



Dedicating Culver’s story, past and present

ABOVE: The new Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee Visitor Center and Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee Museum of History were officially opened and dedicated during Taste of Culver Saturday afternoon, as crowds of attendees stopped in to look more closely at the adjoining entities, located in the southwest corner of First Farmers Bank at Jefferson and Main Streets. Pictured ABOVE, FROM LEFT: Visitor center board chair Kathy Clark, left, passes the microphone to Mark Damore Jr., owner of Culver’s Lakehouse Grille, who gave the dedication speech for the center (Damore also serves on the museum committee). Museum committee chair George Duncan, left, looks on as Rev. John Houghton delivers the museum dedication speech (the entirety of his speech -- as well as more photos of the opening -- may be seen on page A4.

In Brief

LMA golf outing will be ‘hickory sticks’ retro-themed

The Lake Maxinkuckee Association’s annual golf outing will take place Saturday, June 21 at Mystic Hills Golf Course. This year’s event will be a unique ‘Journey to the Past’ retro-themed hickory sticks outing, during which players will use old-style wood shaft clubs and soft balls. Golfers will dress in period attire and awards will be given for the most authentic dress for a single golfer and for a foursome. More information will appear in the Culver Citizen. Contact Jane Grund, lakedir@culcom.net, 574-298-1690 with questions.

Football/cheer-leading registration June 24

Culver football and cheerleading registration will take place June 24 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Culver high school library. Football players must be between the ages of 7 and 12 and attend one of the registration dates to be fitted for equipment. On-line registration is also available at NIYFL.com. Please email culverjrflb@gmail.com with any questions. You can also ‘like’ Culver Junior Football on Facebook.

Hydrant flushing

The Town of Culver will be flushing fire hydrants from Monday, June 30 through Friday, July 11. Citizens may experience “foggy” water during this time frame and we ask that you bear with us while we flush the system. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Town Hall at 574-842-3140.

McAllister military services June 28

Graveside military rites for Jim McAllister will take place Saturday, June 28 at 11 a.m. at Culver’s Masonic Cemetery. Friends and the general public are invited to attend.

CUTPL June board mtg rescheduled

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ABOVE, RIGHT: Cutting the ribbon for the Visitor Center (TOP PHOTO) were, from left, Cori Hume (Marshall County Tourism), Pam Buxton (Culver Academies), and Ginny Munroe (Culver town council president). Visitor Center director Carol Saft, left, looks on. BOTTOM PHOTO: Museum director Anna Campbell, left, looks on as the museum ribbon is cut by, from left to right, Ginny Munroe (Culver town council president), Fred Karst (Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver board member), and Jim Peterson (AHS president).

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CITIZEN PHOTOS/JEFF KENNEY

Visitor Center, museum hold grand opening during Taste of Culver

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Those visiting Culver (or locals curious to hear the latest or dig into the past) have a ‘one stop shop’ for the current and historical story of Culver following Saturday’s dedication and grand opening of The Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee Visitor Center and The Museum of Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee History, both located in adjacent spaces at the corner of Jefferson and Main Streets in the First Farmers Bank building.

Visitor Center board chair Kathy Clark opened the dedication program, which took place from the Taste of Culver stage during that event Saturday afternoon, by thanking Center director Carol Saft and board members Mary Kunkle, Chad Van Herk, Rich West, Sue Beggs, Dana Keller, and Jeff Kenney, who she said “worked very hard” to bring the Center into being. She added it’s hoped the Center will be “a meeting place for the community,” and asked that entities planning events please notify the Center.

Mark Damore Jr., owner of the Lakehouse Grille in Culver, spoke on behalf of community businesses regarding the value of the Center, which he called a “very important” addition to the community. He cited “countless hours” of work on the part of volunteers towards the Center’s opening.

Damore said when he first came to Culver, he initially didn’t understand his parents’ decision to buy what would become the Original Root Beer Stand here, “but it didn’t take me long to realize how special Culver is.”

He added that one aspect he most loves about Culver is the love so many of its residents have for it.

The new Visitor Center, said Damore, “respects our history, informs our present, and builds for our future.”

Cutting the ribbon to officially open the Center were Pam Buxton, Culver Academies; Cori Hume, Marshall County Tourism; and Ginny Munroe, Culver town council.

The Center itself is located in the foyer immediately inside the bank’s south entryway, and includes a large screen in the window with a guide to upcoming events as well as other Culver information and commercials, as well as an extensive rack of information on area events, businesses, tourism, restaurants, and services. A special brochure was prepared for the Center with a guide to major events, businesses and eateries, and other important information for visitors, while an additional, more extensive, 24-page magazine guide to the Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee area will be available next week.

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Council, plan commission hold joint session on wind turbines

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Whatever else emerged from last week’s (June 10) joint work session between Culver’s town council and plan commission, it was the value of two such decision-making bodies sitting down together to discuss debated issues, something most participants said they hoped would happen more often.

On the agenda was discussion of an ordinance prepared over the course of several months last year and this, regulating use of personal Wind Energy Conversion Systems (or WECS -- primarily wind turbines or wind mills) within Culver’s two-mile zoning boundary. While larger, commercial WECS have already been banned at the county level, plan commission members said they sought to conform to county standards -- which allow wind towers up to heights of 140 feet -- in order to better facilitate increased management of that land by the town.

The ordinance initially made it through several public hearings by both council and plan commission, and had been passed on two readings by council when a number of concerns about the specifics of the ordinance were raised at a council meeting last month, causing council to nix the ordinance as written and recommend the plan commission draft a complete ban on WECS.

That position was subsequently altered by the council after Marlene Mahler, whose family owns a farm north of Culver

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3rd annual Lake Max Challenge will be June 27 wknd

The third annual Lake Max Challenge Stand Up Paddleboarding (SUP) event will take place over the June 27 weekend. The event, which has become part of Culver’s lively summer roster, is expected to draw nearly 100 racers (last year’s participants numbered 85, up from debut year 2012’s 53).

Stand Up Paddleboarding utilizes a board similar to a surf board, and paddle, as one more non-motorized, fitness-friendly means of enjoying the outdoors and area bodies of water.

"The Lake Max Challenge is again building steam for year three," says Culver's Ed

Furry, who with wife Becky heads up international sailing organization Sail22.

"We have registrations rolling in and it far travelers again."

Furry says registrants are from as far away as Florida, and nationally known among those planning to

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Lake Max Challenge 2014 schedule of events

Friday, June 27
4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Town park beach lodge : SUP Paddle Stroke Clinic with YOLO Board Team Rider, Michael ‘Westy’ Westenberg. The clinic will cover major aspects of the SUP stroke, creating efficiency during the stroke, how to get the most out of your board through positioning, race related topics including: starts, turns, hydration/nutrition, overall race strategy

5 to 7 p.m.: SUP board demos

7 p.m.: Bic SUP One Design Racing Short Course racing off the Culver beach.

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Culver Summer Camp’s weekly parades move to Saturdays at 7 p.m.

CULVER, Ind. – The Garrison Parade for Culver Summer Schools & Camps is being moved to Saturdays at 7 p.m. EDT for the 2014 summer.



The Woodcraft Color Guard leads individual units past the Vaughn Riding Center during a Culver Summer Camps Garrison Parade. Some 700 Woodcrafters (ages 9-13) are joined on the Parade Field by the Upper Campers, another 700 from 13 to 17.

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The parades are held on the Henderson Parade Field south of the Vaughn Equestrian Center.

The traditional Woodcraft Council Fire is also on Saturday and will now begin at 9:30 p.m.

June 28 will be the first Saturday for the

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CHS reunion June 28

The 2014 Culver High School (CHS) reunion is scheduled for Saturday, June 28, at the Culver Elementary 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.

The reunion will include 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 and private photographs 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 photograph files to Tom Curtis, 464 Lake St., Culver, IN 46511-1315, or contact tomecurtis787@gmail.com or 508-369-1506.

Those requesting tickets must forward a check with \$25 for each attendee, as well as name, address, phone number and e-mail address (if available), and CHS class year of the requestor.

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but within its zoning boundary, detailed many farmers' usage of smaller WECS for irrigation and other important functions.

At the June 10 joint work session, council members reiterated their opposition to the largest WECS within visibility of town and lake properties in particular, though council member Lynn Overmyer reminded those in attendance that any WECS would require a special use permit by Culver's Board of Zoning Appeals, rather than having an automatic green light to be erected.

Barry McManuay, plan commission president, added there are few places in town which would qualify for the towers due to the restrictions outlined in the original ordinance, which dictate 3,000 foot setbacks and limit towers to one per five acres of property.

Plan commission member Pete Peterson said it was "very disappointing" how little feedback was received at the commission's meetings, and that concerns were only raised once the matter reached its final stages with the town council.

McManuay acknowledged, after council member Ginny Munroe raised the point, that a petition had circulated during early stages of the plan commission's discussion, but he added the matter seemed to drop once residents

realized the commission had no intentions of allowing commercial-sized towers within town limits.

Munroe said she felt even the 140-foot restrictions the commission eventually settled on were too high, adding she finds Culver's 120-foot water towers visually obtrusive. Council member Sally Ricciardi concurred with her concern over WECS height.

McManuay reiterated the 140-foot size was intended to conform to county agricultural standards and make annexation of rural properties outside the current town limits a smoother process.

"If we start restricting that more, we'll wind up not being able to annex anything because of opposition from property owners," said McManuay, who added that many people think Culver's zoning restrictions are too tight and taxes too high, something he suggested could be alleviated with better education of the public.

Audience member Hank Bilsland, a leading voice in previous opposition to council approval of the ordinance, expressed concern that the BZA could approve a wind tower upon request, which he said "puts the property owner affected by it on the offensive to stop it."

He also cited an article about a 140-foot tower in Pennsylvania throwing damaging ice onto the roof of a nearby building, and a cost of \$47,000 to remove the tower and

its concrete base.

Council and commission members discussed eliminating allowance of the towers in some areas not zoned for agricultural use, as well as the possibility of requiring half-mile setbacks from Lake Maxinkuckee or the borders of excluded zones.

Mahler also pointed out that radio and cell phone towers interrupt views of the skyline as well, something which has gone largely unopposed.

Audience member Chester Gut pointed out a great many windmills could fit on property north of his home owned by Culver Academies. McManuay pointed out there are currently no restrictions on WECS, since the ordinance regulating them was not passed.

Though it was noted Culver Academies has expressed no interest in erecting wind towers but could provide energy for its campus by using them, Peterson acknowledged such a scenario would be "a tough situation," adding, "What's the Academy worth to you?"

Munroe, expressing appreciation to plan commission members for their work on the ordinance (which several council members echoed), added she felt it was "okay for it to take a long time...if it only took you two months, I would have had issues with that. I get what you put into it. But when a room full of people show up and there are multiple sides to the issue, it puts pressure on us."

McManuay expressed frustration that, "After seven or eight months of working pretty diligently, with input from citizens, we felt it only took one meeting to shoot (the proposed ordinance) down. We felt not enough thought was put into it."

All affirmed it was very beneficial for all parties to sit down face to face and discuss the matter.

McManuay said the plan commission would like the council to "pick (the ordinance) apart and send it back" to the commission with specific recommendations.

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Death notice

Schilling

Wesley W. Schilling
June 11, 2014

CULVER — Wesley W Schilling, 89, died June 11, 2014 at Miller's Merry Manor in Culver.

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

Golf cart drivers reminded of town regulations

With more and more golf carts on the streets this time of year, the town of Culver is reminding golf cart owners and drivers of its rules and regulations.

In order to operate a golf cart in town, you must have a golf cart registration and sticker, obtainable at town hall, 200 E. Washington Street during regular business hours (Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 to 10 a.m.). The cost is \$25.

Applicants must provide proof of proper or adequate insurance on the cart, as well as the year, make and serial number of the cart, and the sticker must be affixed to the rear of the cart.

Golf carts must have a rear view mirror and regulation size slow moving vehicle emblem, which should be attached to the rear of the golf cart. When necessary, they also should have working headlamps and tail lamps/red flashing light visible from a distance of 500 feet.

The golf cart operator must be a licensed driver and be able to provide proof. When operating the cart, no more passengers than seating allows may ride and passengers must be seated at all times while the cart is in operation. Golf carts are not allowed in the town park and carts must abide by all state and local traffic laws.

A complete copy of the golf cart ordinance is included on the golf cart registration form. Please call town hall at 574-842-3140 with any questions.

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Boards provided. No experience necessary! Races will be in heats with five to six racers per heat. Awards and gathering with drink specials to follow racing at The Lakehouse Grille, Lake Shore Drive.

Sat., June 28
8:30 to 10 a.m.: Registration and packet pick up
10 a.m.: Welcome and racer instruction meeting
11 a.m.: First race start with subsequent races to follow and SUP Demos start
(Approximate time of races: Lake Max Challenge (11 a.m.), Rec Race (11:05 a.m.), Kids Race (noon), Elite Race (1 p.m.), Fun Race (2 p.m.)
11 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Food festival in the Culver Town Park (BBQ: Smoked Prime rib sandwiches; pulled chicken sandwiches; smoked BBQ pulled pork sandwiches; sides: slaw and beans).The Lake House Grill salads and fruit cups; Culver Coffee Company smoothies;
Awards and live music from Chad Van Herk immediately following racing
*SUP demos available all day. All activities are open to the public. Free secure indoor board storage is available before and after the event. Email info@LakeMaxChallenge.com for details.

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will lead a clinic again this year (see schedule this page). "We are looking forward to another building year," adds Furry.

As has been the case in previous years, the Lake Max Challenge (www.lakemax-challenge.com) is open to anyone, with boards provided for short course racing off the town beach. Free board demonstrations are set up Friday evening for anyone interested in giving the sport a try. The town beach is also open with free admission on Saturday -- the day of main racing events -- in conjunction with the event.

Furry says a new race has been added this year for those newer to the sport and intimidated by six and three mile races. This year a 1.6 mile race will launch from the beach.

There's also a shorter children's race expected to start around noon.

One growth area for the event has been the participation of professional women racers, none of whom took part the first year, with seven racing last year. The biggest growth over the two years was in the area of high-end racing, Furry adds.

A number of local eateries are taking part in Saturday's food festival from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the park's east end, from which races will launch.

As in the past, local musician Chad Van Herk will be on hand in the after-noon, playing live music to accompany the fun.

Those with an interest, or with questions about the Lake Max Challenge, may contact Sail22 at info@lakemax-challenge.com or 574-889-0022.

Town council changes on the horizon with new filing, vacant seats

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

This fall will likely see several changes in the makeup of Culver's town council, with recent filings and plans on the part of current members to move on.

Dave Beggs, a Culver resident and owner of Main Street Manor in downtown Culver, recently filed as a Republican for a council position in this November's election.

Two council members' terms are up this fall, those of Lynn Overmyer and Sally Ricciardi.

Overmyer -- a Republican who has served for several terms in her post -- told the Citizen she plans not to run again this year, primarily because she plans to spend a significant amount of time away from Culver during the

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new Garrison Parade/Council Fire times. The schedule will continue on July 5, July 12 (the weekend of the Moonlight Serenades), and July 19 (Summer Homecoming Weekend).

The last regularly scheduled Garrison Parade of the six-week camp session will be July 26. The Final Garrison Parade will be Thursday, July 31, as part of the camp graduation ceremonies.

Culver's summer Garrison Parades showcase 1,400 campers from 39 states and 41 countries. For each parade the campers from Woodcraft (ages 9-13) and those of

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The Culver-Union Township Library Board has re-scheduled its June monthly meeting date. The new date is Tuesday June 24 at 7 pm.. at the library. The regularly scheduled meeting date, which is the third Tuesday of the month, will resume in July.

Tech training classes in June

Culver-Union Township Public Library is offering free technology training in June. Classes take place Mondays at 6 p.m. and Fridays at 10 a.m. throughout the month of June, and will focus on Technology Training. For more information, contact Andrew Baker at abaker@culver.lib.in.us or 574-842-2941.

Free community meal at CBC July 6

Culver Bible Church on South Main Street will host a free community meal Sunday, July 6, starting at 6 p.m. This month's meal will be held outdoors and will feature a barbecue theme. Community meals are held on the first Sunday of each month at that time, typically in the church basement. All are welcome.

Carillon recitals every Saturday

Carillon recitals at Culver Academies' Memorial Chapel take place each Saturday through July 26 at 4 p.m. The public is welcome to attend these free event.

Moonlight Serenade July 11-12

The annual Culver Summer Schools Moonlight Serenade will take place Friday and Saturday, July 11 and 12. Residents and visitors are encouraged to watch and listen as the school's RH Ledbetter boat travels the west shore Friday evening and east shore Saturday, serenading the audience with the sounds of the Culver Summer Naval Band.

CBGC Kidstop program

Kidstop, the Culver Boys & Girls Club-sponsored child care program, runs weekdays from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Breakfast and lunch is provided every day as well as activities such as park, beach, and library visits, and field trips. Kidstop pricing for full lunch rate members is \$12 per day (\$6 for the second child) and free/reduced lunch rate is \$6 per day (\$3 for the second child). For more information visit www.bgcculver.org or call 574-250-0103. The CBGC is located in the Culver Community Elementary School.

Kiwanis raffle underway

The Culver Kiwanis Club's annual summer raffle is underway, with 1st prize being a street ready golf cart valued at \$7,000 MSRP. Second prize is an Old Town Canoe with paddles (\$900 MSRP), and third prize is a Sit on Top Ocean Kayak with paddles (\$600 MSRP). Tickets are \$10 each or three for \$25, and may be purchased from any Kiwanis Club of Culver member. All proceeds go to four-year college scholarships for local children.

AHS summer events schedule

The Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver summer schedule includes its annual AHS meeting (July 12, 10 a.m. at the Culver Public Library), with a look at police work and the major crimes of Culver's past; the Huckleberry Queen (August 16, 10 a.m. at the Culver library); with Anna Liechty from Plymouth; Preserving your historic home - myths and answers, with preservation architect Kurt Garner, at the AHS' annual wine and cheese gathering in September (exact date TBA). Visit www.culverahs.com, email historyofculver@gmail.com,

or call 574-635-0053.

Wolfe Gallery exhibit hours

On view at the Crisp Visual Art Center's Wolfe Gallery, on the campus of Culver Academies, is "Visual Voices," a

winter and doesn't feel it appropriate for an elected official not to be available to attend meetings.

Ricciardi, also a Republican, confirmed that she does intend to run for re-election this fall.

The council's newest member, Republican Bill Githens, is likely to become a non-member this fall due to his recent primary victory for a spot on the Marshall County council. Githens' position on the county council, however, isn't guaranteed, as there's still time for a Democratic opponent to file, creating a race for the open seat this November.

Should Githens win the county seat this fall, however, his vacant seat on Culver's town council will be filled by an appointment from Republican chair David Holmes, with the appointee taking office in January, 2015.

Upper Camp (13-17) join forces on the parade field with Lake Maxinkuckee serving as a backdrop.

The parade is a tangible and meaningful example of the lessons of leadership, self-confidence, and personal responsibility that Culver Summer Schools & Camps has been instilling in youths since 1902.

For more information on Culver Summer Schools & Camps visit culver.org/summer or call (574) 842-8300.

small selection of paintings, drawings, prints, and sculpture from various cultures of the Americas, Asia, and Africa. The gallery is open for public viewing in the gallery the third Sunday of the Month in May and June from 1 to 5 p.m., and then every Sunday at the same times during Culver Summer camps. Interested individuals, classes, or groups are encouraged to call Robert Nowalk at 574-842-8278 to arrange a gallery visit or tour.

Friends offer weekly book sales

As a new offering this summer, the Friends of the Culver Union Township Public Library will hold a book sale every Saturday starting May 17 and ending August 30. Hours are from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. The book sales will be in the Carnegie Room, in the lower level of the library. To donate books, bring them to the the library during library hours.

Farmer's Market open

The Culver Farmer's Market is open Saturdays at the northwest corner of Main and Ohio Streets, across from CVS. The market will have new hours this year, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Interested vendors please call at 574-842-2648 (ask for Barb).

Schools seek input on Eastern Pulaski bus route

Culver Comm. Schools Corp. is considering running a bus route for any student(s) in the Eastern Pulaski area who would be interested in attending Culver Community Schools in the fall. This would be transportation and tuition free services to the students that enroll for the 2014-2015 school year. Those interested are encouraged to contact the Administration office at 574-842-3364.

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.



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Re-opening of Culver area museum helps us define who we are today

By the Rev. John Wm. Houghton

Editor's note: The following text was written by Rev. John Houghton, Ph.D., and was delivered by him Saturday, June 14 during Taste of Culver as part of the re-opening ceremonies for the Museum of Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee History (formerly the Center for Culver History).

Rev. Houghton, the descendant of local pioneer families, has a semi-regular column in The Culver Citizen, "It's Still the Lake Water," which focuses on various aspects of the Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee area's history.

My thanks to all of the people who have worked so hard to bring our museum into its new life here on this historic corner of "Osborn Square." I think that that old name for this block may still officially be on the record books, and if it isn't, it probably should be: W. O. Osborn was surely one of the big people of our little town, one who ought not to be forgotten, and it is altogether fitting that our reborn museum should have its place in what was once his office.

In fact, Mr. Osborn—my elders may have called him "W. O.," "Will" or even, in his absence, "Uncle Billy," but I certainly never thought of him so informally—Mr. Osborn illustrates one of the points of Culver's history, which is simply that that history isn't really very long.

Born in 1885, Mr. Osborn took a place, in 1906, in his father-in-law's bank (which had originally been founded by his own father, John Osborn) and was then called to the bar in 1912. He served as attorney for my great-grandfather, another William, during the 1919 trial over my twice-great-grandfather Thomas's estate, and sitting right there in that office Mr. Osborn was able to tell me in detail not only about Thomas's character but even about his dental work, which turned out to have some bearing on the trial.

And here's the thing: that Thomas, the one Mr. Osborn was telling me about, was one of the pioneers of 1836—he was only a seven year old boy, admittedly, and he lived to be 89, and Mr. Osborn himself was nearly 90 when he talked with me. Nonetheless: the man whose office now becomes our museum knew and spoke with and remembered the pioneers; he knew people who entertained Chief Menominee in their homes. Our beginnings are that close.

Our beginnings are close: to put it into numbers, the beginning is 170 years and six days ago: it was on June 8 of 1844 that the 22-year-old Bayless Lewis Dickson platted Uniontown in the southwest corner of the southern forty acres of his 150 acre homestead. We would have expected the property to be 160 acres, a quarter of a square mile, but the lake nibbles ten acres out of the eastern edge.

The western edge, though, runs straight as a ruler, now just as it did then: it's the line of the alley just off there behind you, the one that becomes School Street. But the beginning of our history is more than just the story of my cousin Bayless's little plat.

We could look for its beginning all the way back to the time in the late 1700s when the Potawatomi began to move into this area, driving the Miami and Fox further south; or we could look to the tiny British farms, crushed by rural poverty in the years after the Napoleonic wars, from which many of the pioneers emigrated; we could look to Bayless Dickson's nephew, Daniel McDonald, who thought

the north bluff of the lake, just outside of town, would be a good location for a clubhouse, a place to get away from the hustle and bustle of Plymouth; we could look to Kewanna, where A. D. Toner decided that as long as he was buying lakeside property for the Vandalia Railroad he might as well buy some more for himself, extending the town eastward toward McDonald's clubhouse; or we could look north-east, over to the vanished village of Wolf Creek, once home to the Zehner Mill and the Hand family farm—we could look there not only because William Hand's grocery store used to stand where our Heritage Park is, but also because Wolf Creek is where William's sister Emily Jane (known in the family as "Jennie") fell in love with a travelling stove salesman and, on September 1, 1864, married him, becoming Mrs. Henry Harrison Culver, with significant implications for our town.

It's a strong urge, and a valid one, to know these beginnings: in one sense, we can't find our bearings without them. That's not to say, of course, that simply knowing what the situation was for our ancestors at some given point in history will allow us to extrapolate into their future without the application of our twenty-twenty hindsight. Consider Marmont, for example.

I have a Pennsylvania vanity plate on my car with that name on it, and when I first applied for the plate, someone in the state capital at Harrisburg sent the application back, demanding to know what "Marmont" meant. I sent them a printout of the Wikipedia page about Auguste Frédéric Louis Viesse de Marmont, Duc de Ragusa, who was, at the end of March of 1814, the last of Napoleon's marshals to defect from Bonaparte to the royalist cause.

Sometime around 1857, Bayless Dickson's brother-in-law, Thomas K. Houghton (not my ancestor with the bad teeth, but his cousin), changed the name of the town, at the request of one of its citizens, to Marmont, in honor of the Marshal, who had died in 1852. Back in 1814, Marmont had insured the restoration of Louis XVIII, of the House of Bourbon—a legitimately big deal, perhaps even a big enough deal to warrant naming the town after him; but surely even Marmont's most devoted fans here in Indiana in the 1850s could not have anticipated that, in the 1970s, the children of a Bourbon princess, the King of Spain's older sister, would actually spend their summers at Mr. Culver's camps. Knowing history will not, by itself, allow us to predict the future: but then again nothing else will, either.

Knowing our history won't allow us to predict the future: but not knowing our history is, surely, a prescription for disaster. At the very least, our history is where we stand—it is the body of stories we tell about ourselves to define who we are: and this re-created museum is a repository of those stories.

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On a day like this, when we think of the rebirth of the museum, some people (Harry Potter fans, at the very least) will also think of the image of the mythological phoenix, born again of its own funeral pyre—though there has, thankfully, been no fire involved in this process! But the phoenix can lead us not only to an image but also, I think, in a round-about way, to a poetic theme, a theme for the day and for this project. Back in the 16th Century, Queen

Elizabeth the First of England used the burning phoenix as her personal symbol; her cousin and rival, Mary Queen of Scots, adopted as her symbol her husband's grandfather's emblem of the salamander (not our familiar amphibian, but a creature with a phoenix-like mythology of being re-born in fire) and added, in French, the motto, "In my end is my beginning."

Finally, in the 1940's, the poet T. S. Eliot—a St. Louis man, originally, though he was living in England by then—took Queen Mary's motto as the theme for a poem. Eliot wrote, in part:

*What we call the beginning is often the end
And to make an end is to make a beginning.
The end is where we start from. . . .
A people without history
Is not redeemed from time, for history is a pattern
Of timeless moments. . . .
We shall not cease from exploration
And the end of all our exploring
Will be to arrive where we started
And know the place for the first time. (Four Quartets, "Little Gidding")*

This place, here at the edge of Bayless Dickson's farm, is where we began, 170 years ago—it is, in Eliot's words, the origin of our "pattern of timeless moments"; and at the same time we dedicate a museum here today so that it can be for us, and for those who come after us, the end of all our exploring, so that we can, indeed, "arrive where we started / And know the place for the first time."

Note: Following is Museum of Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee History committee chair George Duncan's introduction of Rev. Houghton at the reopening event: After attending Culver Community Schools, Woodcraft Camp, Naval School, and Culver Military Academy, John took degrees from Harvard College, Indiana University, Yale Divinity School and the University of Notre Dame. He has published articles on a wide range of academic topics and currently serves on the editorial boards of two peer-reviewed journals; most recently, he is Editor-in-Chief of an anthology entitled Tolkien in the New Century: Essays in Honor of Tom Shippey, due out this month. John is an Episcopal priest and serves as an Examining Chaplain to the Bishop of Pennsylvania. He has taught at independent boarding and day schools in Georgia, Missouri, and Louisiana and is currently Firestone Endowment Chaplain and Chair of the Department of Religious Studies and Philosophy at The Hill School in Pottstown, Pennsylvania. Closer to home, he has taught at Culver Academies and been a Woodcraft cabin counselor and division commander, assistant chaplain of the summer camps, and the counselor of Naval Company Three.

When he's not at work in Pennsylvania, John spends his time here, in the house he grew up in, on Houghton Street in William Houghton's Addition to Thomas Houghton's Amended Plat of Uniontown. He's a member of the Society of Indiana Pioneers and the Antiquarian and Historical Society, and began writing a column on local history for the Culver Citizen in 1974. His 2005 fantasy novel, Rough Magicke, is set in a not-very-fictionalized version of Culver.



CITIZEN PHOTOS/JEFF KENNEY

Old tales in a new space

ABOVE: A stream of visitors went through the newly reopened Museum of Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee History (formerly the Center for Culver History), located in the First Farmers Bank building at the corner of Main and Jefferson Streets. Pictured at TOP LEFT, the Rev. John Houghton — who gave the dedication speech for the museum (see text this page) — chats with Bob Kreuzberger, whose ancestors, like Houghton's, were prominent residents of Culver in the 19th century (and beyond), and his wife Becky. ABOVE, CENTER: Museum director Anna Campbell, right, chats with Barbara Meeker, part of a longtime Lake Maxinkuckee family and herself a painter perhaps best known for her popular watercolor of the (now defunct) Culver Inn. TOP RIGHT: Larry Berger of Culver, formerly head of the historic Easterday Construction company here, examines an exhibit (Easterday, now under the leadership of his son, Kevin Berger, handled the renovation necessary to open the museum, and crafted the 19th century steamboat likeness in it). LOWER RIGHT: Nicholas Duncan, age 6, rings the historic bell on the steamboat likeness in the museum. The bell, donated by Jeff Krieg, was once affixed to the Maxinkuckee tour boat, and is believed to have originated from an early steamboat. Young Nicholas is the grandson of museum committee chair George Duncan.





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Culver’s Lakehouse voted county’s Best Burger

The votes are in and Marshall County Tourism presented congratulations to Lakehouse Grille in Culver for being voted “Best Burger in Marshall County.” After four round of voting in Marshall County, the Lake Shore Drive-based eatery claimed the title, and will moving forward the Northern Indiana Burger Wars round.

Based on over 30,000 votes cast, Northern Indiana has found the best burger in each of the seven counties in the region. Over the past few weeks, Northern Indiana residents and visitors have been voting in each county’s Burger Wars to find the best burger in that county.

“Most of all I want to say ‘thank you’ to everyone who has been behind us throughout this contest,” said Lakehouse owner Mark Damore Jr. “We’re incredibly grateful for all the support and are so proud to be a Culver restaurant representing Marshall County in the Northern Indiana Burger Wars. Battling the northern counties is an extremely daunting task given the fact that now we are up against restaurants that are situated within significantly larger populations but the good news is that almost everyone loves an underdog.”

The seven winners from each county, plus one wild card, will be competing to find the best burger restaurant in Northern Indiana.

Voting for the first round will begin Friday, June 13 at noon EST, and will be hosted at the regional website NorthernIndianaGetaways.com/burgerwars. The first



PHOTO PROVIDED
Lakehouse Grille owner Mark Damore Jr., RIGHT, alongside members of the restaurant staff, outside the Lake Shore Drive-based business.

round lasts ten days. Following the end of the first round,

the next two rounds will last a week. On July 7, all will know who has been voted the best burger in Northern Indiana.

Customers can log in daily to vote to make sure their favorite restaurant gets the credit it deserves. Voters can keep checking the website and Visit Northern Indiana social media pages for a chance to win prizes through mini contests held throughout the voting process. Voters are encouraged to sign in and vote each round for a chance to win the grand prize of a \$25 gift certificate to each of the eight restaurants participating in the regional bracket.

The eight winning restaurants that will vie for Northern Indiana’s best burger are the following: The Flippin' Cow in Elkhart, The View Tavern in South Bend, Shoreline Brewery in Michigan City, the Octave Grill in Chesterton, Lake House Grille in Culver, Rieglings Coppertop in Wolcottville, American Legion Post 253 in North Webster and Franklin House of Valparaiso. These restaurants will be competing head to head until there is only one best burger in Northern Indiana!

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.

Lions recognize Davis, Winters at anniversary gala

Culver's Lions Club held its annual anniversary meeting May 28, this year marking 71 years since the Culver club's founding. The event is also the traditional night when two members are feted with the "Lion of the Year" award and Melvin Jones Fellow.

The evening included a slideshow presentation recalling the club's past years, followed by the "Lion of the Year" award, now given in honor of late, longtime Culver Lion Larry K. Welsh. Recognized was Lion Ned Davis, who was introduced by the club's First Year Director, Dan Adams.

The award was based upon Davis' "tireless efforts for the Culver Lions, which translates into benefits for residents in the Culver area, the state of Indiana, and Lions International work throughout the world," according to Lions president Don Freese. He adds that Davis is "always there...doing," be it the club's annual Halloween party, Christmas party, chili supper, flea markets, and especially the club's corn roast.

"He is a steady worker that has provided the 'I will do it' type leadership that every Lions club needs to be effective," Freese explains.

In accepting the award, Davis said he was most appreciative of the award, though he felt there were other Culver Lions more deserving. He further commented that the award was special to him "because it is an award in honor of Larry Welsh," with whom Davis said he had worked at many Lions functions at which they had put in a full day and Davis was tired and ready to go home. Then he would observe Larry Welsh continuing to "work like a 20-year-old, and here I was significantly younger than Larry and tired....Larry spurred me on."

Davis also recalled that the ever-popular Lions corn roast for a number of years was held as a members-only function at the Davis home, though later it became a club event for the community and has long since become a Marshall County favorite. Davis has been very active with the event, said Freese, and has placed the corn orders for many years.



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ABOVE: Culver Lions Club’s “Lion of the Year” -- given in honor of late, longtime Lion Larry K. Welsh -- recipient was Ned Davis, seen at left with his wife Lynn at the Club’s annual anniversary banquet last month. AT RIGHT was the Club’s most recent Melvin Jones Fellow, Barbara Winters, left, pictured with Don Freese, who presented the award to her.

The award was a surprise to Davis until members of his family came into the depot, just before the presentation.

The Melvin Jones Fellow Award, which recognizes denotations of \$1,000, was also presented at the event. In this case the Culver Lions Club made the donation to recognize Barbara Winters' humanitarian services, according to Freese.

"These donations are the backbone of the Lions Clubs International Foundation," he says, "providing 75 percent of the foundation's revenue. LCIF helps Lions improve peoples' lives around the world, from combating vision problems to responding to major catastrophes to providing valuable life skills to youth. Because LCIF helps Lions carry out large-scale projects through grant programs, Lions increase their impact in their local and global communities and serve even more people in need around the world."

The Culver presentation represents the 17th such award



made by the Culver Lions over the years for a total of \$17,000.

"In presenting this award the Culver Lions are making a statement to the community and to Barbara about how we value her humanitarian service to others," Freese adds. "Her outstanding leadership while she was president from 2010 through 2012 and her outstanding leadership in all that she does. Barbara turned the job of President of the Club over to me in 2012....and I want to tell you those were tough 'high heels to fill!'"

"When various projects come up and need some leadership, Barbara was always gracious with those words, "Yes, I can do that." Thus Liberty Day at the high school and middle school, Senior Awards Night at the high school, our 3rd grade dictionary project, and more."

Winters, for her part, was taken by surprise by the award.

"I truly have wanted a Mel- See Lions, page B3

Tall buildings may be an expensive challenge for Culver fire dept.

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Culver's fire department could have a very expensive problem on its hands, depending on results of an ISO (Insurance Service Organization) assessment of the department and its equipment.

This according to fire chief Terry Wakefield in reporting the matter to the Culver town council at its June 10 meeting.

At issue is the department's lack of aerial ladder equipment in light of the tall buildings in Culver and, according to Wakefield, especially on the campus of Culver Academies, where four-story buildings present an access challenge for firefighters.

"We get docked 100 points for not having one," said Wakefield, referring to the ISO rating assigned to most fire departments, which particularly affects insurance and its cost. "We cannot protect (the taller buildings)."

He added the department has been to the Academies campus for updates on their buildings several times in recent months, and he added the department's lack of ability to protect taller buildings adds to the school's insurance costs as well. The Academies, however, is in a better position to aid in firefighting endeavors on its campus because there considerably better wells on campus than in town, said Wakefield.

Aerial ladders, which must be specially mounted or based, can cost a million dollars or more, he explained, and the department's efforts for the past twenty-plus years to find grant funds to offset the cost of the equipment have been fruitless. He said the department's tallest ladder is currently 30 feet.

The department's ISO rating would likely drop a full level if the ratings process -- which Wakefield said takes place every five years -- goes as expected.

Jane Grund of the Lake Maxinkuckee Association said she could present the idea of the LMA assisting towards costs of the equipment, at the organization's next meeting.

Wakefield also said one of the department's main squad trucks was recently returned with all necessary repairs complete, a process he said was "a big drain on the budget" which will require the \$93,000 the department encumbered from last year as well as Township funds.

He noted state-certified individuals will service all three of the department's trucks for around \$1,500 in the near future in hopes of being "blindsided" with \$14,000 worth of problems.

"We have changed the way we do things," he added. "The maintenance budget shows we're trying to get these things up and operational."

Utility vehicle allowance change

The council also revisited a previously rejected notion:

that of utility or ATV vehicles on the streets of Culver, due in part to Indiana legislation allowing the vehicles under certain circumstances, since the council first rejected requests for allowance back in 2009.

Council president Ginny Munroe said she met with Culver town marshal Wayne Bean after a group of citizens contacted her regarding off-road vehicles as street legal.

Culver Academies graduate and part-time resident Whitney Alvis -- an attorney who said her primary residence is Oklahoma, and who is part of the partnership who purchased Culver's hardware store least year -- detailed the 2010 Indiana statute which defines off-road vehicles and their use state-wide.

Noting she owns a Gator vehicle herself, Alvis emphasized the discussion at hand did not pertain to golf carts, and that ATVs and UTVs must, by state law, be insured and have front and back plates.

The vehicles can't be used on public roads in Indiana unless approved by the local municipality and have head and taillights for use from dusk to sunrise and be driven by a licensed driver.

One caveat, said Alvis: the operator of the vehicle may not have consumed an alcoholic beverage, which means even one beer could result in an arrest.

In discussing the differences between ATVs/UTVs and golf carts, Bean said ATVs are officially classified as off-road vehicles, and Munroe said typically they may move faster, include bigger tires, and many have seatbelts. Their greater power allows some UTVs to attach plows and other implements to them.

Bean suggested town attorney Jim Clevenger draft an ordinance for the vehicles, though he emphasized the importance of separating them from golf carts in legislating their use.

Asked about registration of ATVs and UTVs, Bean said they're registered through the state much as a car would be, so local registration is probably unnecessary. He added faster incarnations of the vehicles may drive on state highways under certain specifications unlike golf carts, which are still disallowed on state roads by law.

The council approved the drafting of an ordinance.

Other actions, discussion

Also approved was at abatement policy about which the council had several work sessions in hopes of a proper tax abatement program for Culver. Clevenger expressed appreciation to Jerry Chavez of the Marshall County Economic Development Corporation for his work in preparing the policy.

Council approved the first step towards re-establishing the town's CCD fund, which would have to go through a public hearing before adoption. The fund, derived from a small fraction of the town's tax rate, has been used for

Culver's sidewalk sharing program and would likely be used in matching funds for a sidewalk grant the town applied for recently.

A program offering counseling sessions via the Bowen Center to town employees and paid volunteers and their dependents was also approved by council, at \$720 per year.

"One thing these folks are identifying is that family life can get in the way of work life and work life can get in the way of family life," said town manager Dave Schoeff, in proposing the program. "If it's used by one person, to me it's worth it."

Schoeff also reported the town's Lake Shore Drive water tower has been repaired and its water chlorinated, tested, and back in use, though some in town have experienced some discolored or foggy water in the aftermath, something which should be eliminated as the town flushes out its water lines.

Approved was an additional \$7,748.77 from the town's paving budget to pay for additional curbing and ADA-compliant ramps on Washington Street, in the wake of the repaving work handled as part of the recently-completed storm water improvement project on Culver's west side.

On behalf of town clerk Karen Heim, who was away, Schoeff requested -- and council approved -- an agreement to have Umbaugh and Associates review the town's budget, at \$6,000 to \$8,000.

Bean updated the council on a change following the vote at a previous meeting to close Lake Shore Drive between State Street and Forest Place during the Saturday of Lake Fest in July. He said he drove members of the Lake Fest committee on the route and discussed potential problems with full street closure, and the group instead agreed to close off parking on one side of the street and hire crossing guards to assist festival-goers in safely reaching the event.

The council approved the proposed change.

Also approved was a request from Sugar Magnolia Bakery, planning to open next year on South Main Street, to add an ADA-approved ramp to the front of the building, as well as a request from Culver Kiwanis president Larry Brockey for the club to conduct its annual Peanut Day at select Culver intersections June 21 from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Attorney Clevenger said the town has obtained judgment against the former resident of a rental home on Lake Street which accrued \$1,458.51 in water bills, prompting a closer examination of the town's water bill policy in terms of renters versus property owners. He added the town is now in contact with the former renter, who is on a plan to make payments towards the bill.

Culver Elementary honor roll

Culver Elementary School has released its A-B honor roll students for the fourth grading period.

Grade 1: Kassidy Banks, Brynn Berndt, Ethan Binion, Amber Black, Vanessa Cadle, Jake Conroy, Bethany Rose DeLong, Robert Cole Evans, Kristian Bruce Fairchild, Melanie R Flores, Madlin Hamilton, Kaden Herrera, Austin Hinsey, Jalynn Hopkins, Zoey Hunnicutt, Reyonica Hunt, Gabriel Keith Jackson, Chloe Kanschat, Tyra King, Daniel Laba, Gage Long, Owen Manikowski, Katherine Marek, Garrick Metz, Aiden Minix, Braiden Molebash, Connor Moon, Jocuelin Ashley Emily Nystrom, Bryce Personette, Rachel Pietsch, Ashley Nicole Pugh, Christian Anthony Ramirez, Adamariz Rojas-Mendoza, Chloe Salyer, Katie Schouten, Tyler Siddall, Annabell Marie Slattery, Mason Lee Wagoner, Timothy Joseph Woodcox, Olivia Woodward.

Grade 2: Abigail Marie Caudill, Carter Lewis Clingler, Noah Alan Clingler, Zane Arthur Coble, Faith Daugherty, Megan Taylor England, Chloe Gabrielle Felda, Avery Michelle Garland, Gwendylan Maree Gilley, Lucas Ian Hardesty, Willow Ann Harrington, Seth Hazen, Reese J Herrell, EmmaLee Rae Hillman, Karsen David Hoffman, Emily Frances Holstein, Nora Anne Johnston, Avery M Keller, Brady Christian Kindernay, Lily-Ann Marie Knapp, Arwen Blair Kornblith, Derek Anthony McKee, Mackenzie Metz, Jack A Rodgers, Miah Jordan Shock, Grace Marie Sieber, Aleksander Poe Stacy, Lane Micheal Scott Stebbins, Landon Franklin Stevens, Ethan Charles Thompson, Giselle Villegas, Anessa Ryanne Wireman, Maralee Elisabeth Wyatt, Bryan Aiden Wyrick.

Grade 3: Baleigh Grace Binkley, Devin Jacob Burkett, Tessa Marie Conroy, Carson Jacob Cormican, Ruth Autumn Counts, Addison Maybre Crippen, Chloe Lauren Danti, Brady Scott DeLong, Cabot Severns Ellert, Trenton Wayne Fritter, Kaylee Maxine-Kay Hamilton, Harrison P Hanley, Hunter D Hanley, Kassidy L Heise, Mason Thomas Herbert, Alisa Jo Hinds, Gabriella Starr Hopkins, Collin Pierce Hunnicutt, Ethan Paul Keller, Kali Brynne Kidd, Abigail Grace Kisela, Michael Alexander Knapp, Kenna Ann Kreischer, Merissa MaeRayann Lowry, Ashton E. Macedonio, Ashton Michael Xavier McCarthy, Caleb Mark Miller, Abigail Mia Nufer, Emiliano Robert Ortiz, Lucile Jean Overmyer, Joseph Thomas Pizur, Addison Elizabeth Pohl, Benton Sayavongsing, Ches Michael Schrimsher, Aydan Skyy Shaffer, Shane Owen Shuman, Kaitlyn Anne Stacy, Sidney Christine Stamp-er.

Grade 4: Ayden Lee Annis, Mackenzie Michelle Banks, Savannah Marie Barnes, Virgil Eyvind Binion, Zoey Louise Coble, Sydney Sue Denham, Kordelia Fulton, Dayne Kennedy Garbacik, Anna Katherine Gregorash, Sophia Luna Heath, Emily Heim, Savannah Grace Hissong, Jayvonn James Lutz, Alyson Paige Martin, Callie Christine Masterson, Jordan Mary Porter, Elizabeth Ann Pugh, Cole Austin Rieckhoff, Kaydin Jovee Sayavongsing, Adrian Owen Schouten, Wayne Douglas Shidler, Natalie Mechelle Stevens, Courtney Lee Tawney, Hunter J Taylor, Auston Lee Zehner.

Grade 5: Ashley L Burkett, Mia Patricia Conroy, Francis K Ellert, Olivia A Gilley, Joshua P Havron, Katie M Hoffman, Morgan J Keller, Kaleigh M Kephart, Lillian E Proskey, Wyatt M Ringer, Madison A Shedrow, Darren C Shock.

Grade 6: Mikaylah Roze Beem, Emily L Bendy, Ashley N Black, Anna R Blocker, Jasmine E Felda, Trista Rae Fritter, Hanna K Haimbaugh, Edwin J Holstein, Allan C James, Austin David Jones, Grace Maher, Sophie Elise Michi, Noah Riley Parsons, Erin K Renneker, Dana T Rodgers, Lilly M Sayavongsing, Brooklyn M Sellers, Carter C Stevens, Alexandra R Temme, Owen R Valiquet, ,

Academies honors 143 past, present staff members at dedication of Distinguished Service Monument

By Doug Haberland, Culver Academies Communications

A granite bench honoring 143 staff members of the Culver Academies with more than 25 years of service was dedicated May 1, with room for others who may reach that milestone in the years to come.

Each name on the Staff Distinguished Service Monument represents a full-time, non-faculty employee with 25 years or more of continuous service to Culver. The bench is located in the northwest corner of Manuel Green and complements the Faculty Distinguished Service Monument dedicated in May 2009 that honors teaching faculty with 25 or more years of service.

“There will always be faculty and staff who give Culver more than 25 years of service and who will continue to be added to the legacy of people we remember who have made Culver what it is,” Miles White ’73, president of the CEF Board of Trustees, said at the dedication ceremony. “Culver wouldn’t be what it is today without the continuous contributions of a lot of people – faculty and staff – over time, who have made Culver what it is and have made us who we are.”

Like the faculty bench before it, the staff bench was a gift of Miles and Kim White. In his introductory thank you, Head of Schools John Buxton said, “Every once in a while a special person or a couple comes along and reminds us that we need to take heed . . . Miles and Kim White are two of those people.”

Buxton said some of the first stories he and wife Pam heard when they arrived in 1999 “were about the giants of Culver. And what surprised us, and pleased us, was that they weren’t all faculty. Many of them were staff members; people who served in the dining hall, people who were part of the Facilities staff, people who worked in horsemanship. “It’s the hourly employees who make Culver what it is every day,” Buxton said. “They mentor kids on the scene. They change the trajectory of young people’s lives. And we were

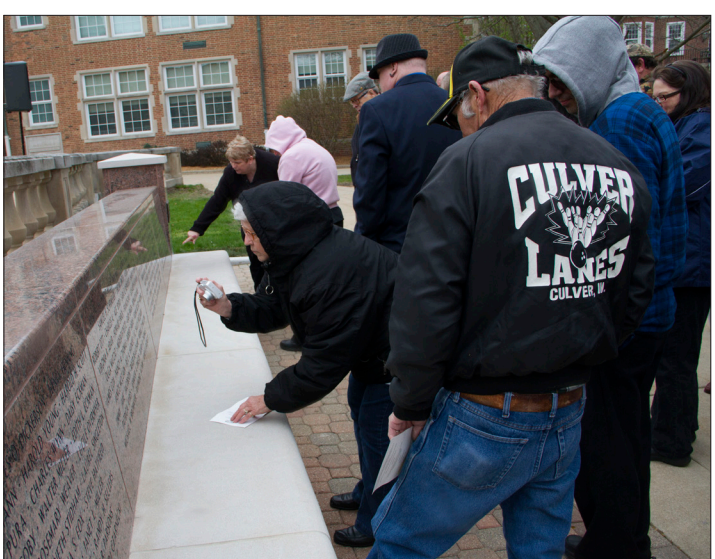
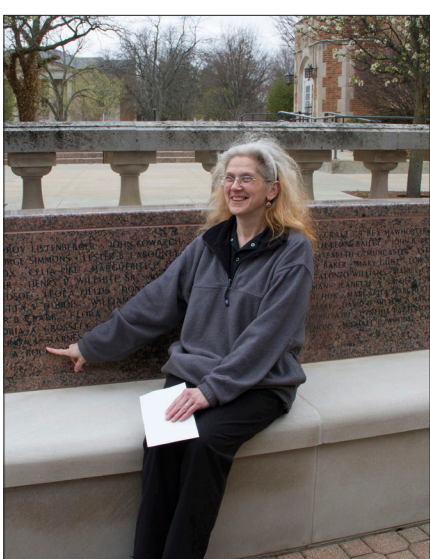


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TOP PHOTO: At the dedication May 1 of Culver Academies Staff Distinguished Service Monument, Elisabeth Davis (who has served the school longer than any other staff member, having begun her career there over years ago, left of center) helps hold the ribbon as Miles White – Chairman of the Culver Educational Foundation Board of Trustees – center, cuts it.

LOWER LEFT: With 30 years of service, Linda Harness points proudly to her name on the Staff Distinguished Service Monument. Linda and her husband, Rex, who has 37 years of service to Culver, both work in Food Services. They are residents of Leiters Ford.

LOWER RIGHT: Roger Beauchamp and his wife Doris (both retired) admiring their names on the bench. Roger is also a carrier with the Pilot News Group/Culver Citizen.



fortunate to have someone as the beneficiary of that as a student who realized the importance of remembering, recognizing, and reminding.”

And no one remembers more than Elisabeth Davis of rural Culver, who briefly addressed those gathered. The grand dame of Culver employees, Mrs. Davis began her career in 1936. Aside from time off to raise her children, her tenure has spanned 78 years and continues to this day.

“I’ve seen a lot of changes, but I never expected to see my name on a bench,” she said later. “I never expected anything for my work. The Academies has been good to me.”

Gabe Napierkowski of rural Culver, a Zone Tech with 29 years under his belt, said the recognition “was a surprise. It was a good gesture. It shows that they appreciate what we little people do.”

“It made me feel good,” said mover Tim Hawkey, a North Judson resident who was hired in 1989. “There’s a sense of accomplishment, and it shows how much they care.”

Seeing and touching her name etched into the stone monument “meant a lot,” said head baker Kim Rose of Winamac, a 36-year employee of the Academies dining hall. “Not every workplace does that for their employees. It makes you feel more included, more recognized.”

Lisa Rough of Walkerton, who has worked in the dining hall for 29 years, added “it was nice they included those who had passed away.”

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Library news

Food science program June 23

The Culver-Union Township Public Library is pleased to welcome special guest Adam Rippy, general manager of Evil Czech Brewery, one of Culver’s local restaurants. This program is part of the 2014 Adult Summer Reading Program which is themed around science. Adam will present a behind-the-scenes look at food science in a restaurant environment. The program will take place Monday, June 23 at 6 p.m. in the large meeting room on the lower level of the library. This program is free and open to the public.

For more information, please contact Reference/Adult Services Librarian Laura Jones at 574-842-2941 or ljones@culver.lib.in.us

Action figures, Barbie clothes on exhibit

Exhibits in the Culver Public Library's display cases in June include the action figure collection of Chris Chambers and Barbie and Ken clothing made by Sandy Wakefield. July's exhibits will include Quilts of Valor by Barbara Stryker.

Summer Reading programs include magic show, Game Truck, more

A number of offerings will take place in the coming weeks as part of the Youth Services events in conjunction with the Culver Public Library's Summer Reading program.

Professional magician CR Ryan and his son, Braden, will mix science with magic at the Culver library Saturday, June 28 at 10 a.m. for an all-ages program which is free and open to the public.

The long awaited arrival of The Game Truck will be at CUTPL on Wednesday, July 31 from 2 to 4 p.m.

CULVER - Leadership Marshall County (LMC), a joint program between the Marshall County Community Foundation and the United Way of Marshall County, held graduation for the 17 participants of Class XIX on May 14 in the Legion Memorial Building at Culver Academies. The number of LMC participants since the program’s start in 1995 now totals 301. Francis Ellert of Culver, General Manager of the Coca-Cola Bottling Company, was the guest speaker for the evening.

Leadership Marshall County is a nine month program that takes place September through May, and is dedicated to cultivating today’s leaders to serve

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In keeping with the theme of science, this year’s programs will revolve around experimental projects and the use of many recycled materials. Themed activities, which are free and open to children from ages 0 to 12, will include planting herbs, whose progress will be observed throughout the summer reading weeks (children can take them home at the end of summer). There will also be painting with vegetables, building kites and terrariums, building jet packs, having a teddy bear picnic day, and much more.

Young Adult programs offered throughout the summer revolve around the theme "Spark a Reaction," including science and the use of recycled materials. Teen activities include making paper bag journals, rock candy, duck tape and newspaper roses, tie-dying, lava lamps, origami, build

your own catapult marshmallow contest, and so much more.

Family movie nights at the library

As part of the science-themed 2014 Adult Summer Reading Program, Culver-Union Township Public Library will hold two family movie nights at the library. The movies will be shown Thursday, June 26 and Monday, July 14 at 6 p.m. in the large meeting room. For more information on which films will be featured, call 574-842-2941 or stop by the library. These programs are free and open to the public. Attendees will receive 5 points per movie night for the Adult Summer Reading Program.

'Breaking Away' at

See Library, page B4

Leadership Marshall County graduates Class XIX



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Pictured are participants in Leadership Marshall County graduation last month. Front row: Jerry Gates, MCCF Chair; Julie Berndt (Culver Elementary assistant principal); Billie Treber; Aimee Portteus; Marla Murasko; Shelley Heiden; Vicky Hines; Valerie Weis, LMC Chair; Francis Ellert, UW President. Back row: Caryn Escher; Jennifer Shaw; Rachelle Brown; Allison Kara; Beverley McDonald; Kaydi McMahan; Kellie Kanarr; Cindy Flagg. Not Pictured: Craig Schneider and Lissa Newton

tomorrow’s community by building a solid foundation of informed, action-oriented employees and citizens. Participants gain valuable exposure to community leaders, programs and service initiatives, while engaging in interactive assignments which raise

community awareness and action. Involvement in group projects encourages further investigation into long-term community goals, strategies and planning objectives.

Projects presented this year included: Kids’ Expo, W82txt, Fitness Group,

and the “Egg”-Straordinary Food Project. Mrs. Valerie Weis, LMC Chair, announced the winner of this year’s class project.

The Kid’s Expo, a project undertaken by Cindy Flagg, Shelly Heiden, Bev McDonald and Marla Murasko, received top honors and will receive a \$500 cash award to support ongoing efforts with the program. The intent of the expo is to promote summer programs, camps, and activities for children throughout Marshall County. The Boys and Girls Club of Marshall County hosted the event which was held April 19, 2014. There were a total of 28 booths, over 200 visitors, and 190 prizes for the kids. Plans are already underway for the 2015 Marshall County Kid’s Expo. For more information, visit their Facebook page: Marshall County Kid’s Expo.

For further information, visit www.marshallcountylmc.org, or contact the Marshall County Community Foundation office at 574.935.5159 or by email

Lions from page B1

vin Jones Fellow because of the humanitarian impact that \$1,000 can have in the LCIF," she said. "The impact can be felt around the world. I had the privilege of going to Mexico on a Lions Eye Mission a couple of years back as part of the Lions outreach, and I saw first-hand what this does for people that don't have access to vision care. I had been thinking about the Melvin Jones Fellow donation and thought that maybe my kids and grand-kids could start putting \$50 away for my birthdays until there was \$1,000 for the donation!"

As an aside, Freese notes that Lion Pat Birk, though not able to attend the event due to health reasons, informed Lion Fred Lintner that the Culver club's charter, which was signed by the original local members in 1943, was signed by the Lions International Presi-

dent at that time and also by the International Secretary, Melvin Jones.

"That is a big deal to us Lions because Melvin Jones is the individual that founded the Lions in 1917 in Chicago," says Freese, who adds that the charter is being re-framed, a "true piece of history for us."

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The Rev. John Houghton delivered the museum dedication speech, calling attention to the appropriateness of the museum's location in the former offices of longtime State Exchange Bank president W.O. Osborn, who was not only an important part of Culver's history but a witness to it.

Photos of the museum opening appear on page A4, in this edition of the *Citizen*.

The book is "Breaking Away," a screen play by Steve Tesich. This is a must read Indiana classic based on the annual Indiana University's Little 500 bicycle race. The film stars Dennis Christopher and Dennis Quaid. These

Patrons are encouraged to bring their lunch to eat while they enjoy the movie and the discussion afterwards.



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A 'Taste' for all..

ABOVE: The annual Culver Chamber of Commerce-sponsored Taste of Culver festival took place Saturday morning and afternoon on Jefferson Street between Main and Ohio, and enjoyed near-perfect weather and sunny skies. As in years past, a variety of Culver's destination eateries provided samples of their fare for sample-sized prices, in addition to other organizations represented and the grand opening ceremonies for the Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee Visitor Center and Museum of Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee History.

Pictured ABOVE, LEFT: Larry Surrisi of the Culver Academies Lay Dining Center offers a plate to Phil Blessman of Culver, whose daughter Sophie -- in the foreground -- waits.

ABOVE, CENTER: Jim and Donna Wierick, right, prepare to try a bite at the Evil Czech Brwery tent. ABOVE, RIGHT: The Friends of the Culver Public Library were also represented at the event. Frieda Cultice, right, takes a look as volunteers Susan and Frank Elizondo (seated) look on.

LOWER RIGHT: 18 month old Taelyn White (on mom, Amber White's lap) enjoys a cookie from the festival while enjoying the shade on the steps of the Culver Post Office.



CBGC from page A1



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The Culver Boys & Girls Club auction was once again a success last Friday night, at the Culver Academies Lay Dining Center. FAR LEFT: Stefanie Thompson, right, was an at least somewhat willing "victim" of the Chicago area magician who replaced Daniel Martin, the originally scheduled performer who was unable to attend. AT LEFT: CBGC board president Ginny Munroe, left, looks on as Jim Szymusiak takes bids during the live auction. ABOVE: A stainless steel, light-up sign crafted by Tim Yuhas of North Shore Fabrication in Culver drew plenty of attention at the auction tables.



ABOVE, LEFT: Ted Schenberg of Culver pauses to chat during the silent auction. ABOVE, RIGHT: Carol Zeglis of the auction committee addresses the audience.

CBGC board president Ginny Munroe) Jim Szymusiak, and thanked board member Di-anne Osborn, whom she referred to as the "auction queen" for Osborn's ability to amass a plethora of sought-after auction items.

Zeglis expressed appreciation for the work of Munroe towards the event, and cited the dedication of CBGC unit supervisor Jessye Gilley.

She also relayed a personal story from relating to one of the Culver club's members, one of two sisters who has struggled emotionally since her mother went to prison. The child's participation in the Culver Boys & Girls Club, said Zeglis, has been significant in her healing, and her mother wrote a letter to the club in thanks for the impact it had on her daughters.

More information on the Culver Boys & Girls Club is available at bgcculver.org and 574-250-0103.

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