarks honored him with the Cook Cup for his preservation efforts in restoring what is now Charley Creek Inn. Manchester College (now Manchester University) granted him the honorary degree Doctor of Humane Letters in 2005.

Mr. Ford was past president of the American Pianists Association. He was on the board of Heartland Film Festival, Dance Kaleidoscope and the Indianapolis Opera Company. He sat on the boards of the Hoosier Salon, the Indiana State Historical Society, and the Indianapolis International Violin Competition. Two governors named him a Sagamore of the Wabash.

Mr. Ford's club and organization affiliations were numerous. In Wabash, he belonged to the Kiwanis Club, the Wabash Chamber of Commerce, and more than three dozen other local organizations. He was a member of the First Methodist Church.

He is survived by nephews Steven (Lisa) Ford, Daniel (Tammy) Ford, and Mark (Amy) Ford, and by Marilyn Ford, a sister-in-law, all of Wabash. His parents, two brothers and a sister preceded him in death.

Memorial services are planned for a later time.

Arrangements are being handled by Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash, IN 46992.

John Kowatch

Oct. 5, 1928 – April 4, 2014



CULVER — John Kowatch, 85, of Culver passed away on April 4, 2014 at 11:27 p.m., at the Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center in Plymouth.

John was born on Oct. 5, 1928 in rural Marshall County. He was one of five children born to the late John (Vada) Kowatch. John fell in love and married Diane Hellstrom. He was a Culver High School graduate, and worked at

Young Door in Plymouth for many years. In Culver it was very normal to see John riding around town on his bicycle, usually twice a day. He also did string art.

John is survived by his sons; John Robert Kowatch of Plymouth, and Mike Kowatch of South Bend; step-daughters; Valerie (Craig) Cultice of Culver and Vickie (Andrew) Horban of Rochester. Brothers; Ed (Mary) Kowatch of Culver and Jim (Bev) Kowatch of Illinois. Granddaughter; Barbara Kowatch; Stepgrandsons; Chad and Drew Cultice. Great-grandson; Jacob Kowatch. John was preceded in death by his parents, wife Diane, brother Jack and sisters Fern and Mary Ellen.

A Graveside Service will be held on Thursday, April 24, at 1 p.m. at The Culver Masonic Cemetery in Culver.

Letters of condolence may be sent via the obituary page www.odomfuneralhome.com

The Odom Funeral Home of Culver is assisting the family with arrangements.

Gouwens to present spring Parents' Weekend carillon recital

On Saturday, April 26, at 4 p.m. Eastern Time, John Gouwens will present the first recital of 2014 on the 51-bell carillon in the tower of the Memorial Chapel, on the campus of Culver Academies.

The opening piece on the program will be John Courter's "O Light, Most Blessed," an extensive piece based on, among other themes, a Sarum plainsong for Evensong. Courter's sensitive, beautiful setting of chant tunes is very much a highlight in this piece, which was commissioned for the re-dedication of the just-rebuilt carillon at Kirk-in-the-Hills Presbyterian Church in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

A substantial composition by another noted carillonneur/composer, Emilien Allard, is the centerpiece of the program: the "Paraphrase," which quite freely develops from a French folk song, taken through quite elaborate extensions. The jaunty "Sonatine for Carillon" by Dutch composer Wouter Paap will also be included - a delightful piece, though less sophisticated than the Allard and Courter works.

Transcriptions of music for other media are included as well. John Gouwens has made a specialty of transcribing music from the Spanish piano repertoire, and on this program will play his transcription of "Song and Dance No. 5" by Federico Mompou. On a completely different note, he will also play Albert Gerken's elegant transcription of the Prelude from "Cello Suite No. 1" by J.S. Bach. The classic period is also represented, by a set of pieces Franz Joseph Haydn wrote for musical clocks, very effectively transcribed for carillon by Albert Gerken.

Finally, John Gouwens will end with his own lyric "Sicilienne Ronde," a particular favorite of his compositions. As always, several hymn improvisations will provide familiar music, evenly spaced through the program.

Additional carillon recitals are scheduled on the following Saturdays at 4:00pm: May 17; June 21 and 28; July 5, 12, 19, and 26; August 30; and October 4. Also, there will be an evening recital on graduation weekend, Saturday evening at 7:30pm on May 31.

The program is free of charge and open to the public. Programs will be available near the South doors of the Chapel. In the event of rain, the tower will be open during the recital. In any case, following the recital, Gouwens will offer a tour and demonstration of the instrument.

<http://faculty.culver.org/gouwenj/Next%20Performance.asp>.

Library news

Book club will discuss “Phantom”

Culver-Union Township Public Library's book club, Hooked on Books will meet Wednesday, May 14 at 1 p.m. in the purple meeting room located downstairs at the library.

The book for this month is "Phantom" by Jo Nesbo.

For more information, contact Polly Thompson Wolf at pwolf@culver.lib.in.us or 574-842-2941. The Culver-Union Township Public Library is located at 107 N. Main St. in Culver, Indiana. All programs are free and open to the public.

“On Golden Pond” at book-film club

A Novel Approach, the book/film club at the Culver Union-Township Public Library, will meet on Wednesday, May 7, at noon in the library's Large Meeting Room located downstairs at the library.

The book is "On Golden Pond." The Thayers, Henry, Ethel and Chelsea have an eventful and sometimes painful reunion one summer on Golden Pond.

The film stars Katharine Hepburn, Henry Fonda, Jane Fonda. This is a timeless story of family friction, reconcil-

iation, and love. Join the Academy Award winners, Kate Hepburn and Henry Fonda in this 1981 classic.

Copies of the selection are available for checkout and may be reserved by contacting the library at 574-842-2941.

Patrons are encouraged to bring their lunch to eat while they enjoy the movie and the discussion afterwards. The Culver-Union Township Public Library is located at 107 N. Main Street in Culver. All programs are free and open to the public.

“Service Dogs Today” program May 6

Sheri Warner, a certified dog trainer, will be at the Culver-Union Township Public Library to speak about the training of service dogs. The program will be held Tuesday, May 6 at 1 p.m. in the large meeting room. Sheri and special guest Rockne, her standard poodle/German shepherd cross mobility support service dog will demonstrate different tasks. Sheri will also be available to answer questions regarding general dog obedience. Sheri and her husband Brian own and run a meat goat operation named Buckthorn Ranch, located in Walkerton, Indiana.

This is a free program for all age groups to enjoy. For more information, please contact Laura Jones at 574-842-2941 or ljones@culver.lib.in.us

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Letter to the editor

Baked potato supper thanks

Trinity Lutheran Church sends out a BIG THANK YOU to all that came to the “Baked Potato Supper” that was held at the Depot on Friday April 11th. The community fellowship was outstanding and your support resulted in approximately \$575 going to “The Gift of Warmth”. The Trinity members also want to thank:

- Mark Damore, Jr. for his generous donation of all those

wonderful potatoes.

- The Culver Lions Club for allowing us to use their Depot facility which is ideal for this type of event and last, but not least....
- The CYCO youth that served the meal and helped us clean up afterward. A tip of the hat to the school Advisors that made this happen....Brenda Sheldon (Community

School CAVS) and Nancy McKinnis (the Academies Service Organization).

Also, note that our Pastor, K.C. Dehning, arranged for warm weather with NO SNOW.

Don Freese
President, Trinity Lutheran Church, Culver

Through the years in Culver...

50 years ago: April 22, 1964
It will be Barn Dance Time at the Horse Pallace Sunday, May 3, when the Barn Dance Gang from WGN-Channel 9 put on Two Big Shows that will feature Dolph Hewitt, Red Blanchard, The Sage Riders, and the Johnson Sisters. The Horse Palace is a new, ultra-modern facility of the Lightning Dude Ranch located on State Road 10, west of Culver.

State and district officers of the Fraternal Order of Eagles will conduct an organizational meeting, to be held

at the State Exchange Bank Auditorium April 23 (and at which) officers and committees of the lodge will be appointed and voted upon. The required number of members needed to insure a charter for the Culver Eagles Lodge is fifty (editor's note: a Culver Eagles lodge would, in fact, be established on State Road 17 north of Culver. The lodge building is today home to The Market Basket & Co.).

From the Culver High School "School Bell"...this year, spring will have me....
Barb Mikesell: Thinking of a certain someone and

thinking of how nice it will be when school is out and summer is here.

Carolyn Snyder: Counting the days until summer vacation.

Lucy Osborn: Walking outside and smelling the spring air (providing the wind's in the right direction.)

Susan Helber: Studying my French.

Shari Croy: Riding around the lake in convertibles. No winter coats!!

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choice categories.

Book sale this wkcd

The Friends of the Culver Union Township Public Library will hold a book sale Friday, April 25 and Saturday, April 26, in the lower level of the library, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.. Future book sales will be held in June, July, September and October. Book donations are always welcome and can be dropped off at the library circulation desk. Donate items now for the Lions Club Spring Fest.

Community meal at St. Mary’s April 30

St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church’s monthly community meal will take place Wednesday, April 30. On the 30th day or each month, a community meal will be provided for anyone interested in attending. St. Mary of the Lake is located at 124 College Avenue in Culver. Questions may be directed to 574-842-2522.

Lions Spring Fest May 2

The Culver’s Lion’s Club’s annual ‘Spring Fest’ will take place Friday, May 2 (flea market) and Saturday, May 3 (flea market, breakfast, and bake sale). Those wishing to donate items to the flea market may call Richard Bean for pickup at 574-780-6079 or Leroy Bean at 574-842-3460. No television sets will be accepted.

Free community meal at CBC May 4

Culver Bible Church on South Main Street will host a free community meal Sunday, May 4, starting at 6 p.m. Community meals are held on the first Sunday of each month at that time in the church basement. All are welcome.

Open house, community workshop May 8

An open house and community workshop will be held Thursday, May 8 at the Lion’s Club Train Depot in Culver. The open house will be from 4 to 6:30 p.m. and will allow residents to “drop in” and review the draft comprehensive plan for the Town of Culver. Members of the consultant team and town staff will be on hand to answer questions. The room will be set up with several poster boards and exhibits displaying the draft plans and policies that are being considered. The open house will be followed by a Community Workshop at 7 p.m., which will include a more formal presentation of recommendations contained in the draft comprehensive plan.

Culver Relay for Life set for May 9

The 7th annual Culver Relay for Life will take place Friday and Saturday, May 9 and 10, starting at 6 p.m. at Culver Academies Multipurpose building.

As of press time, 37 teams and 321 participants have already raised \$22,785.14, according to the Relay website, relayforlife.org. As in years past, a number of local organizations and entities have formed teams and purchased the \$10 luminary bags (paper bags placed around the walking track) to honor a friend or loved one who has battled or is battling cancer. The bags will be lit during a solemn ceremony during the evening’s events, which will also feature keynote speakers, special “themed” laps, and more. More information is available online at main.acsevents.org/site/TR?pg=entry&fr_id=37973 or by visiting relayforlife.org and searching for Culver, Indiana.

Town-wide cleanup May 10

The Town of Culver is sponsoring a Town Wide Clean Up Day Saturday, May 10. You may drop off items that need to be disposed of at the dumpsters in the water town lot on Lake Shore Drive. Hazardous materials and tires

will not be accepted. Citizens may call Bob Porter at 574-292-3943 to schedule a pick up.

Community meal at Grace May 15

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

Tour de Max May 17

Culver Tri Kappa’s annual Tour de Max bicycle race will take place Saturday, May 17 and will include 10, 30, and 63-mile routes. Riders may register online at Active.Com or request a registration form by e-mailing tour_de_max@yahoo.com. All rides begin at the Vandalia Train Depot, located in the Culver Park on E. Lake Shore Drive. Registration and check-in will be open from 7 until 9 a.m. Cost is \$20 before May 1 and \$25 after May 1 through the morning of the ride. The registration fee include a t-shirt, rider number, SAG support and stops, as well as refreshments upon returning to the Train Depot. Children 12 and under ride free with an adult, but a t-shirt is not included.

Building trades open house May 25

An open house will be held to tour the latest home constructed this school year by the Culver Community High School’s Building Trades class, according to instructor Kyle Elliott. The house, at 19849 SR 117, Culver, will be open for viewing both outside and in from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 25.

Building Trades, which has been a part of the school’s offerings for more than 25 years, teaches students the fine points of home construction hands-on through the building of a home in the area from the ground up.

Local graduation dates/times

Culver Community High School will hold its graduation exercises Friday, May 30 at 7 p.m., in the high school gymnasium. Culver Academies graduation and final formation will take place Sunday, June 1 at 10 a.m., on the parade field (weather permitting).

CUTPL Celebrates One Book, One County

During the month of April, the Culver-Union Township Public Library will celebrate “One Book, One County,” a county-wide program encouraging the community to read and discuss the same book. Marshall County’s 2014 selection for “One Book, One County” is “Orphan Train” by Christina Baker Kline. Stop by the library to pick up a reading guide and a book. CUTPL will host a book discussion led by Reference/Adult Services Librarian Laura Jones on Saturday, April 19 at 1:30 p.m. in the small meeting room. This program is free and open to the public.

St. Mary’s Child Care accepting registrations

St. Mary Child Care Ministry (SMCCM) in Culver is now accepting registrations for the upcoming 2014-2015 school year. For more information please call 574-842-3488 or visit our website: www.culvercatholic.com.

Automatic utility bill payment

Beginning in April, the Town of Culver will offer residents the option to pay their utility bills automatically via ACH (also known as EFT). Those who would like to take advantage of this option may fill out an authorization form available from Town Hall or www.townofculver.

org. Please attach a voided check and return the signed authorization to Town Hall, 200 E. Washington, Culver, IN 46511. For those who would like to begin the service in April, please return the authorization no later than the 5th of April. Going forward, authorization forms must be received no later than the 5th of the month you wish to begin the automatic payments. If you have any questions, please contract Town Hall at 574-842-3140 or clerk@townofculver.org.

SAT, ACT prep at CCHS

SAT and ACT preparation classes at Culver Community High School take place Tuesdays and Thursdays in April, when Vickie Benner will work on the verbal portion at 7:20 a.m. On Wednesdays, Mike Buschman will work on the math portion and continue every Wednesday and Friday at 7:20 a.m. The SAT will be offered on May 3 at Culver Academies. Registration deadline is April 4; late registration is April 18. The ACT will be offered on June 14, at Kokomo, South Bend and Elkhart. Registration deadline is May 9. Registration packets are available in the Culver Community High School guidance office

Winters scholarship accepting apps

Applicants for the Ralph E. Winters Scholarship must be: Culver Community High School graduates who are at least second semester freshmen and plan to enroll full time in their sophomore year or above in a technical program such as engineering, pharmacy, mathematics, science, nursing, agriculture or a technical certificate program. Students must be enrolled in an accredited Indiana institution of higher education. For more information, call 574-946-0906 or email Kim Krause, scholarship coordinator at kskrause@embarqmail.com.

Exercise for seniors

Culver-Union Township Public Library is pleased to offer Exercise for Seniors. This free exercise class for seniors will meet three times a week and offer easy, seated exercises. The program is scheduled for Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 10 a.m. and will meet downstairs in the large meeting room. For more information, call the Culver-Union Township Public Library at 574-842-2941 or e-mail ljones@culver.lib.in.us. The library’s street address is 107 N. Main Street.

CRC offers match to local donors’ STEM dollars

The Culver Redevelopment Commission is offering to match any local individual, organization, or entity wishing to support Culver Community Schools’ efforts to facilitate the new STEM-based program to better meet nationwide standards in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, no matter how small the financial contribution, until they reach a total of \$10,000. Expenses may include new computers, software, or other equipment needed in support of implementing Project Lead the Way’s program, which are not covered by grant funds. For more information, or to set up a donation, contact Kathy Clark or the CRC at 574-952-2963 or k.clark6094@sbcglobal.net.

‘Catholicism, Coffee, & Current Events’

Topics of current interest and relevance through the lens of historic Christianity and Catholic teaching takes place Sunday mornings from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. in the conference room of the Culver Coffee Company, Lake Shore Drive in Culver. All are welcome to enjoy a cup of coffee and conversation. Topics include: Immigration issues - what’s the ‘Christian perspective’? (April 20), The abuse scandal, the Inquisition, and more...when the Church seems like the ‘bad guy’ (April 27), Current events open forum/Q&A (and goodbye) (May 4).

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Sports briefs

Baseball

CMA beats Washington Township
Culver Military’s baseball team shut out Washington Township 2-0 Saturday at Culver.
Perley Provost earned the win on the mound and helped his cause with two hits and an RBI. Zach Moffet doubled for CMA.
• CULVER MILITARY 2, WASHINGTON TWP. 0
at Culver

Boys golf

Triton trumps Culver
Triton’s boys golf team earned a 168-200 win over Culver on the road at Stonehenge Thursday evening.
Tanner Shepherd led the field with a co-low 39, while Greg Music shot 41, and Lucas Shafer and Braden Kreft both carded 44 for the Trojans.
Culver was paced by Trent Elliott’s 39. Cody Peterson carded 47, Kenny VanDePutte shot 52, and Tevin Jones shot 62.
• TRITON 168, CULVER 200
At Stonehenge
TRITON (168): Tanner Shepherd 39, Greg Music 41,

Brewer leads CGA past Park Tudor
Korryn Brewer scored two goals with two assists, and Culver Girls Academy beat out Park Tudor 6-5 in girls lacrosse action in Culver Friday evening.
Rory Byrne, Kelsi Carr, Bridget McConville and Erin Thomas also scored goals for CGA, and McConville and Thomas also recorded assists. Clair Fay finished with four saves for CGA, which moved to 4-0.
• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 6, PARK TUDOR 5
at Culver

Girls tennis

Lady Eagles down Plymouth
Culver Girls Academy beat regional rival Plymouth 4-1 in a girls tennis meet at the Academies Friday night.
Libbie Porteus and Kirsten Riise extended Olivia Cripe and Nancy Wu to a first set tiebreak at 2 doubles before falling 7-6 (7-2), 6-3, while Kelly Henderson and Jessica Stillson extended Rachel Simon and Alena Arkhipov to 12 games in the first set at 2 and 3 singles, respectively.
• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 5, PLYMOUTH 0
at Culver

CGA beats Valpo 4-1
Culver Girls Academy beat Valparaiso 4-1 in a girls tennis meet in Culver Tuesday night.
Regina and Amanda Padilla combined for a three-set win at 1 doubles, 6-3, 4-6, 7-5, while Alena Arkhipov fell in three sets at 3 singles, 6-2, 4-6, 6-2, in the closest scores of the day.
• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 4, VALPARAISO 1
at Culver

Softball

LaVille routs CGA
LaVille cranked out 13 hits, and the Lady Lancers earned a 17-2 win over visiting Culver Girls Academy at home Thursday night.
Hannah Herbster got the win in the circle. Tiffany Craft homered, while Taesha Senders tripled, and Autumn Slough, Kendra Borton and Alex Hamilton all doubled for the victorious Lancers.
• LaVILLE 17, CULVER ACADEMY 2
At Lakeville

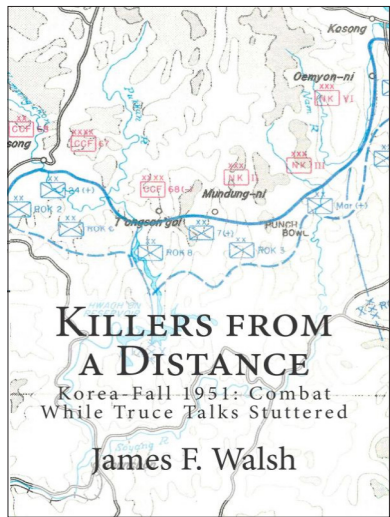
Boys lacrosse

CMA tops St. Joe
Culver Military’s lacrosse team earned a 6-4 victory over South Bend St. Joseph at home at the Academies Tuesday evening.
Jamie Collins, Nick Adams, Dominic Puzevic, Don Reed, Zach Main and Nate Clurman scored goals for CMA, and Taylor Rabbitt made 11 saves in goal for CMA, which stayed unbeaten at 4-0 on the season.
• CULVER MILITARY (Varsity) 6, S.B. ST. JOSEPH 4
at Culver

CMA routs Kiski 23-3
Dawson McKenzie scored an eye-popping seven goals, and CMA’s prep lacrosse team beat up Kiski School 23-3 Friday at the Culver Academies.
Pierre Byrne and Riley Thompson each scored three goals in the win for CMA, while Ryan Prior and Beau Ecksten each notched two.
Michael Calvello scored eight goals for CMA, which stayed unbeaten at 13-0.
• CULVER MILITARY (Prep) 23, KISKI SCHOOL 3
at Culver

CMA teams win
Culver Military’s varsity lacrosse team earned a 14-5 win over Noblesville over the weekend, while the prep team routed Glenbrook North 27-3.
Zach Main and Nick Adams each scored three goals to lead the varsity team, while Dawson McKenzie and Ethan Walker led the prep team with five goals each.
• CULVER MILITARY (Varsity) 14, NOBLESVILLE 5
at Culver
• CULVER MILITARY (Prep) 27, GLENBROOK NORTH 3
at Culver

Culver’s Walsh releases Korean War novel



Culver author James F. Walsh has released his book, "Killers from a Distance: Korea-Fall 1951: Combat While Truce Talks Stuttered," as both an "E" edition (downloadable book) and trade paperback via amazon.com.
Walsh, a veteran of the Korean war who lives just outside Culver with his wife JoAnn, has released several works of fiction online in recent months, though this is the first to draw from his experiences in the war.
However, earlier, nonfiction writings by Walsh were featured in the Library of Congress' Veteran's History Project several years ago.
The synopsis for the book from amazon.com writes: "...The gunner’s hands drove the tripod’s jamming handles free, the heavy machine gun and cradle dropping to a low profile. He jammed tight the handles once more, then pulled the gun and tripod to new cover, taking to the earth down in the soil like a mole. He sighted, fired a burst and followed the tracer line. He adjusted by tracer. The medic worked wounded on an outpost of the dead. A mortal silence had fallen. Bone and sinew were divided in two, bodies bleeding beneath the grim dust of battle that shaded gristly remains from the burning sun. how many crushed and torn enemy were severed forever from their five senses? He felt it was madness to fight for choice humpty backs to shoot from to kill one another. There was no end.

Park board clarification

Culver park board member John Hephrey has requested further clarification regarding some points made in last week's (April 17) Culver Citizen article, "Parking, swim lessons will be free this summer at Culver park."
In the sentence, "He also said he went before Culver's town council and was approved to transfer funds within the park budget to increase the superintendent's salary from \$23,600 (with additional funds for longevity and insurance, plus free rent at the beach lodge), to \$40,000 to \$45,000 annually," Hephrey wished it clarified that "free rent at the beach lodge" was a reference to the past superintendent's compensation package and is not included in the new salary range, should there be any confusion.
He also notes, with regards to bids for outsourcing landscaping at the park, Sellers Landscaping was not the only potential contractor to visit the park and look it over, and make suggestions, as was inferred at the meeting.
He clarified that the \$1,100 approved at the meeting for work by North Shore Fabrication does not include reassembly of the already existing fishing pier into a newly configured courtesy pier at the park.
Lastly, due to a misplaced comma, the ending park fund balance as of March 31 was reported as \$27,3606, which should have read \$273,606.

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Academies students experience Shoshone culture first-hand during three-day visit, sweat lodge ceremony

By Jan Garrison , Culver Academies

Culver Academies students had the rare opportunity to hear, see, and experience many of the cultural aspects of the Shoshone Indian tribe during a three-day visit by three members from the Wind River Reservation in central Wyoming. James Trospen, a seventh generation Sun Dance chief; his daughter Josie Trospen, a traditional dancer; and Willow Pingree, a competitive singer and drummer; met with students during classes, spoke at an all-school meeting, and conducted a series of sweat lodge ceremonies over their visit.

Their time on campus



PHOTOS/JAN GARRISON, CULVER ACADEMIES

ABOVE: James Trospen and his daughter, Josie, lead Culver students through the Snake Dance. RIGHT: James Trospen describes the significance of the sweat lodge.



was part of the Global Studies Institute’s sustainability series and the Montgomery Lecture Series.

Trospen told students at the all-school session that the Eastern Shoshone share the Wind River Reservation with the Northern Arapaho. Under the original agreement negotiated by his great-grandfather, Trospen said, the tribes received 44 million acres in Utah and Wyoming. That agreement lasted until gold was discovered on the land. Then the government wanted to renegotiate.

The land size was reduced from 44 million to 3 million acres, Trospen explained, but the tribes received free housing, medical facilities, and schools.

Trospen said his great-grandfather – who lived to 113 – told him to always take care of the land “and it will take care of you.”

Shortly after his great-grandfather’s death in 1985, natural gas and oil deposits were discovered on land. Now the 15,000 tribal residents (approximately 5,000 Shoshone and 10,000 Arapaho) receive regular payments from the gas and oil companies.

The Shosone believe the Creator made the world and everything in this world contains part of his spirit, which can be used to our benefit. This can be seen in the sweat lodge ceremony, he said. The lodge is made using 12 willow branches for support beams. “The number 12 is very sacred,” Trospen said.

The lodge is shaped like a turtle, a figure that carries spiritual significance for the tribe since it is believed the turtle brought the mud from the ocean floor which became the land. The “grandfather rocks” that are heated and placed in the sweat lodge will capture what is ailing you physically and spiritually. The fire pit that holds the rocks is called the “womb of mother earth.”

Using the sweat lodge can help with something as small as easing the symptoms of a cold easing the major burdens of life. That is why it is considered a purification ceremony, he said.

This story appears courtesy news.culver.org.

Connecting Points initiative brings together CBGC, Academies students for fun, funds, and itness

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

A fitness initiative this past winter at Culver Academies has not only facilitated a \$5,000 donation to the Culver Boys & Girls Club, but also helped build bridges between Academies students and youngsters at the club -- all under the banner of the aptly-named Connecting Points program.

Launched in January as a student fitness initiative with the incentive to donate to the club, the program was funded by Ron Rubin and the School for the Entrepreneur and CMA/CGA students, who had to complete four workouts per week of at least 45 minutes in order for their name to be included with the donation. Members of CBGC visited the Academies in January for a kickoff.

"Connecting Points originated from a conversation (Academies instructor) Harry Frick and I had regarding community service and the development of leadership from the perspective of helping others succeed as the true model of leadership," says Academies Wellness director Dana Neer. "Our conversation evolved into a collaborative effort, teaming our students, the Culver Boys & Girls Club and the Ron Rubin School for the Entrepreneur into a working unit to serve our community. By educating our students that their daily fitness regimen and personal discipline could make long lasting impact in the lives of children by using their fitness activity was our goal.

The fitness initiative wrapped up March 19, and throughout had around 60 active student, adult, and team participants, according to Megan Rozboril, also of the Academies Wellness department. CBGC members returned to campus April 8 for a wrap-up party with the Academies students who completed their fitness goal -- and there were milk and cookies, games and sports in the Academies gym for all (in addition to the check to CBGC).

Rozboril credits Academies senior Kennedy Thompson as being instrumental in assisting with the program, which included creating a video which was presented at



PHOTOS PROVIDED/NATALIE HOGAN

Pictured at LEFT is Culver Boys & Girls Club Unit Supervisor Jessye Gilley accepting a check for the club from Culver Academies instructor Harry Frick. At RIGHT are members of CBGC who attended a Connecting Points wrap-up earlier this month at Culver Academies, alongside participating Academies students and faculty members, and CBGC leadership.

a campus All School Meeting for the project.

"The Connecting Points program has been wonderful for our children," says CBGC director Jessye Gilley. "They are inspired by the dedication of these older children in helping our club and making a conscious effort to be more physical and fit. It has, in turn, given our kids a drive to do the same as a show of appreciation."

"Because our club relies on donations from the community, the Academies’ kids and Mr. Rubin are providing a connection that helps sustain our club," says CBGC board chair Ginny Munroe. "It’s a gift that provides the club more sustainability, its own kind of lifeline. Further, the exercise provides health benefits that will sustain the students who are working out. Overall, we are both healthier as a result of this initiative."

"We rely on teen support to help tutor and mentor the youth in our club, but we have never relied on them to help sustain the club financially. This has been a great way

for teens to show leadership by example. I also think it’s a special and powerful thing when you get two schools and two sets of kids together to accomplish something that will benefit all involved.

Continues Munroe, "This isn’t the first time we have seen this type of relationship between the schools. I think in the last couple of years, all of us have seen the publicly posted words of encouragement between students of both school systems when their athletes made it to regional and state competitions. The CYCO group, which involves students from both schools, continues to take on projects in the community."

"I’m not surprised that it’s the kids in this community who continually teach all of us adults how to work together. They have truly shown leadership. Our club is grateful to benefit from connecting to teens who are willing to literally sweat for us. We’ll certainly thank them and Mr. Rubin for connecting to us."

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Children’s author visits CES

RIGHT: Award-winning children’s author Clare Ewart (seated) paid a visit to Culver Elementary School last year, where she met and greeted students at a gathering in the school gym.

Ewart, author of “The Giant,” “Time Train,” and “The Legend of the Persian Carpet,” among others, also discussed the writing process and the importance of observation, imagination, and story during her slideshow and talk to students.

The author was in the area following the 2014 Young Authors’ Conference in Argos the day before. Ewart’s books have been adapted for animated programs and featured in various productions, besides winning a variety of children’s book awards and other accolades.

Correction

In last week’s (April 17) edition of The Culver Citizen, in our girls track coverage (“Culver tops LaVille”), it was mistakenly reported that Culver Comm. High School runner Tori Shank finished with two wins. Shank actually had four 1st place wins (the 800 meter, 1600, 3200, and was anchor on the 3200 meter relay). The Citizen regrets the error.

Two arrested in Culver stop

Two men were arrested and taken to custody in the Marshall County Jail after their April 14 arrest by Culver police.

A Culver officer conducting a traffic stop around 10:30 p.m. near West Shore Drive and South Main Street discovered the driver, 22-year-old Cody Deery of Culver, was driving with a suspended license. Paraphernalia and marijuana were also found within the vehicle, which was impounded. The passenger in the vehicle, Tyler Stevens of Delong, also aged 22, was taken into custody for marijuana possession. Both were charged with Possession of Marijuana and Deery was held on a \$3,005 bond, Stevens on a \$1,505 bond. They will appear in Superior Court II May 13.

Hanselman from page 1

principal before he began as principal at CCHS), but for now, at least, he won't be going far. In fact, the area vocational director's office is located in the Culver Community Schools administration building, just across the street from Hanselman's present office at CCHS (though he notes there has been some talk of moving the vocational director's office in the future).

"I've always had a passion for career and technical education," says Hanselman. "I went through the vocational program myself while I was a student at Culver High School; I was in the building trades program. There is a need for (vocational programs) for many of our students. They're not all moving in that direction of the four-year traditional college education. There are a lot of options for them to get a good foundation, and there are a lot of nice jobs and careers (utilizing vocational education)."

He explains many vocational programs offer certifications while still in high school, as well as dual credits for college.

"Many students can get a jump start on their career while they're in high school and the school helps fund it," he adds. "I'm excited about helping that group of students."

He says he plans, in the next few months, to get out and see the vocational programs at other schools in the cooperative up-close, and to meet teachers and counselors there, getting to know the program better this spring, "so we can hit the ground running."

Currently a growing number of vocational programs are available to students attending schools in the cooperative, from the aforementioned Building Trades program, to offerings in the area of computer science, automotive technology, hair styling, and welding.

Of course, for Hanselman leaving the principal position is bittersweet.

"I've gotten to meet and work with a lot of amazing teenagers," he says. "People have said, 'I don't know how you do that!' But I get to spend my day with a lot of teenagers. I like being around them; I like their enthusiasm for life. It always has been fun, so I will miss the principal part of that."

He'll also miss the faculty. As a lifelong Culver resident, he's known some of the school's faculty for close to 40 years, and worked with them for close to 26.

"That will be the difficult part," he adds.

"A lot of people (at CCHS) have worked extremely hard, especially the kids and faculty, and we've great strides. I think our high school's in great shape, and a lot of people deserve credit for that; it's not just me. I'm proud of what we've done."

Hanselman's departure isn't the only change at CCHs going forward. Earlier this month, head boys basketball coach Kyle Elliott resigned from that position at the April 7 school board meeting, as did assistant coach Brett Berndt (who was head coach from 2000 to 2008 and assistant alongside Elliott the past five years). Elliott will continue in his teaching capacity (where he has headed the Building Trades program for a number of years, among other duties) and Berndt as assistant principal.

State releases graduation rates

CCHS at 77 percent

By Lois Tomaszewski

MARSHALL COUNTY — The state Department of Education released graduation rates for last year’s students. The graduation rate represents the percentage of students who complete high school within four years.

The Indiana Department of Education data showed that the state’s non-waiver graduation rate was 81.72 percent, up from 80.46 percent in 2012. The overall graduation rate for all schools was 88.6 percent, virtually unchanged from the prior year’s rate of 88.7 percent.

Non-waiver data is important for federal reporting requirements, as well as providing a more full picture of the number of students that are successfully passing their end of course assessments.

“There is some encouraging information in this release,” said Glenda Ritz, Indiana’s Superintendent of Public Instruction. “While the overall graduation rate is largely the same as it was in 2012, when you dig into the data it becomes clear that more of our students are graduating without a waiver and passing their end of course assessments. This is a crucial step in ensuring that our students graduate from high school both college and career ready.”

Culver Community High School's 2013 graduation rate was 77 percent, the lowest of the seven school districts serving Marshall County. Only 47 of the 61 students in the 2013 cohort completed their education.

In 2012, Culver’s rate was 82.1 percent.

The area school with the highest percentage of students finishing high school within four years was John Glenn High School, with a rate of 96.6 percent.

Triton High School’s Class of 2013 achieved a graduation rate of 89.8 percent; LaVille High School 82.6 percent; Argos Community Schools 91.1 percent; and Plymouth High School 86 percent.



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Culver students carry community spirit on Mexico mission trip

ABOVE: Three Culver Community High School seniors served as impressive ambassadors of the community during the spring break mission trip to Mexico last month, when they joined 29 other students and eight adults to help construct four houses for needy families in Mexico. They also provided school supplies, sporting goods, backpacks and shoes for elementary school children through a program started in 2011 called Love Without Borders.

Pictured are, from left, Denisha Brown, Michael Skyles and Trent Elliott, alongside Advisor and Culver Lions Club member Dana Neer. The club, which provided for the students' financial and civic support, hosted the students at a recent meeting where they discussed the experience, which Lions president Don Freese described as "true collaborative teamwork between Culver Academies, Culver High School and Culver Lions Club."

The trip, part of Culver Academies' 10th annual Global Pathways Mexico Mission Trip, was described by Neer as "superb."

"Team unity, work ethic, and great attitudes were daily attributes characterizing the Mexico team," he added.

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1954.
The Culver Military Academy Chapel Choir, under the direction of Claude Zetty, appeared on WBBM-TV last Saturday afternoon in Chicago.

J. Dick Newman was among 195 farm leaders from Indiana, Illinois, and Michigan who returned home last weekend after a week-long bus caravan visit to Washington, D.C., to appeal for extending farm price supports, soil conservation, and other Department of Agriculture activities.

70 years ago: April 10, 1944.
A suit for damages brought by Wade M. Dickson of South Bend against L. G. Walker and Lloyd Rovell, owners of the Walker Boat House at the southwest end of Lake Maxinkuckee, is being heard in Marshall Circuit Court. Five South Bend fishermen failed to return one of the rented boats and a fight ensued, causing the plaintiff to sue for damages for the injuries he received in the brawl.

80 years ago: April 18, 1934.
Maxinkuckee Glee Club won first place at the Community Stunt Night. Poplar Grove Ladies' Aid took second honors and third prize went to the Hi-Y Club.

The sixth annual P T A carnival will be staged Friday night with Chairman Harry Speyer announcing several new attractions.

90 years ago: April 16, 1924.
Formal opening of the Culver Military Academy's new

recreational building will be one of the features of the Easter program. A large number of outstanding athletic figures, will attend the ceremony.

100 years ago: April 23, 1914.
No hard times in Culver! During the past week the public has spent \$192 on cooked food sales, \$67 on a high school play, and \$120 on a church supper and bazaar.

110 years ago: April 21, 1904.
Main Street is being graveled from Cook's hardware (last the site of the Culver hardware at Main and Madison Streets -- editor) to the Evangelical Church (today's Emmanuel United Methodist -- editor).

Average daily attendance for the year at the public school was 171.6. Enrollment reached 214 this year, the highest ever attained to date.

Several Culver restaurants eligible to win Marshall County “Burger Wars”

Several Culver eateries are participating in a Marshall County Burger Wars Bracket to find the best place to get a burger in the county, as voted on by customers. In all, 16 Marshall County restaurants have been selected to be voted for round by round to find the best burger restaurant in the county; voting began Friday. The voting will be done via Facebook for three weeks at <http://a.pgtb.me/w805ll>. The top eight voted restaurants in Marshall County will face off in round two beginning May 16.

The second round of voting is hosted on the Marshall County Convention and Visitors Bureau’s website www.visitmarshallcounty.org/bugerwars. The second round lasts ten days. Following the end of the second round, the next two rounds will last a week. Winners of the best burger restaurant in Marshall County will be announced June 9.

People can log in to vote each week to make sure their favorite restaurant gets the credit it deserves. Voters can keep checking the website and Marshall County Tourism’s social media pages for a chance to win prizes through mini contests held throughout the voting process. Most importantly, voters are encouraged to sign in and vote each round for a chance to win the grand prize of \$100 gift certificate to the winning restaurant announced at the end of the competition.

Marshall County Burger Wars is running simultaneously with six other county Burger Wars as part of the Northern Indiana Burger Wars project. Northern Indiana Burger Wars is a joint initiative of the Northern Indiana Tourism Development Commission (NITDC) and its member convention and visitors bureaus in Porter, LaPorte, St. Joseph, Marshall, Kosciusko, Elkhart and LaGrange counties. NITDC is the leading regional economic development authority focusing on sustainable tourism through effective partnerships.

Dr. Durr had his gasoline launch, the Sentinel D. hauled down here from Plymouth last week. It is a good boat and will make a fine addition to the number of power crafts on Lake Maxinkuckee.



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Young Farmers help Culver schools towards STEM goal

Carl Prochno of Culver Young Farmers (right) presents a check for \$250 to Culver Community School board president Jack Jones at a recent board meeting, to help fund classes for the Culver Community High School's first course (Pathway to Engineering) in Project Lead the Way, which launches in the fall of the 2014-2015 school year.

As discussed in past issues of The Culver Citizen, Project Lead the Way is a multi-county, regional endeavor to help area students meet national-level standards in professional preparedness.

Says Culver superintendent Dr. Vicki McGuire, "(Project Lead the Way) is a great program that requires research, critical thinking and problem solving. We are so appreciative of assistance from this group of individuals. I was glad to hear they decided to help out with such a great cause. They are playing an active role in moving education forward for Culver Community Schools Corporation.

She adds, "We must also say thank you to Culver Redevelopment Commission for a very healthy donation. This process is expensive and requires training for those who will be teaching Project Lead the Way. We cannot express our gratitude to these two groups enough. The corporation would appreciate any other donations as well to help us begin."

The Culver Redevelopment Commission is offering to match any local individual, organization, or entity wishing to support Culver Community Schools' efforts to facilitate the new STEM-based program to better meet nationwide standards in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, towards a goal of \$10,000. For more information, or to set up a donation, contact Kathy Clark or the CRC at 574-952-2963 or k.clark6094@sbcglobal.net.



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New Culver Lions roar

ABOVE: Culver's Lions Club inducted new members at its recent meeting. Pictured from left to right are sponsor Susan Elizondo, new member Christopher Elizondo, new member Eddi Langenberg, and sponsor Don Langenberg..



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Baker is latest Kiwanian

ABOVE: Culver Kiwanis Club president Larry Brockey, right, welcomes new club member Donna Baker during its latest meeting.

The club meets each Thursday at noon at the Culver Public Library.



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JA leader updates Kiwanis Club

LEFT: Julie Stabrowski, Program Manager for Junior Achievement of Michiana, addresses members of Culver's Kiwanis Club last week.

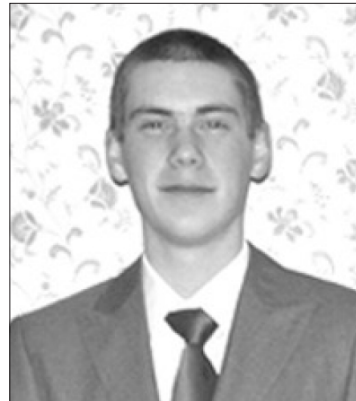
During her talk, she promoted the program and discussed focusing on expanding in Marshall County. Currently the 6th grade JA program is taught by Kiwanis president Larry Brockey, Tony Sellers, Connie Overmyer, and Jean E. Overmyer at Culver Elementary School.

Junior Achievement utilizes local volunteer consultants to teach economics to elementary and high school students. Last school year, JA volunteers in Northern Indiana provided over 81,400 hours of economic education.

More information about the program is available online at www.jani.org.

Dehning is DAR Good Citizen

PLYMOUTH — Culver Community High School senior Caleb Dehning was named one of the winners of the Tippecanoe River-Wythougan Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. A reception was held at the First United Church of Christ in Plymouth on April 8 to present awards to Dehning and other outstanding Marshall County students.



Caleb Dehning at the DAR awards ceremony earlier this month.

The DAR Good Citizens program is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship. The program is open to all Marshall County senior class students.

Students selected as the school's DAR Good Citizen must have the qualities of dependability; service; leadership; and patriotism to an outstanding degree.

There are two parts to the DAR Good Citizens award. First, the student must describe how they have tried to manifest the qualities of being a good citizen and include letters of recommendation and school transcript. The second part of the process is the writing of a timed, supervised essay where the student does not have the benefit of assistance or reference materials.

Each contest entry is evaluated by independent judges. The winning entry is advanced through state and national levels of judging.

Other winners of the 2014 Good Citizen Contest were: Amand Middleton, Argos High School; Nina Zeiger, LaVille High School; Zachary Stone, Plymouth High School; Bryce Wanemacher, Triton High School and Allison Cullers, Bremen High School, the overall Marshall County winner who was not in attendance.

'Come Alive Outside' founder to speak to Culver Chamber May 6

The Culver Chamber of Commerce will host "Come Alive Outside" founder Jim Paluch, or JP Horizons, at the Chamber's monthly meeting Tuesday, May 6 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will take place at Culver Wings on State Road 10 in Culver.

Paluch, a business consultant and motivational speaker for landscape companies, has published several books, and has consulted with Culver-based Sellers Landscaping.

The Come Alive Outside initiative was brought to local attention in recent years by Sellers owner Tony Sellers, who has promoted it as a beneficial program for Culver residents. According to its website at comealiveoutside.com, the initiative was developed as "a reminder of what makes our lives healthy and our memories special."

"There are so many ways that we can get back outside, from the local bike trail to our own backyards. Children are automatically more active when they are outdoors, and spending time in outdoor spaces has the ability to melt away mental fatigue and stress like nothing else. The great outdoors is also a perfect place to create and enjoy a sense of community with friends, neighbors and coworkers. The reasons for coming alive outside are many, and the benefits start the moment that people step out the door."

The Come Alive Outside movement was founded by Paluch in 2010 in response to what the site describes as the "sedentary, indoor lifestyle that is contributing to a multitude of adverse effects in our society. The movement appeals to individuals, families, businesses and communities to start finding ways to encourage one another back into the great outdoors. Business professionals across North America have taken up the call and started working with their communities to organize events and create outdoor spaces that remind people of the joys of outdoor living."

Those interested in attending the meeting may RSVP through the Chamber website at culverchamber.com.

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