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## In Brief

### Culver holiday events on page 3

Holiday-related Culver area events, including those taking place this weekend, are listed separately on page 3 of this edition.

### Michelle's anniversary event Friday

Michelle's Headquarters will celebrate its 20th year in business on Friday, Dec. 4 with an open house from 5 to 8 p.m. coinciding with Culver's Holiday Hop. Champagne and hors d'oeuvres will be available along with gift basket and 20 percent discount gift certificate door prizes. The event will also bid longtime employee Susan Elizondo farewell and welcome new staff member Angie Maroules. The public is invited.

### CCHS toy drive Saturday

The Culver Community High School chapter of National Honor Society is sponsoring a toy drive on Dec. 5 at its junior varsity boys basketball game. The game starts at 5:30 p.m. and admission is free in exchange for a Christmas gift for ages 2 through 19. Donated new and unopened gifts will be distributed to Culver families in need first, and then distributed throughout Marshall County.

### CCMS students collecting non-food items for pantry

Culver Comm. Middle School's Student Council is collecting non-food items in December for the Culver food pantry. Sought for the drive is toilet paper, shampoo, paper towels, soap, laundry soap, etc. Monetary and food donations are accepted as well. They can be dropped off at the middle school.

### St. Elizabeth's service times change

St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church, 515 State Street in Culver, will start its winter service schedule beginning Sunday, Dec. 6. Service times will change from the previous 6 p.m. time to 5 p.m. The church's Christmas Eve service (Thursday the 24th) will also begin at 5 p.m.

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## November calm

ABOVE: The snow which blanketed the Culver area (and last week's page 1 imagery) gave way during the Thanksgiving week past to the quiet colors of November as it slipped into December. Seen here is a view of the sun preparing to set over Lake Maxinkuckee, from the east shore of the lake.

## 'Stay a While in Culver' – fifth in the series Main Street Manor embodies classic heart of downtown



By Anna Campbell, Correspondent

CULVER- Main Street Manor, located at 203 South Main Street, is a turn-of-the-century bed and breakfast nestled just steps from dining, shopping, bike rentals, and access to the Culver town park.

The original house was built in 1904. For longtime locals this was a familiar building where optometrist Dr. Francis Babcock practiced from the 1960's into the 1980's. It was purchased by Dave and Sue Beggs in 2002.

Dave worked as a chef for five years for the formerly local restaurant Corndance Café. During that time he began to see the growing need for more overnight lodging options in town. Upon purchase, the Beggs began to bring the 100 year old home up to modern standards conducive to that of a bed and breakfast. They implemented individual heating and cooling units for each room and private bathrooms, added bathrooms to each room, and provide free Wi-Fi throughout. It was important to the Beggs to maintain a balance between the old and new.

"We tried to maintain the 1904 style throughout the manor," noted Dave.

The manor is comprised of

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## Library centennial closes out with variety of all-ages events, history



The Culver-Union Twp. Public Library is officially closing the book on its year-long centennial celebration, and it's winding it down as it kicked it off: at the library's annual holiday open house, with a day of history, music, and all-ages fun.

CUTPL will hold closing ceremonies for its centennial

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## Culver Comm. Schools looks to tell its story via new marketing, branding campaign

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

Shelly Schrimsher is passionate about what Culver Community Schools has done — and is doing — for her and husband Craig's children, and she's equally passionate about spreading the message of what the school corporation can and does do for other children as well.

And she, like many others, is adamant that Culver keep its community school, something a wide range of trends in state-level decision-making as well as local demographic shifts could threaten.

As summarized on the Internet Gofundme page set up for the corporation's volunteer branding and marketing committee's current efforts (www.gofundme.com/ccscmarketing), "Culver Community School Corporation (is) the only district in Indiana to serve four townships in four counties: Aubenaubee in Fulton County, North Bend in Starke County, Tippecanoe in Pulaski County, and Union in Marshall County. The Indiana Department of Education has withdrawn a substantial amount of

funding from our budget and that of many schools in Indiana. Essentially, we are forced to operate like a business without a marketing budget.

"However," continues the page, "the CCSC Administration is taking control to grow our student population as they have established four Strategic Planning Committees: Core Planning, Curriculum, Cost Containment, and Marketing. We are choosing to stay ahead of the current trend that small schools are experiencing regarding the struggle to make ends meet by being proactive."

Schrimsher herself may embody the diversity which makes up Culver Community Schools, and which she (and others) feel is one aspect of Culver's schools which set it apart from other area schools of comparable size (and besides the geographic diversity feeding into CCSC, there's also the influence of Culver Academies' presence just down the road, which brings in a unique mix of children of faculty and staff).

She points out her family, the Masters, were original-

ly from Chicago and chose the Monterey area to settle. Schrimsher's parents chose the Hartz Lake area to begin raising their children, though when Shelly was five, they built a house in Culver and she spent her school days here.

She emphasizes the increasing number of people in her age range choosing to return to (or not to leave to start with) smaller, more tight-knit communities like Culver over pursuing the highest possible level of material success and status, a decision she and Craig considered carefully within the context of its impact on her own children.

And while she didn't set out to become part of — much less take a lead role in — one of the strategic planning committees organized under Culver Community Schools superintendent Dr. Vicki McGuire about a year ago, Schrimsher was struck by the importance of sharing the message of what she feels the school system can offer families.

With that in mind, she chose to involve herself in the branding and market-

See School page B5

## Culver council rejects proposed building permit hikes

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

A proposed change in building permit fees for the town of Culver was formally nixed by the Culver town council last week, when council members voted to rescind the proposed fee schedule and send it back to the Culver plan commission, which had originally approved it for council review.

Council member Sally Ricciardi, in summing up the previous meeting's lively discussion about the new fee schedule for coun-

cil president Ginny Munroe, who had been absent at the last meeting, noted the "general consensus was the fees were too high (and) would be restrictive towards people building new homes and towards businesses."

She added there were also concerns expressed as to the added costs in building pole barns and other more agriculture-related structures within the town's two-mile zoning boundaries.

The council had tabled the matter at its last meet-

ing.

Council member Ed Pinder recalled that contractors speaking at the previous meeting also said they would pass along cost increases under the proposal change to customers, rather than absorbing the higher fees themselves.

Asked to discuss the proposal and the logic behind it, plan commission president Barry McManaway said several potential cost increases motivated the proposal, including fees for

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## The Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver

### Sarge

BY AGNES BRAMFELD

Driving north on Lake Shore Drive, after crossing Indiana 10, you will see a horse pasture on your right with the imposing and handsome sign inscribed as follows: "In Honor of Sarge Hudson and His Love of Culver Academies' Students and Horses through the generosity of the Russell T. Bundy Family."

For those who knew Sarge this will bring a surge of recognition and affection that is deep and lasting. To quote one of his students during the 23 years he was an instructor and inevitably an institution in the Equestrian Department and the Black Horse Troop organization: "I remember what he told me...in an uncharacteristically unguarded moment: 'I get to be around the two things I love the most: kids and horses – and they pay me for it.'"

Before what will be an abbreviated biography, I want to share some of the memories recorded by a group of graduates of the 1970s and other interested persons, who got together in a sort of chat room.

There were many stories about Buffalo Bill, alleged to have been a varsity jumper but at the time an absolutely obese stubborn animal who, when he found himself in water, inevitably would lie down.

"I have a theory that Sarge loved to wade through water when Buffalo Bill was in his group, just to be able to yell, 'Miss Sayrah, Don't you let Bill lay down in that mud!' Then he'd silently watch my losing battle with the unflappable Bill. I'd yell, kick and punch fat old Bill as he dropped into the mud for a lie down and then have to step off in knee deep mud to drag him out. Bill willingly rose to his feet and followed. I think he winked at Sarge, too. Sarge would then spit and declare, 'No bad horses, only bad riders. You'll have to polish up that saddle when we get back.' But he would be chuckling, I'm sure I saw it.

"We used to bet how many seconds it would take for Bill to roll with someone in the lake on a hot day.

"We went cross country riding one day...Sarge at the lead...as I was trying to hold on to him (Bill) because all he wanted was to go back to the riding hall, a branch



ABOVE: Sarge's daughters and grandsons at the memorial sign in the Black Horse Troop pasture dedicated to his honor. From left to right, Max Good, John Good, Cindy Good and Teresa Hudson.

came out of nowhere and knocked me off him. As I was recovering, Sarge was right on top of me...I looked up, he spit a load of that tobacco and said 'Well, well, if it isn't Mr. Zuno' ...smiled and went on..Oh the memories. "I hope Mr. Zuno won't mind my including his name in this reminiscence."

There were favorite horses, too. Rabbit "would run full tilt at any jump you pointed him at, then pop over from about one foot back, no matter how high. Six feet was no problem for him.

"Rabbit was my all-time favorite horse. I thought he was like the war horses in ancient Greek and Roman paintings. He would CHARGE at those jumps!"

Many recalled: "Did I tell you to dismount young man (little lady)?" after a fall.

"The longer you set...the wider you get."

And then there was the Alibi Book, which contained "some very funny reasons as to why people became separated from their mounts."

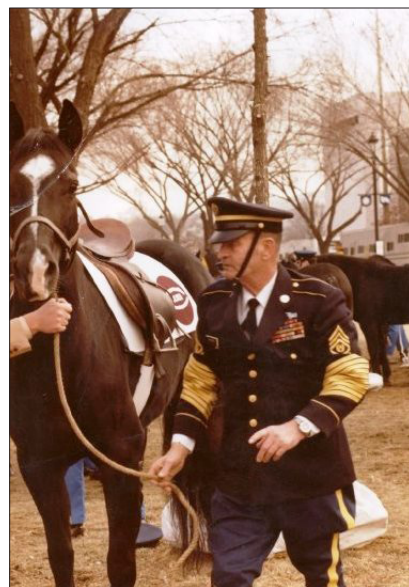
Sarge was born John Wilbur Hudson in Florence, South Carolina, in 1921. He was in the United States Army for 29 years, and he became a master farrier in the artillery

equitation school at Fort Bragg, was sent to Italy with the 10th Mountain Division during World War II, returned to Fort Bragg and earned certification as a veterinarian technician.

He was a platoon sergeant in Korea with the 1st Cavalry Division and served in Iran as advisor to the shah's cavalry battalion and camel detachment. For the last three years of his service he was command sergeant major to the U. S. Military Academy Preparatory School at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. During his service he earned the Legion of Merit, a Silver Star, a Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, a Purple Heart and the Combat Infantry Badge. He reported for duty at Culver on Sept. 1, 1969.

Sarge, with his family, lived at the south end of the East Shore and had the good fortune to have them help him with his responsibilities. Cindy was the model for horsemanship classes. ... "I loved riding classes with Sarge more than anything I can remember, often with Cindy (Hudson) quietly following Sarge's directions and showing us how it was to be done." And Teresa reports, "When Dad started working...and students were away for Christmas vacation, all six of us kids used to help exercise the horses. We used to hit the polo ball around. There were times when he would give us equitation class, just

BELOW: The number of stripes on Sarge's sleeve turned heads — including the President's — during Culver's participation in the Presidential Inaugural parades.



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## John Nash Chosen as AHS President

New officers elected earlier this year by the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver include John Nash, president; Bob Kreuzberger, vice president; Janet Kline, secretary, and Tom Story, treasurer.

Members of the board of directors are Joe Baughn, Fred Karst, Alan Loehr, Jim Peterson, Agnes Bramfeld, Dusty Henricks, John Nash, Dianne Osborn, Ginny Gibson, Janet Kline, Bob Kreuzberger, Tom Story and Melva Githens.

### FROM THE DIRECTOR'S CHAIR

BY DENISE BURNHAM

I have been the director of the Museum of Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee History for just a few months. Since taking the position, I feel a deep sense of commitment to being one of the repositories of this community's history. I don't think of it as just a Culver history museum, but a museum to hold Culver stories. Our community is lucky to have so many who care about these stories. You can search Judi Burns' website for a wealth of information, go to the Culver Library's pages, visit the Academies' museum, our museum, or the Marshall County Museum in Plymouth. Each can offer a new layer or nuance to the story of Culver, Union-Township, or Lake Maxinkuckee.

With these thoughts in mind, I am dedicating myself to learning about "best practices" in museum work. I hope to have a day or more of training from the Indiana History Museum and I am taking steps to secure our artifacts for the future. For example, we have an 1898 Chautauqua event program that I hope to ensure is preserved in its current condition for many

years to come.

Among the things that make my job so interesting are the stories that people share:

- This town had many links to industry. For example, the head of Bell & Howell built a house on the lake and devoted the entire first floor to a movie theater. When the founder of IBM thought his company might go under, he stayed in a cottage on Lake Maxinkuckee and invested in local land to secure some of his assets. It is also rumored that W.O. Osborn originally loaned him the money to start his company.

- W.O. Osborn, in fact, seems like a man of mythic proportions. I have seen a cafeteria in the basement of the bank where his employees were fed, most importantly through the Depression; it even included an ice cream bar complete with toppings. The bank also stored mint oil in its basement vaults before shipping it to Wrigley's. One would never have thought it was so valuable!

- Many Cuban families sent their boys to the Academies for four years of summer camp and winter school to protect them from Fidel Castro's government.

People have fond memories of getting to know these boys.

- In 1922, Culver High School had the first integrated basketball team in the state of Indiana. African-American residents worshipped at Rollins Chapel on Coolidge Court, and a neighbor fondly remembers hearing lively gospel music coming through the open windows during the summer.

- The Culver High School basketball team of 1944, captained by Paul Snyder and coached by Paul Underwood, notched 28 consecutive wins before losing the state final by a single point. The Chamber of Commerce hosted a banquet in their honor at the Maxinkuckee Inn, with Indiana University football coach Alvin "Bo" McMillin as the night's speaker.

- There was actually a town called Maxinkuckee on 18B Road that had its own store, church, post office, inn and community. The current road did not go all the way around the lake and in order to get to the other side, one had to go by boat. The lighthouse in the park alerted people that

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### AHS Booth at Fall Fest

The Antiquarian Society, as a member of the Chamber of Commerce, operated a booth downtown during the festivities of Fall Fest. Our booth was on the street directly north of our beautiful Heritage Park, and we served complimentary cookies and apple cider, both hot and cold.

All of the children pre-

ferred the cold cider, along with lots of cookies, but everyone appreciated the popular autumn drink.

Members taking turns in the booth answered questions about the society and the park, as well as serving the refreshments.

We thank them all, especially Denise Burnham and Diane Osborn, who organized the event, and Ja-

net Kline, Melva Githens, Agnes Bramfeld and Sophy Burnham, who occupied the booth while Denise kept the museum open during its Saturday hours. From our point of view the Fall Fest was an enjoyable event, the weather was good and everyone seemed to be having a fine old Culver time.

### Membership Drive Now Under Way

BY DIANNE OSBORN,  
MELVA GITHENS AND  
TIFFANY MARCH

November kicked off the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver's annual Membership Drive.

We have a wonderful and generous group of long-time members and are always excited to welcome new members to the organization. Our organization works to sustain the heritage of the unique Culver community for our children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

The legacy of preserving the documentation of historical events, community growth and progress, social/cultural events, and everyday funny stories helps bind us together. We invite you to plan a visit to the Museum of Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee History, which houses the artifacts, documents and stories of our remarkable past. Whether our roots are farm, town, Academy, or lake, we are all a community that links us as one family here in Northern Indiana.

We hope you will join us in keeping the pride alive through your sharing and

investing in the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver.

**What does the Society do for the community?**

- Operates the Museum of Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee History
- Owns and maintains Heritage Park (at the corner of Jefferson and Main) for public use
- Participates in community events such as Taste of Culver, Gift of Warmth, and Culver Fall Fest
- Hosts historical and cultural events, most of which are open to the public.
- Helps to register historic properties on the National Register of Historic Places.

An annual membership costs \$50 and includes the following benefits:

- A 2016 subscription to The Culver Citizen
- Discounted tickets to special AHS events
- Membership in Time Travelers, a history organization that gives discounted admission to museums around the country.

Here is a sneak peak at three special events AHS

will be hosting in the summer of 2016.

**Saturday, June 4th:** Vocal concert by Silvia McNair and Kevin Cole with a reception to follow at the Legion Memorial Building.

**Saturday, July 9th:** Documentary about the Wabash River, produced in conjunction with the celebration of Indiana's Bicentennial year of statehood. Presented by Producer/Director Susanne Schwibs of Indiana University.

**Saturday, August 20:** Marmon Car Club Muster celebrating the 100th running of the Indy 500. The Marmon Car Company, whose owners joined the Culver Community in 1882, owned and built the Marmon Wasp, winner of the first Indianapolis 500.

In the event that you have not received a membership invitation for the coming year, you can join by sending a check for \$50.00 to the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver, P.O. Box 125, Culver, IN 46511. Include your name, primary residence, summer residence, phone number and email address.

### Gift of Warmth

Dusty Henricks has again orchestrated the society's participation in the Labor Day Weekend Gift of Warmth celebration in the town park. As usual, with a donation of a wearable warm coat or money to help with electric bills, etc., participants were treated to a hamburger supper. Our Society had a booth adjoining the food line and served cake and root beer floats, compliments of the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver.

Dusty wishes to thank all who volunteered their time to work in the booth, serving, greeting people and answering questions about the society.

"We'd like to recognize and thank everyone who helped make this year's Ice Cream Social such a success as part of the Lake Max Film Fest on Labor Day weekend and the Gift of Warmth for Culver Area kids. Following is the list of those who helped set up and serve before the movie, which this year was The Natural."

Bob & Becky Kreutzberger, Jim & Dorothy Peterson, Bill & Krista Furry, Dave Baker, Gary and Katy Lewallen, Melva Githens, Fred & Judy Karst, Lois Curtis, Larry & Joan Bess, Terry Mumford, Jim Hahn, Diane Osborn, Denise Burnham, Anna Campbell, Doris Nehnevay, Allison Henricks, Dusty's Asst.

"Thank you for your contributions!"

Mike Overmyer, Use of depot, tables, chairs & food storage; Mike Wilcox – tents Francis Ellert – Root beer and cups; Lee Wilhite & Culver Mess Hall – Ice Cream Tim & Lydia Osborn – cake & ice Gift of Warmth Committee – "Tremendous Weekend"

"Again this year we took all the left over cake and ice cream to the Boys & Girls Club at the Culver Elementary School.

"Thank you all! Hope to see you at next year's Film Fest"

Dusty Henricks.



Obituary

William A. Horwath  
Feb. 21, 1933 – Nov. 23, 2015



CULVER — William A. Horwath, 82, of Culver and formerly of Highland, passed away peacefully with his loving family by his side on Monday, Nov. 23, 2015, in the Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center – Plymouth Campus.

William was born in Hammond on Feb. 21, 1933, the son of William and Mary Horwath. He graduated from George Rogers Clark High School with the Class of 1950.

He gave service to his country in the U.S. Army while stationed in Korea.

William was a member of the Glaziers Union Local 27 and retired in 1998.

He and his wife Pauline are members of St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church in Culver.

Surviving family members: His faithful wife of 54 years, Pauline (Vania), son David W. (Kasia) Horwath of Munster, and daughters, Carolyn (Robert) Bandura of Crown Point and Michelle (David) Beto of Algonquin, Ill.; grandchildren: Brittany, Jamie, Benjamin, Elizabeth, Alex and Anna; great-granddaughter, Kya, and numerous nieces and nephews; Raymond Zickmund, brother-in-law.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Leane Zickmund.

The family received friends on Wednesday, Nov. 25 from 9:30 – 11 a.m. (EST) in St. Mary of the Lake Church, 124 College Ave. in Culver. Mass of Christian Burial began at 11 a.m. (EST) with Fr. Jeffery Largent, Pastor, officiating.

A committal service took place at 12:30 p.m. (CST) Wednesday in the Chapel Lawn Cemetery Chapel, 8178 Cline Ave., Schererville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to St. Mary of the Lake Church, 124 College Ave., Culver, IN 46511.

The Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth, is assisting with arrangements.

Notes of condolence may be sent to the family through the website: [www.johnson-danielson.com](http://www.johnson-danielson.com)

Kline 100th celebration Dec. 12

Ruth Kline will celebrate her 100th birthday Dec. 15, and the community is invited to join in the celebration Saturday, Dec. 12, from 2 to 4 p.m. at Miller’s Merry Manor’s Dining Hall (730 School Street, Culver) with cake and punch. No gifts; cards are appreciated.

Culver holiday events roundup

Details released on Friday’s town tree lighting

Culver’s annual Christmas tree lighting and caroling will take place this Friday, Dec. 4, starting at 6:30 p.m. at the depot-train station on Lake Shore Drive.

The depot will open at 6 p.m. with hot chocolate and cookies provided. Members of CYCO (Culver Youth Community Organization, the joint service organization comprised of students from Culver Comm. High School and Culver Academies) will welcome attendees and organize groups of Christmas carolers.

Santa Claus will also arrive shortly following the tree lighting and opening remarks outside, after which groups of carolers will serenade townspeople and Holiday Hop shoppers and diners throughout Culver’s commercial districts.

Culver ‘Holiday Hop’ coincides with tree lighting Dec. 4

Culver’s annual “Holiday Hop” event, which takes place the first Friday of December each year and coincides with the town’s tree lighting ceremony in the town park, is scheduled for 5 to 8 p.m. on Dec. 4 this year. Customers are encouraged to shop and/or dine at four participating local businesses during the event, with special cards marked off for each purchase. The cards are then dropped off at Cafe Max in downtown Culver for an 8:30 p.m. drawing of a \$300 gift basket with gift cards from all participating businesses. The winner need not be present for the drawing.

Cafe Max, at 113 S Main Street, is also celebrating its 30th anniversary this year and will mark the occasion with an additional drawing using the Holiday Hop cards for the chance to win a \$150 gift basket (the winner must be present to win). Participants are encouraged to gather at Cafe Max after a night of shopping, for the drawing.

Stage II Christmas concert Dec. 4

Stage II, the retired members of the Maxinkuckee Singers and Players, will perform a medley of vintage Christmas favorites in the Community Room at the Marshall County Museum on Friday, Dec. 4 from noon to 1 p.m. These Christmas songs will take you back to another time like, “Button Up Your Overcoat,” “Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire,” “Merry Christmas, Darling” and “I’ve got my Love to Keep Me Warm,” to name a few.

Holiday storytime and caroling Dec. 5

CUTPL and Miller’s Merry Manor invites everyone to meet Miss Jill on Saturday, Dec. 5, from 9 to 9:30 a.m. for holiday storytime and caroling at Miller’s Merry Manor in Culver at 730 School Street in Culver. Culver-Union Township Public Library will also hold its Holiday Open House and closing ceremony of its centennial year celebration. Santa will be visiting from 10 a.m. to noon. All programs are free and open to the public.

Maxinkuckee Singers’ Christmas show dates

The Maxinkuckee Singers will present their 2015 holiday show, “A Piece of Christmas,” in area venues on the following dates: **Dec. 3:** Rochester Community Presbyte-

rian Church, 530 Jefferson St. Rochester; **Dec. 7:** Bremen United Methodist Church, 302 Plymouth St., Bremen; **Dec. 8:** Argos United Methodist Church, 570 Michigan St., Argos; **Dec. 9:** Grace United Church of Christ, 307 N. Plymouth St., Culver; **Dec. 10:** Knox United Methodist Church, 201 S. Shield St., Knox; **Dec. 17:** First United Church of Christ, 321 N. Center St., Plymouth. All Show times at at 7:30 p.m. (EST). Admission is free (a free-will offering is accepted). For further information contact Thomas Boys at 574-933-2535.

Wesley Thrift Store adds holiday hours

For customers’ Christmas shopping convenience, the Wesley United Methodist Thrift Shop on Ohion Street in Culver will be open on the Wednesdays before Christmas, in addition to regular Saturday hours during the month of December. The dates include Dec. 2, 9, 16, and 23, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dancevision includes holiday offerings Dec. 5, 6

Culver Academies Danevision performance recitals will return Saturday, Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 6, at 2:30 p.m. The performances will feature holiday excerpts from “The Nutcracker” and a variety of other pieces, including the choreography of five senior honors candidates and a stunning piece by Visceral Dance Chicago Director, Nick Pupillo. The public is welcome.

Wesley cookie walk returns Dec. 5

The annual Cookie Walk at Wesley United Methodist Church in Culver will be held on Sat., Dec. 5, from 9 a.m. until noon in the church basement. The church is located at 511 School St. and is located between the elementary and high schools. Please enter through the front doors of the church and come downstairs. Home made cookies will be sold for \$6 a pound.

Christmas concert Dec. 6

A Christmas concert featuring Culver Academies’ band, choir, and orchestra, will take place Sunday, December 6, starting at 4 p.m., at the Culver Academies Memorial Chapel. The public is welcome and there is no admission charge.

Children’s Christmas party Dec. 12

The annual Culver children’s Christmas party will take place Saturday, Dec. 12, from 10 a.m. to noon in the Culver Elementary cafeteria. Included will be crafts, cookie decorating, coloring and visits with Santa. The party is a coordinated event with Culver’s VFW Post, fire department, and Lions Club.

Holy Walk Dec. 18, 19

BREMEN — The Holy Walk will be from 5-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 18 and 4:30-9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, in Bremen. Take a journey to Bethlehem, back to the very first Christmas. Shuttle bus service to Bethlehem leaves from Bremen High School, 511 W. Grant St., Bremen.

Doors open at 5 p.m. Friday, and 4:30 p.m. Saturday. Buses leave every 15 minutes. Be prepared to wait several hours, and dress warmly for this outdoor hour-long walk. Event is not wheelchair accessible. For more information, call 574-546-2667 between 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

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Coloring Night for Teens Dec. 14

Have you heard of the new fad? Clear your mind and join us for a stress-relieving hour of coloring. The library is providing the coloring sheets and colors, but feel free to bring your own. The event takes place Monday, Dec. 14 starting at 5 p.m. in the children’s room.

Arts and crafts all day at CUTPL Dec. 21

Join Miss Jill and Miss Erin Monday, Dec. 21 starting at 10 a.m. for a day of arts and crafts at Culver-Union Twp. Public Library. Arrive anytime between the hours of 10 and 7 p.m. All programs are free and open to the public.

Adult winter basketball at CCMS

Adult winter basketball will start again this year Sunday, Nov. 29, and continue each Sunday, from q to 3 p.m. EST, until April 10 (20 sessions), at the Culver Community Middle School. Cost for insurance is \$2 each Sunday, or \$20 up front for whole season.

Please bring your “A” game, your good sportsmanship, and not your kids.

Questions may be direct ed to Ken VanDePutte at 574-274-9942.

Facade funds available for Culver retailers

The Culver Redevelopment Commission has announced a second round of façade grants for 2015 with \$11,000 in funds available. Commercial property owners interested in applying should submit applications for façade renovations to Culver Town Hall, c/o Kathy Clark, 200 E Washington St, Culver, IN. Applications will be reviewed as they are received by the commission, with immediate award upon approval. This round of grants has a closing date of December 21 or once all available funds have been awarded for this round.

Free computer classes at CUTPL

Free computer classes at the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library continue in November on Mondays at 6 p.m. and Fridays at 10 a.m. These sessions are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Andrew Baker at [abaker@culver.lib.in.us](mailto:abaker@culver.lib.in.us) or 574-842-2941.

Marshall County Tourism grants available

Marshall County Tourism (MCCVB) has allocated \$25,000 in funding for the marketing, development, and hosting of events exhibiting positive tourism

potential to Marshall County. These funds are to assist qualified organizations with the promotion of tourism activities striving to directly increase hotel/motel occupancy and create positive image building publicity for Marshall County.

Deadline for applications is Jan. 14, 2016. Organizations interested should visit [www.visitmarshallcounty.org/things-to-do/grants](http://www.visitmarshallcounty.org/things-to-do/grants) or request by phone. Applications may also be picked up at Marshall County Tourism at 201 N. Michigan Street, Plymouth, IN 46563. For more information, call Marshall County Tourism at (574) 936-1882.

NIPSCO Winter Energy Assistance programs available

Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO), state agencies and other local organizations are partnering once again to help connect families that are struggling to pay their heating bills this winter with available assistance funds. Enrollment for the federal low income energy assistance program (EAP) information is available Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. CST at 800-4-NIPSCO (800-464-7726). Eligibility is based on income and family size. More information and a listing of agencies that help administer assistance programs can be found at [NIPSCO.com/PaymentAssistance](http://NIPSCO.com/PaymentAssistance).

Town reminds of leaf-raking best practices

Culver residents are reminded, when raking leaves, to please rake to the curb and not into the street. When leaves are piled into the street, it causes a number of issues. Those with questions may contact the town hall at 574-842-3140.

Residents reminded to guard for frozen pipes

With cold temperatures on the way, frozen pipes and water meters are possible. Home owners are responsible for keeping their water meter from freezing

and, if it does freeze, the cost to fix or replace it, which could mean a \$175 replacement fee. Residents are encouraged to take precautions to keep it warm during extreme temperatures such as makings sure its space is heated, insulating the pipes around the meter, and leaving a faucet dripping so water is moving through the pipes.

Euchre, pinochle Fridays

A weekly euchre and pinochle club, which is open to the public, meets each Friday from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Culver park beach lodge’s upper-level meeting room, 819 Lake Shore Drive. All are welcome to have fun playing cards, make new friends, enjoy beautiful Lake Maxinkuckee, and Culver’s fine restaurants and city.

Adult coloring series at CUTPL

Culver-Union Township Public Library is continuing its adult coloring series in November. The library is providing the coloring sheets and colors, but feel free to bring your own. Sessions take place at the library Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. and/or Thursdays at 10 a.m. This program is free and open to the public. Contact reference/adult services manager, Dana Thomas, at 574-842-2941 or [dthomas@culver.lib.in.us](mailto:dthomas@culver.lib.in.us) for more information.

Town of Culver announces online billing

Beginning in January, Culver residents will have the option to receive their utility bills via e-mail and pay online. Information on how to set up e-mail billing will be made available via utility bills, the town’s Facebook page and the town’s website ([www.townofculver.org](http://www.townofculver.org))

Friends of the Library seeks volunteers

The Friends of the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library are seeking more volunteers to assist with book sales and other library-oriented activities. Interested persons may inquire at the library, 107 N. Main Street in downtown Culver, or by phone at 574-842-2941.

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Letter to the editor

Area school superintendents’ concerns over new ISTEP scoring

As the superintendents of the area schools, we would like to express our concerns about the results of the 2014-2015 ISTEP data recently released to parents and schools. We believe the data to be an inaccurate reflection of our students’ academic accomplishments and the quality of teaching in our classrooms.

The test scores, as predicted by the Department of Education, show a significant drop in student achievement from the previous year. We believe the test did not accurately measure the students’ academic attainment. We believe that changes in the testing structure along with arbitrarily chosen cut scores are reflecting a false reality for our area and the entire state.

As schools across the state are reviewing the preliminary release of the 2014-2015 ISTEP+ results, we are finding that the percentage of students passing the exam has dropped as a result of Indiana’s botched system of standardized testing. Statewide, English/Language Arts passing percentages have declined by an average of 16% and math passing percentages are down by an average of 24%. Some schools are seeing a more significant decrease than the state average. Let us not forget that these measures in no way measure the success or failure of our students, teachers, or schools. Instead the scores represent the effects of (1) an absurdly long 12-hour test that had to be reduced at the last minute, (2) a test that covered topics

that were changed by the state after the beginning of the school year, giving our teachers an impossibly short time frame to change the entire curriculum, (3) a test that used technology enhanced items making the format different from any test our students had experienced, and (4) a test that, despite the previously listed issues, placed expectations on students to understand and master much more difficult material than at any time in the past. Ironically, these historically low results come in the same month as the historically high results on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), known as “the nation’s report card.” The federal NAEP testing program first reported Indiana scores in 1992, and the 2015 results for Indiana are the best ever. Parents can expect careful analysis of students’ ISTEP+ results when they are made available.

Now, we are provided with raw pass/fail information without supporting data on what areas students need improvement. Over half of the testing year is over and we are no closer to receiving pertinent information about student outcomes than before. Next year’s information will also be circumspect because of the tardiness in scores and the inability of a district to remediate before the next test. Also, we’ll once again be facing a new test at the end of this year which the state will compare to the test we tool last year. This is like comparing apples to oranges. Yet again, an unfair evaluation of our students and teachers.

The testing information does not just impact an individual student’s academic record. It has a negative impact on teacher evaluation, compensation, and school accountability grades as well as the entire image of a local community.

We do not believe that our communities are below standard — we do not believe that one test measures our children — we believe this process to be a flawed attempt to implement a legislative agenda. The political agenda is detrimental to our children, our educational system, and our communities.

Our children, teachers, and administrators deserve a better way of determining student proficiency. It’s time for a better way in Indiana.

**Michelle Riis, Superintendent, Argos Comm Schools; Dr. Vicki McGuire, Superintendent, Culver Comm. Schools; A.J. Gappa, Superintendent, Knox Community Schools; Greg Briles, Superintendent, Oregon-Davis School Corporation; Donna Burroughs, Superintendent, Triton School Corporation; Dr. Jim White, Superintendent, Bremen School Corporation; Richard Reese, Superintendent, John Glenn School Corporation; Lynn Johnson, Superintendent, North Judson; Dan Tyree, Superintendent, Plymouth Community Schools; Mitch Mawhorter, Superintendent, Union-North School Corporation.**

Winter training

We exercise for various reasons, but all of us would agree that having ample energy for work, play, social engagements, civic and community service and chores around the home are important. Most of us prefer spring and summer weather for workouts, but since we live in the Midwest, avoiding winter’s chills is impossible. Rather than hibernate and wait it out until April, here are a few tips to try as December approaches.

Acclimate. We have enjoyed a spectacular autumn in North Central Indiana, but we all know that cold weather is knocking on the door. Gradually introduce cooler air to your body by exercising outside while temperatures drop. Fresh air is vital to your health, even if that air is cold and unfriendly. Cold air cannot make a person sick. Viruses and bacteria are the culprits for our colds and flu. Metaphorically, try to view “old man winter” more like a crotchety but likeable neighbor, rather than adversarial. If we adjust our mental perspective, cold weather doesn’t seem so angry and foreboding. A burning sensation in



Heartbeats and Footprints

By Dana Neer

your chest when you inhale cold air is totally normal. Your body warms outside air quickly because deep into your neck and chest it is already 98.6 degrees. But good news, proven from extensive research, shows that exercising in cold or freezing temperatures has no negative effects on your lungs. To make the cold air less annoying, pull a neck warmer up over your mouth to warm the air.

Predetermine your temperature limits. What is your bottom line temperature for exercising outside? Determine what that magic number is and exercise during the warmest and brightest time of the day. Remember, the sun can be very bright and beneficial even on a cold afternoon. A quick 10-15 minutes outside can do wonders for your heart and soul. We need sunlight, especially in the winter, so find the time that works best for you.

Fortunately, when temperatures plummet, many electronic cardiovascular machines and large buildings, like the mall, can become places of refuge. Treadmills can be an excellent tool for runners and walkers when conditions outside pose a risk to safety. When it is too dark or slippery to safely navigate your route, running inside a building or on a treadmill serves as an excellent op-

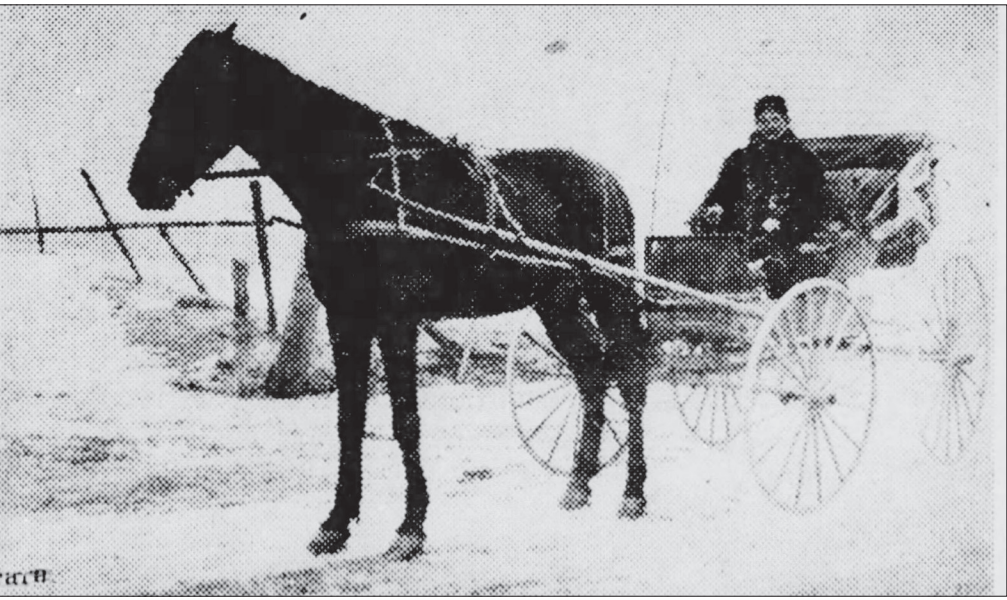
tion. Treadmill surfaces are softer and more forgiving than pavement, reducing impact on the joints. And, most treadmills have adjustments for grade and incline options. Moving to a 1% grade accurately reflects the energy costs expended in outdoor settings where terrain varies.

The most important aspect to battle with while training in the winter is our daily mental preparation and toughness level. Taking the time to dress in layers, stepping out the door of our warm homes and taking those first few steps will never occur unless we predetermine that it is going to happen. Decide what time of day, how long, and how much effort you will expend on your walk or run well in advance (at least the day before). If you commit and prepare by writing it down or establishing a “no excuses policy” for yourself, the likelihood of accomplishing your objective will be much greater than if you simply have the desire without commitment.

Make this winter one to remember. Be proud of your health and wellness by taking time to play, exercise and work outside. You may not love cold weather, but we can enjoy it a bit more by viewing it in a more positive way. Fifteen to twenty minutes a day may be all you need to feel your best.

*Dana Neer serves as Wellness Coordinator and Counselor at The Culver Academies. He can be contacted at Dana.Neer@culver.org.*

Culver through the years



Local mail circa 1902

LEFT: Noted the *Culver Citizen* of Feb. 16, 1955, “About the only similarities between the problems of the mail carrier of 1955...and that of 1902 is horsepower,” a reference to this 1902 photo of Stephen S. Smith, Burr Oak rural mail carrier, on his mail route on a winter day in 1902. At that time, noted the *Citizen*, David Smith and Ezra Hawkins were the rural mail carriers serving Culver.

“Traffic wasn’t so heavy (in 1902) and the Union Township roads became impassible in the winters and during the spring thaws,” wrote the *Citizen*. “The mailman of yesterday was the carrier of news as well as mail on the then rather new Rural Free Delivery. The Stephen Smith pictured here died at the age of 85 in 1940, having retired from the US Postal Service in 1931.

This photo comes at the end of a timely year, as the Culver Post Office’s present building was competed 80 years ago this year, in 1935 (though obviously mail delivery here dates back much longer).

**50 years ago: Dec. 9, 1965**

One of the biggest problems Culver postal employees face at Christmas time is illegible handwriting, says Culver Postmaster E.W. Maddox. Poor wrapping or packing are also factors in delayed shipping of holiday packages.

It was noted the use of ZIP codes, however, has sped up delivery. The Culver post office will remain open all day the following two Saturdays to accommodate patrons shipping gifts.


The town board at its most recent meeting annexed Maxinkuckee Highlands 2nd Addition, a residential subdivision including about 3.1 acres and nine lots owned by Judson and Dollis Dillon (*this land was among that eventually sold to Culver Academy in the area east of Lake Shore Drive around State Road 10, in addition to Maxinkuckee Highland and West Terrace subdivisions — editor*).

Break-ins and thefts were reported at three local businesses over the weekend, according to town marshal Don Mikesell. These included the Zechiel Farm Store on West Jefferson, Farm Bureau Co-op, East Jefferson, and Hatten Motor Sales at School Street and Ohio.

Letters to Santa printed in the Dec. 9, 1965 edition of The Culver Citizen included:

“Dear Santa: My name is Michael Willhite and I am five years old...I’ve been a good boy and Mom says you always bring good girls and boys gifts. I’d like a tricycle, a small police car, and some games.”

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# Cavs anxious to prove themselves as season gets underway

**By James Costello  
Sports Editor**  
CULVER — After last season’s 6-17 campaign, the Culver Community Cavaliers feel like there are a lot of teams overlooking them.

But with plenty of returning players and and some exciting new talent this year, the Cavs are eager to prove themselves, says head coach Tom Krueger.

“The kids read different papers and basketball websites or whatever, and the biggest thing they talked about was that nobody is giving us any respect,” he said. “That’s something that’s just going to have to be earned, and they’ve just kind of bought into that. We talked about that a lot, that until you prove people wrong they’re not going to give you any respect. That’s kind of where we’re at. These kids are hungry, they’ve been working extremely hard, and I’m very excited for the year.”

So far, that hunger is paying off. The Cavaliers defeated Rcohester and West Central, respectively, in the two opening games of the season (see reports in this edition of the Citizen).

Back to lead the team is senior point guard and Krueger’s son, Everett,



**FILE PHOTO**  
Josh Krsek dishes to an open teammate last winter.

who put up a team-high 377 points last season. Also back is big-bodied junior forward Josh Krsek as well as fellow forward Tristan Schultz, who shot up to around 6-5 heading into 2015-16. Another 6-5 player, junior Nate Carnegie, should add even more depth to the team’s front-court, and Krueger says he’s excited to see what he’ll bring after coming on late last season. Newcomer Cash Harris moves up from mostly JV play and brings athleticism and playmaking ability on both ends of the floor to this year’s team, while sophomores R.T. Roberts and Kia Riale add

to the mix. First and foremost, Krueger says his team’s depth should be an asset. “I think our strength is going to be our depth. Last year coming in I kind of knew we didn’t have a lot of experience and we were going to have to give guys some time,” he said. “I’ve got no problem going eight, nine kids deep. They’ve been in the trenches before so to speak so I’m excited. I think our depth is going to help us if we get in a little bit of foul trouble from time to time.”

With a combination of that depth and athleticism, look for Culver to push the pace a little more this year. The Cavs are working hard to improve on the defensive end of the floor as well as off the glass, and they’re hoping that translates into some easy transition buckets.

“We’re going to look to push the tempo a little more,” Krueger said. “We’re going to look to beat some people down. Last year we kind of tried to slow it down a little bit. We’re a lot more athletic

**See Cavs page B2**

# Fresh off 15-win season, Culver Academy expects to be even better

**By Doug Griffiths  
Staff Writer**  
CULVER — Culver Academy head coach Mark Galloway is hoping his Eagles use last year’s 15-9 season as a springboard to bigger and better things in 2015-16.

Not only does Galloway welcome back two of his best players from a year ago, but his program got a boost when a couple of seniors decided to play basketball after not playing last season.

“We’re definitely excited,” Galloway said. “We got a couple of seniors who came out that we didn’t expect because they didn’t come out last year in Sam Concannon and Ean Anderson, both tennis players.

“Sam won a state championship in singles, and Ean was part of a team that won sectional, regional and semi-state so those guys bring success into our program.”

Concannon and Anderson will be part of team whose two best players are juniors — guard Ignas Masiulionis and forward Jamarrio Rule, both of whom started every game as sophomores.

The 6-foot-1 Masiulionis is Culver’s top-returning scorer. He averaged 12.7 points per game last season.

In 2014-15, the 6-4 Rule averaged 8.7 points and 5.2 rebounds.

“I think they can both be double-digit scorers for



**FILE PHOTO**  
CMA’s Jamarrio Rule takes the ball to the hoop in this file photo. Rule is back for his junior season this year.

us,” said Galloway of Masiulionis and Rule. “They’re going to have good years for us just because of their confidence.”

Masiulionis and Rule will try and fill the voids left by the departures of Elijah Miller, who aver-

aged a team-high 19.2 points and 7.6 assists per game last season, and Lorenzo Ricks, who pulled down a team-best 7.3 rebounds per outing a year ago.

Joining Masiulionis and Rule in the starting lineup will be 6-2 junior Jake Young, a physical player who is coming off a solid foot-

ball season. The other two starters will be 6-0 sophomore guard Dylan Powell and Concannon, who will run the point.

“We feel like we have a lot better depth than we had last year,” Galloway

**See CMA page B2**

## Culver Academies to host Midwest High School Fencing Open Dec. 12

The Midwest High School Fencing Open will take place at Culver Academies on Saturday, Dec. 12. The event is one of the largest high school tournaments in the country and will feature many top high school-aged fencers.

Last year the event welcomed fencers from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Ohio, and Michigan, in addition to Indiana. MN, WI, IL, IN, OH, MI.

The event continues a long tradition of large fencing tournaments hosted at Culver Academies, a charter member of the Great Lakes High School Fencing Conference.

Details on the tournament may be found at [askfred.net/Events/moreInfo.php?tournament\\_id=32006](http://askfred.net/Events/moreInfo.php?tournament_id=32006).

## Sports briefs

### Boys basketball

#### Cavs wins at West Central

Everett Krueger dropped 28 points, and Culver Community moved to 2-0 on the season with a 62-53 victory over host West Central Saturday.

Krueger also grabbed four steals and dished out three assists. Josh Krsek finished with 12 points and seven rebounds, and Nate Carnegie finished with 11 points for the Cavs.

Nate Neeley scored 15 points, and Aaron Mendez put up 11 for West Central, which racked up 28 fouls and saw three players foul out.

• CULVER 62, WEST CENTRAL 53  
At Francesville  
Culver: 11 24 37 62  
West Central: 3 13 35 53  
CULVER (62): R.T. Roberts 0, Everett Krueger 28, Cash Harris 8, Nate Carnegie 11, Cody Valiquet 0, Josh Krsek 12, Kia Riale 0, Tristan Schultz 3; Totals: 19 20-36 62.  
WEST CENTRAL (53): Noah Todd 6, Nate Neeley 15, Jordan Brigman 0, Aaron Mendez 11, Janssen Flotow 3, Aaron Keefover 8, Matt Poortenga 8, Rob Lovely 2; Totals: 22 5-5 53.  
3-pointers: Culver 4 (Krueger 3, Carnegie), West Central 4 (Todd 2, Mendez, Flotow); Rebounds: Culver 22 (Krsek 7), West Central 27 (Neeley 7); Turnovers: Culver 10, West Central 28; Steals: Culver 13 (Krueger 4), West Central 3; Assists: Culver 8 (Krueger 3, Harris 3), West Central 11 (Neeley 4, Mendez 4); Fouls (fouled out): Culver 15 (none), West Central 28 (Todd, Brigman, Lovely).  
Records: Culver 2-0, West Central 0-2

#### Cavs win opener

Culver Community’s boys basketball team started out the season on a winning note with a convincing 73-57 victory over visiting Rochester.

The Cavaliers trailed 17-12 after one quarter but took control with a 20-13 second quarter.

Everett Krueger poured in 32 points, while Josh Krsek and Tristan Schultz each finished with 14 points for the Cavs. Kreuger went 65 percent from the floor, hitting 13 of 20 shots, and he added five assists and five steals in an impressive debut to his senior season. Krsek pulled down eight rebounds for the home team.

Rochester stats were unavailable.

• CULVER COMMUNITY 73, ROCHESTER 57

At Culver  
Culver: 12 32 58 73  
Rochester: 17 30 44 57  
CULVER (73): R.T. Roberts 1, Everett Krueger 32, Austin Bailey 0, Lance

Beaver 0, Cash Harris 6, Nate Carnegie 2, John Brown 0, Justin Brown 0, Cody Valiquet 4, Josh Krsek 14, Kia Riale 0, Tristan Schultz 14; Totals: 32 5-19 73.  
Rochester stats unavailable.

### Girls basketball

#### Lady Cavs fall to North White

Culver Community lost a game, 49-24 with visiting North White.

The Lady Cavs were tied at 8-all at the end of the first quarter but fell behind by 10 at the half en route to the loss.

Courtney Salyer, Hailey Jones and Marisa Howard each scored six for Culver. Thea Bergersen pulled down 10 rebounds and notched three steals for the Cavs, who coughed up 22 turnovers.

• NORTH WHITE 49, CULVER 24  
At Culver  
North White: 8 30 45 49  
Culver: 8 20 22 24  
CULVER (24): Hailey Jones 6, Thea Bergersen 2, Alyssa Bailey 4, Kendra Binion 0, Marisa Howard 6, Courtney Salyer 6; Totals: 9 3-9 24.  
North White stats unavailable.

#### Dragons down Culver

Val Rospopo and Courtney Dunlap both scored in double figures to lead Argos to a dominant 60-12 rout of Culver Community.

Rospopo finished with 14, while Dunlap scored 12, and Macee Strycker put-up nine for the Lady Dragons, who held Culver to just two points in the first half.

The Cavs were paced by Marissa Howard’s eight points. They surrendered 32 turnovers in the loss.

• ARGOS 60, CULVER 12  
At Argos  
Culver: 0 2 6 4 — 12  
Argos: 19 13 13 15 — 60  
ARGOS (60): Courtney Dunlap 12, Val Rospopo 14, Kaelyn Barlow 6, Kennedy Binkley 0, Macee Strycker 9, Maria Lineberry 0, Bailey Nifong 4, Anna Barlow 4, Emily Calhoun 3, Shanna Miller 6, Samantha Stone 0, Abby Manikowski 2; Totals: 26 4-7 60  
CULVER (12): Hailey Jones 2, Thea Bergersen 0, Alyssa Bailey 0, Kendra Binion 0, Marissa Howard 8, Courtney Salyer 2, Sydney Clinger 0, Jailyn Cox 0, Allison Pearl 0; Totals: 6 0-3 12.  
3-pointers: Argos 4 (Rospopo 2, Calhoun 1, Strycker 1); Rebounds: Argos 35, Culver 23; Turnovers: Argos 13, Culver 32; Steals: Argos 22, Culver 7; Assists: Argos 18, Culver 2; Fouls: Argos 6, Culver 11.  
JV score: Argos 42, Culver 16.

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Marshall County Community Foundation to participate in All Indiana campaign

MARSHALL COUNTY — The Marshall County Community Foundation, a philanthropic organization dedicated to serving all of Marshall County, its people and its future through the growth and administration of endowment funding, announced Friday that it will join the All Indiana campaign for the nonprofit community. All Indiana’s mission is to help improve the lives of those in the Indiana community by assisting charity organizations with a 24-hour financial fundraising campaign. The campaign will kick off on Wednesday, December 9 at 7:30PM.

According to Linda Yoder, Executive Director of the Marshall County Community Foundation, “We are thrilled to be a part of the All Indiana campaign. As an organization that supports hundreds of charitable organizations and causes in Marshall County, we know first hand how challenging it can be to raise awareness for their causes.

This type of campaign brings supporters and nonprofits together for the common good.”

Since 1991, thousands of people have chosen to give to causes they care about through the Marshall County Community Foundation. Whether contributing to an existing fund or starting a new one, donations of all sizes are supporting charitable endowments at MCCF to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Marshall County now and for succeeding generations. Yoder noted that there are now more than 300 funds at MCCF supporting education, the arts, the environment, health and human services, community development and much more.

The All Indiana campaign will also help raise awareness about a special 1:1 match available for contributions to the Marshall County Community Fund at MCCF. This is the one fund at MCCF that supports semi-annual competi-

tive grant rounds for nonprofits and is the most responsive fund in addressing current and emerging needs in the county. Lilly Endowment awarded MCCF with \$250,000 in match funding to help grow capacity of the Community Fund to address community issues. Successful completion of the match challenge will provide an additional \$500,000 to grow the fund and its impact in the community today and in the future.

If you are interested in learning more about the All Indiana campaign and would like to donate to the Marshall County Community Foundation during this special event, you can do so at [www.allindiana.org](http://www.allindiana.org) on December 9. For more information about the Marshall County Community Foundation call, 574.935.9159, email [info@marshall-countycf.org](mailto:info@marshall-countycf.org) or visit [www.marshallcountycf.org](http://www.marshallcountycf.org).

Four Culver Academies students to perform at Carnegie Hall

By Jan Garrison  
Culver Academies

Four Culver Academies students will be traveling to New York City in February to perform in Carnegie Hall as part of the Honors Performance Series.

Three Acadeies choir members and one orchestra member will spend five days preparing and rehearsing under the direction of their respective master conductors. Senior Neri Min (Seoul, South Korea), first-classman (or senior) Alejandro Mancha (Monterrey, Mexico) and junior Tori Styers (Plymouth, Ind.) will sing in the Honors Choir and junior Tianchang Zhao (Dalian, China), who

plays the clarinet, will perform during the Honors Instrumental Performance.

During their practice time, they will have the opportunity to perform before invited representatives from collegiate and professional music programs.

The choral performance at Carnegie Hall will be at 2 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 7. Dr. Jeffery L. Ames will conduct the concert choir and Dr. Elizabeth Schauer will conducted the Women’s Choir.

The instrumental music performance will be at 8:30 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 7. It will feature the honors band conducted by Dr. Kenneth Ozzello, string orchestra conducted by Kirt Mosier,

and symphony Orchestra conducted by Jeffrey Grogan.

While in New York, the students will also visit New York’s famous landmarks and experience the city’s performance arts, including Broadway show.

Carnegie Honors program alumni include vocalists Callie Wilkinson (class of 2011); Katrina Weil ‘12; Mary McKinnis ‘13, Jorge Sugich ‘14, Hayne Bae ‘15, Alex Jeffirs ‘15, Katie Giacobbe ‘15, and instrumentalists Joy Shen ‘13, and Matthew Moody ‘14. Mancha performed last year as a second classman.

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totaling thirty dollars will be awarded for the best exterior decorated homes, both lighted and unlighted, in Union Township, it was announced by the Culver-Union Township Chamber of Commerce at their meeting this week.

Santa Claus will make his annual pre-Christmas visit to Culver next Saturday afternoon. Fred Adams, in charge of Santa’s visit for the Culver-Union Twp. Chamber of Commerce, said Santa will arrive in the library auditorium at 2:30 p.m. with treats for every boy and girl.

**70 years ago: Dec. 5, 1945**

Christmas music will be broadcast again this year over the tower speakers of the Methodist Church (*at the site of the north addition to the public library downtown, today —editor*). The Chapel Choir and church choirs will furnish the music.

**80 years ago: Dec. 4, 1935**

Culver’s beautiful new post office building was officially opened for business Monday morning after the post office employees had spent a busy weekend mov-

ing from the former location in the State Exchange Bank building.

The Argos Green Dragons defeated Culver last week for the first time in 19 years, 24 to 18.

**100 years ago: Dec. 9, 1915**

The 225 opera chairs for the library auditorium arrived last weekend and are being put together. The electric light fixtures, donated by the Culver City Club, have been hung. They are handsome and give a finishing touch to the various rooms.

Culver mounts’ Thanksgiving feast

BELOW: A once-familiar and welcome sight met those passing the intersection of State Roads 10 and 17 over the past week as the horses of Culver Academies’ Black Horse Troop enjoyed the wide open space and fresh repast of their once-regular stomping grounds, at Academies-owned land known today as ‘Sarge’ Hudson pasture.

The horses’ — which number around 100 in all — Thanksgiving week break coincided with that of students, who returned to campus at the start of this week.



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celebration on Saturday, Dec. 5, starting with holiday story time and caroling at Millers Merry Manor (730 School Street) at 9 a.m. Families are invited to meet Miss Jill (head of the children’s area of the library) there prior to a return to the library where Santa will be visiting from 10 a.m. to noon.

The library’s holiday open house and closing ceremonies will begin at noon with a live performance by Stage II, the retired members of the Maxinkuckee Singers and Players. The group will perform a medley of vintage Christmas favorites from the “big band” era.

Local historian Jeff Kenney will present a Powerpoint history of CUTPL’s development through the years, starting at 1 p.m.

The Andrew Carnegie essay contest winners will receive their awards, followed by more music from the time of the library’s founding, completing the centennial year festivities.

Light refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Library, who will also be holding a book sale from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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than we were last year so I think people are going to see an exciting brand of basketball and hopefully good defense leads to some easy offense.”

But Culver does get bogged down in the halfcourt, between Krsek, Schultz and Carnegie, the Cavs should also be able to pound it into the post. And if opponents try to contain his team down low, Krueger believes he has the shooters to open the defense up.

“Basketball is a simple game really. We’re going to look to pound the ball, and they’re going to have to decide what they’re going to stop I think,” he said. “We’ve got a couple big bodies in there, and if they want to stop that we’ve got some guys on the outside that can shoot it a little bit and some slashers. I’m excited about the year with what we have returning here.”

Now in his second year at the helm, Krueger says it took the team awhile to get used to him last season. This year has seen a much smoother start for the team, and they’re hoping that pays dividends.

“I’ve been in the program for 10 years, and they’ve dealt with me all through the years but I wasn’t the guy that called the shots. It took the kids a little bit of adjustment, I think, to understand that. And then on the other side of it to have your son on the team, and these guys are friends and they see you at your house and it’s a totally different thing than being in the gym,” he said.

“It’s a lot smoother transition. I’ve got a new varsity assistant in Chris Stevens, he’s been great. He’s got a lot of kids in class and is able to see them everyday, and they’ve got a lot of respect for him. It’s just been a real smooth first month here of the season.”

CULVER CAVALIERS

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explained.

Galloway expects his Eagles to be a good shooting team and use the 3-pointer as a weapon. He also is counting on his club to excel at the defensive end.

“I would say we’re going to hang our hat on our defense,” Galloway said.

As far as weaknesses go, Galloway is concerned about rebounding and stresses how important it will be for his team to dictate tempo since his team will be breaking in a new point guard.

“Rebounding is something that definitely concerns me when you lose a guy like Lorenzo, who anchored the middle and was able to get a lot of tough

rebounds.”

Fresh off last year’s 15-win season enjoyed by his varsity and considering his junior varsity won 15 games, too, Galloway knows his program is headed in the right direction and feels his Eagles may be one of the teams to beat come sectional time.

“I think by the end of the season we’re going to be playing really good basketball,” Galloway said. “I don’t think there’s any reason why we can’t be one of the better teams in our sectional.”

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Dec. 12 Portage {4A} 7:30 p.m.  
Dec. 18 Twin Lakes {3A} 7:30 p.m.  
Jan. 9 Maconaquah {3A} 7:30 p.m.  
Jan. 12 Mishawaka Marian {3A} 7:30 p.m.  
Jan. 16 at Whiting {2A} 2 p.m.  
Jan. 19 at Elkhart Christian {1A} 7:30 p.m.  
Jan. 22 Culver Academy Tournament through Jan. 23  
Jan. 26 at South Bend St. Joseph {3A} 7:30 p.m.  
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a large gathering space upon entry and twelve individual rooms.

“The online (reservation) service is available 24 hours a day. We still take calls and answer questions. Email is also great for questions,” explained Dave.

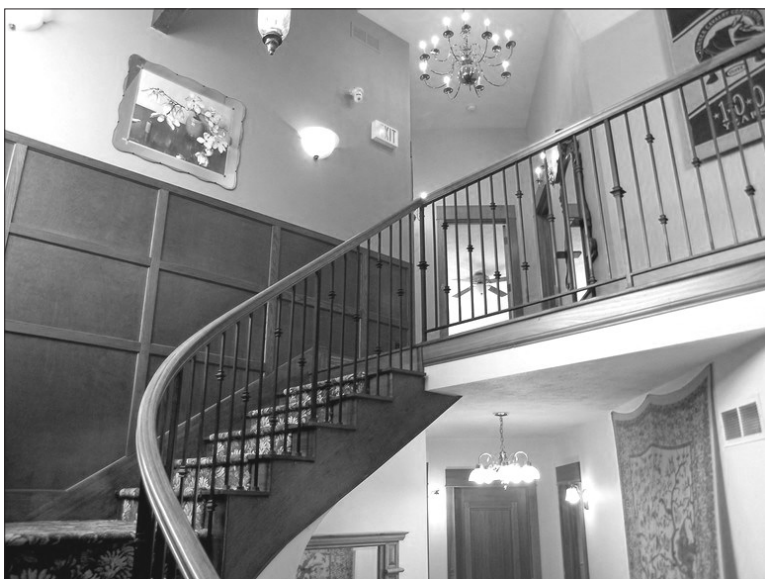
The most direct way to book a reservation is by visiting the bed and breakfast’s website at [www.mainstreetmanor.net](http://www.mainstreetmanor.net). There, one will find individual descriptions of each room, master floor plan of the manor, and a calendar informing guests of available dates based on the specific room. The cost per night will appear depending on the date and size of the room.

The manor is equipped with two massage rooms. Guests and locals are welcome to book a massage by phone.

The Beggs are expanding their offerings further for both guests and locals.

“We are starting to do in-house concerts. We are researching more bands and would like to host four to five on Wednesdays and/or Thursdays in the summer. We have had one and it was really successful,” described Dave.

Outside of owning and operating Main Street Manor, the Beggs are both very active in the community. Dave



is a member of the Culver Town Council and Susan is a board member for the Culver & Lake Maxinkuckee Visitor Center.

“We have a lot of faith in the Visitor Center and Culver Chamber of Commerce,” Dave said.

Main Street Manor was recently a part of a weekend give-away package put together for the annual Culver

Fall Fest weekend. The winner received a free two nights’ stay at the manor, local shopping spree, and dining experiences. The winner reported enjoying her stay and has booked another weekend at the manor for a wedding she is attending in a few months.

For more information about Main Street Manor visit [www.mainstreetmanor.net](http://www.mainstreetmanor.net) or call 574-842-2746.

## Sarge from page A2



like in the pictures. He would have us all trotting around, one behind the other like a row of ducks (his phrase). Then he would walk out of the riding hall” ~ “Stay trotting till I get back!” – “Twenty minutes later....he might have come back.”

“My dad used to go swimming with us in Lake Maxinkuckee. All three of us girls would ride on his back as he swam. He would go deep enough that everybody was under water. What a blast!”

There is a story about one of his appearances in the Inaugural Parades. Rev. John Houghton reported, “I just remember the Vice President nudging the President and pointing in amazement at that guy going by with all the stripes on his sleeve.”

Sarge was gruff and often stern, but many of his students experi-

enced his goodness and his kindness. One young man who was not enrolled in equitation for another year, was told to just wear his jeans and tell anyone who asked that his jodhpurs were at the laundry.

Another student recalls, “When I came back from being kicked out, Sarge put his arm around me and said, ‘Which one you want, little lady?’ She was able to choose her favorite horse.

“Yes, I fell off and was dumped in the water at the sand pits and Sarge said all the things you all have talked about. But he read me pretty well, and I could feel the warmth through the gruffness. One of the things he told me I will never ever forget, out of the blue, just before going home at the end of my first year. I don’t think I ever told him about my home life but he pulled me aside and told me that if I needed a place to stay, come to his house. I never did. I wish I had.”

His daughter Cindy said, “In later years we used to joke about how you never knew what kind of cars you would find in Dad’s driveway, BMW, Rolls, Mercedes, next to a beat-up pick-up held together with hay strings.

But everyone would be in the house together, drinkin’ Early Times and swappin’ lies about ‘horses, dawgs, and wimmen,’ in just that order. Everyone was welcome and treated the same.”

That was CSM John W. Hudson, known and loved as “Sarge.”

*Note: Biographical information came from Bob Hartman’s Boots and Saddles, a wonderful history of the Black Horse Troop from 1897 to 1997.*

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a train had arrived so boats could cross to meet it. People would also wave lights at the ends of piers to signal boats that they wanted to be ferried across. I’ve heard that 1910 was the heyday of Culver tourism. How fascinating it would be to travel back and see it all.

• Finally, I was interested to learn that although they returned year after year, some people did not even leave their own little neighborhoods. A woman who spent her childhood summers coming here said that she recently met another woman who had done the same.

For all those years, they did not know each other; how-

ever, they were determined to find someone they knew in common. The only person that they could both remember was a boy who would motor around the lake flirting with the girls on the piers.

Someone recently asked me if I thought it was important to have a Culver history museum. Before taking this position, I’m not sure what I would’ve said, but now I believe that if a community can support a local history museum, then they should. It is not an easy mission, but it is a meaningful one. It’s important for people to have a place to share their memories, possessions, and passions

with the wider world. Two generations before me, bibles with family trees from both branches of my family were lost. Those that would care to reference them for our story are no longer able to do so.

If my grandparents had donated them to a local history museum, however, they would have been available to future generations like me. Not all families can care for the objects that are entrusted to them, but museums are a wonderful alternative to preserve these stories.

## Council from page 1

bringing an attorney into plan commission meetings as well as the possibility of a full-time building inspector for the town when current building commissioner Russ Mason retires.

McManaway noted that Marshall County building inspector Chuck DeWitt informed the council at the previous meeting that reprogramming of the county’s online permitting software to accommodate Culver’s unique specifications — should the proposed fee change pass — could cost upwards of \$17,000.

The council unanimously rejected the proposal, though it was noted that by then, the plan commission had already submitted to the council a new proposal described as having only modest fee increases. That proposal will be the subject of a public hearing during a special meeting of the plan commission Dec. 15. The new proposal, as-yet-unapproved, is available on the Town of Culver’s website at [www.townofculver.org](http://www.townofculver.org).

The council also voted, at town attorney Jim Clevenger’s recommendation, to formally pass the fee schedule change matter back to the plan commission for a re-vote.

### Town projects

Updating the council was Mark Sullivan of Midwest Engineers, regarding various projects in which the town is engaged, including the town water plant on Ohio Street, and new water tower and storm sewer overhaul on Lake Shore Drive.

Approved by council were invoices for various contractors totaling \$28,037.86, \$40,727, \$3,400, \$84,189.72, and \$2,500, respectively.

### Park news, grants

The council also approved submittal of application for a planning grant through the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs, as administered by Culver’s park board towards eventual renovation of its beach lodge. The matching grant would require \$3,500 from the park fund towards a total \$15,000 planning grant.

Park superintendent Marc Hayden also reported the park received an \$18,000 grant from the Marshall County Community Foundation towards renovation of the 1800s picnic shelter in the west end of the park.

The park also recently completed public hearings towards its five-year master plan, with a survey distributed throughout town also required to be returned by Dec. 1.

Park board president John Helphrey also reported ice skating is planned to be returned to the town beach as in years past, with the lower level of the beach lodge open and its fireplaces going with hot chocolate served. Helphrey said the park’s insurance company had been consulted, and an area about the size of the swimming area at the beach will be prepped for skating once safely frozen.

The park is soliciting donations of used ice skates to make available for local children, added Helphrey.

### Other discussion, decisions

Among reported items from town manager Jonathan Leist was the signing of an agreement to create a new public parking lot on South Main Street, between the Culver Redevelopment Commission, the property owner, and Alan Collins of CMD, which will engineer construction of the lot.

Approved by council was a request for reimbursement of \$153.11 submitted by Easterday Construction and introduced by Leist for the cost of applications related to development hoped to begin on property on West Jefferson Street for entry-level housing (that development is expected to re-start in time for next fall).

Leist also reported he and Munroe met recently with several downtown merchants to discuss the recent closing of Corndance Cafe restaurant and development of policies and programs to encourage more businesses to retail areas. Munroe added the hope is to work with the Culver Redevelopment Commission and Visitor Center on the effort.

Leist also reported on Culver town marshal Wayne

Bean’s recent receipt of a donation from Culver’s Elkay plant towards purchase of the department’s first tasers.

Approved by council was a \$15,000 invoice from grant writer Shannon McLeoud of Priority Project Resources, for work done for the town.

Audience member Jeff Kenney, of Culver and Union Township Heritage, told the council a Culver Academies senior and Eagle Scout is planning a memorial plaque to honor a local Native American, similar to one located in the town park, but in this case closer to Long Point on Lake Maxinkuckee. He will work with the town manager and utilities supervisor towards the best specific location.

Approved on second and third readings was approval of additional appropriations above budgeted amounts, as well as use of Home Rule funds to promote Culver businesses, economic development, and tourism (specifically towards costs such as meals and other expenses incurred).

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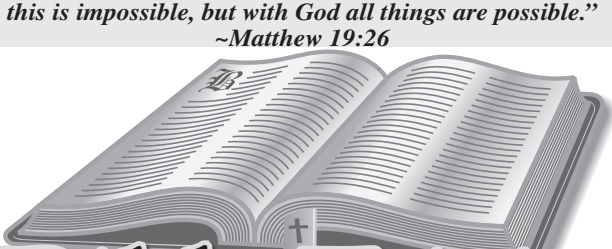


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Facade funds are available to any Culver business seeking to improve its facade, and may be requested of the CRC via the town hall.

*"But Jesus looked at them and said to them, 'With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.'"*  
~Matthew 19:26



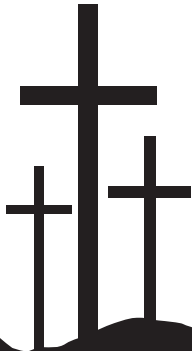
# Bible Trivia

— BY WILSON CASEY —

1. Is the book of 2 Kings in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Luke 11, what group of people did Jesus say took away the key of knowledge? Prophets, Carpenters, Lawyers, Scribes
3. The Ark of the Covenant was carried around and around what city? Ramah, Moroni, Jericho, Nicopolis
4. From Genesis 26, who planted crops that were reaped a hundredfold? Adam, Isaac, Abraham, Cain
5. David and Bathsheba were the parents of? John the Baptist, King Solomon, Noah, Daniel
6. How many psalms in the Book of Psalms are attributed to Moses? 0, 1, 34, 72

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Lawyers; 3) Jericho; 4) Isaac; 5) King Solomon; 6) 1

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ing committee out of the four being opened up to volunteer opportunities.

The committee as a whole was comprised of a number of volunteers, though the current direction was developed under Schrimsher herself, Jean Ahlenius and Amy Gearhart (both CCSC teachers), and another community volunteer, Brian Pohl.

Why branding?

Doubtless the most common question facing the committee is the most basic one: what is “branding” and why would Culver Community Schools — or any public school, for that matter — need it?

Again, the answers developed by the committee, and showcased on its Gofundme page, spell out its reasoning:

“Six years ago, the state allowed parents and guardians to choose where they would like to send their kids to school. We need to present the most accurate face that defines Culver, as we need prospective families to choose us. Culver Schools have all the qualities families want.

“The Marketing Team’s goal is to show this in an organized way. Building a strong brand for our schools will not only increase our school spirit, it will directly affect our students academically, socially and civically by communicating positive support, which will also drive families to seek out our schools more than they already do.

Another way to look at it is that legislation in recent years has essentially pushed tax-funded, public entities to function like private companies in a competitive marketplace, which in today’s economic environment means the best-marketed product is likely to at least get the best shot at success (even if sustained success may require maintaining the best actual product, regardless of marketing).

Further, notes the committee, “Studies show families choose schools that show a strong school spirit, (which is) a direct result of creating and maintaining a visual environment for students to feel a sense of belonging and ownership resulting in academic achievement and general happiness. Students having a ‘one for all’ mentality will feel connected to the school, its history, and the student body. This will last them well beyond their school years making them supportive alumni.”

With those notions driving the committee, it contracted with VIP Branding, owned by “a nationally recognized leader in team athletic gear,” Varsity Brands.



CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY  
ABOVE: Culver Elementary School.

The branding and marketing committee aims to raise \$6,000 for the new Culver Community Schools logo and an additional coordinating family of logos. VIP Branding will provide an ongoing fundraiser through its online Varsity Store website which the company (not the school) will be responsible for maintaining.

After the initial \$6,000 is raised, additional funds will likely be sought to continue the committee’s work, towards immediate signage and promotion for the schools to show their professionalism, according to the statement.

Branding, emphasizes McGuire, is aimed at showing that the community (or communities plural, feeding into Culver Community Schools) “stands as one.

“We are Culver Community Schools,” she continues. “It’s meant to be accepting and promote that we appreciate diversity within a small school (setting).

“In a small school we are showing our students the world within the school,” she adds. “Our kids are being exposed right here in a small school to all different types of people from all over the world.”

McGuire herself has been a visible face of the schools within a variety of settings in the area since arriving a few years ago, from joining the Culver Lions Club and Culver Redevelopment Commission, to simply being a presence enjoying the offerings — eateries, businesses, and events — of the various townships feeding into the school corporation.

The branding committee’s online statement homes in on the following attributes of the school on which it hopes to focus: “A nurturing and small-town family environment; an engaging curriculum (that has produced five Lilly Scholars in 15 years); sports as an engine for character development; after-school programming that supports family needs; a loving, qualified, and dedicated

“We don’t want our children to go into a school corporation that’s operated like a factory...I believe in small-town America, and taking care of a village.”  
— Shelly Schrimsher  
CCSC  
Branding,  
Marketing committee

staff that is committed to developing well-rounded individuals; and an alternative education program assisting unconventional students.”

The aforementioned “loving, qualified, and dedicated staff” are particularly important to Schrimsher, who notes she and her husband “don’t want our children to go into a school corporation that’s operated like a factory...I like the small town, family pride — that bond (between students and teachers).

“I believe in small-town America,” she adds, “and taking care of a village.”

Schrimsher also appreciates, she says, what she feels is the balanced approach she finds at Culver, which includes not only academics, but an

emphasis on students being “mentally and physically healthy...I trust this school not to be pressuring my child.”

The latter point is particularly salient given the statewide (if not nationwide) perception that a high-stress, testing-centered approach to education forced upon public educators by an out-of-touch bureaucracy, a perception increasingly seeing pushback from frustrated parents (and driving many to see alternatives such as homeschooling and private schools).

“We recognize the need to go back to basics,” says McGuire. “Our children are too stressed over ISTEP testing and all the mandates we have. But we need to look at the whole picture. We really want well-balanced kids.”

Now-adult graduates of Culver Community Schools may be surprised at some of the efforts to foster such qualities in students at the high school level, such as the IGNITION program (which pairs freshmen with seniors with the goal of ongoing mentoring to ease the transition into high school) and the proliferation of anti-bullying programs and efforts to generate a welcoming atmosphere for all students (examples of this include a schoolwide program under the auspices of the cheerleading team to post encouraging and welcoming messages around the school building, as well as nearly-completed “Walls of Nice” in both the middle and high school buildings, also encouraging students via positive, affirming messages). At the elementary level, a wave of service-oriented activities in recent years might seem pleasantly foreign to graduates of decades past.

Expected questions

The branding and marketing team, of course, is also faced with sharing their message with a public outside those with children in the school system itself.

Schrimsher is convinced that every area resident — from summer-only part-timers, to out-of-state transplant retirees, to locals of all ages — benefits from the presence of the school corporation within Culver.

“Without the school, Culver would be a resort-only ghost town,” she says. “People of all types want Culver to stay a novelty and to maintain that nostalgic, family feeling, and that’s not as just a resort town only.”

An ongoing and vibrant school corporation, Schrimsher and McGuire point out, helps foster a family-oriented environment and support the year-round health of local businesses enjoyed by all facets of Culver’s community.

“We believe in this community staying a community with a growing public school in the heart of it and because strong schools help build strong communities, we need the entire community to help refine our school’s image,” says the committee’s Gofundme statement.

Branding and marketing committee members recognize some other potential challenges facing their efforts, such as those questioning why the school corporation can’t fund the work.

Funding, unfortunately, has been an increasing issue for CCSC (as evidenced within the past five years by the clos-

ing of Monterey Elementary School, the RIF-ing (Reduction in Force) of several teaches, and other cost-saving measures, and that challenge has only increased in recent years. All of which means the marketing committee must raise its own marketing dollars.

The money raised, says the committee, will be used for immediate promotion of the school corporation and designing a distinctive Culver Community Schools logo. Several other designs consistent with the main logo will be developed for use on spirit wear, uniforms, equipment, and the like.

Unveiling of the new logo (which should not be confused with a completely new mascot — Culver Community Schools will retain the “Cavaliers” moniker) is expected to take place Jan. 1 of 2016.

Fundraising plans include a “Cavalier Crawl” of restaurants within not only the Culver area but in the surrounding townships making up the school corporation. A major event is planned to wrap up that multi-week fund raising event, with details to be announced at a later date.

Funds, say committee members, will also be used for: professional assistance in use and placement of branding; an online instructional guide for all CCSC administration and staff; a password protected portal for easy access to all files regarding our new branding; a redesign of the school corporation’s website; new signage for school buildings, football field, and parking lot; a new Culver residents’ and new students’/parents’ welcome packet; a new brochure promoting the school corporation; support wristbands; flyers, business cards, stationary, posters, billboards, and alumni outreach.

Schrimsher hopes to see the committee’s Gofundme endeavor make waves via social media, and word of mouth spread throughout the community.

And of course, the branding and marketing of Culver Community Schools also goes hand-in-hand with the work of other committees. Both the branding team and that dedicated to curriculum, as well as the cost-savings team, made well-received presentations to the school board recently, and a closer look at the above will be featured in *The Culver Citizen* in the near future.

CCSC strategic planning vision, mission, and beliefs

The Culver Community School Corporation Vision Statement, developed as part of the strategic planning process initiated last year (which gave rise to the marketing and branding endeavor featured in the accompanying article), reads as follows:

All Culver Community Schools Corporation students will become respectful leaders and encourage social and moral excellence.

The CCSC Mission Statement reads: All stakeholders of Culver Community Schools Corporation will prepare students to become contributing members of society and lifelong learners.

“A strategic plan,” it is further noted, “is just that-a plan. It is not a policy. It is a road map for the future of Culver Community Schools Corporation. It will allow us to revisit and revise according to situations that may arise.

The Core Planning Team’s Belief Statement reads:

1. We believe students will rise to the level of expectations with support from the community, family, and educators.
2. We believe a well-rounded education at CCSC will foster emotional and intellectual education along with respectful, pro-active communication, in a positive, nurturing learning environment.
3. We believe every student at CCSC is a potential leader given the proper mentoring.
4. We believe the definition of success is unique to each student.

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TOWN OF CULVER  
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
PETITION NO. 2015-010B  
DATE OF HEARING  
December 17, 2015  
TIME OF HEARING  
6:30 P.M.  
**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**  
That a petition has been filed by Mr. James E. Easterday, Attorney on behalf of Raubyn S. Barich to approve variance of development standards to build an addition to existing residence with North yard setback of six feet (6') +1- and South yard setback of seven and one-half feet (7 1/2') from the required setbacks of Ten (10') feet. The address of the property is 223 S. Main St., Culver, Indiana 46511. The Legal description is: The North Half (N 1/2) of Lot Five (5) in Wiseman's Addition to the

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Town of Culver City, Marshall County, State of Indiana.  
Copy of this notice has been sent to the petitioner and to the owners of property affected by the petition.  
A hearing upon this petition will be held in the Municipal Building, 200 East Washington Street, Culver, Indiana, at which time, you may appear either in person, present in writing, be represented by agent, or by attorney, and present any reasons which you may have to the granting or denying of this petition.  
You are requested to prepare your case, in detail, and present all evidence relating to this petition at the time of the scheduled hearing.  
Respectfully Submitted,  
John Helphrey  
Secretary  
Dated: 11/24/2015  
December 3, 10, 2015 PN5674 hspaxlp

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**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
**PETITION NO: 2015-007.P**  
**DATE OF HEARING: December 15, 2015**  
**TIME OF HEARING: 6:30PM**  
  
Date November 23, 2015

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Residential Renovations	\$ 200.00
Commercial New, Addition, Renovation	< 2000 sq ft \$ 300.00 => 2000 sqft \$ 0.25 / sq ft
Commercial Upgrade Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing	\$ 200.00
Accessory Structures	< 1200 sq ft \$ 150.00 =>1200 sq ft \$ 0.15 / sq ft
Decks	\$ 50.00

A hearing upon this petition will be held in the **Municipal Building, 200 E. Washington Street, Culver, IN**, at which time, you may appeal either in person or present in writing, represented by agent, or by attorney, and present any reasons which you may have to the granting or denying of this petition. You are requested to prepare your case, in detail, and present all evidence relating to this petition at the time of the scheduled hearing.

Respectfully,

**William Harris**

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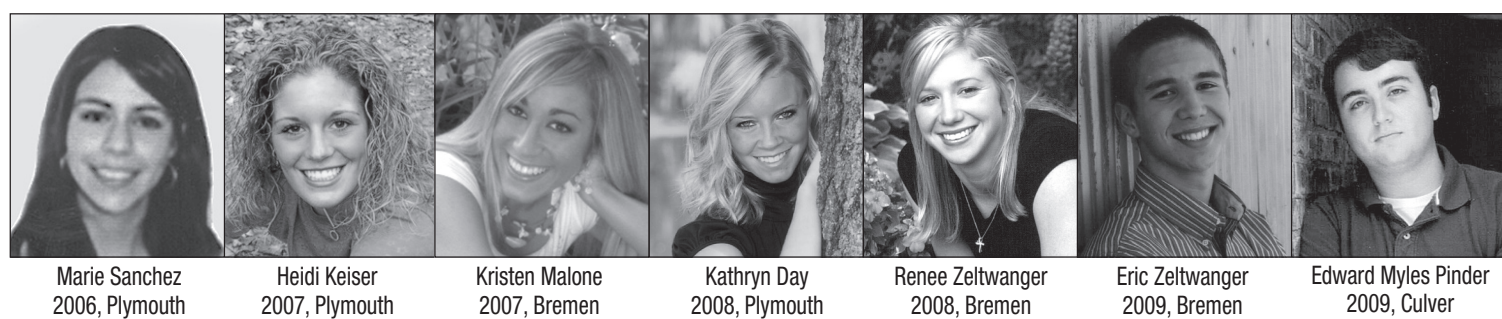
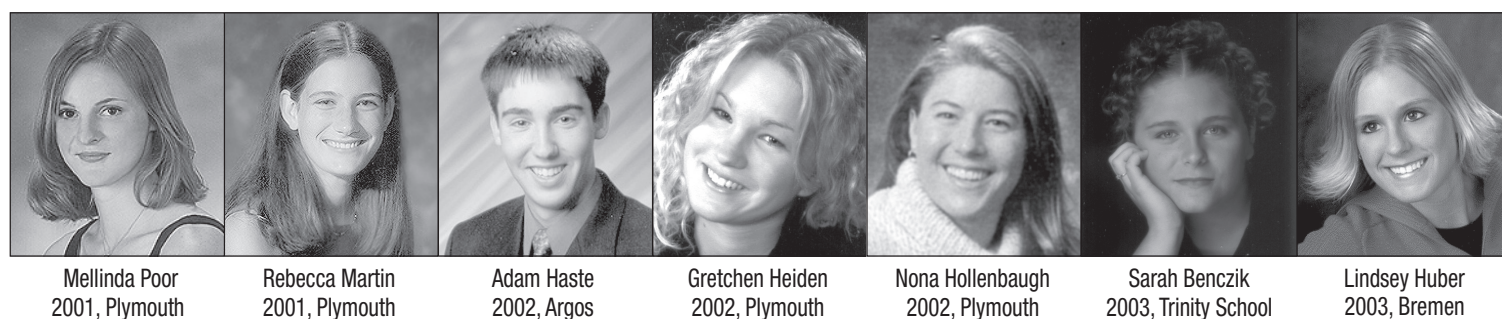
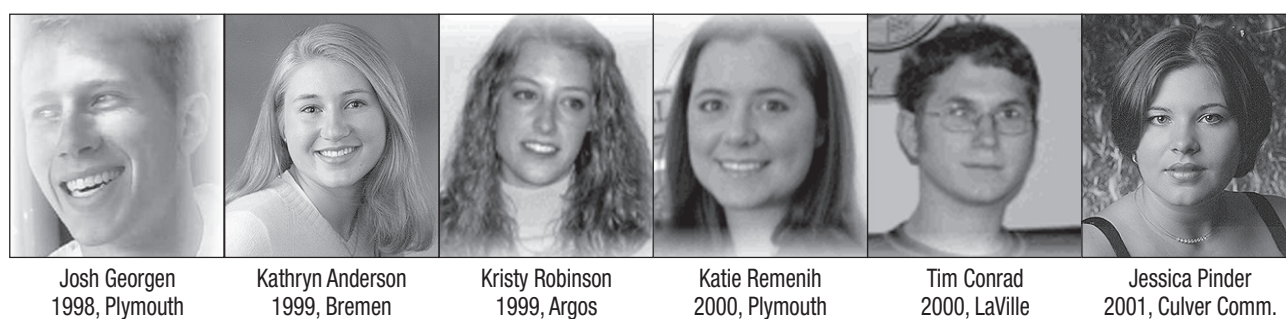
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