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In Brief

Culver Winterfest this weekend

The 2016 Culver Winterfest takes place this Friday through Sunday, Feb. 12 through 14. The event includes the national qualifying NAIFC ice fishing tournament on Lake Maxinkuckee, ice sculptures throughout the town, an ice fishing camp for kids (and other ice fishing related events), sledding in the town park, a chili contest, the polar plunge, and the Cupid's Crawl shopping event on Friday evening (from 5 to 8 p.m. at participating local businesses). More information is available at Facebook.com/CulverWinterfest and culverchamber.com.

Wesley Preschool spaghetti fund raiser tonight

Wesley United Methodist Church will host a spaghetti dinner to raise funds for the Wesley Preschool scholarship program, for the 2015-2016 school year. The event will take place Thurs., Feb. 11, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the WUMC Fellowship Hall. Donations are being accepted of noodles, sauce, garlic bread, dressing, as well as cash donations, ahead of (or the day of) the event. The entrance "fee" is a donation.

'Dancing for the Paws' Friday at CES

The Culver Elementary School will host "Dancing for the Paws," a fund raiser for the Starke County Humane Society, Friday, Feb. 12, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Admission to the event is \$1 or a donation of paper towels, laundry soap, bleach, hand sanitizer, pet toys, blankets, or towels. Concessions and face painting are available for a small fee. Parents must be present to attend. The Humane Society will be present on-site and animals can be adopted at the event.

Jenga Tournament at CUTPL Saturday

Ages 6 to 18 are welcome to join a Jenga tournament in the Culver Public Library children's room on Saturday, February 13, starting at 1 p.m. The winner will receive a \$10 gift

At sail on Maxinkuckee ice

Elizabeth Jones Bernstein provided these photos of ice boating on Lake Maxinkuckee recently (before the recent thaw and re-freeze -- hence the snow on top of the ice). A number of Maxinkuckee Yacht Club (MYC) sailors carried on a tradition dating back at least a century, when the MYC hosted winter weekend ice boating gatherings on the lake (see page 4, this edition). Bernstein says she and husband Joe and his twin sons, Jason and Justin, "enjoyed ice boating so much last year that a few more sailors friends decided to get their own boats for this season so we could share the fun." Around 10 boats were on the ice the weekend these photos were taken. According to Joe Schaub of the MYC, sailors took to the ice in boat class or model "DN" Detroit News craft, the most popular ice boat model, known for speeds as much as three times the speed of the wind (which was likely more than 50 miles per hour that weekend!). Owners pictured, from front to back, included Jeff Costin, sailing "The Black Pearl," Gene Benedict Jr, sailing "Miami Ice," Joe Schaub IV, and Steve Schaub. Other sailors not pictured here included the Bernsteins, Justin and Jason Schaub, Steve, Dee, and Stephen Meeker, Courtney Carstens Benedict, and Rod Mail, with sailors hailing from Chicago to Indianapolis to Schererville, Indiana.

Culver Community Schools' new logo official

By Jeff Kenney
 Citizen editor

After months of planning and fund-raising, the leadership of a community-school collaborative committee introduced the new set of branding logos for Culver Community Schools to the school board at its Feb. 1 meeting.

Culver Community High School principal Brett Berndt projected the new bank of logos for the board and meeting attendees to see, with Berndt and volunteer Shelly Schrimsher discussing the details of the effort, which began over a year ago with the formation of community-oriented planning committees to help steer the school corporation forward.

As Schrimsher discussed with the Culver Citizen last

fall, the branding campaign was aimed at a more unified vision of the school corporation and more robust sense of school spirit and pride, while simultaneously hoping to help strengthen the school in an environment of regional competition for students and funding, given various school choice-oriented measures introduced by state legislation in recent years.

At the Feb. 1 meeting, Schrimsher initially displayed a slide consisting of the wide array of visual representations of the corporation's Cavalier mascot since its inception in 1968, pointing to the lack of consistency and recognizability they suggested.

She also said an online fund raising campaign to-

wards paying for design and licensing of the new logo brought in a total of \$6,284, which she said was the net amount not including the just over \$300 which went to the fundraising website, which she said should be considered advertising and marketing money well spent.

In all, 69 people donated to the effort, with just under 2,500 people viewing it and 553 sharing a link to it via social media. Donors, Schrimsher added, came from across the demographic spectrum and included CCSC alums (both local and otherwise),



IMAGES PROVIDED

Pictured are various iterations of Culver Community School Corporation's new logo, including the "official," more formal version at RIGHT.



individuals associated with Culver Academies, Lake Maxinkuckee area residents, and some Illinois residents as well.

Schrimsher pointed out

the "official," more formal logo for the corporation includes a shield graphic along with the cavalier emblem, something she said

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Photographic legends' work exhibited at Culver gallery

Original prints by Ansel Adams, Alfred Eisenstaedt, and Eudora Welty at center of exhibition



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This Ansel Adams print is among originals to be exhibited at Culver Academies' Crisp Gallery starting Feb. 20

Few who live in Culver during the winter can escape nature's adventure in monochrome, most evident in the dark silhouette of trees against an ice covered lake, over-hung with grey skies which, occasionally, mistily conceal the far shore. For some, spring could not come a moment too soon, but artists find the full palette of black, white, and grey to be magic and this is nowhere more evident than in black and white photography.

Over the next few months visitors to Culver will be able to experience this through a group of exhibitions organized by members of the Fine Arts Department at Culver Academies. Opening Saturday, February 20 at 3 p.m. in the Crisp Visual Art Center in the much awaited exhibition 3 American Photographers: Eudora Welty, Alfred Eisenstaedt, and Ansel Adams.

The three American photographers on exhibition at Culver have, most likely, never been exhibited together as a group. Each represents one of three aspects of American photography: documentary, journalism, and aesthetics.

Eudora Welty represents documentary photography. See Exhibit page 3

New hairstylist, colorist adds new horizons to Michelle's HQ

By Anna Campbell
 Correspondent

CULVER -- Michelle's Headquarters (at 114 N. Main Street in Culver) is locally owned by Michelle Tusing Allyn, a barber who focuses on men's hair. Allyn recently hired Angie Maroules upon the retirement of long-time hair stylist Susan Elizondo, who remains active in the Culver community.

Maroules has over 18 years of experience in the cosmetology industry, holding a business degree from the University of Wisconsin. Her path to becoming a professional hair stylist began with a recommendation from a friend.

"One of my great friends that I grew up with was a hair stylist," says Maroules, "and she basically gave me the idea. I was in college at the time and it would be a great way to



PHOTO/ANNA CAMPBELL

Michelle's Headquarters owner Michelle Allyn, left, and new stylist Angie Maroules.

make extra money. I started working at a hair franchise in Wisconsin owned by the Kaminski Group. I worked as a stylist for a year then they promoted me to District Manager and I did that until 2003."

Throughout her career she has been trained by American Crew Academy

Training, Redkin, Sexy Hair concepts, Matrix, Scruples, Graham Web and Paul Mitchell. Part of her training was learning how to teach cosmetology students.

Maroules's connection to the Culver area is through

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Logo from page 1

Berndt and Culver Elementary principal Erin Proskoy and the staff believed in.

She added there are three additional options of a "main mark" among the logos presented, which means those could be seen on "most everything" the school produces, depending on preference. Also displayed was an array of banners, helmets, and other items with various iterations of the logo affixed.

Berndt explained that the various logo options agreed upon by the committee were sent to the staff, faculty, and school board towards choice of a main logo. Of around 100 potential responders, 72 replied with their preferences, leading to what Berndt described as "a pretty close race between a couple of logos. The staff felt the shield would represent us best. As Shelly said, obviously we will utilize everything (from the available logo versions), but we thought since the staff said it, the shield would represent the corporation."

Board members expressed appreciation for the effort, with board member Mark Maes suggesting the logo can help build school spirit and "get the community involved."

"Good things are happening," he added.

Following official board approval of the new logos, by vote, a round of applause burst from the audience.

Interim superintendent of schools Chuck Kitchell thanked Schrimsher ("Despite the fact that (she) doesn't want any recognition"), to which she replied she did no more than any teacher in the corporation.

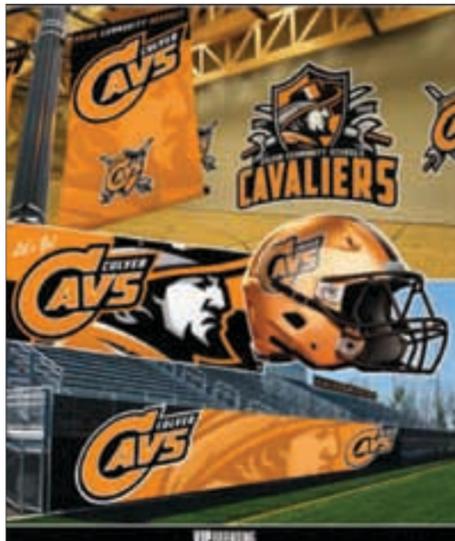
"I know how hard they work," she said.

Sale of former Monterey Elementary
Kitchell, discussing the potential sale of the former Monterey Elementary Building, said the property had been on the state's unused building list for two years, which frees up the board to do what it wishes with it. School attorney Jeff Houin said the school could sell property as excess property via a bidding process with sealed bids, or in an open meeting to the highest bidder. Once Kitchell affirmed no appraisal of the property had yet taken place, Houin advised one be conducted and the next step determined from there.

Active shooter policy

Proskoy, as school safety coordinator for the corporation, discussed changes to the corporation's crisis plan aimed at making sure the plan is "up to date and appropriate."

The main changes to the policy, said Proskoy, relate to ALICE (an acronym for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate) lock-down procedures.



This montage of the new CCSC logo "in action" was also presented to the school board.

shooter training planned for Feb. 5, noted Proskoy, who added an active shooter drill will take place later in the semester with students and teachers. Included in the drill will be the plan for each building to call the opposite building (such as the high school phoning the elementary and vice versa) to check on the safety of all.

The revised crisis plan was approved by the school board, with Wentzel commenting that, "It's a shame it has to come to that, but we have to be ready."

Board member Marina Cavazos concurred, adding, "Whatever will help to save somebody's life is awesome."

Other discussions, actions

Also discussed during the meeting were upcoming

school board elections, with four seats to be open on the fall ballot, including those currently held by Jim Wentzel, Ken VanDePutte, and Mark Maes (Maes' and Wentzel's seat-holders would take office in 2018, with the other two in January of 2017). Those interested in running for the seats should file by Aug. 26 at noon.

Berndt discussed plans for monies gleaned from the corporation's recent bond refinancing, which include new handrails in the high school gymnasium, important in relation to safety concerns, he said. Not only will removable railings be added, but coverage will increase to each individual section, though some cutting of benches will be needed in order to widen each row.

Kitchell said refurbishing of the high school's loading dock is also planned, which should ease the efforts of delivery vendors and make the area more handicapped accessible and safe as well.

Work is expected to take place during spring break, ahead of graduation in late May. Kitchell pointed out bond refinancing money can only be used for capital (building) projects.

Tabled until the next meeting was approval of the 2016-17 school calendar, whose details are somewhat complicated by the State scheduling PSAT testing on Oct. 19, during planned Fall Break for CCSC and many other corporations. Kitchell said it was expected the state will pay for the same testing Nov. 2, allowing the proposed calendar to proceed as expected, though superintendents are awaiting confirmation from the state.

Among staff changes announced was the retirement of Lynn Davis as a bus driver this spring and resignation of part-time cafeteria worker Kimberly Parker.

It was also noted the Feb. 15 board meeting had been rescheduled for Feb. 22.



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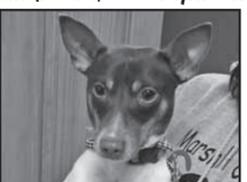
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Maxinkuckee ice boats, 1936

Seen here is a scene reminiscent of the one on page 1 of this week's Culver Citizen. That is, a small fleet of ice boats ready for some winter fun on frozen Lake Maxinkuckee. This photo, however, comes from 1936, and includes (from left) Mrs. Ralph Vonnegut, Mrs. Perry Lesh, Mrs. Fred Holliday, John Holliday, Walker W. Winslow, Eleanor F. Winslow, Mrs. Clayton O. Mogg, Mrs. Alex Metzger, Robert Rossow Jr., C. Harvey Bradley Jr., Mr. and Mrs. William E. Munk, Walker Winslow Jr., and John Braden, all of Indianapolis (and many a veritable "who's who" of East Shore lake residents of the day). The background is the Maxinkuckee Inn (later the Culver Inn), at the Culver Military Academy campus. The Maxinkuckee Yacht Club, according to the Culver Citizen, sponsored weekly ice boat regattas during part of the winter at the time.



Maxinkuckee featured in new PBS documentary

A lengthy segment on Lake Maxinkuckee makes up part of a recent documentary on writer Kurt Vonnegut, Jr., and his Indiana roots produced by WFYI, the PBS affiliate of Indianapolis. The Clemens Vonnegut Jr. cottage on the East Shore provides part of the backdrop for "A Writer's Roots: Kurt Vonnegut's Indianapolis," which may be viewed online at wfyi.org/programs/a-writer

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certificate for iTunes.

Pinewood derby - chili cookoff registration Feb. 20

The Culver Cub Scouts will host a pinewood derby and chili cook-off Sat., March 19, with registration for the event held at the Culver Public Library on Sat., Feb. 20, from noon to 4 p.m.

To register for the derby (any age may register) there is a \$10 entry fee and registrants will receive the car kit to build their derby car. Prizes will be awarded for both children and adults.

To register for the chili cook-off, there is a \$5 entry fee, and prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third places.

Questions may be directed to Kristine Cormican at 219-629-2999 or klcormican@yahoo.com.

Free Computer Classes at CUTPL

Free computer classes at CUTPL continue in February on Mondays at 6 p.m. and Fridays at 10 a.m., and include Internet for Beginners (Feb. 12), plus Smartphone and Tablet Training (Feb. 22 and 26). Classes are free and open to the public and patrons are encouraged to bring their own computer, smartphone, or tablet if possible. These sessions are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Andrew Baker at abaker@culver.lib.in.us or 574-842-2941.

Book swap social program Feb. 20

The Culver-Union Township Public Library will host a book swap social program on Saturday, February 20 at 11 a.m., in the large meeting room in the lower level of the library. Bring one, two, or more books you love (new or gently used) to swap with other members of the library community. The program is free and open to the public and counts for adult winter reading points. Contact Reference/Adult Services Manager, Dana Thomas, at 574-842-2941 or dthomas@culver.lib.in.us for more information.

Culver's Got Talent Feb. 29

Children or teens (family groups are welcome too) are invited to dazzle the audience with their skits, magic, music, dance routines and everything in between at "Culver's Got Talent," Monday, February 29. The show starts at 6 p.m., and is to finish by 7. Please call 574-842-2941 to register to perform. ALL programs are free and open to the public.

Friends of the Library monthly book/bake sales

The Friends of the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library will hold book and bake sales on the first Saturday of each month, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., in the lower level Carnegie Room. Each month's sale will feature a seasonal theme, with the March 5 event focusing on Easter, Irish, or green books; April's theme will be poetry, and May's will be Shakespeare. As always, the organization accepts donations of gently used books and media, which can be dropped off at the library circulation desk.

CRC announces façade grant opportunities

The Culver Redevelopment Commission is ready for the 2016 façade grant application process. The first round of applications (which can be found at town hall) are due in to Tom Yuhas, CRC, Town Hall, 200 East Washington St., Culver, IN 46511 no later than March 1. Grants will be awarded on April 1. If the full \$30,000 is not awarded during this time, a second grant round will be held with those applications being due by August 1 and awards given by September 1. All grant projects that are awarded in 2016 must be started within 90 days of award date. All grant projects must be completed and submitted for reimbursement within one year of the award date. No exceptions.

Maxinkuckee Players auditions May 7



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The Maxinkuckee Players have announced auditions for "Beauty and the Beast," this summer's theater production. Auditions will take place Saturday, May 7, from 9 a.m. to noon, 1 to 5 p.m., and 6 to 9 p.m.; and Sunday, May 8, from 1 to 5 p.m. For information, contact Becky Liechty at 574-952-5117 or bliechty@embarqmail.com. Show dates are July 22, 24, 29, 30, and 31.

Fund raising opportunity for Johnson

Friends and co-workers of Melissa Johnson, who was severely injured in a car accident in December of last year, are holding a fund-raiser to help the Johnson family with Melissa's care. Part of the proceeds from sales of Audrey's Pumpkin & Gourmet Cake Rolls (audreypumpkinrolls.com), which come in 12 different flavors (each roll serves 10 to 12 people and cost \$15 each), will go to the family. Those wishing to purchase products may contact Kathie Huhn at 574-842-3056 or dan.huhn@sbcglobal.net.

Culver Elementary seeks volunteers

Culver Elementary School is seeking caring adults, men and women, of all ages, to volunteer at the school in a variety of ways during the school day. Those interested in helping to make a difference in the lives of children, please email (bonine@culver.k12.in.us) a phone number and time to be contacted, or call the school at 574-842-3389 and leave a message for Amy Bonine.

Fire dept. seeking new applicants

The Culver Fire Department is accepting applications for new firefighters. Those interested may apply at the Culver town hall, 200 E Washington Street in Culver or call 574-842-3140 for more information.

Residents reminded of winter fire safety.

In the wake of several recent fires locally, Culver fire chief Terry Wakefield is asking residents to be vigilant during this cold-weather season in use of wood stoves, heaters, and other potential residential fire hazards. As always, fires should be reported immediately to 911, and those questions regarding fire safety may contact the fire department via the Culver town hall at 574-842-3140. The US Fire Administration also offers winter fire safety tips online at www.usfa.fema.gov/winter.

E-billing for Culver utilities launching

Online utility billing for Culver residents will go into effect in February, and as part of the change, print utility bills sent via postal mail will take on a different look. Residents are encouraged to keep an eye out for the bills and not discard them unknowingly when they arrive. Those wishing to sign up for email billing may contact the town hall at 574-842-3140.

Newcomers invited to Culver knitting group

Knit Happens is a group of dedicated knitters who meet weekly to knit and to teach knitting, share ideas, yarns, techniques, in the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library's small meeting room Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon and Thursdays from 4 to 6 p.m. Newcomers are invited to join the group. For more info, contact Charlotte Rakich, 708-334-0466 text or talk, or email charlotte.vecchio@gmail.com. Those with a stash of knitting supplies to discard are encouraged to donate them in order to help the group continue teaching new knitters.

Adult winter basketball at CCMS

Adult winter basketball will start again this year Sunday, Nov. 29, and continue each Sunday, from 9 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 directed to Ken VanDePutte at 574-274-9942.

Ice skate donations sought

The Culver Parks and Recreation board is seeking donations of new or used ice skates, or monetary donations toward the same, in order to provide winter activities for all. The board earlier this season announced plans to revive ice skating on the lake this winter. Donations of skates can be dropped off at the beach lodge in the park, at a container on the observation deck. Monetary donations may also be mailed to: Culver Park Board, 819 E. Lake Shore Drive, Culver IN. 46511. Make checks payable to Culver Park Ice Skate Fund. Donated skates will be provided for free to anyone who wants to use them while they skate.

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 making 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. 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 for more information.

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 St. in downtown Culver, or by phone at 574-842-2941.



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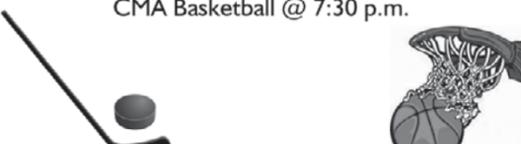


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Friday, Feb. 12
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Friday, Feb. 13
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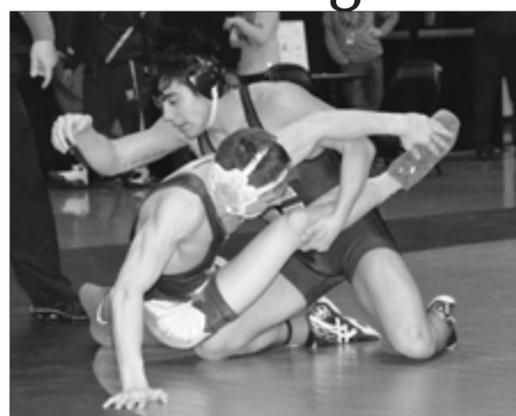
Culver Community's Rodriguez wins Rochester Regional title

By Tim Creason
Correspondent

ROCHESTER — Culver Community senior Triston Rodriguez beat South Bend Riley's Austen Laughlin, 11-7, in the best match of Saturday's Rochester Wrestling Regional.

The pair got into several scrambles, literally throwing each other around the mat. Rodriguez ended up on top in most of them, scoring three takedowns in the second period to take control.

"I just go with whatever comes naturally," said Rodriguez, who takes a 35-2



PHOTO/PAUL TINCHER

Culver Community's Triston Rodriguez grapples with South Bend Riley's Austen Laughlin in the 145-pound championship at the Rochester Wrestling Regional Saturday.

record to semistate. "I don't usually get involved in that many scrambles, but if that's what happens, I look for whatever works."

As expected, No. 5-ranked Penn rolled away

with its sixth consecutive regional team title. The Kingsmen claimed seven individual champs, advanced 13 wrestlers to semistate, and scored 221-1/2 points.

Mishawaka was a distant second with 96. Plymouth (55 points) finished fourth, Culver Academies (38) was sixth, and Culver Community and Triton tied for 11th with 21 points each.

The top four finishers in each weight class advance to semistate.

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CGA wins 2nd straight swim title

Culver Girls Academy's swim team won just one title but displayed impressive depth en route to its second straight sectional title at Warsaw Saturday.

The Lady Eagles racked up 406 points ahead of the host Tigers' 367. Plymouth finished seventh with a score of 110.

Only Ella Spratt-Szarzynski won an individual championship for CGA with a 1:07.09 time in the butterfly. While Spratt-Szarzynski advances to Friday's IHSAA State Finals prelims in Indianapolis, teammates Georgia Cleveland and Reina Carroll qualified for Tuesday's Mishawaka Diving Regional with respective second- and fourth-place finishes in the diving competition at Warsaw.

All total, the champs earned 14 top five finishes at the meet, including a four-five finish in the 200 free, a two-four finish in the diving competition and a one-three finish in the fly.

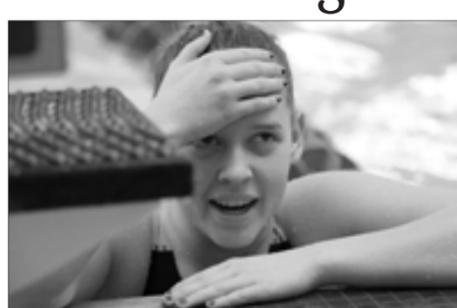
Avery Bolden and Anne-Marie Wright placed fourth and fifth, respectively, in the 200 free, Cecilia Miller was second in the individual medley and third in the 100 free, Emma Sexton was third behind Spratt-Szarzynski in the butterfly, Wright was third in the 500 free, Bolden was third in the backstroke, and Janelle Li was third in the breaststroke.

Additionally, Spratt-Szarzynski, Sexton, Bolden and Miller combined for second in the 400 free relay, while Bolden, Li, Spratt-Szarzynski and Miller palced third in the medley relay, and Li, Elyse Schutjer, Emily Cefalu and Sydney Brackenbury were third in the 200 free relay.

WARSAW SECTIONAL
At Warsaw
Team standings: 1. Culver Girls Academy 406, 2. Warsaw 367, 3. Rochester 360, 4. Lewis Cass 236, 5. Columbia City 182, 6. Logansport 143, 7. Plymouth 110, 8. Pioneer 107, 9. Manchester 105.5, 10. Huntington North 103.5, 11. Wabash 72, 12. Tippecanoe Valley 42.

(Each race winner and those meeting the state qualifying time in their races — denoted by an "*" — advances to the IHSAA State Finals in Indianapolis Friday. Top four divers advance to the Mishawaka Regional Tuesday.)

200 medley relay: 1. Warsaw (Lauren Kuhl, Delaney Wihebrink, Brenna Morgan, Olivia Herman) 1:51.35 (sectional record; old record: Fort Wayne Dwenger, 1:51.42, 1994), 2. Rochester 1:56.62, 3. CGA 1:59.43, 4. Columbia City 2:09.1, 5. Huntington North 2:10.74; 200 freestyle: 1. Lauren Moeller (WR) 2:05.08, 2. Marisol Karmel (LC) 2:06.36, 3. Lauren Kuhl (WR) 2:06.97, 4. Avery Bolden (CGA) 2:11.4, 5. Anne-Marie Wright (CGA)



PHOTO/JAN GARRISON

Culver Girls Academy's Ella Spratt-Szarzynski looks up in shock at the scoreboard following her winning turn in the 100 butterfly at the Warsaw Swim Sectional Saturday. Spratt-Szarzynski earned the Lady Eagles their lone championship to help lead the team to its second straight team championship.

2:11.81; 200 individual medley: 1. Delaney Wihebrink (WR) 2:13.99, 2. Cecilia Miller (CGA) 2:18.04, 3. Abigail McCarter (R) 2:19.69, 4. Erika Mullins (L) 2:24.15, 5. Mykaela Crowell (CC) 2:28.21; 50 freestyle: 1. Brenna Morgan (WR) :23.55 (sectional record; old record: Morgan, :24.07, 2015), 2. Madelyn Sailors (R) :24.24*, 3. Olivia Herman (WR) :25.7, 4. Emma Feldman (R) :26.19, 5. Paige Buettner (LC) :27.02; Diving: 1. Abigail Zartman (L) 400.65, 2. Georgia Cleveland (CGA) 379.45, 3. Morgan Tyler (R) 372.8, 4. Reina Carroll (CGA) 269.0, 5. Olivia Harris (R) 304.15; 100 butterfly: 1. Ella Spratt-Szarzynski (CGA) 1:07.09, 2.

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Lady Cavs bow out to No. 6 Argos

By James Costello
Sports Editor

CULVER — It's difficult to play without any starter. If the player in question also happens to be your leading scorer and your point guard, then those difficulties can multiply exponentially.

With Courtney Dunlap out with the flu Tuesday, it did take awhile for Argos to find its offensive rhythm opposite Culver. But the Dragons used their usual stifling defense to stay with the Cavs and eventually pulled away in the second half for a 46-19 victory.

Argos coach Gary Teel knew he couldn't ask anyone in his lineup Tuesday to do all that Dunlap does for the team. Instead, he asked each of them to give just a little more — one more bucket, an extra steal here, an assist there. The Dragons passed the test with flying colors.

Senior Val Rospopo and sophomore Macee Strycker carried the bulk of the offensive load in Dunlap's absence with Rospopo



PHOTO/JAMES COSTELLO

Culver Community's Marisa Howard drives against Argos' Valerie Rospopo during the two teams' Sectional 51 quarterfinal at John R. Nelson Gymnasium in Culver last week.

pouring in 19 and Strycker following up with 13. The guard tandem got it done mostly from deep as Rospopo knocked down five 3s and scored all 19 of her points before the break, while Strycker buried a trio of triples and notched 10

of her points in the second half Tuesday.

But their were contributions up and down the lineup for Argos as well.

Sophomore Shanna Miller did a little of everything with six points, five steals and three assists, and senior forward Kaelyn Barlow pulled down 11 rebounds to go with four points. Junior guard Kennedy Binley spearheaded the defense, and the Argos bench was solid as the Dragons went 12 deep in the win.

Prior to Tuesday's sectional win, the Dragons and the Cavs had already met earlier this season, with Argos picking up a convincing 60-12 win back on Nov. 24.

To their credit, the Cavs made the Sectional 51 favorites earn this one.

Marisa Howard's transition layup breaking an Argos fullcourt press even gave Culver a tentative 6-5 lead at the 4:36 stop of the first, a lead that the home team maintained until Rospopo's

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CMA rallies past IHS

Culver Military Academy rallied back from a 30-17 halftime deficit to beat visiting Indianapolis Homeschool 51-48.

Ignas Masiulionis put up 19 for CMA, Jamarrio Rule scored 12, and Dylan Powell notched 11.

Josiah and Noah Oetjen finished with 19 and 14

points, respectively, for Indianapolis Homeschool.

CULVER MILITARY 51, INDIANAPOLIS HOMESCHOOL 48
At Culver
IHS: 14 30 38 48
CMA: 8 17 35 51
IHS (48): Noah Oetjen 14, Ben Gluntz 0, Aaron Gilmer 3, Hiatt Dunlap 2, Carter Hughes 5, Ben Ruddle 3, Josiah Oetjen 19, John Owen 0, Alex Stearman 0 Noah Clark 2; Totals: 15 12-14 48.

CMA (51): Ean Anderson 0, Ignas Masiulionis 19, Ethan Brittain-Watts 4, Sam Concannon 0, Dylan Powell 11, Jake Young 0, Addyson Allyn 3, Jamarrio Rule 12, Jordan Freeman 2; Totals: 18 10-24 51.
3-pointers: IHS 6 (J. Oetjen 2, N. Oetjen, Gilmer, Hughes, Ruddle), CMA 5 (Masiulionis 3, Brittain-Watts, Powell); Fouls (fouled out): IHS 25 (none), CMA 15 (none).
Records: CMA 9-5, IHS 16-5
JV score: CMA 50 (Amari Curtis 16, Henry Zehner 12), IHS 43 (Luke Ruddle 14).

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Havron selected for Honor Band

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RIGHT: Brandon Havron, a Culver Comm. High School junior, was accepted into the 2016 Indiana Music Educators Association Honor Band, which is comprised of students from all over the state of Indiana and comes together for the weekend of the IMEA conference in January. The band played selected pieces on January 16 at the historic Embassy Theater in Fort Wayne, and was directed by nationally renowned conductor and composer of band literature Dr. Peter Boonshaft.

"Each high school in Indiana is allowed to submit four students' applications for the honor band," says CCHS band director Jason Crittendon, "and there's no guarantee anyone from your school will make it, so we were very pleased to have someone from Culver selected for this year's band. Brandon has been a great band student and I'm proud of his accomplishments."

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corner 3 off a Kaelyn Barlow inside-out pass with a second under two minutes remaining in the opening stanza.

It wasn't a win, but Tuesday's finale was a good measuring stick for two-win Culver.

"Our girls came out ready to play tonight; I'll give them that," said Culver coach Tammy Shedrow. "We did make some changes in practice, and they did well with those changes tonight. In all honesty, at halftime the girls were excited. If we hit some free throws there at the end of the half we would have only been down like eight or nine coming in from halftime. That would've been nice, but obviously that didn't happen. Our turnovers were down. We only had 10 at half. That's a big adjustment for us. I believe we were almost in the late 30s in the first game that we played them."

A 10-0 run midway through the second gave Argos a 28-13 halftime cushion, and that lead ballooned out to a remote 35-13 via a 7-0 third quarter by the Dragons. Not only did the visitors hold Culver scoreless throughout the third frame, they didn't allow a single score for a span of nearly 13 minutes from the 1:30 stop of the second quarter until Thea Bergersen ended the drought with a bucket from the paint with only 4:38 left to play.

While Rospopo and Strycker paced Argos, Bergersen finished with a near double-double of 10 points and nine rebounds Tuesday. The game provided a nice bookend to her basketball career. After all, the Norwegian foreign exchange student had never played the game until the start of the season.

"Thea, she's really stepped up. We were really talking about this not too long ago — that puts a lot of pressure on anybody to walk into a season and be your center. Never touching the basketball, she has made huge strides not only on just learning the game of basketball but learning her positioning on the floor, learning what she can and can't do,"

said Shedrow.

"I'd love to have her for four years, but we appreciate the time that she's given us at Culver basketball and we wish her the best of luck."

Culver closes at 2-21 and will bid goodbye to standout Howard.

"These girls continue to fight, and that's all I can ask of them. With the inexperience that they've had, they've done a really nice job continuing to come out and fight for me. I obviously hate to see the season end, but on the other hand, like I told the girls, basketball players are made in the summer so get ready," Shedrow said.

"We will miss Marisa. We will miss Marisa not only on the floor but off the floor. She is one of those team leaders that you don't have to teach her that. She knows to look over to the bench when she needs to know what we need to run. If we're not looking at her she just yells out what we need to run. She's a very good floor runner for us; she sees the floor very well. Not only that, just off the floor, getting the togetherness of the team, she's very good at keeping our team camaraderie going so she will be missed very much."

• ARGOS 46, CULVER 19

At Culver Sectional

Argos: 13 28 35 46

Culver: 6 13 13 19

ARGOS (46): Val Rospopo 19, Kennedy Binkley 0, Macee Strycker 13, Kaelyn Barlow 4, Bailey Nifong 0, Mariah Lineberry 0, Anna Barlow 0, Shanna Miller 6, Emily Calhoun 0, Abby Manikowski 2, Samantha Stone 2, Tia Freshour 0; Totals: 18 2-5 46.

CULVER (19): Elisabeth Pottendorfer 0, Sarah Morrison 0, Hailey Jones 0, Thea Bergersen 10, Lisa Rabenheimer 0, Jenna Moise 0, Alyssa Bailey 0, Kendra Binion 0, Marisa Howard 7, Courtney Salyer 2; Totals: 8 3-6 19. 3-pointers: Argos 8 (Rospopo 5, Strycker 3), Culver 0; Rebounds: Argos 28 (Barlow 11), Culver 29 (Bergersen 9); Turnovers: Argos 10, Culver 22; Steals: Argos 12 (Miller 5), Culver 5 (Howard 2); Assists: Argos 13 (Miller 3), Culver 4 (Howard 2); Fouls (fouled out): Argos 10 (none), Culver 11 (none).

Records: Argos 19-3, Culver 2-21 (final)

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ers-roots/television/a-writers-roots-kurt-vonneguts-indianapolis. The program, which includes interviews with some local personalities, aired last year on the television station and will be released on DVD in the near future.

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Maddy Karmel (LC) 1:07.46, 3. Emma Sexton (CGA) 1:08.72, 4. Jessica Drury (PL) 1:09.98, 5. Adriann Shepherd (R) 1:10.74; 100 freestyle: 1. Brenna Morgan (WR) :50.8 (sectional record; old record: Morgan :52.33, 2015), 2. Madelyn Sailors (R) :54.25, 3. Cecelia Miller (CGA) :54.37, 4. Emma Feldman (R) :57.89, 5. Lauren Moeller (WR) :58.14; 500 freestyle: 1. Marisol Karmel (LC) 5:40.55, 2. Lauren Kuhl (WR) 5:40.87, 3. Anne-Marie Wright (CGA) 5:52.83, 4. Trisha Hartley (LC) 5:52.95, 5. Adriann Shepherd (R) 5:57.25; 200 freestyle relay: 1. Warsaw (Olivia Herman, Laurel Moeller, Lauren Kuhl, Brenna Morgan) 1:42.12, 2. Lewis Cass 1:49.63, 3. CGA 1:51.36, 4. Rochester 1:51.87, 5. Columbia City 1:54.04; 100 backstroke: 1. Delaney Wihebrink (WR) :59.95, 2. Erika Mullins (L) 1:04.13, 3. Avery Bolden (CGA) 1:06.77, 4. Rylee Hackworth (CC) 1:08.55, 5. Maddy Karmel (LC) 1:09.43; 100 breaststroke: 1. Abigail McCarter (R) 1:08.63, 2. Mykaela Crowell (CC) 1:12.83, 3. Janelle Li (CGA) 1:16.64, 4. Maria Hunting (R) 1:18.35, 5. Megan Cummings (CC) 1:20.16; 400 freestyle relay: 1. Rochester (Emma Feldman, Katie Schaller, Abigail McCarter, Madelyn Sailors) 3:48.75, 2. CGA, 3:53.61, 3. Warsaw 3:59.89, 4. Lewis Cass 4:03.7, 5. Pioneer 4:15.08.

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Culver Academies had a second-place finisher in Adam Davis, who fell to Indiana's No. 1-ranked 120-pounder, Drew Hildebrandt of Penn, in the championship round.

Hildebrandt (38-1) and Davis (36-6) have known each other for years, almost growing up together on the wrestling mat.

"Adam is pretty tough," said Hildebrandt. "I hope he's down at state with me."

Robert White (fourth at 113), Dante Dalmaso (fourth at 132) and Steven Muthart (fourth at 138) also advanced for the Eagles.

• IHSAA WRESTLING REGIONAL

At Rochester

Team scores: Penn 221 ½, Mishawaka 96, South Bend Riley 83 ½, Plymouth 55, South Bend Adams 50, Culver Academies 38, Wawasee 34, Warsaw 32, South Bend St. Joseph 26, South Bend Clay 25, Culver Community 21, Triton 21, Rochester 20, South Bend Washington 20, Mishawaka Marian 16, Caston 6, Bremen 0.

NOTE: Top four finishers in each weight class advance to IHSAA semistate at East Chicago on Saturday, Feb. 13.

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

106: Kory Cavanaugh (Penn) won by inj. def. over Trevor Penrod (Riley). 113: Austin Slates (Penn) maj. dec. Braxton Alexander (Wawasee), 12-0. 120: Drew Hildebrandt (Penn) tech. fall Adam Davis (Culver Acad), 24-9 in 5:35.

126: Ryan Hardesty (Mishawaka) dec. Jarrett Selis (Penn), 9-4.

132: Preston Risner (Mishawaka) dec. Aaron Orr (Rochester), 9-2.

138: Kyle Hatch (Warsaw) maj. dec. Trace Manspeaker (Penn), 12-4.

145: Triston Rodriguez (Culver Community) dec. Austen Laughlin (Riley), 11-7.

152: Denzil Prentice (Penn) pinned Kassius Breathitt (Riley), 3:54.

160: Jarod Swank (Penn) dec. Tavonte Malone (Adams), 3-1.

170: Tristan Goering (Riley) maj. dec. Amere Dozier (Clay), 10-1.

182: Jeremy Splex (Plymouth) dec. Austin Faulkner (Mishawaka), 3-1 in OT.

195: Cedrick Vakalahi (Penn) dec. Nate LaFree (Plymouth), 3-2.

220: Kobe Woods (Penn) dec. Patrick Ernst (Marian), 9-2.

285: Isaiah McWilliams (Washington) dec. Michael Koebel (St. Joseph), 3-2.

CONSOLATION ROUND

(For 3rd place)

106: Vincent Calhoun (Adams) pinned Matthew Cysewski (St. Joseph), 1:27. 113: Joey Zahl (Adams) dec. Robert White (Culver Acad), 9-2. 120: Malachi Greene (Triton) dec. Zane DeVault (Plymouth), 5-0. 126: Bryton Goering (Riley) maj. dec. Zander Henderson (Caston), 9-1. 132: Tristin Ponsler (Wawasee) dec. Dante Dalmaso (Culver Acad), 5-1. 138: Deven Beaver (Mishawaka) dec. Steven Muthart (Culver Acad), 5-4. 145: Cameron Beam (Penn) dec. Bodie Neidig (Plymouth), 3-1. 152: Tavis Evans (Adams) pinned Micah Calhoun (Plymouth), 5:22. 160: Gage Waddle (Triton) dec. Luke Sinkovics (Mishawaka), 4-3. 171: Blake Becker (Mishawaka) dec. Rockne Hurley (Penn), 9-2. 182: Mason Cao (Clay) dec. Max Chaffee (Penn), 5-2. 195: Brock Staton (Mishawaka) dec. Jeremiah Dilley (Wawasee), 7-5. 220: Andrew Brock (Warsaw) dec. Jake Hess (Mishawaka), 9-6. 285: William Vakalahi (Penn) dec. Dan Clark (Rochester), 6-1.

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