



CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY AND OTHER PHOTOS/THE GREENLEAF FAMILY - LAYOUT/JEFF KENNEY

In Brief

Girl Scouts, Brownies collecting for animals

The Culver Brownie Girl Scouts will be collecting pet food for the Humane Society of Marshall County from July 2 through July 18. The Scouts will be onsite at Park N' Shop in Culver Saturday, July 18, from 2 to 4 p.m. asking for donations, but a box will be set up from now until that date as well for those wishing to donate pet food towards the project.

Town accepting credit, debit cards

The Town of Culver will be accepting credit and debit cards beginning July 16, 2009. This service can be utilized within the Clerk's Office located at Town Hall, by phone at 1-866-480-8552, or web page at www.townofculver.org. Please know that you must have your utility account number, ticket number, etc. The town will accept Visa, MasterCard and Discover. A convenience fee is assessed to each credit and debit card transaction.

Community meal at Grace July 15

Grace United Church of Christ will hold its monthly community meal on Wednesday, July 15 at 6 p.m. All are invited to this free, ecumenical event whose purpose is to share a friendly meal in a welcoming, community atmosphere. The meals are held on the 15th day of each month in the basement of the church.

Wesley preschool registration

Wesley Preschool, a non-denominational preschool, has openings in its senior and junior year program. Seniors must be age four by Aug. 1 and juniors age three by Aug. 1. Wesley helps ease the transition for children to begin kindergarten by starting them in its exceptional preschool. Call Jennifer Luttrell, Director, at (574) 250-3852.

MCJFL sign-ups

The Marshall County Junior Football League will hold only two more sign-ups for junior football and junior cheerleading. The date is July 25 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Culver Elementary School. To sign up, interested persons must have a birth certificate. Any questions, please call Angel at 574-242-8175.

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From Marmon to Greenleaf

Above: Anne Greenleaf, far right, recalls a Maxinkuckee childhood in simpler days, as well as the legacy of her Marmon ancestors and their groundbreaking contribution to automotive history. FAR LEFT: Greenleaf's grandfather Walter Marmon shares a drink at the Marmon cottage on Lake Maxinkuckee with young Anne. CENTER: The Marmon-Greenleaf cottage has changed little in the more than 100 years it has occupied the east shore of the lake. LOWER RIGHT: The Marmon Sixteen, one of the early 20th century cars the family designed and manufactured (its Marmon "Wasp" won the first Indianapolis 500 in 1911).

The Marmons of Maxinkuckee

Greenleaf a part of family who revolutionized auto industry, left lasting imprint on Culver - *Part 1 of 2*

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Anne Greenleaf peers at a yellowed, black and white photograph of a balding, bespectacled man kneeling beside a young girl, cup in hand beside a flowing spring, her eyes lighting and smile growing. "There he is!" she says. "There's Walter Carpenter Marmon, my granddaddy, and me."

Hearing Greenleaf speak of her grandfather and his own parents – and their migration to Lake Maxinkuckee in 1882 – one can easily forget she wasn't there to witness it all. Anne Greenleaf's memories of life at the "Orchard House," the historic Marmon (now Greenleaf) cottage on Lake Maxinkuckee are vivid recollections of days gone by, and a lifestyle here which belied the technological innovations in auto mechan-

ics which made the Marmon name internationally known, and which would lead to the creation of the first car to win the Indianapolis 500 in 1911.

Anne Greenleaf shared her family memories with an enthusiastic audience last Thursday at Culver's Kiwanis Club, and with the Culver Citizen recently at her family's longtime cottage on East Shore Drive.

Greenleaf's great-grandfather, Daniel W. Marmon was born in 1844 in Logan County, Ohio, marrying Elizabeth M. Carpenter in 1870 before moving eventually to Richmond, Indiana. There, Daniel was the first head of well-known Earlham College, a Quaker school whose faith the Marmons shared, and whose tenants would lend themselves to the Marmons' giving spirit in the

Culver community and beyond. The couple moved to Indianapolis where Daniel founded the first power company in that city – later Indianapolis Power and Light -- says Greenleaf. She isn't sure how the Marmons first heard of Lake Maxinkuckee, but they arrived here in 1882 within four years of the arrival of the railroad, bringing, she says, "all their kitchen equipment, clothing, and grandfather's chickens. He loved chickens!"

Daniel Marmon's chicken house, in fact, lives on as a fourth-generation playhouse where Daniel and Elizabeth's children Howard, Caroline, and Walter, Walter's son (Anne Greenleaf's father) Franklin, Greenleaf herself, and her own children and grandchildren spent many happy hours a stone's throw from

Lake Maxinkuckee.

The Marmon cottage – originally an "L" shaped farmhouse to which Daniel Marmon added fire places and a higher roof – remains on East Shore Drive, one of the last on the lake of its vintage still in the same family.

Remaining, too, is the flowing well, one of many such artesian springs feeding the clear waters of the lake, though today it no longer runs through the kitchen of the house as it did when Anne Greenleaf was a child. She recalls its use as a drinking source and in keeping milk cold, aided by deliveries of ice she also recalls from the Medbourn Ice House on the west shore of the lake. "And they churned their own milk, made cottage cheese and jams and pickles, and they dried corn just the way the

Amish did in Pennsylvania," adds Greenleaf.

Known as the "Orchard House" because of the fruit trees surrounding it, in those days, Greenleaf says, the cottage sat almost directly next to East Shore Drive; the road was pushed back away from most houses in the early 1930s. Inside, it has remained very much as it was when Daniel and Elizabeth Marmon inhabited it each summer, traveling here by train from their Indianapolis home.

Greenleaf describes a vastly simpler, slower-paced life on the lake before and during her childhood. "People wrote letters daily," she says. "I have boxes and boxes full of letters. After that, they would go to call in the afternoon. People were very proper."

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Culver grocery transformed for its fiftieth anniversary

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Residents and visitors to the parking lot of Culver's longtime – and today virtually only -- grocery store may pull into the same property as before to do their shopping, but what they'll find inside feels like a virtually new store.

Last week, most of the final touches were put into place at Culver's Park N' Shop supermarket on Lake Shore Drive, and customers have been wowed by the transformation.



CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

Park N' Shop employee Josh Brady restocks items in Culver's Park N' Shop's greatly enlarged produce section.

Co-owner Bill Rhodes says the original motive for the changes was the indirect result of a slew of needed equipment replacements in the store, many of which hit at about the same time. He says all of the store's equipment has been replaced over the past five years and Rhodes and his brother Dennis – who took the store over from their late father some years ago -- felt it was time for a new décor package.

A designer from Detroit was hired towards that end, and before long the project took on a remodeling component -- and addition -- to the store. "It's kind of like when you buy a new couch and end up remodeling your kitchen," chuckles Rhodes. "We fixed the floor and ceilings, and (the designer) had the wonderful ideas of changing the direction of the aisles and register."

The Rhodes' Culver connection goes back some time. Their father, Charles, first operated Park N' Shop at 115 East Jefferson Street, the building which now houses Culver Cabana restaurant, starting in 1959. In May, 1963, having purchased and razed the M.R. Cline Builders store just east of the first Park N' Shop (on the site of today's Culver Cove), Rhodes opened the new, steel Park N' Shop building he'd had constructed there. In April, 1981, Park N' Shop opened its doors at its present location, having taken it over from the Alford's IGA supermarket for which the building was originally built

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Above, left: Employees and management of the newly renovated Park N' Shop store gather in the store's new floral department. Front row, left to right: Judy Scroggs, Stephanie Broeker, Store Manager Peggy Lowry, Reghan Dunham, and Alex Valdez. Back row, Mike Neidlinger, Sue Hanselman, David Rhodes, Lacey White, Jami Hooker, and Heather Woods.
Above, right: local artist and Culver Cabana co-owner Jon Bickel with the mural he created for the exterior of the newly remodeled Park N' Shop.

Greenleaf from page 1

Great grandmother would go call on Mrs. Kittle (in today's Barnett cottage)...

and she would go see her friend, Mrs. Vonnegut. (Late, renowned novelist

Kurt Vonnegut, who grew up summering on the lake as well) tried to shoot me

and my best friend with a BB gun! My best friend's brother was his friend. My friend told her mother, and they never did it again!

"Then they'd go out for a drive and look at the swamp and see the marsh mallow plants that used to grow in the marshes. And they were always reading -- they read to each other. And they looked at the birds. Great grandmother was a great bird lover, too."

The Marmon family was part of a community of summer cottagers who

brought a deep appreciation of literature, arts, and culture to the area. Greenleaf recalls her great aunt Caroline Marmon Fessler (also a great contributor to the Indianapolis Museum of Art



Daniel Williams Marmon and his wife Elizabeth first arrived at Lake Maxinkuckee in 1882. Their home -- and their legacy -- is still very much a part of the local community.

and other cultural affairs in that city) bringing renowned classical pianists and quartets to family homes in Indianapolis as well as Culver.

Elizabeth Marmon's philanthropic and literary-cultural pursuits converged in Indianapolis and Culver as well, and she seems to

have thrown herself into cultural endeavors of a charitable nature, especially after her husband Daniel's 1909 death. She was one of eight summer residents to pledge interest "in the welfare of a proposed free public library" in Culver in 1914, the group promising a \$350 donation towards the project, no small sum in those days. Besides subscriptions from the citizens of the township and town of Culver, a tax levy, and monies from the Andrew Carnegie grant, a substantial portion of the cost of Culver's still-thriving public library was paid by Elizabeth Marmon, who also donated to the library many rare volumes and popular titles for both adult and juvenile readers, though Anne Greenleaf recalls with a smile and twinkle in her eye, "if she didn't approve of any of the books, she took them out and had them torn apart and burned here!"

In addition, Elizabeth Marmon paid for a number of library magazine subscriptions and created a substantial trust towards ongoing improvement of the library, which still forms part of the library's budget today.

Before Elizabeth Marmon's death, recalls Anne Greenleaf, her great aunt Caroline purchased the field across East Shore Drive as a surprise for Elizabeth, with daffodils planted along the roadside there which "still bloom every spring." Since that time, in the 1930s, the land has become a lush and well-known woodland for some distance on the east side of the road.

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Celebrating the...*fifth* of July?

Last Saturday's rainy weather forced Culver Academies' annual fireworks display and Independence Day celebration to delay by 24 hours to Sunday, July 5. Many area families opted to move their observance of the holiday back a day as well, taking advantage of the beautiful -- and rain-free -- Sunday weather. In the photo above, the Schoberg family -- young Macy, age 2 (right), parents Erin (far left) and Nate (laying down) along with Macy's cousin, Sophie Michi, age 7, take in the fireworks on the lawn near the Academies' parade field.

in 1976 (thus ending a brief price war between the two stores and capping off bygone eras of multiple, smaller groceries operating in Culver simultaneously).

Those who haven't visited the store in weeks or months will immediately be surprised by the elaborate, 10 by 18 foot mural painted on the building's exterior by local artist (and Culver Cabana co-owner) Jon Bickel, who also fabricated almost all of the interior signs and décor -- as well as exterior lettering -- according to the designer's specifications. The result is an especially local feel to Park N' Shop.

Shoppers enter through a completely transformed and up to date produce section. The aforementioned change in aisle direction and lighting, floor and ceiling, as well as available goods, also provide an immediate and startling new, more modern look to the entire store.

"We've doubled our specials every week (due to the expansion)," notes Rhodes. "We've got room to display things properly, and we've probably picked up a thousand-plus new items. We've got more specialty foods, organic items, more in the deli and produce areas -- a lot of things we didn't have room for before."

What for a time was a drive-through Taco Bell area has been renovated to house the new store office, with the former office space giving more space for sales. A new cooler has been installed behind the store, says Rhodes, and the direction of the parking lot will be altered soon after the fourth of July holiday for more efficiency and better flow of traffic.

Though Bill and Dennis also continue to operate five Sav-A-Lot and other grocery and convenience stores in Knox, Rochester, South Bend, and LaPorte, no doubt some of the attention to Culver's Park N' Shop is aided by the fact that the Rhodes family now lives in Culver full-time. Either way, the changes have met with widespread local enthusiasm.

"It was a good package," says Rhodes. "It came out nicer than we expected. We're getting rave reviews from the town people."

Obituary

Bonita Ann Banks
Jan. 3, 1948 - June 30, 2009

PLYMOUTH – Bonnie Banks, 61, of Plymouth, passed away Tuesday, June 30, 2009.

Survived by her son, Tim – who was her sidekick wherever she went – and beloved dog Snowy, Bonnie will be remembered for her big heart and bright smile.

She loved everyone, including her closest friends Donna Davies; Wally Ruff; and Lester, Sue, Nancy and all the people she knew at the Plymouth Fertilizer plant, where she had been previously employed.

She will be greatly missed by her organ students who she has taught over the decades. Bonnie was well-known for her beautiful singing voice and one of her favorite songs, “You Are My Sunshine.” Since the time she lived in Culver years ago, she would have family over to watch movies and hang out for the holidays. With her close friends and family is where she was the happiest. She would play dress-up, putting make-up on her great-nieces, and watch her great-nephews playing baseball at the ballpark. She had a true love of life and passion for family.

Recently, the highlights of her summers were the get-togethers at Jellystone/Yogi Bear Park when her family from Chicago and Indiana would gather and spend time reminiscing... and laughing. Bon was filled with lots of laughter and advice for her family.

Also surviving are her siblings: Donna Banks, of Crete, Ill. and Kenneth (and Barb) Hopkins, of Lowell, Ind. She was preceded in death by her oldest brother, Dick Hopkins, in November, 1987. She was also preceded in death by her parents, George and Anna Hopkins.

Along with her siblings, she was proud to talk about her nieces, nephews and their children. They are: Barb (and Sam) Carlson, and children Christa, Sam and Elise; Alan (and Janet) Moore; Donna Marie Banks; Jackie Banks, and children Ariana Herrera and Elisa Ramirez; Lauren (and Ken); James (and Mary) Hopkins, of St. Louis, and children James Jr. and Joseph; Amber Starr, of Culver; Daniel Hopkins, of Maryland; John Hopkins, of Culver, and daughter Amber; Rick Hopkins, of South Bend, and children Christine, Rick, Brittany and Tiffany; David Hopkins, of Plymouth, and daughters Emilee and Samantha; Therese (and Paul) Drake of Rochester, and children Charity (and Donnie), Helene and Luke; Kathy (and Alan) Hall, of Plymouth, and children Travis, Matthew and Trey; and Maggie (and Rusty) Nixon, of Plymouth, and children Jake, Elijah, Nathan, Benji and Zephan. She also has several great nieces and nephews

Arrangements are being handled by Solanis-Pruzen Funeral Home, Schererville. She will be cremated, with a memorial service planned for Saturday, July 25, 2009 at 10 a.m. at St. Mary’s Church on Old Monee Road, Park Forrest, Ill.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Bonnie’s memory to: 3717 W. Stuenkel Rd., Crete, IL, 60417.

Death notices

Smith

Richard Smith
July 3, 2009

NORTH JUDSON — Richard Smith, 86, of Culver, died Friday, July 3, 2009 at Miller’s Merry Manor, Culver.

He is survived by his wife, Thelma of North Judson; five daughters: Loretta Rowe or North Judson, Judy Francscoviak of Auburn, Ga., Connie Eckert of South Bend, Sherry Deery of Culver and Hattie Smith of Winamac; two sons: Dewey T. Smith Sr. of Winamac and Richard Smith Jr. of LaPorte; a sister, Rella Smith of Phoenix, Ariz.; two brothers: Jerry Smith of Jackson, Ky. and Andrew Smith of Knox; 12 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation took place Monday, July 6 from 4 to 8 p.m. (CT) at O'Donnell Funeral Home Inc. 302 Lane St., North Judson.

Funeral services took place Tuesday, July 7 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Burial followed at Highland Cemetery, North Judson.

Neace

Jerry Neace
Feb. 3, 1938 — July 2, 2009

KNOX — Jerry Neace, 71, of Knox, died Thursday, July 2, 2009 at his home.

He is survived by his wife Virginia (Trent); sons: Kenneth Neace of Knox and Vincent (Lorri) Neace of Culver; brothers, Troy and Pola Neace, both of Ky.; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Sunday, July 5, 2009 from 1 to 5 p.m. at M.C. Smith Funeral Home, 153 E. Washington St., Knox.

Funeral services took place Monday, July 6 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Floyd Allen officiating.

Burial took place at Burr Oak Cemetery, Burr Oak, Ind.

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Obituary

William Wayne Kline
July 21, 1915 - June 29, 2009

Wayne Kline passed away peacefully in his sleep June 29, 2009 in the presence of his loving family. His zest for life, strength of character, and good humor will be fondly remembered by all who knew him. He will be particularly missed by his wife of 72 years, Ruth E. (Ringer) Kline and children, Robert (Carolyn) Kline of Culver, Carol (Richard) Troester of Rancho Santa Fe, Calif. and Patricia (James) Mann of Naples, Fla.

Wayne was born on the family farm to Effie Janes (Finney) Kline and William Kline on July 21, 1915. Raised on the farm, he graduated from Culver High School in 1933 and continued his studies in agriculture through taking "short" courses at Purdue University.

Wayne married Ruth Ringer in 1937. Their marriage and love for each other continues to be a strength and inspiration for their extended family and those around them. Together, they raised three children and were devoted parents and, later, grandparents and great-grandparents. A farmer and dairyman through and through, Wayne worked hard throughout his life practicing modern farming techniques and he was always particularly proud of his Holstein dairy herd.



Throughout his life Wayne maintained a questing curiosity about the world around him. A devoted reader, Wayne could be found many evenings reading one of his cherished Louis L'Amour novels. His other hobbies included carpentry, fishing and fixing anything mechanical.

The Bible was never far from Wayne's side either. He was active in many church organizations. Through his youth and young adult years, he was a member of the Mt. Hope Church in Fulton County where he was active on the Church Board and was a Sunday School teacher. As an older adult, he and Ruth became members of Sunrise Chapel in Plymouth. Upon his retirement in 1980 to Ft. Myers, Fla., he became a member of the First United Methodist Church where he was active in the Church's Men's Club and worked in the Church Thrift Store for 18 years. Upon his return to the Culver area in his later years, he became a member of Wesley United Methodist Church. Wayne had an abiding, active faith and could always be counted on to lend a hand on a variety of church projects.

Wayne contributed to the community through lifelong involvement in a number of organizations. He was a member of the Marshall County Agriculture Board; Producers Livestock Board, a 4-H leader for 15 years; Chairman of the County Soil and Water Conservation Board and member of the Marshall County Farm Bureau Board. He was also a member of the Culver School Board and Building Committee and a member and past president of Culver Lions Club.

Four half brothers: Ralph, Walter, Guy and Whitney; and one half sister, Mildred preceded him in death. His legacy will live on and be remembered by six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren and the many extended family, friends and acquaintance whose lives he touched.

Memorials may be given to the Culver-Union Township EMS and Wesley United Methodist Church.

A time of sharing memories with the family will be held at the Wesley United Methodist Church, 511 School St., in Culver Monday, July 6 from 10 to 11 a.m. Rev. Larry Saunders will officiate a memorial service at 11 a.m. at the church. Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.bonineodom.com

The Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of the arrangements.

Birth

Easterday


Casey (Keiper) and Richard Easterday of Monterey announce the birth of a son born June 26, 2009 at 9:13 p.m. at Goshen General Hospital.

Owen Thomas Easterday weighed 9 pounds, 3 ounces and was 21 inches long.

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An appreciative farewell to Culver

I have really enjoyed my opportunity to share some thoughts with you over the years in periodic pastor columns. I deeply appreciate the openness of the *Citizen* to have the various pastors share their thoughts.



Pastor's Corner

By Fr. Glenn Khorman
St. Mary of the Lake
Catholic church

It is hard to believe that I have been in Culver for eight years. A few weeks ago I had been asked to move to another area of our diocese, the thing Catholics understand as the local Church. I would like to say that I have seen over these last eight years an increase in the collaboration of the diverse areas in our community. As we have just celebrated the birthday of our country, who can help but be grateful for the wonderful country in which we live? One thing that governed our founding fathers was the deep insight they had in understanding natural law. We all are equal. We are all one people, we have the same nature, we all want the same things and when we come to realize that, we can see each other in a new light. We all have different gifts and different insights and when we can work together we can make a great impact.

Pope Benedict in his recent book, *Jesus of Nazareth*, emphasizes the importance of the "Kingdom of God." Many have very diverse ideas as to what this means. One may seem to suggest that Jesus Christ will return and set up a centralized government that will whip into shape this morally depraved world. The other extreme may see it as a fanciful myth to think that such justice can ever come to pass.

The reality is that we have little control over those in power who seem to be motivated by keeping their own power, but we can, on a personal level, act with justice. Benedict recognizes that when we act justly, when we treat others with respect, when we personally lend a hand to our neighbor, we are helping those who encounter such generosity and kindness to experience the "Kingdom of God."

Don't underestimate the difference you can make in simply reaching out and helping those nearest to you. It is so easy to criticize the Culture of Death that pervades our society, a culture that now endorses and uses public funds to experiment on genetically complete humans, a society that has killed 51 million of its subjects since 1973 with one of the most liberal abortion laws in the world. Such laws will cause irreparable harm to our society, but if we personally respect life and do not encourage are participate in the killing, we will be contributing to the Culture of Life.

The thing I love most about the Christian faith is its deep and profound reverence for the human person; this reverence stems from the Christian's insight into the God-Man, Jesus Christ. If we truly can treat the most vulnerable among us as we would treat Jesus Christ Himself we will go a long, long way in letting others experience what is envisioned by the Kingdom of God.

We cannot change the world. It is hard enough to change our hearts, but with God's grace all things are possible. We can all be instruments of God's love and peace. Let us always strive to be agents of peace and reconciliation. Let us strive to help others recognize their great dignity and worth.

I personally want to thank all those in Culver who have made my years here in Culver so enriching. Know that you will always be in my prayers and I hope all of us can help others experience some aspect in the Kingdom of God as the result of our kindness and our good will towards them. May God indeed bless each and every one of you, and may we all come to a deeper understanding of the truth, not Fr. Glenn's truth, or even the Pope's truth, but rather *the* Truth, the Truth that will set us free and help us to know God's infinite and eternal joy!

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OPINION

Drug store memories: Mr. T's

Bedtime chats with my children invariably invoke cries of, "A story from when you were a little boy!" as perplexing as it is to me why these stories never get dull. But as I've mentioned before, they've provided a great opportunity, actually, to dig into parts of my childhood I'd more or less filed away years ago.

One night several months ago, in desperation to find a worthwhile recollection for them, Mr. T's drug store popped into my head, and I soon realized what an important part of my childhood -- and by extension, an important part of so many others' lives -- the place had been.

Now, we grew up literally a block from Culver's other

a very different place on several levels.

Describing it to my kids,



View from Main Street

By Jeff Kenney
Editor

the sheer aesthetic wonder of it was enough to fill a bedtime story. I can recall as if it were yesterday the sparkling clean glass of the front door which Michelle Allyn describes in the article this issue, but even more, the smells that assaulted the senses when one entered, from just the "clean" smell of the store, to the scents wafting south from the soda fountain, to the smell of boxed candies and fresh magazines.

For a boy of 4 to 12 years old, the colorful comic book rack just to the right of the door was a huge draw. It might sound cheesy, but I can, to this day, recall any number of the exact titles I bought there after perusing that rotating rack, and the joy I felt taking them home and pouring over them at the kitchen table soon after.

Of course, the soda fountain was the great attraction for practically everyone: that bright, red counter and those wonderful, spinning stools they had. Michelle didn't mention it, but I can only imag-

ine the number of times staff members had to ask youngsters to stop spinning madly around on those things.

As I recall, having a prescription filled at Mr. T's earned customers a free item from the soda fountain. Perhaps

it's the romance of youth, but I've found a place or two that still serve vanilla phosphates, yet none yet that rival the flavor of those at Mr. T's. And a few cynical folks might suggest job security motivated the "free ice cream cone at Mr. T's" certificates given youthful patients at Culver's long-time dentist in those days, but it doesn't matter. Those little slips of paper were great motivators for me to endure trips to the dentist, and I eagerly cashed them in.

And I, too, recall the arrival of Superman ice cream at T's: here was a treat of double import to a young boy: not only did it taste great and boast at least three flavors in one cone... it also was lent no small importance by the fact it was *Superman's* ice cream! Who could resist so many selling points in one flavor? It was a hit.

I was old enough, when the soda fountain went by the wayside, to be disappointed but not devastated. I do wish, today, the place were still around for my own kids: those wonderful, colorful murals of sailboats and Black Horse Troopers, and course all the treats available.

My mom was a loyal

customer at the store, so we visited frequently, and never was I bored. I recall for some reason our being stuck in there for what seemed an eternity -- waiting, undoubtedly, for a prescription to be called in on a busy day -- but my sister and I had a blast exploring all the items available, even the jigsaw puzzles, which more people (or at least my mother and grandmother) did in those days.

But most of all, I think Mr. T's was a place of great comfort for me. Whenever I was sick and required antibiotic or any other medication, Mr. T's was the first stop after the doctor's office. Mom always let me choose a comic book or magazine from the store's nice supply, and my magazine tastes, of course, reflected whatever my changing fancies were through the years.

Armed with my new reading material (and usually a bottle of ginger ale from T's), long, feverish or nauseated afternoons home from school were infinitely better. I swear I can remember virtually every magazine I bought under those circumstances, and they always made a bad situation better.

I even recall one freezing walk to school in those elementary days when I always walked to school. Shivering and half-numb, I hit on the idea of thinking of some place warm and comfortable to help ease the cold. I thought of Mr. T's: always bright, warm, and inviting, and full of great smells and great things to discover.

And you know what? It worked. I was pretty warm the rest of the way to school.



Members of the Culver High School marching band march in front of Mr. T's Main Street location in 1976.

drug store, Hook's (at the time; today, CVS), and one day I'll fill a column with reminiscence of the almost daily treks to that store of my youth. But Mr. T's was

Name that Culver "citizen"



At left: Last week's Mystery Citizen, Wayne Bean, then and now. Right: this week's mystery citizen.

A number of correct guessers win this week's prize (as always, the editor's undying admiration and free parking in downtown Culver, while supplies last) for correctly guessing last week's mystery citizen was none other than Culver's chief of police, Wayne Bean.

Catching up on the previous week's contest, Jim Taber also correctly guessed Sally Ricciardi; his entry came in after press time that week. A couple of folks said the hint (depending on your situation at any given moment, you may either be relieved or unhappy to see him coming your way) clinched it for them, while some just recognized him, even though he's only a wee bit older than the elementary age photo reprinted here. Winners included Julie Bess. Leroy Bean, Maggie Nixon, Lois Curtis, Carin Clifton, Tim McCarthy, and Cathy Keller.



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Library news

Book and film group meets August 5

The Culver-Union Twp. Public Library’s monthly program, “A Novel Approach,” will take place Wednesday, August 5 at 12:15 p.m. The book, “Girl with a Pearl Earring” by Tracy Chevalier, will be discussed and the movie of the same title screened at the library. The book club meets at the library's large meeting room, located downstairs by the computer lab. Participants may bring a bag lunch to the program; the library will provide coffee and tea. Barb Maves of the library’s Adult Services will host the program.

The book and film discussion group is mirrored after a popular program currently in its 24th season at the Stratford Public Library in Stratford, Connecticut. Participants are asked to first read the pre-selected book and then view its film version, which will be shown at the library. Discussion follows the movie. Copies of the book are available to check out at the Circulation Desk.

Following programs will be scheduled for the first Wednesday of the month. Registration is encouraged. A sign-up sheet is located at the front desk. Call the Culver Library at 574-842-2941 for more information or e-mail staff@culver.lib.in.us.

The library recognizes there are many book clubs throughout the area, but the library is the first to offer films to complement book discussions.

Daylilies are topic at Garden Club

The Culver-Union Twp. Public Library’s Garden Club will meet Wednesday, July 15, at 6 p.m. for a presentation by Phil Mallory, "Daylilies," with steps on how to hybridize daylilies. An open discussion will follow. The program is free and open to all; everyone is welcome. For more information, call the library at 574- 842-2941.

Gates named to Dean’s List at Grace

Winona Lake, IN – Nolan LeRoy Gates was named to the 08–09 spring semester Dean’s List at Grace College. Full-time students at Grace College who achieve a grade point average of 3.940 or above for any given semester and have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.3 are eligible to be named to the Dean’s List for that semester.

Gates, son of Carol Nusz of Silver Lake and Larry Gates of Culver, and a 2005 graduate of Culver Community High School, completed his studies at Grace College on May 9, graduating magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biblical Studies and Youth Ministries.

Grace College is an evangelical Christian liberal arts college which applies biblical values in strengthening character, sharpening competence, and preparing for service. The 165 acre campus is located in the historic resort community of Winona Lake, near Warsaw, Indiana. For more information visit www.grace.edu.



PHOTO/PAUL PARE

Leaving Mr. Rodgers’ neighborhood

Jake Rodgers, right, of Culver, begins collecting his first year’s uniform at Culver Academies Woodcraft Camp June 26 registration with his father, Brian (left) at his side. Jake, age 9, is one of over 1300 young people aged 9 to 17 from around the US and dozens of countries, to attend Culver’s summer camps this year. The school’s summer program began in 1902; the Woodcraft camp launched in 1912.

Program aims to help junior high aged girls

By Rusty Nixon
Correspondent

PLYMOUTH — It can be tough growing up, especially for junior high aged girls. That’s why Jami Holm is helping young women to take power in their lives with the Fitness Forum at the LifePlex’s free program Girls Have the Power. The program is designed to empower middle school and junior high age girls (age 11 to 14) toward a life full of accomplishment and good health by promoting positive choices, healthy habits, and physical activity for a life time.

The program was started 11 years ago by Meg Schneiders. Holm was involved with those beginning years helping to empower young women and has carried the program on for the last nine years herself.

Girls in the program train to participate in the Blueberry Stomp 5K race over Labor Day weekend. Some graduates of the program like Morgan Uceny, Alex Banfich and Morgan Hite, have gone on to distinguished running careers.

“We’re not just looking for runners or just girls involved with sports,” said Holm. “We want to reach out to girls who for some reason or another don’t get involved — either they can’t or logistically they can’t work it out.

Girls Have the Power meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. July 7 through August 13 at Fitness Forum Sports & Wellness at LifePlex. A celebration meal will be on Thursday, Sept. 3. The program is free to all girls who wish to participate. Call Fitness Forum at 574-936-2333 to sign up or for more information.

Community Calendar

Thurs., July 9
Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library
Rev. Joanna Wagner (Culver Academies chapelain), Kiwanis Club, noon, Culver Public Library
Culver Parks and Recreation board mtg., 7 p.m., town hall
Knights of Columbus St. Mary of the Lake Council #13720 social mtg, 7 p.m., rectory basement
Fri., July 10
Live music at Culver

Coffee Company’s Open Mic Night, 7 p.m., Culver Coffee Company, Lake Shore Drive
Sat., July 11
Carillon recital, 4 p.m., Culver Academies Memorial Chapel (see article this issue)
Woodcraft Camp Council Fire, 9 p.m., Council Ring
Live music at the Edge-water (see Brief this issue for details), 9 p.m., Edge-water Grille, Lake Shore

Drive
Sunday, July 12
Fr. Glenn Khorman farewell party, 11:30 a.m., St. Mary of the Lake church basement
Marshall County 4H Fair, through Saturday, July 18, Argos
Garrison Parade, 6:30 p.m., Culver Academies Parade Field
Mon., July 13
Yoga class, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library

Culver Redevelopment Commission mtg., 5 p.m., town hall
Knitting Class, 5 p.m., Culver Public Library
DivorceCare, 7 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ
Culver Community School board mtg., 7 p.m., administration building
Tues., July 14
Fitness class, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library
Culver town council mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall

Weds., July 15
Genealogy mtg., 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
Yoga class, 5:30 p.m., Culver Public Library
Euchre club, 6 - 8 p.m., Culver Public Library
Garden Club, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library
Free community meal, 6 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ
Thurs., July 16
Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library
Michael Doss, Culver

town manager at Kiwanis Club, noon, Culver Public Library
Culver Board of Zoning Appeals mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall
Knights of Columbus St. Mary of the Lake Council #13720 social mtg, 7 p.m., rectory basement
Reminder: Culver Lake Fest, All-Class Reunion, and Moonlight Serenade will take place over the July 17-19 weekend

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Lake Fest 2009 just one week away

‘Stars Over Lake Maxinkuckee’: Some highlights

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

With just over a week to go before the 26th annual Culver Lake Fest kicks off, Lake Fest committee president Mike Overmyer and treasurer (and Mike’s wife) Connie Overmyer shared with the Citizen some of the highlights of this year’s event easily overlooked (Glenn Patton is committee vice president and Shelli Dickey is secretary).

Help is needed

The festival committee are in great need of assistance, the Overmyers pointed out, from volunteers willing to help out at the event itself. Due to scheduling changes at other events around the county, help is needed for Lake Fest, primarily in the areas of tent setup Thursday evening around 5:30, information booth in two hour shifts during the festival, and tear-down after the event closes Sunday afternoon.

The committee is also seeking “new blood” to join in helping plan and execute the festival next year. The Lake Fest committee is comprised of about ten volunteers, and fresh assistance would be welcome, say the Overmyers.

Golf cart decorating contest

A brand-new addition to this year’s festival, the golf cart decorating contest, grew out of the committee’s observations of the growing number of golf carts in use during the summer in the Culver area – so many, in fact, that the town

of Culver has adopted an ordinance and licensing system for cart owners.

The contest, then, gives Culver’s many golf cart users an opportunity to have fun while helping support Culver’s depleted food pantry. A \$5 fee is charged for each entry, with decorated carts on display as the grand finale in this year’s Lake Fest parade (starting Saturday morning, July 18, at 10 a.m. near downtown). A panel of pre-selected judges will name winners following the parade.

Running and walking

The Lake Fest’s one-mile Fun Run (at 7:15 a.m. Saturday morning), five-mile run (7:30 a.m.), and two-mile walk (7:30 a.m.) aren’t new to the festival, but the Lake Fest committee hopes festival-goers will give these events a try if they haven’t recently. For the first time, applications for the runs and walk are available at the festival website, www.culverlakefest.com. The deadline to sign up and receive a t-shirt is approaching fast, so interested parties are encouraged to register right away. Trophies, ribbons, and medals will be awarded to top finishers.

Coffey is parade marshal

As most readers know by now, longtime Culver resident and retired Culver Community Schools nurse Sharon Coffey (profiled in last week’s Lake Fest in-



CITIZEN FILE PHOTO

Hundreds of Culverites jammed the streets despite pouring rain for last year’s Lake Fest parade, notes committee treasurer Connie Overmyer

sert, in the Culver Citizen and Pilot News) is the 2009 Lake Fest parade marshal.

Mike Overmyer says the festival committee comes up with four or five names each year as potential marshals and then votes for the final selection. People who make a difference in the community are targeted and Coffey, he points out, has “done a lot in Culver.” She will be a well-received parade marshal by the many lives she’s touched in the community.

LMax Bike Ride

The LMax Bike Ride is a new addition to the festival as of last year. This year’s ride takes place Sunday, July 19, with registration from 7 to 10 a.m. at the Culver Beach Lodge. The ride, says ride chair Greg Fisher, includes options to ride 10, 30, 63, and 100 miles. The 100-mile ride is particularly unique, as it’s the only one in Marshall County to take riders around five different lakes in the county.

Kids’ games

The Overmyers hope festival-goers don’t forget the plethora of Saturday kids’ games – for which everything is provided “except the frogs and turtles,” chuckles Connie – including the ping pong tournament (11 a.m. at the Beach Lodge), tube race (11:30 a.m. at the beach), penny find (1 p.m. at the beach), pedal tractor pull (1:30 p.m. at the train depot), turtle race and frog jumping contest (2 p.m. at the Beach Lodge), side-walk chalk etching (3 p.m. at the Beach Lodge), sand sculpture contest (3:30 p.m. at the Beach Lodge), watermelon eating contest (4 p.m. at the Beach Lodge), tricycle race (4 p.m. at the basketball court (tricycles are provided), and the limbo contest (4:30 p.m. at the

Beach Lodge). Culver park director Kelly young oversees the events.

Fireworks

Donations are being sought to defray costs of the festival’s beloved fireworks over Lake Maxinkuckee, a tradition for most of the quarter-century the Lake Fest has existed. Connie Overmyer admits the \$14,000 price tag seems like a lot of money, “but there’s something about a night on Lake Maxinkuckee with fireworks!”

Folks from Culver and well beyond seem to agree: a veritable ocean of riveted firework-gazers fills practically every square inch of the park each Saturday night of Lake Fest for the show, which is generated from a barge in the middle of the lake.

“People begin putting blankets down by 5 p.m. (to get a seat for the fireworks,” Connie adds. “Everybody swears by what wonderful fireworks they are.”

The committee needs about another \$3,000 to reach its goal. Renowned fireworks company The Mad Bomber from northwest Indiana is notified about a week before the festival of final numbers. Culver Academies provides the barge and the Culver Marina assists with the boat.

“A lot of people in our community work behind the scenes to make the fireworks happen,” Connie adds.

With this year’s festival theme being “Stars Over Lake Maxinkuckee,” Mike

notes the fireworks will include “some pretty neat effects” to accentuate the theme. Dean Norwich and Jean E. Overmyer are the committee’s fireworks chairpersons.

Other attractions

More details on Lake Fest offerings will appear in next week’s Citizen, but committee members point out this year’s burnout contest Sunday afternoon will take place one hour earlier than in recent years at 2 p.m., with registration also an hour earlier, at 11 a.m.

This year’s ski show is sponsored by Culver Academies and will include some local skiers amongst others.

Indiana’s Department of Motor Vehicles contacted festival organizers to offer a booth for renewal of driver’s licenses and plates, a welcome addition to the festivities which also provides a convenient service for those attending.

The Lion’s Club will provide breakfast both Saturday and Sunday the weekend of the festival, at 6 a.m. in the train station, and last year’s popular Fireman’s Water-ball contest takes place at 1:30 p.m. in front of the fire station.

“A lot of people in and around Culver help support this event,” says Connie Overmyer. “We saw that last year. Look at how many people stood out in the rain to watch (last year’s) parade, or ride in the parade. The town really does come together.”

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The last soda fountain

Remembering Mr. T's, secret chocolate syrup recipes, and the end of 101 years of a Culver tradition

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Few Culver residents with much longevity will have forgotten the summer (and year-round) pleasures offered at Culver's last functioning soda fountain and locally-owned drug store, from the refreshment of the ice cream and phosphates offered there, to sundaes made with the secret-recipe chocolate syrup owner Ron Tusing cooked up by hand in a hallowed pot he'd inherited from the store's previous owners. Tusing died in 1998, 35 years after taking over Culver City Drugs at 107 South Main Street in downtown Culver from Barrett Irvin, a pharmacy believed to have been at that location since 1897. Last year would have marked the fortieth since Tusing changed the pharmacy's name to Mr. T's Rexall Drugs, says Tusing's wife Kay.

"Mr.T's" journey began when he was 14 years old and began working for Charles Judd in the latter's drug store in Elkhart (Judd's was a popular chain in the area), where Tusing and future wife Kay grew up. "He used to whistle at me when he'd go turn the lights on (at Judd's)," recalls Kay with a smile. "I lived across the street from the store."

When Judd helped Tusing a bit in college, the young man was asked to work for Judd for three years in exchange.

Ron Tusing's three years were up in 1963, five years after he and Kay were married, she says, and that's when the couple purchased the store from Barrett and Lucile Irving.

"I had never even heard of Culver," recalls Kay. "When he first drove in by the park, he said, 'This is it!' I thought, 'Oh my God!'"

"I made up my mind I would get involved here (in Culver). Pretty quickly I felt right at home."

Michelle (Tusing) Allyn — owner and operator of today's Michelle's Headquarters across the street at 114 North Main Street in downtown Culver, says she was about two years old when her parents moved to Culver from Warsaw and bought the pharmacy.

"My first memories were that (my dad) would let us help -- my sister and I -- for a couple of hours at a time when we were young and in grade school. He would let us pick out merchandise... we were greeting customers, that sort of thing."

By age 12, Michelle was on the Mr. T's schedule, like older sister Cindy and

brothers Ryan and the late Todd. She recalls working the store's cash register by that age, her father stressing each employee must know how to make change and not rely on the register's "cheat" button. Another rule, she says, was if workers weren't busy, they should be dusting, straightening shelves, or cleaning: the front door, for example, had to be sparkling clean with not a fingerprint on it.

Michelle started her Mr. T's tenure at the downtown store, which she recalls was a high school hangout for many Culverites. "There are so many names and faces I remember that worked at the store and hung out at the store," says Michelle. "I know from downtown there was a couple that came to the funeral home (when Ron Tusing died) and had familiar faces. I asked if they had worked for my dad and they said no, they just hung out at the drug store. From the late 60s to 1998 when he passed away, they thought enough of him to come."

The downtown store, say both Kay and Michelle, still had the "big stone counter that had to have been there forever" (or at least from the store's many decades as Culver City Drugs), with a shining soda fountain and four tables set up for eating and drinking.

Michelle also vividly recalls the downtown pharmacy's sidewalk sales, for which she and her family sat outside for hours. Her father, she says, was adamant about employees' dress when at work, only allowing male employees (or children) to wear jeans when cleaning, a luxury not afforded to female employees at the time. One year during sidewalk sales,

Michelle protested. "I wore a sign that said, 'Mr. T is unfair to women!' He got a kick out of it; he liked the attention. It didn't get me real far."

Michelle also recalls a journey with her father during her sixth grade year to the corporate offices in Indianapolis of Hook's Drugs, rumored to be on its way to Culver, where two success-

and closing McKinnis' own store.

When Mr. T's moved to its longest-lasting and final location on Academy Road in 1977, a new soda fountain was constructed, with a memorable mural of Maxinkuckee sailboats and Black Horse Troopers on the wall behind (part of the mural today can be seen on the walls of the upper level of the Corndance Café in downtown Culver).

Mr. T's carried its downtown menu to the Academy Road location, Michelle notes. "I just remember making chocolate sodas, (and) we had eight to ten flavors we could all rattle off of the hard ice cream. My favorite things there were vanilla Cokes. And we had the chocolate phosphate with marshmallow topping; I can't think what they used to call it. We made cherry Cokes and chocolate Cokes...people tell me they still remember the Superman ice cream cones."

The Tusing mother and daughter both recall the joys of "after hours hot fudge sundaes" and other treats. "After you make them for people all day," Kay explains, "you get a yearning for them yourself!"

Ron Tusing's family didn't get to watch him make the "secret recipe" chocolate syrup he mixed up in a special pot hidden in the store basement, allowing the mixture to sit overnight. "The chocolate pot recipe definitely came from the (pharmacy's) previous owners," notes Michelle. "It was something he continued (which) they had done. As long as the fountain was going, he was mixing his own chocolate syrup."

Mr. T's soda fountain closed in the summer of 1985, ending a nearly 100 year old American tradition in Culver. Upkeep of the fountain's equipment, says Michelle, was no longer cost effective, and ingredients needed for Tusing's secret chocolate recipe were no longer available. Replacing the soda fountain and counter was an expanded greeting card selection, which Michelle says seemed to be the better business decision, though



CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

Top photo: Michelle Allyn, left, and Kay Tusing hold the mixing pot used by the late "Mr. T," Ron Tusing, in carrying on a secret chocolate syrup recipe used for 35 years at his drug store's soda fountain.

PHOTO COURTESY/KAY TUSING

Bottom photo: Tusing mixes the syrup in the same pot during the store's heyday, before the 1985 demise of its soda fountain.

ful (and local) drug stores were operating at the time. Hook's did, in fact, open a store in Culver (today's CVS Pharmacy) during the mid-1970s, but Michelle says "it worked out ok," though she says the chain store's arrival probably contributed to Rob McKinnis — then-owner of the former Rector's drug store on the east side of Main Street — partnering in the late 1970s with her father at his Academy Road store



PHOTO COURTESY/KAY TUSING

The Mr. T's logo, used for many years on the store's sign, was designed by Culver's Lois Curtis and meant to depict Ron Tusing.

there was "huge disappointment from people" at the fountain's closing.

Michelle says she visited a drug store elsewhere in Indiana and was pleased to find phosphates available, one of few occasions she's found such beverages any more. "I went behind the counter and they let me make a vanilla phosphate!" Besides medicines, Mr. T's, sold an array of items one expected to find in a quality drug store at the time, from Russel Stover and other candy, to magazines, puzzles, comic books, perfumes and gifts, and later photo development and liquor.

Kay and Michelle say well-known Culverite Lois Curtis designed the iconic Mr. T's logo used at the store and on medicine bottles and advertising materials. The cartoon pharmacist, says Kay, was meant to depict Ron Tusing, who wore his glasses and hair similar to the cartoon figure.

For 22 of Mr. T's business years, Kay was an aide at Culver Elementary School, though she helped at the drug store as well. "He used to tell people I was too independent," she laughs, "So I was a fill-in! He wanted everybody to be very strict on hours. If he posted hours, you had to be there."

Mr. T's offered more "old fashioned" services than just its soda fountain. "People could call him any time of the night," recalls Kay, for home delivery or pickup of needed medication.

"A couple of Thanksgivings," says Michelle, "the phone would ring after dinner and with a smile on his face he'd say, 'I've got to go save a life.' He definitely went above and beyond."

It was also Tusing's priority to be involved in the Culver community, say Kay and Michelle. He was a founding member of Culver's Jaycees, a member of the Chamber from his first

year here as well as its president on several occasions. He was a charter member of Culver's Kiwanis club as well as a member of Wesley United Methodist Church, running Culver's After-Prom for 15 years and sponsoring bowling and other teams in the area.

Ron Tusing's 1998 death was a shock, even though he had quietly tried to prepare his family for the inevitability, aware as he was of his own heart problems. The Tusings tried hard to find an independent entity to buy Mr. T's and keep it open, the cost of hiring someone to replace him as pharmacist too high. "I don't think any of us thought we would dissolve the drug store," says Michelle, who adds many of the pharmacy's goods and accessories went to the free clinic in Plymouth once it became apparent Mr. T's was closing for good.

"I think he instilled in all of us to live each day," says



PHOTO COURTESY/KAY TUSING

Ron Tusing, left, merged his store with that of longtime Culver pharmacist Rob McKinnis, right, in 1977.

Michelle of her father. "He practiced that; he enjoyed life."

"Anybody that was a customer, he appreciated them so much. They were his extended family. We've had many stories, after he passed away, from people saying, 'Oh, your dad came out at 2 a.m. to bring my child Tylenol.' Something real simple like that...it was not just prescriptions. You wouldn't find that ever again, I don't think."



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Hoosier Old Wheels on tour

Hoosier Old Wheels (HOW) recently took a tour around Lake Maxinkuckee in Culver. Pictured at left are two of the beauties on display near the Culver Academies. HOW is a group started in 1971 by people who wanted to show their love of old cars. HOW has many functions and activities throughout each summer, with highlights being the annual car show and swap meet, which will be held Sunday, Sept. 6 in conjunction with the Blueberry Festival in Plymouth. This year marks the 37th annual show and swap meet, which is held to assist HOW in donating to various charities, organizations and needy individuals. HOW meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Public Library in the Laramore Room.

LMEC shares mosquito safety tips

Mosquito Control Kathy Clark of the Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council shared some friendly reminder-oriented tips concerning mosquitos with the Citizen for readers headed out in the woods around Culver – or even just outside in the yard this summer.



ing on their own property:

1. Destroy or dispose of tin cans, old tires, buckets,

or in pet dishes for more than 2 days.

2. Clean debris from rain gutters and remove any standing water under or around structures, or on flat roofs. Check around faucets and air conditioner units and repair leaks or eliminate puddles that remain for several days.
3. Change the water in birdbaths and wading pools at least once a week and stock ornamental pools with top feeding predacious minnows. Ornamental pools may be treated with biorational larvicides under certain circumstances. Commercial products like "Mosquito Dunks" and

"Mosquito Bits" containing Bti can be purchased at many hardware/garden stores for homeowner use.

4. Eliminate seepage from cisterns, cesspools, and septic tanks.
5. Eliminate standing water around animal watering troughs. Flush livestock water troughs twice a week.
6. Check for trapped water in plastic or canvas tarps used to cover boats, pools, etc. Arrange the tarp to drain the water.
7. Check around construction sites or do-it-yourself improvements to ensure that proper backfilling and grading prevent drainage problems.
8. Irrigate lawns and gardens carefully to prevent water from standing for several days.

9. If ditches do not flow and contain stagnant water for one week or longer, they can produce large numbers of mosquitoes. Report such conditions to a Mosquito Control or Public Health Office. Do not attempt to clear these ditches because they may be protected by wetland regulations.

Some tips to help protect against adult mosquitoes are shown below.

Wear long sleeve shirts and pants outdoors during peak mosquito activity time periods.

Apply repellent sparingly only to exposed skin or clothing.

Keep repellents away from eyes, nostrils and lips: do not inhale or ingest repellents or get them into the eyes.

Avoid applying high-

concentration (30 percent DEET) products to the skin, particularly of children.

Avoid applying repellents to portions of children's hands that are likely to have contact with eyes or mouth.

Pregnant and nursing women should minimize use of repellents.

Never use repellents on wounds or irritated skin.

Use repellent sparingly; one application will last approximately 4-6 hours. Saturation does not increase efficacy.

Wash repellent-treated skin after coming indoors.

If a suspected reaction to insect repellents occurs, wash treated skin, and call a physician. Take the repellent container to the physician.

REAL Services menu

Those interested in sharing a meal at REAL Meals are asked to call Ruth Walker at the nutrition site (the Culver beach lodge) before 11 a.m. on the day before for reservations, at 574-842-8878. There is a suggested donation of \$3.50 for each meal.

Thursday, July 9: Fish, diced red potatoes with herbs, mixed vegetables, bun, grape juice, apple pie, and milk.

Friday, July 10: Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread and margarine, tropical fruit, and milk.

Monday, July 13: Apple Stuffed pork chopette, peas, wax beans, bred and margarine, fruit cocktail, and milk.

Tuesday, July 14: Ham and beans, pickled beets, cornbread and margarine, apple crisp, and milk.

Wednesday, July 15: Cheeseburger with pickle, applesauce, green beans, bun, juice, cookie, and milk.

Thursday, July 16: Sliced turkey, bun, mayo, sliced tomato, potato salad, fruit salad, vegetable barley soup, and milk.

Friday, July 17: Ham, cheesy mashed potatoes, stewed tomatoes, bread and margarine, pears, and milk.

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Khorman farewell party July 12

A farwell party and reception will be held for Fr. Glenn Khorman, pastor for the past eight years of St. Mary of the Lake Catholic church in Culver, Sunday, July 12, at 11:30 a.m. Khorman has been reassigned to another parish and will be leaving Culver later in July. Members of the public are invited to stop by and wish him well.

Second Century meets July 14

The next general meeting of the Culver's Second Century Committee will be Tuesday, July 14, at noon at the Culver Public Library. The public is welcome to at tend. The cost is \$9 and the meeting will be catered by Gladie's Deli.

Live music at Edgewater

The Edgewater Grille, 620 E Lake Shore Drive, will be hosting live musical performances this summer, including an Original Music Showcase Saturday, July 11 at 9 p.m., featuring The Gin Soaked Boys (folk/rock/blues) and The Splanchnic Ganglion (instrumental/progressive), both from Mishawaka, as well as Culver's own plankton (alternative/indie/rock). All events are free.

Culver High School All-Class Reunion

A Culver High School

All-Class Reunion will be held over the July 17-19 weekend, including an informal get-together Friday night, July 17, at the Edgewater Grille, located at 620 E Lake Shore Drive, with DJ/karaoke DJ Tim Prescott with casual attendance from 8 p.m. on. On Saturday, July 18, reunion organizers are asking everyone interested to participate in the annual Lake Fest parade entry, "Culver: Reunited," meeting at the corner of Slate and College streets at 9 a.m. The parade begins at 10 a.m. in the downtown shopping district and will end near the beach lodge. Saturday evening, the Marmont Grille will host entertainment for a social and dinner time from 5 to 8 p.m., in an open-house atmosphere. All food and drinks are the responsibility of the consumers. All are invited to stay to enjoy entertainment from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. at the Marmont, located at 530 S Ohio St.

Culver Kiwanis golf outing July 17

Culver's Kiwanis Club is planning its 12th annual golf outing to be held July 17 at the Mystic Hills Golf Course in Culver. Shotgun Start is 2 p.m. (registration starts at noon). Individuals: \$65; foursomes: \$260; hole sponsorships: \$150. Dinner and soft drinks will be provided at the awards ceremony, and there will be door prizes and chances to win hole-in-one prizes.

All proceeds benefit Kiwanis recipients. Contact Julie Bess at 574-216-4205 or jbindexing@gmail.com, or Dusty Henrick at 574-842-4280 to sign up your team.

Culver Basketball Skill Camp

There is still time to register for the Culver Basketball Skill Camp, to be held August 9-13. For the past five years, over 100 campers yearly have enjoyed NBA- and College-level instruction on the campus of the Culver Academies. Coaches Kevin Wilson, All-American, Detroit Pistons and University of Minnesota coach; Todd Landrum CBA, college and Minnesota Timberwolves coach; along with a group of former players and coaches, will be instructing on the courts of the five indoor gyms at Culver. Day Campers and Overnight Campers, both boys and girls ages 10-13, are welcome. Camp includes nearly eight hours daily of instruction, t-shirt, camp ball, camper evaluation, meals, swimming and lots of fun. Call Chet Marshall 574 842-8072 or email marshac@culver.org to sign up or for more information. Group and family discounts are available.

Sunfish Regatta sets sail July 18

The seventh annual Lake Maxinkuckee Sunfish Regatta sets sail Saturday, July 18. The all-ages, free event is hosted at the John Zeglis cottage at 1614 East Shore Drive on Maxinkuckee's

shores. The regatta will launch from the Zeglis pier with registration starting at 10 a.m., a skipper's meeting at 10:30, and the race kickoff between 10:45 and 11 a.m. The event will end by 2 p.m. More information may be obtained by emailing John Zeglis at john@jzeglis.com.

Dance competition new at fair

The Marshall County 4-H Fair will be having a new event this year of special interest to teens: a Dance Dance Revolution competition The dance contest weeds out participants using process of elimination. The competition will be held Monday, July 13 and Tuesday, July 14, from noon - 4 p.m. and Wednesday, July 15 from 2 - 4 p.m. The competition will be in the Open Class Building and is open to all ages. The station will also be open for those who wish to practice every day, as long as supervision is available.

Citizen contact info

Drop-off boxes for community news are located at the Culver-Union Township Public Library and the Culver Coffee Company on Lake Shore Dr. These boxes will be accessible during the locations' normal business hours.

Citizen editor Jeff Kenney may be reached at 574-216-0075. News can be sent by e-mail to: citizen@culcom.net.

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Lions Club news

In the photo above at left, the Culver Lions Club took into membership Lion Kevin Danti at the Lions’ regularly held June 24 meeting. Pictured with Lion Kevin are his sponsors, Lion Frank and Lioness Susan Elizondo. Interestingly enough, both Frank and Susan were elected, at this meeting, to the position of Membership Chairpersons. In the above photo at right: Lion Leroy Bean is in a construction mode as he and fellow Lion Larry Welsh took on the project of helping two Culver area households by constructing wheelchair access ramps. The Culver Lions Club provided the materials and Welsh and Bean provided the ingenuity, muscle and sweat to complete the projects. The residents were very appreciative and the Culver Lions Club extended a big “thank you” to Larry and Leroy for a job well done, or –in Lion language -- Bitem!



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ABOVE LEFT: A New Orleans-style jazz band led a procession of family and friends down Lake Shore Drive in a June 26 celebration of former Culverite Eddie Amond's life. ABOVE RIGHT: Bill Snyder, left, holds a painting of the late Eddie Amond rendered by an Indianapolis friend of Amond's while Bill Howard -- another friend of Amond's -- drives his golf cart during the Amond celebration parade.

Celebrating a Culver man -- as he'd have wanted it

The streets of Culver witnessed a “funeral procession” June 27 as few -- if any -- have been before as a throng of friends, family, and well-wishers honored the late Eddie Amond, who died this January, in a true celebration of his life. A New Orleans-style jazz band (brought in from South Bend by Greg Odom of the Bonine-Odom funeral home in Culver) led a procession from the funeral home down Lake Shore Drive to the town park, where food and more music greeted guests in a setting overlooking the longtime home of the beloved Mainkuckee tour boat which Amond helped his father, Captain Frank Amond, and other family members operate (see the June 11 *Culver Citizen* cover story for more). Those in the procession sported old-fashioned parasol umbrellas and brightly-colored balloons, as well as hand-held “fans” made from a well-known postcard of the boat. Friends and family had gathered at the funeral home for a succession of often-humorous stories and recollections of Amond’s life.

“He wanted a party,” Amond’s daughter, Kim Amond Wright told the Citizen, noting Eddie passed away at age 78 during a blizzard at his Indianapolis home. It’s safe to say he would have been pleased with the events of June 26.

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Culver BPA: slaying giants in Dallas

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Culver Community High School's Business Professionals of America has once again proved itself capable of slaying giants despite

move the event five weeks to its June date, complicating attendance for many schools and individuals across the country.

The change notwithstanding, CCHS' Mike

well," noted Schwartz.

Freshman Cameron Turney finished sixth in the Economic Research Project - Individual category, after qualifying for a second, finals round at the competi-

finished seventh in PC Servicing and Troubleshooting and also distinguished himself by having the highest score in the written portion of that test.

"It was both the scariest and probably the best thing to happen to me up to this point in my life," Arzola said.

Shannon Dunfee and Mark Maes served as part of BPA's Indiana voting delegation.

Schwartz thanked all who helped send the students – and chaperones – on the Dallas trip, which he says also included swimming, visiting downtown Dallas (including a trip to the site of John F. Kennedy's assassination), Six Flags, and meals at Billy Bob's (the "world's largest Honky Tonk") and Benihani's Japanese restaurant.

Schwartz added special thanks to CCHS Assistant Principal Tom Corey, who filled in for Schwartz's wife Donna at the last minute. Schwartz says he had New York commitments June 20, and Corey took the students to the BPA awards and flew them home June 21.

"My wife and I worked a work camp with 400 students the following week," adds Schwartz. "I was glad to be home after the long, 17-day ordeal."



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Culver Community High School's Business Professionals of America sent eight students to the BPA national competition in Dallas, Texas, in June. Pictured above are, front row, left to right: Cameron Turney, Shannon Dunfee, Kalie Thompson, Nick Arzola, and Gavin Norton. Back row, Ben Haut, Mark Maes, and Myles Pinder. Arzola, Pinder, Thompson, and Turney placed in the top ten in their respective competitions, beating out others from across the US.

Culver's small stature, as evidenced by the group's latest, stellar performance at the BPA National Competition in Dallas, Texas, June 17.

This year's national event – comprised of participants placing in top percentages of their respective areas of competition in regional and state events over the past school year – was an unusual one. Due to fears of "swine flu" outbreaks leading up to the originally scheduled BPA Nationals in May, BPA officials opted to

Schwartz – BPA sponsor for the school -- accompanied eight students, whom he challenged to take advantage of the inevitably reduced fields of competition.

The students responded, with four Culver students finishing in the top 10 in their individual contests, according to Schwartz. He added only Plymouth had more top 10 finishers in Dallas (with a total of five) than Culver, out of the entire state of Indiana.

"So I'd say we did really

tion. Turney said she was "insanely surprised" to have made it to finals.

Senior Kalie Thompson finished sixth in Basic Office Systems and Procedures, while Myles Pinder – a senior who also had to qualify for a second, finals round, finished ninth in Interview Skills.

The trip was doubly challenging for senior Nick Arzola, who is afraid of heights and had never flown before. The college-bound Culver-Union Public Library computer lab technician

Carillonneur from Naperville to play at Culver July 11

On Saturday, July 11, Tim Sleep will present a guest recital on the series at the Culver Academies. Sleep is City Carillonneur of Naperville, Illinois, where he plays the formidable 72-bell Millennium Carillon. He is a national officer in The Guild of Carillonneurs in North America and is active as an organist at two churches in Naperville. He is a former student of Wylie Crawford (Chicago) and John Gouwens.

Sleep's recital will open with a transcription of "Prelude in c#-minor" by Sergei Rachmaninoff. The program will include two pieces by John Courter of Berea College, a leading composer of carillon music in the US today. An unusual work on the program is the "Sonate" by former University of Chicago carillonneur Daniel Robins.

The music of Ronald Barnes will play a prominent role in the recital, with selections from his substantial "Serenade II for carillon" as well as work, "A Carillon Concerto for Two to Play." Academy Carillonneur John Gouwens will join Sleep on the carillon bench for this work as well as for a duet arrangement of J.S. Bach's popular "Sheep May Safely Graze." Also included is a piece by Karel Keldermans, City Carillonneur of Springfield, Illinois.

The program will also include a set of variations by Mauro Giuliani on a theme from Mozart's opera The Magic Flute, and the other is a "Sonatine" by Filippo Gragnani. A waltz by Romanian composer Iosef Ivonovici, arranged by Sleep, will add a delightful, light touch to the program.

As usual, a tour and demonstration of the carillon will follow the recital. The program is open to the public, free of charge. In the event of rain, the public will be allowed into the tower during the recital. Additional recitals are scheduled for the following Saturdays at 4 p.m.: July 18 and 25; August 1; and September 5. All of these will be played by John Gouwens.

McLochlin memorial run August 1

By Rusty Nixon
Correspondent

PLYMOUTH — A man who had an influence in the life of everyone he met will continue to do so, even in death.

On Aug. 1, the third annual Memorial 5K to honor Sgt. Maj. Jeff McLochlin will start at the Young Amphitheater in Centennial Park, Plymouth with registration at 7:15 a.m. The run honors the former Plymouth Police Officer who died while serving his country in Afghanistan. He died on July 5, 2006 while conducting combat operations.

"It always just impresses me so much whenever we have the run, talking to all the soldiers who served with Jeff," said Madeline Johns, who along with McLochlin's widow Nic-holle helps to organize the annual charity event. "It just seems that he had such a deep effect on everybody he met."

Jeff McLochlin joined the United States Army in August 1986. He served on active duty with the Army's elite 75th Ranger Battalion until May 1990. Jeff served in Operation Just Cause, December 1989, where he parachuted into Panama to conduct combat operations. After his active duty career Jeff joined the Indiana Army National Guard and was deployed to Desert Shield-Desert Storm.

In January 2004 Jeff deployed to Bosnia Herze-govina and made his final deployment to Afghanistan in October 2005.

His many awards in-clude the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, five Army Commendation Medals, three Army Achievement Medals, Ranger Tab, Combat Infantry Badge with Star, Expert Infantry Badge and Parachute Badge with Bronze Star.

An avid runner, friends organized the Memorial run as a tribute to their friend with all proceeds going to charity.

"He had a way of making everybody around him feel safer," said Johns.

"One of the best parts of the run is getting together with all the people who knew Jeff and sharing about him."

Entry forms can be picked up at the Plymouth Fire Department, the Rochester Police Department, the Fulton County Sheriff's Department, the Wellness Center in Rochester, Country Lanes Bowling in Rochester, and KLC Design in Rochester.

Questions can be directed to 574-935-3797, maddymaddyi@embarqmail.com or visit www.myspace.com/jeffmclochlinmemorialrun.

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Culver’s dive team in action

TOP PHOTO: Culver-Union Twp. Volunteer Fire Chief Mike Grover (far left) emerges from Lake Maxinkuckee alongside firemen (from left to right) Walt Hanselman, Jerry Siler (with back to camera), and Denny Morrison, after the four donned wetsuits and entered the water off Edwards Lane on the lake’s east shore June 26 in order to retrieve large chunks of manmade concrete debris long causing damage to boats in the area. They are joined here by Vincent Carnegie, right, of Carnegie Towing in Plymouth, who donated the services of his truck and staff to pull the debris from the lake.

BOTTOM PHOTO: Fire department divers assist in removing debris with help from the department’s rescue boat and a crew consisting of (at end of boat, left to right) Bryce Lindvall, Tim McCarthy, Pete Pederson, and Dave McKee. Tyler Master, at rear, is driving.

The effort was the result of efforts by the Lake Maxinkuckee Association. The fire department was awarded a \$3,000 grant from the Marshall County Community Foundation’s Vonnegut fund towards costs of new diving suits and equipment for its dive team, which now consists of ten divers total (six newer divers and four members of the original team from several years back), according to Grover.

Initial inspection of the site by firemen took place last November, with work delayed due to weather and in preparation for Indiana Department of Natural Resources approval, according to Jane Grund of the Lake Association. Lake Patrol boats assisted in the effort, as did other firemen operating the fire department’s rescue boat. The June 26 effort coincided with the dive team’s regular practice dive.

The Lake Association and Carnegie are each giving \$500 towards the fire department’s fund to construct a new fire station building, Grund added.

Sports

CMA’s Weddington part of American Legion double-header

By James Costello
Sports Editor
PLYMOUTH — While Tiger Woods proved he was back at full strength at the AT&T National, Post 27 pitcher Tyler Shook was throwing himself his own little comeback party Sunday.

the plate with it so they had to go after it... It was nice to see. It was the Tyler Shook of old.

“They’ve got everything up and down the lineup. They hit really well and looking up there going into that seventh inning and seeing that Tyler only had two

straight game without 2009 All-Star shortstop Brandon Elliott, but the defense didn’t miss a beat with just one error in the double-header.

Plymouth also got a strong offensive performance throughout the order with 13 hits in the second game, including eight in the fourth and fifth innings as the hosts broke the game open with five runs.

During the opener, Hammond took the early lead off a first-inning solo homer from Boss, who went yard to put Post 168 up 1-0 in the first inning of both games Sunday.

Plymouth swapped leads with a two-RBI double to deep center from Bowers in the fourth, and Hammond responded with three runs in the fifth to retake a 4-2 lead over the hosts.

But it was Post 27 that laughed last with four hits for three runs in the fifth.

Cornett and Solis ripped back-to-back singles, and Wottring reached on a fielding error by pitcher Neil Koricanac. Howe took a 2-2 pitch to center-right to score both Cornett and Solis and Wottring scored

on a costly throwing error to bring the margin to its final.

Byerly threw six innings, giving up nine hits and four runs while striking out six in the first game. Jordan Kistler got the save with two out and a runner on first in the top of the seventh, courtesy of a nice running catch by Cornett in deep center on a fly from Summers.

Plymouth improves to 14-3 with Sunday’s wins, while Hammond drops to 10-3. The eams have some history together after Hammond handed Post 27 its

first loss at the Plymouth Regional last season en route to the tournament championship. Hammond was later pulled from the state series due to an IH-SAA ruling that required the team to either drop seven Lake Central players from its roster or bow out of the state tournament, which Post 168 players, in a show of solidarity, opted to do.

The regional rivals may see one another again this year if both win their respective sectional tournaments.

• PLYMOUTH POST 27 5, HAMMOND POST 168 4 (Game one)

At Bill Nixon Field
Hammond: 100 030 0 — 4 9 3
Plymouth: 000 230 x — 5 9 1
Neil Koricanac (L) and Brett Keeler; Chase Byerly (W), Jordan Kistler (7, Save) and Mo Weddington
2B: Keeler, Marc Bowers (P), Jake Bloom (P)
HR: Ryan Boss (H)
• PLYMOUTH 6, HAMMOND 2 (Game two)
Hammond: 100 000 1 — 2 4 0
Plymouth: 100 410 x — 6 13 0
Eric Summers (L), Jacob Harrison (5) and Kuroki; Tyler Shook (W), Brett Houlihan (7, Save) and Cody Bucher
2B: Brett Keeler (H), Jake Bloom (P), Steve Cornett (P)
HR: Ryan Boss (H)
Records: Plymouth Post 27 14-3, Hammond Post 168 10-3



PHOTO BY JAMES COSTELLO

Culver Military’s Mo Weddington catches a foul pop-up during the first game of an American Legion doubleheader Sunday at Bill Nixon Field in Plymouth.

Following a bumpy return to the mound against South Bend Post 50 last Tuesday, Shook was back to his former self Sunday, throwing a four-hit, two-run gem as Post 27 topped 2008 Plymouth Regional champion Hammond Post 168 6-2 in the second game of a doubleheader, following up an earlier 5-4 win over the visitors at Bill Nixon Field.

“He stayed ahead and forced them to be aggressive at the plate,” said Post 27 head coach Tony Plothow. “He had his curveball and slider working today, and he was around

hits and giving up two runs, that’s quite an accomplishment. We knew he was on and (Chase) Byerly did a good job the first game so we were happy with our pitching performances today.”

“For whatever reason, we struggled at the plate,” said Post 168 head coach Jim Robinson. “We came in hitting the ball really well. I thought this was one of the best hitting teams we’ve had in a number of years, and give their pitchers credit. They shut us down, especially that second game. We couldn’t do anything.”

It was Plymouth’s third

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