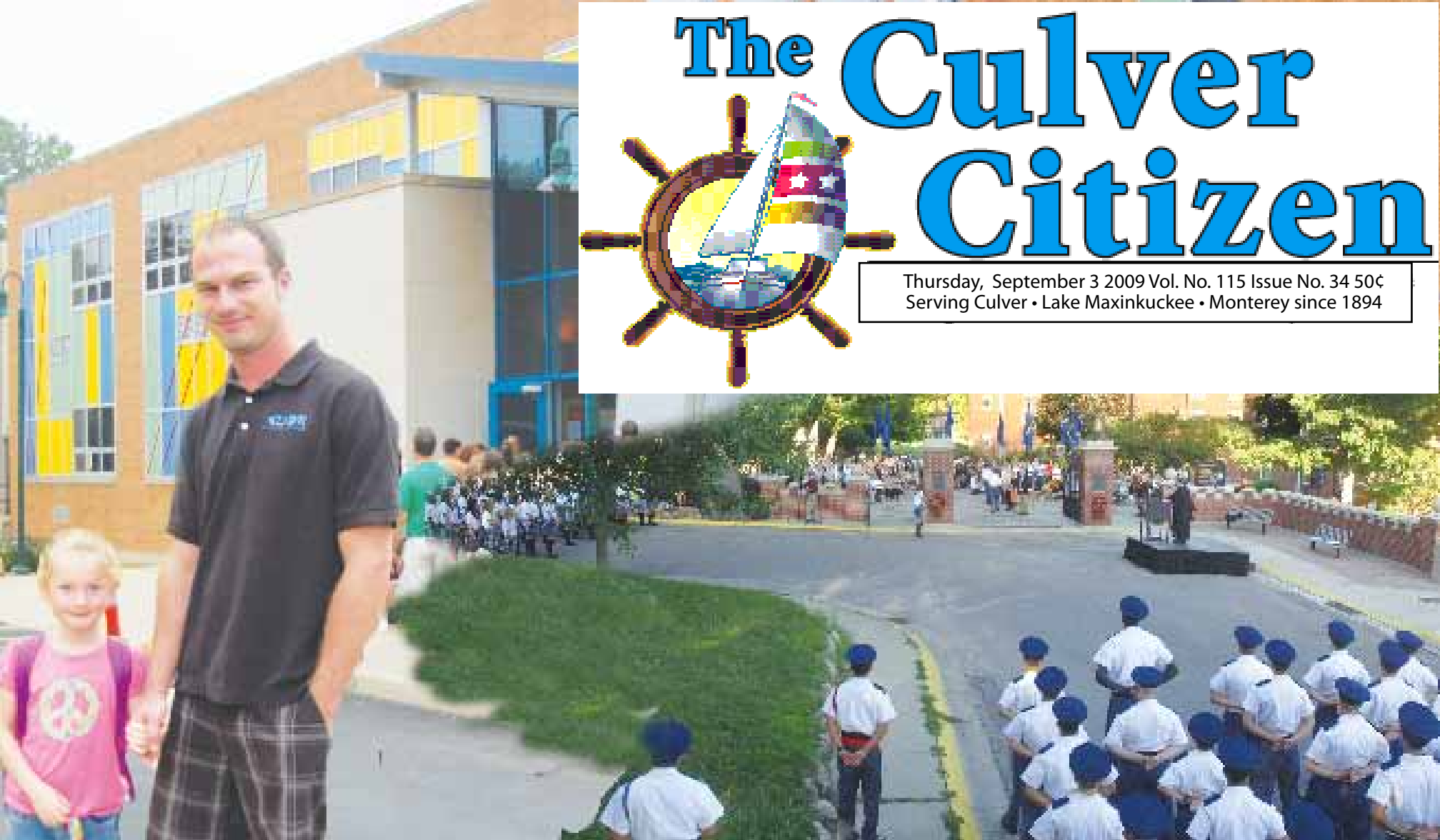


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## In Brief

### Boys & Girls Club closed Labor Day

The Culver Boys & Girls Club will be closed Monday, September 7 for Labor Day and will re-open Tuesday, September 8 from 3 p.m. to 6:50 p.m. Those interested in learning more about CBGC are welcome to call 574-250-0103.

### LMax film fest Labor Day weekend

Culver's second annual Lake Maxinkuckee Film Festival will take place Saturday, September 5 in the town park and Uptown Cinema on Lake Shore Drive. Featured will be a day of movies, food, live entertainment, and a feature film in the park. A continuous showing of films at the Uptown Cinema will begin at 10 a.m. Food, an ice cream social and live entertainment at the park will begin at 6 p.m., followed at dusk by the film "The Music Man," which can be enjoyed in your favorite lawn chair. Admission is a donation to "The Gift of Warmth," one or more new or lightly worn, clean items of winter wear for school age children (mittens, scarves, jackets, coats), which will provide warmth to children within the four-county Culver Community School district. Last year the event received \$1,655 in donations, \$3,950 from sponsors and approximately 600 pounds of clothing from attendees. After expenses, and with some funds being held in reserve to help with this year's expenses, last year, \$2,500 was donated for heating bills and to recipients in the Culver school system.

### Culver holiday committee formed

The town of Culver is forming a holiday committee to assist in facilitating Culver's holiday decorations this holiday season. Individuals and organizations are encouraged to contact the town via the town hall, 200 E. Washington Street in Culver, or 574-842-3140 to learn more and get involved.

### Community meal at Grace Sept. 15

Grace United Church of Christ will hold its monthly community meal on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at 6 p.m. All are invited to this free, ecumenical event whose pur-

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## Culver students hit the books

Culver Community Schools and Culver Academies opened recently and are in full swing. ABOVE, LEFT\*: Sophia Heath -- accompanied by dad Jeff -- prepares to enter Culver Elementary School for her first day of kindergarten August 17, flanked by crowds of other students, new and returning. Sophia, also the daughter of Alison Gaskill, happens to be the granddaughter of Culver schools superintendent Brad Schuldt. ABOVE, RIGHT\*\*: New Culver Academies students line Academy Road waiting for their name to be called, so they can enter the campus through the Logansport Gate. The annual matriculation ceremony welcomes students to campus and also gives them a brief history lesson on service to others by describing how the cadets helped the City of Logansport during the 1913 flood. The people of Logansport gave the gate to Culver as a thank you gift. This year, Logansport Mayor Michael E. Fincher was in the receiving line to welcome the students.

# Lake Max film fest returns this weekend

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

For the second year in a row, Culver's Uptown Cinema and town park -- both on Lake Shore Drive -- will play host to a roster of films and live entertainment Friday and Saturday, and once again all in the name of "the gift of warmth," keeping area children and families warm via donations of new and used coats and other winter attire, and assistance with heating bills for those in need.

The second annual Lake Maxinkuckee Film Festival,



CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

This giant screen in the park will host "The Music Man" this weekend.

which is held each Labor Day weekend, begins with a gala evening for event patrons and sponsors this Friday, September 4 starting with a 6 p.m. "Meet and Greet" followed by a 6:45 p.m. showing of the movie "Hairspray" at the Cinema, as well as dinner and music following the movie. Clothing collection will take place Saturday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Gently used jackets, coats, scarves, and mittens will be distributed to children in the Culver Community School district which encompasses four townships in four counties. Those without clothing to donate may make a cash donation of any amount, which will be used to defray heating costs for families in need in the same area. Clothing or monetary donations alike allow guests entrance to Saturday's events.

As Uptown Cinema owner and Lake Max Film Fest founder Dan Bickel told the Citizen prior to last year's festival, the event grew from a longtime goal of Bickel's to host an independent film festival in the Culver area. Dick Dugger of Culver, well-known in the area for his charitable endeavors in the area of nutritional development in Africa through the amaranth grain, approached Bickel with the "gift of warmth" idea, eventually contacting Culver's John Zeglis to help make the event take shape. Along-

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## Film festival schedule at a glance

### Saturday, Sept. 5

10 a.m. - 10 p.m.: Clothing collection, Uptown Cinema and town park

### Movies at the Uptown Cinema:

12:15 a.m. "Dark Ride" (rated R), produced by Cinema owner and festival co-organizer Dan Bickel

10 a.m. "Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs" (rated PG), popular 2009 animated feature

12:30 p.m. "Man on Wire" (rated PG-13)

4 p.m. "That Evening Sun"

6:30 p.m. "Lonesome Jim" (rated R; drama shot in Cromwell, Indiana)

### In the town park

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.: picnic

6 p.m. - 9 p.m.: Live entertainment featuring Kevin Foley

Culver Community High School's Jazz Street choir

Quentin Flagg

Culver Academies Band and Choir

Academies faculty jazz group Best Kept Secret

Mike Overmyer and Friends

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.: Additional fun in the park including a clown, popcorn, cotton candy, an ice cream social, carriage rides, and more.

9 p.m. Feature movie under the stars (at the town park): "The Music Man" (rated G, 1962 classic musical).

Admission cost: Solely a donation of new or lightly worn, clean school-age clothing or a monetary donation to defray the cost of heating for area families.

## Newly launched site seeks to bring together all things Culver -- digitally

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

A number of local service organizations and public entities have long lobbied for a consolidated base for shared community information and events which seeks to tie together goings-on in the town of Culver, Culver Academies, and Lake Maxinkuckee facets of the overall community. Culver's Second Century Committee, among other entities, have recognized the great need for such a service and examined the Internet as an ideal venue for such an endeavor.

Enter Elizabeth Ballew (maiden name Button) and [www.maxinkuckee.com](http://www.maxinkuckee.com).

The website isn't new; in fact, it's been around since 1999 when Ballew, whose family have been summer residents in Culver since 1951, began work on the site as a hobby.

"It all started with my husband (Chip)," says Ballew. "He was working for RCI and later started a website called

Timeshares.com in the early days of the internet. Eventually I started working with him on the website and we were able to make it a full-time business. It was an informational website providing education to the consumer."

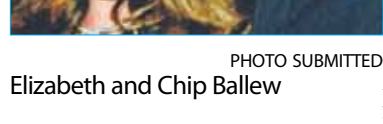


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Elizabeth and Chip Ballew

couple's enjoyment of the Culver community.

"I just love Culver," she says. "(The website) also became a nice tool to have when we are here. Anytime we need to look up a phone number to order pizza or whatever we just go to Maxinkuckee.com. It is all right there. I have found that when I am looking for information on the internet and there is no one portal then that is an opportunity to build one. I also learned from my years spent working with my husband that you need to collect as much information as possible and do it for free. We had free classified ads on Timeshares.com just like now on Maxinkuckee.com. What this does is keep people coming back to the website and it builds content. People are looking for complete information."

And while it may be an impossible task to completely tie together so many complex and sometimes unadvertised components as the sum total of Culver's many sub-communities offer, Maxinkuckee.com goes a long way towards that end.

The newly-redesigned site, Ballew notes, aims to offer locals as well as guests to the community "a one-stop Culver website."

"A person can come to Maxinkuckee.com and check the weather, community calendar, movie offering, Culver Community High School's sports schedule, write a restaurant review, get phone numbers, check news from the li-

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E-mail: [citizen@culcom.net](mailto:citizen@culcom.net)

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brary, national and South Bend news, and read the Culver Citizen. “We have been working diligently to pull all information Culver related together in one place and added functionality such as our free classified ad system,” she adds.

One handy development in online technology in recent years, RSS feeds, vastly expand the site’s ability to inform its readers. RSS -- usually translated as “Really Simple Syndication” or “Rich Site Summary” -- feeds allow readers to sign up for news updates as soon as they’re available, delivered immediately to the reader. Maxinkuckee.com makes use of several existing RSS feeds, such as those added earlier this year to the Culver Public Library’s website, and has contributed some of its own in the form of a community calendar Ballew is working to keep up-to-date with community happenings.

“We want to keep the public as up to date as possible,” she explains. “RSS Feeds are a great way for businesses and organizations to broadcast their message and control their own content while reaching our audience.

The website also has added a Facebook page and suggests using Facebook as an easy way to create an RSS Feed.

The site, Ballew notes, has come to act as a sort of “convention and visitors’ bureau for a town that doesn’t have one,” and she hopes the new design will enhance the site’s usability for Culver residents as a source of information, a portal at which to begin and dig into information contained on the many local websites linked -- or used as sources via RSS feeds -- from Maxinkuckee.com.

Two important means of facilitating the site’s success as a community tool include its frequent use by any and all concerned with all things (or anything!) Culver, which also aids in the success of local advertisers on the website; of equal import is the sharing of news and information with Ballew from the community itself.

“I hope people will start coming to me with information they would like to see on the website,” says Ballew. “One rule I have is that it needs be Culver related in some form or have value to someone living in

or visiting Culver. I have my ‘Day Trips’ page and golf page that list places outside Culver, but they have value for the visitor that is staying in Culver. I want to promote Culver businesses so I generally use the ‘842’ phone exchange and the 46511 zip code as a guide when deciding what businesses and organizations to list.”



A screenshot from the Maxinkuckee.com home page.

She’s quick to add the above is only a guideline for her, however, and not “set in stone.”

Ballew says she’s excited about the traffic to the website and length of time some visitors spend there. “We had seven visitors from Warsaw the other day average around nine minutes each on the website,” she points out. “Someone from the Indiana Department of Education spent about 10 minutes here. That is an enormous amount of time in the internet world, when time averages are usually

measured in seconds.”

The recent redesign of the site, says Ballew -- who also designed the Gladie’s Deli site at www.gladiesdeli.com -- occurred after traffic picked up there of late. Noting Maxinkuckee.com has “fantastic search engine placement,” she says she studied other resort communities’ websites such as Lake Tahoe, Saugatuk, Michigan, Hilton Head, Amelia Island, and many others, finally patterning the new design loosely after Newport Beach, California.

“I started in June with a blank page and have been working on it every day since. I still have more I want to offer, some in the works, and it will be constantly evolving.”

The new design includes a number of areas to explore, from real estate and “where to stay,” to community businesses and happenings, churches, events, fishing, and more. It’s clearly a labor of love for Ballew, who grew up summering here. “I am a resident in the summer as I spend about two months here every year,” she notes. “I am not a weekender. They have to come and drag me away!”

For additional information contact Elizabeth Ballew at info@maxinkuckee.com or visit www.maxinkuckee.com.

## Festival from page 1

side a committee of several in the community -- including Judy Sawhook, who this year handled publicity for the festival -- the group formed Lake Maxinkuckee Film Festival, Inc.) as a 501-c3 non-profit organization and the festival began to generate buzz which culminated in last-year’s successful event, bringing together a park full of residents from Culver’s various communities for a day and evening of charity, entertainment, and fun.

This year’s event follows the same pattern, including a mix of popular films for the entire family (such as this year’s “Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs”), an acclaimed independent film (“Man on Wire,” last year’s film about French wire walker Philippe Petit and his walk between the Twin Towers in New York), movies with local and regional interest (Bickel himself produced 2006 “creature feature,” “Dark Ride,” besides 2009’s “That Evening Sun” starring Culver Academy alum Hal Holbrook and “Lonesome Jim,” a 2005 film shot in Cromwell, Indiana). Those films will be screened throughout Saturday at the Uptown Cinema (see schedule this page), and the festival will culminate in what’s sure to be a popular feature: a screening, on the giant screen outdoors in the town park (as was used for last year’s event) of the 1962 musical classic, “The Music Man,” which also allows Culverites a chance to collectively revisit the same story brought to life onstage earlier this summer by the ever-popular Maxinkuckee Players. Attendees should plan to bring their own chairs for “The Music Man,” which begins at 9 p.m.

Leading up to the outdoor movie, from 6 to 8 p.m. will be a picnic in the town park accompanied by live entertainment up to 9 p.m. by local bag-piper Kevin Foley, Culver Community High School choir group Jazz Street, oldies performer Quentin Flagg, the Culver Academies band and choir, Academies faculty-comprised jazz group Best Kept Secret, and Mike Overmyer and Friends. Also on hand will be a clown, popcorn, cotton candy, an ice cream social, carriage rides, and more.

Organizers say over 400 people attended last year’s event, and they hope to double attendance this year. That’s a possibility which will not only serve to repeat last year’s community-unifying festival and is sure to warm area hearts as well as bodies as winter looms in the not-too-distant future.

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## Obituary

### Jack B. Spencer

Oct. 27, 1923 — Aug. 24, 2009

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Jack B. Spencer, 85, passed away Aug. 24, 2009 in Phoenix, Ariz. He was born Oct. 27, 1923 to John and Vivian Spencer in South Bend. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII and graduated in 1952 from Purdue University. He was a member of El Zaribah Shrine in Phoenix, Ariz. and of the Realtors Association. He owned and operated a plumbing and heating shop in Culver until 1972, then moved to Phoenix, Ariz. where he was a real estate broker until his retirement.

Survivors include his wife, Madge Spencer; sister, Joan Heaton of Tipton; daughter, Barbara (Paul) Patterson of Hebron; son, John Spencer of Dandridge, Tenn.; five granddaughters: Rebecca (Jarrett) Wanner, Sara (Nathan) Frankovich, Margaret (Kristopher) Patterson, Michelle (Dewey) Hester, Crystal (Jose) Boomhower; three great-granddaughters: Brynn Marie Frankovich, Elena Hester and Isabelle Wanner.

Graveside memorial services will be held Sept. 12, 2009 at noon in St. Joseph Valley Memorial Park, Granger.

Memorial contributions maybe made to: Parkinson National Parkinson Foundation.

### Marjorie Ferrier

July 25, 1913 - Aug. 19, 2009

PLYMOUTH — Marjorie E. Ferrier, 96, of 635 Oakhill Ave., Plymouth, passed away at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 19, 2009, at Miller's Merry Manor, in Plymouth.

Marjorie was born July 25, 1913 in Culver to Elza and Helga (Joe Hansen) Hawkins. Marjorie and Charles Ferrier were married on March 15, 1936. Marjorie had been employed by the Culver Citizen. She retired from McGill's, in Culver, as a secretary in 1981.

Marjorie is survived by her daughter, Tina and James Hopple of Plymouth, her grandsons, Craig and Hillary Hopple of Plymouth and their children Hanna, Hayden and Halle Hopple, Chad and Marcella Hopple of Plymouth and their children Emily and Calvin Hopple, and her granddaughter, Yvonne and Chad Watkins of Plymouth and their daughter Regan Watkins.

Services for Marjorie were held Friday, Aug. 21 at 1 p.m. at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, with the Rev. Denise Anderson officiating.

Burial was in the Culver Masonic Cemetery.

A time of visiting with Marjorie's family was held Friday, Aug. 21 from noon until time of service at 1 p.m., at the Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

The family requests that memorial contributions be given to the donor's choice.

Friends and family are invited to sign the guest book and share memories of Marjorie with her family at [www.vangilderfuneralhome.com](http://www.vangilderfuneralhome.com)

## Pending death notice

**Marie Orangias**  
Aug. 30, 2009

ROCHESTER — Marie Orangias, 84, of Culver, died Sunday, Aug. 30, 2009 at her daughter's home in Rochester. Arrangements are pending with Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

## Anniversary

Roger and Barbara Paxton of Grovertown will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a family dinner Sunday, Sept. 6 at the Heston Supper Club, LaPorte. They were married Sept. 6, 1959 at the Church of the Brethren, Plymouth.

Their children are: Scott (Christie) Paxton of Goshen and Jeffery Paxton of South Bend. They also have two grandchildren.

Roger is retired from Haas Concrete. Barbara is retired from Wells Aluminum.

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## Death notices

### Warner

**David G. Warner**  
Feb. 28, 1937 - Aug. 12, 2009

CLEVELAND, Ga. – David George Warner, 72, of Cleveland, Ga. died Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2009 while away on a trip to Appleton, Wis.

He was born Feb. 28, 1937 to George C. and Ruth M. (Suter) Warner of Culver who preceded him in death. He was graduated from Culver High School in 1955.

He married Mary Katherine Unger June 15, 1957 in Culver. He is survived by his wife Katherine of Cleveland, Ga. and five children: daughter Janet R. of Loganville, Ga.; and sons: James M. of Reidsville, Ga., David B. (Angel) of St. Charles, Ill., Larry J. of Norcross, Ga., and Mark A. (Gina) of Washington, DC; sisters: Marian R. (Dell) Kepler of Deltona, Fla., E. Elaine Handschu of Marion, Jean E. (Arthur) Banks of Reston, Va.; and 13 grandchildren.

A memorial service was held Aug. 22, 2009 at Wages & Sons Funeral Home, Stone Mountain, Ga.

### West

**Alta I. West**  
Aug. 22, 2009

MONTEREY — Alta I. West, 60, of Monterey, died at 11:20 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 22, 2009 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, South Bend.

There will be no services. Cremation will take place.

Lakeview Funeral Home and Crematory, La Porte is in charge of the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family c/o Lakeview Funeral Home and Crematory, 247 W Johnson Rd., La Porte, IN 46350.

### Spencer

**Jack B. Spencer**  
Aug. 24, 2009

Jack B. Spencer, 85, passed away Aug. 24, 2009 in Pheonix, Ariz.

Survivors include his wife, Madge Spencer; sister, Joan Heaton, Tipton, Ind.; daughter, Barbara (Paul) Patterson, Hebron, Ind.; son, John Spencer, Dandridge, TN. five Granddaughters, Rebecca (Jarrett) Wanner; Sarah (Nathan) Frankovich; Margaret (Kristopher) Patterson; Michelle (Dewey) Hester; Crystal (Jose) Boomhower. three great-granddaughters, Brynn Marie Frankovich; Elena Hester; Isabelle Wanner.

Grave side memorial services will be held Sept. 12 at noon in St. Joseph Valley Memorial Park, Granger, Ind.

Memorial contributions maybe made to the National Parkinson Foundation.

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# Harvest

A few years ago there was a piece of ground near our house that was full of bushes and weeds. I asked my neighbors, "Who owns that piece of property?" They told me and said, "He lives away from here, but we will call him and have him to mow it off." Well, it never got done, so



## Pastor's Corner

By Pastor Ron Lewellan  
Emmanuel  
United Methodist Church

one day I called him myself, and asked him if we could clear it off and he gave me permission. After pulling trees and burning weeds, I asked him if we could plant a garden and he said

yes. After planting the garden, it was full of roots, which was very difficult to till, but we worked hours and was looking forward to harvest.

One day Eldon Davis came by and saw the garden and I walked over and asked Eldon what he thought of my garden. He said, "You should say it's our garden, because it belongs to you and God." I said to Eldon, "You should have seen it when God had it by himself."

Well I have had a garden there for 6 years and look forward every year, at this time, for a good harvest.

We have encountered a few problems in trying to get a good harvest, but the rewards are great. Some of the problems are geese, groundhogs, raccoons, deer, weeds, grass, & insects. But it is all worth it to harvest potatoes, beans, cucumbers, zucchini, canalope, watermelons, tomatoes, onions, radishes, lettuce, and especially flowers.

What a harvest! Anytime I see the harvest of the garden, I think of what God has asked us to do in the garden of life. He says in Matthew 9: 37-38, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few, pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send laborers into the harvest."

Truly I wouldn't have a harvest in my garden if God did not send sunshine and rain, but if I do my part, he will do this.

In the garden of life, we have to do our part in trying to harvest souls into his kingdom. Paul says in I. Corinthians 3:6, "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase." If we do what we can for God, he will certainly give us a good Harvest in His Church.

Pray for the Harvest.

*Editor's note: On Friday, Sept. 18 at 4 p.m., the Fulton County Historical Society will host a ceremony for the 100th anniversary of the erection of the Chief Menominee statue, to be held at the Chief Menominee monument on Peach Road at Twin Lake, six miles west of U.S. 31. As John Houghton describes below, the monument was the first of its kind in the US and owes Culver area pioneer; historian, and state senator Daniel McDonald a debt for its being erected.*



## It's Still the Lake Water

By John M. Houghton

Several times in the course of these columns, I've had occasion to refer to Daniel McDonald, our pioneer historian. He was born near Connersville in 1833 to Thomas McDonald and Elizabeth Dickson McDonald. Thomas McDonald was one of the advance guard of settlers who wintered near Maxinkuckee in 1835-36 and returned with their families in July of 1836. Thus young Daniel saw Marshall County almost from the beginning, and, because the first settlers moved here as sort of

a vast clan, he was connected by blood or marriage to most of the early actors in the county's history: for

example, he was related through his mother to Bayless L. Dickson, founder of Union Town.

The almost-entirely-self-educated McDonald had a varied career, but his main line of work was as a newspaperman, editor of The Plymouth Democrat. He wrote (among other things) "A History of Marshall County" (1881), "The Removal of the Indians from Marshall County" (1898), "A History of Lake Maxinkuckee" (1905), and "A Twentieth-Century History of Marshall County" (1908). Though he settled in Plymouth, he played an enormous role in Culver's development, most notably by helping to have the Vandalia Railroad routed along the west side of the

lake, through the village of Marmont.

McDonald had a lifelong interest in the Potawatomi. Though he was only six years old when Menominee and his band were forced from their homes in September of 1838, whatever childhood memories he had were supplemented by the stories he heard from his older friends and relatives, and, eventually, by his own diligent research. In preserving and retelling those stories, McDonald consistently sympathized with the Native Americans, depicting Neeswaugee as a friend to the first settlers and repeatedly insisting that Menominee, or his descendants, would still have a right to their reservation.

As a Democratic politician, McDonald spent eight years as Marshall County Clerk, stood unsuccessfully for Congress in 1880, and was elected to three terms in the Indiana state legislature, in 1869, 1905 and 1907. In his second term, McDonald introduced a bill for a Potawatomi monument. He wrote, in his 1908 history:

"In 1905 the writer of this history was elected a member of the Indiana legislature from Marshall County, and in the session of 1905 introduced a bill appropriating \$2500 for the erection of a monument to Menominee and his band of 859 Pottawattomie Indians who were driven away by the state of Indiana west of the Missouri river in 1838, and for the rebuilding of the old Indian chapel at Twin Lakes, in Marshall County. The bill - House Bill No 37 - was referred to the committee on ways and means, who, in a spasm of reform, recommended it, with five other monument bills, for indefinite postponement. When the bill came up before the house for action, Mr. McDonald delivered an address fully explaining why the provisions of the bill should be adopted....

"In 1906, Mr. McDonald was reelected a member of the legislature, and early in the session of 1907 he

again introduced the bill, which, having met with many obstructions on its way through the lower house of the general assembly, finally passed that body by a vote of 73 to 13. The bill was then sent over to the senate, where it also met with delays and obstructions [and an amendment requiring the county to agree to maintain the monument]...On the last day that bills could be passed, the bill finally passed the senate with this amendment, which was afterward concurred in by the house, and was finally signed by J. Frank Hanly, governor, and became a law March 12, 1907....

"The amendment was presented to the board of commissioners of Marshall county by the author of the act at its April term, 1907, which after a brief consideration was postponed until the May term, when the proposition was again postponed until the June term. At this term the board of commissioners entered into the agreement as provided in the amendment to the bill, ordered it recorded on their records, and a certified copy sent to the governor, which was done by the auditor under seal of his office....

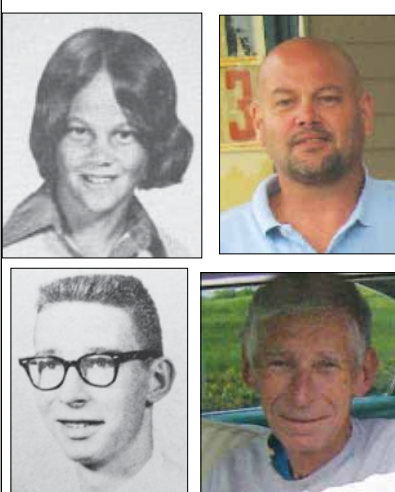
"Shortly after this agreement the governor appointed three trustees to erect the monument provided for in the act, thereby indicating that he was 'satisfied' with the agreement entered into by the Marshall county board of commissioners. J. S. Kumler, of Peru, one of the trustees appointed by the governor, declined to serve. The trustees as finally appointed by the governor are as follows:

Charles T. Mattingly, capitalist, Plymouth.  
Col. A. F. Fleet, superintendent Culver Military Academy, Culver.  
Col. William Hoynes, dean of the Law School, Notre Dame University.

"Not long after the appointment of the trustees Gov. J. Frank Hanly concluded that the agreement filed with him by the commissioners of Marshall

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## Name that Culver "citizen"



Last week's Mystery Citizen made for an interesting contest. Some folks seemed to guess his identity immediately, while several incorrect guesses came in. Correctly guessing Ken VandePutte were Maggie Nixon, Greg Hildebrand, Tim McCarthy, Connie Van Horn, and Verl Shaffer (Verl has an inside edge: he says he recalls giving Ken the haircut he sported those few years back!). Last week's hints of Ken being a very visible part of the community and in a well-known organization specifically referred to his role in the Culver-Union Twp. Volunteer Fire Department; however, he's also often seen in his capacity with the local VFW post as well.



Returning to last week's photo(s): several readers pointed out the "then" photo which ran as a "Mystery" in the Aug. 20 Citizen and as a "then and now" last week was not, in fact, Mike Fitterling. They are correct, and the editor wears egg on his face and apologizes. However, this is one of those rare occasions when pure editorial ineptitude isn't to blame. The editor also cries foul and would like a word with the good folks behind the Culver High School yearbook from which the photo was derived (I try not to mention exact dates in this column, to protect those who might prefer such information remain a mystery!). So far, everyone who's looked at the yearbook page in question agrees the layout is mighty confusing, which is all the editor will say.

Printed above is the correct "then" photo of Mike Fitterling...at least as near as the editor can tell from the yearbook page in question!

This week's Mystery Citizen has been seen by generations of young Culverites, and still is regularly today.

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## Scouts in the city

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Culver's Girl Scout Troop #30472 took the train from Dune Park in Chesterton to downtown Chicago Millennium Park, the zoo, and Maggiano's restaurant August 12, completing several badges by the end of the day trip, according to Troop Leader Mary Szymusiak. Among the badges completed: "Finding Your Way," "Outdoors in the City," and "Wildlife." These badges along with several awards will be presented to the girls at an end of summer ceremony in September.

In the photo at left, the girls pause under "The Bean" sculpture: (from left to right) Trista Vela, Brooke Ditmaire, Shea Ruhly, Sydney Pritz, Brianna Smith, Erin Bendy, Emily Bendy, and Catherine Szymusiak.

The Chicago trip was made possible by funds the Troop raised at the Culver Farmers Market early in the season, when they sold enough baked goods to pay for their council and troop ID patches as well as the trip.

Those interested in joining Girl Scouts may contact Mary Szymusiak at 219-405-5173 or Beth Hill at 219-816-0098. The Troop meets after school until 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month at St. Mary's. Registration for 2009-2010 begins in October.

## McDonald from page A4

county was not 'satisfactory' and sent to Trustee Mattingly an agreement written by his attorney general, to be presented to the members of the board with a request that each sign it personally. This document differed from the original only in phraseology and the manner of executing it. Mr. Mattingly presented it to the board at the September term when it was postponed until the October term, then until the November term then until the December term, and then until the January term, 1908, when the board, having been reorganized, took the matter under consideration and signed the agreement as prepared by the governor."

After all that, there was only the small matter of acquiring land for the project, designing the monument, and having the statue carved and the replica chapel built. The original plan was to put the monument at the site of Menominee's village, on the north shore of Cook Lake (where there are small bronze plaques today): but the landowners at the time asked \$800 for the property, whereas John McFarlin, a friend of McDonald's, offered

three-quarters of an acre a bit farther south for free. McFarlin's property had the additional advantage of having a general store and restaurant near by, and being at the intersection of the Vandalia railroad line and a county road (Peach Road, today). The three trustees accepted the offer in December, 1908. The contract for the monument itself went to Southworth and Son, of Plymouth, Frank Southworth having developed the design for a seven foot Indian standing on a ten foot plinth, to be carved in Barre granite. Southworth's design was executed by the firm of Novelli and Calcagni of Barre, Vermont, described by the Barre Times-Montpelier Argus this past March as "Barre's premier sculpture and carving studio of the early 1900s" (the Plymouth Democrat for Sept. 9, 1909, called them "the best Italian Sculptor in the East"). The principals in this company were Samuel Novelli and Joseph Calcagni: some discussions of the statue have confused this Samuel Novelli with a younger sculptor from New York named James Novelli.

Finally, then, on Septem-

ber 4, 1909, the 71st anniversary of the day on which the Trail of Death began, the memorial was dedicated in a ceremony featuring six formal addresses (one by McDonald) and various other "Short Addresses by Visitors and Others." The statue itself was unveiled by Menominee's granddaughter, Julia Quakano Pokagon, who also gave one of the half-dozen major addresses.

The replica chapel stood directly behind the statue; pictures taken from the south side show it to have been quite small, so much so that it doesn't show around the plinth of the statue in photos taken straight on. Despite the county's commitment, under the amendment to the original act, to maintain the site, the model of the chapel apparently fell into disrepair and was destroyed in the 1930's

One final note: James M. Mayo, Professor of Urban Planning at the University of Kansas, is quoted in a 1991 book called "Lies

Across America," by Prof. James W. Loewen. Loewen says that Mayo cites the Menominee monument as an example of the "contradictory pattern" which shows "local pride in Indian history" but provides "an air of legitimacy to the removal of the Indians" (Loewen 146).



Daniel McDonald.

Of course, we can't know what was in the minds of everyone who voted for McDonald's proposed legislation: but in the case of our pioneer historian, at least, it would seem that the learned professors could not be more wrong. McDonald certainly had that "local pride": but he would roll in his grave at the idea that he had somehow provided such an "air of legitimacy." Here is the conclusion to his 1898 book on the removal of the Indians (he said much the same at the end of his speech on the dedication of the monument):

"In view of all the facts as revealed by a careful investigation, the conviction forces itself upon me that

Menominee and his band were cruelly treated and badly misused. Governor Wallace had as much right to order to the raising of a company of troops to go to Twin Lakes and drive away the white settlers that were interfering with Menominee and his followers as he had to arrest Menominee and drive him at the point of the bayonet from his home he had not surrendered.... [Menominee] had as good a right to remain on his lands as had Joseph Waters and his white following, who seem to have been the real cause of the disturbance. As I look at it, the whole affair was cruel and inhuman, and partook more of savagery than the act of a civilized, enlightened and Christian people...And when the record shows that the graves of 109 of the poor, helpless beings mark the pathway of that sad and solemn procession, I can not resist the conclusion that a cruel wrong was done, which time can not condone, and which can not be forgiven here or hereafter" (48).

"A wrong...which time can not condone, and which can not be forgiven": McDonald's memorial to Menominee was, appar-

ently, the first monument to a Native American to have been erected by any of the United States, and there can be little question of the uncontradictory message he intended for it to convey.

*A sixth-generation native of Culver (and resident of Houghton Street), the Rev. John Wm. Houghton, Ph.D., was educated in the Culver-Union Township Schools, Woodcraft Camp, the Naval School Band, and Culver Military Academy. He holds degrees from Harvard, IU, Yale and Notre Dame, and has taught in Culver Summer Camps and the Academies, as well as at independent schools in Fort Wayne, St. Louis, and Baton Rouge. A fellow of the Episcopal Church Foundation and an Episcopal priest, he is Chaplain and Chair of the Department of Religious Studies at the Hill School in Pottstown, PA. He has published a number of academic articles on theology, medieval studies, and J. R. R. Tolkien, and is author of a novel, Rough Magicke, and of Falconry and Other Poems.*

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## Sports briefs

### Eagles fall to Northwood

NW 28, CMA 21  
**NAPPANEE** — Northwood's Kyle Yoder rushed for 168 yards and three touchdowns, highlighted by a pair of scores in the fourth quarter, to lead the Panthers to a 28-21 win over visiting Culver Military Academy Friday.

Josh Wright rushed for a 41-yard touchdown and threw an 18-yard points-producing pass to Juwan Brescacin to lead the Eagles. Zach Deery chipped in a 65-yard scoring scamper for CMA.

### • NORTHWOOD 28, CULVER MILITARY 21

At Nappanee  
 Score by quarters  
 CMA: 7 7 0 7 — 21  
 NW: 0 7 7 14 — 28  
 Scoring summary  
 CMA — Josh Wright 41 run (Tom O'Neill kick)  
 NW — Coy Brown 17 run (Connor Beckwith kick)  
 CMA — Zach Deery 65 run (O'Neill kick)  
 NW — Kyle Yoder 2 run (Beckwith kick)  
 NW — Yoder 27 run (kick failed)  
 NW — Yoder 3 run (David Zeltwanger pass from Brant Nine)  
 CMA — Juwan Brescacin 18 pass from Wright (O'Neill)

CMA	NW
First downs:	10 14
Rushing yardage:	194 224
Pass comp.-attempts:	5-8-0 5-8-0
Passing yardage:	79 54
Fumbles-lost:	3-3 1-1
Penalties:	7-40 7-52
Punts-avg.:	0 1-20
Records:	CMA 1-1, NorthWood 1-1.

### Boys tennis

#### CMA splits

Culver split a pair of matches with a 5-0 shutout over Chesterton and a 4-1 loss to Crown Point at the Culver Military Invitational Saturday.

CMA No. 1 Adam Holt was the sole Eagle to win both his matches at the invite with a 6-0, 6-0 win over Chesterton's Jack McCrum

and a three-set 6-4, 4-6, 6-2 victory over Crown Point's Tom Vanderplough.

Kevin Park and William Wu also went three sets in No. 1 doubles play against Crown Point's Nick Vassopoulos and Scott Jacobus, but fell 4-6, 6-4, 6-4 in the competitive match.

### • CULVER

**TENNIS INVITATIONAL**  
 At Culver Military  
**CMA 5, CHESTERTON 0**  
**SINGLES:** 1. Adam Holt (CMA) beat Jack McCrum, 6-0, 6-0; 2. Jack Mitzell (CMA) beat Ben Mullin, 6-3, 6-2; 3. Christian Sassano (CMA) beat Ryan Tarnowski, 6-4, 2-6, 6-2.  
**DOUBLES:** 1. Kevin Park-William Wu (CMA) beat Justin Marshall-Ryan Hopkins, 6-0, 6-0. 2. Nic Rosen-Will Stackhouse (CMA) beat Drew Bazan-Michael Clemens, 6-0, 6-1.  
**CROWN POINT 4, CMA 1**  
**SINGLES:** 1. Adam Holt (CMA) beat Tom Vanderplough, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2; 2. Brandon Zakutansky (CP) beat Kyle Riley, 7-5, 6-3; 3. James Haworth (CP) beat Quinlan Smith, 6-3, 6-3.  
**DOUBLES:** 1. Nick Vassopoulos-Scott Jacobus (CP) beat Kevin Park-William Wu, 4-6, 6-4, 6-4; 2. Daniel, 7-5, 6-4.

### Girls golf

#### CGA wins

Brenna Newell led the home team with a meet-low 88, and the Eagles took advantage of their home course for wins over both Peru and South Bend Riley in a triangular girls golf meet Saturday.

Emma Han and Hannah Gilley shot respective scores of 104 and 105 behind Newell, while Carie Berkmeier completed the team score with a 119, and Sammy Siebel finished just one stroke back for the Eagles.

• **CGA 421, PERU 428, S.B. RILEY 521**  
 At Culver Academics Golf Course (Par 36)  
**CGA (421):** Brenna Newell 88, Carie Berkmeier 119, Hannah Gilley 105, Emma Han 104, Sammy Siebel 120.  
**PERU (428):** Ariel Edwards 93, Jessie Eckerly 103, Lauren Conner 119, Lauren Field 113, Amelia Jackson

135.  
**RILEY (521):** Cody Fodracz 126, Jillian Busfield 130, Natalie Freitag 135, Chloe Hensley 130.  
 Records: CGA 4-1.

### Girls cross country

#### CGA finishes 4th

Willow Smith and Waverly Neer won the meet individually with a combined time of 37:50, and Culver Girls Academy finished in fourth place at the Penn Hokum Karem Cross Country Meet Saturday.

Penn won the meet with a 17, followed by Riley with 27, Mishawaka with 30 and CGA with a score of 32. Plymouth finished eighth with an 82 and was led by Gabriela Ramirez and Allison Slater in 14th place with a time of 43:05.

• **PENN HOKUM KAREM**  
**CROSS COUNTRY MEET**  
 At Mishawaka  
 Team results: 1. Penn 17, 2. South Bend Riley 27, 3. Mishawaka 30, 4. Culver Girls Academy 32, 5. New Prairie 49, 6. Elkhart Memorial 70, 7. Niles 74, 8. Plymouth 82, 9. LaPorte 91, 10. South Bend Clay 92, 11. South Bend Adams 117  
**CGA (32):** 1. Willow Smith, Waverly Neer 37:50; 12. Stephanie Burian, Carson Canonie 42:17; 19. Emma Pottinga, Katie Gawor 44:02  
**Plymouth (82):** 14. Gabriela Ramirez, Allison Slater 43:05; 33. Caitlin Gomez, Emily Walden 47:30; 35. Bobbie Stiles, Haven Wrinkler 47:52

### Boys cross country

#### Eagles take 3rd

Trace Ostergren and Alejandro Arroyo won the meet for Culver Military in a blistering 31:55, and the Eagles finished in third place in the final team standings, just one point behind runner-up Mishawaka at the Penn Hokum Karem Cross Country Meet.

LaPorte won with an impressive 18-point total, and Plymouth finished in 11th place with a score of 96.

The Pilgrims were led by Derrick Lee and Jordan Wrinkler in 26th place.

• **PENN HOKUM KAREM**  
**CROSS COUNTRY MEET**  
 At Mishawaka  
 Team results: 1. LaPorte 18, 2. Mishawaka 36, 3. Culver Military 37, 4. Concord 37, 5. Goshen 55, 6. New Prairie 59, 7. Penn 62, 8. South Bend Riley 71, 9. South Bend Clay 78, 10. South Bend Adams 93, 11. Plymouth 96, 12. Elkhart Memorial 121  
**CMA (37):** 1. Trace Ostergren, Alejandro Arroyo 31:55; 11. Chris Trennepohl, Coleman Zimmerman 34:13; 25. Ramsey Bradke, Adriann Nergeros 35:39  
**Plymouth (96):** 26. Derrick Lee, Jordan Wrinkler 35:43; 34. Caleb Kelly, Matthew Lee 36:46; 36. Clay Corsbie, Santiago Ibarra 36:50

### Boys soccer

#### Lions stop Cavs

Bremen racked up a 3-0 lead in the first half en route to a 4-1 Northern State Conference win over Culver.

Tyler Hartsough assisted on two goals for Bremen, while Max Baker, Tyler Pfeiffer, Andrew Huff and Ellis Whitt all scored for the Lions.

A.J. Niece found the back of the net on an unassisted run in the 30th minute to put Culver on the goard.

Zach Loehmer recorded an eye-popping 18 saves in goal for the Cavaliers in the loss.

Bremen's next game will be September 1 at home against Plymouth.

• **BREMEN 4, CULVER 1**  
 At Culver  
 Scoring summary  
 First half  
 B — Tyler Pfeiffer (Tyler Hartsough) 19th minute  
 B — Andrew Huff (Tyler Hartsough, Tyler Pfeiffer) 22nd minute  
 B — Max Baker (Trevor Berger) 25th minute  
 First half  
 C — A.J. Niece (unassisted) 30th minute  
 B — Ellis Whitt (unassisted) 34th minute  
 Saves: Bremen 5 (Pedro Jimenez), Culver 20 (Zack Loehmer 18, Larry

## Cavs retain perfect record



CCHS freshman Collin Stevens

### Culver 27, South Central 12

**UNION MILLS** — Culver Community's football squad remained perfect with a 27-12 win at South Central Friday.

Freshman quarterback Collin Stevens tossed a 66-yard touchdown pass to Michael Salary and scored from 7 yards out for the Cavs.

Stevens finished the game with 145 passing yards, including a 67-yard strike to Robert Molebash, and ground out 54 rushing yards.

Salary, who rushed for a game-high 74 yards, also legged out a 28-yard touchdown run. James Dulin started the scoring for Culver with a 16-yard scoring jaunt.

• **CULVER COMMUNITY 27, SOUTH CENTRAL 12**  
 At Union Mills

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#### Glenn beats Culver

The Falcons edged out Culver with three second-half goals for a narrow 6-5 Northern State Conference win in a boys soccer match Tuesday.

• **JOHN GLENN 6, CULVER 5**  
 At Walkerton

Score by quarters  
 CC: 7 0 7 13 — 27  
 SC: 6 0 7 6 — 12  
 Scoring summary  
 CC — James Dulin 16 run (Collin Stevens kick)  
 SC — Devin Wiltse 2 run  
 CC — Michael Salary 67 pass from Stevens (Stevens kick)  
 CC — Stevens 7 run (Stevens kick)  
 CC — Salary 28 run  
 SC — Wiltse 16 pass from Bryant Hoover  
 CC SC  
 First downs: 11 14  
 Rushing yardage: 37-102 42-231  
 Pass completions-attempts: 7-20-1 3-7-1  
 Passing yardage: 96 145  
 Fumbles-lost: 2-1 1-0  
 Penalties: 3-15 4-30  
 Punts-avg.: 3-22.7 1-46  
 Culver individual stats  
 Rushing: Salary 12-74, Stevens 12-54, Dennis Davis 11-52, James Dulin 4-26, Sam Hendrickson 3-25.  
 Passing: Stevens 3-7-1, 145 yards.  
 Receiving: Robert Molebash 1-67, Salary 1-66, Hendrickson 1-12.  
 South Central individual stats  
 Rushing: Ethan Biggs 14-40, Hoover 8-34, Wiltse 9-13, Ricky Riggsby 4-9, Blake Geskey 2-6.  
 Passing: Hoover 7-20-1, 96 yards.  
 Receiving: Duke Eaton 2-26, Biggs 2-(minus)9, Matthew Walker 1-35, Gram Max 1-28, Wiltse 1-16.

Half-time score: Glenn 3, Culver 3  
 Culver stats  
 Goals: Gavin Norton 3, A.J. Neice 2  
 Assists: Zach Duplay 1  
 Saves: Zach Loehmer 18

### Volleyball

#### Plymouth routs Culver

Chelsea Bengel had a

See Sports page B2

# Council takes first annexation steps

## Discusses town-EMS computer separation

By Jeff Kenney  
 Citizen editor

The first formal steps have been taken to annex new property into the town of Culver, a move which not only facilitates town services to property owners, but may also make possible the creation of a Garden Court senior apartment complex on the south end of town.

Culver's town council discussed at its August 25 meeting a petition by South Main Street property owners Howard and McGhee to annex their parcels between that street and State Road 17 south. Also discussed was lack of support for annexation by owners of the Roberts property, located between the McGhee and Howard land. Town attorney Jim Clevenger said while it's possible to annex only the McGhee and Howard properties and leave the Roberts land outside town limits, such a move would leave Roberts' property surrounded by annexed land on all sides.

"I think what the town should do is accept the petition by McGhee and Howard and then make a motion to indicate you want to annex the entire area in. You don't have 100 percent ownership (agreement to the annex), but you'd have more than 50 percent ownership (agreement). It would go under a different provision, and it gives the property owner (Roberts) a chance to present his case against annexation."

Annexation of the property would bring town water and sewer to the parcels in question, and taxes would switch to the town's rate, noted Clevenger, all of which might be objections raised from a property owner not desiring annexation.

Representatives of the Garden Court senior living facilities, already existent in Plymouth and several

surrounding communities, discussed earlier this year the possibility of creating a Garden Court complex in Culver, but needed land to be made available. McGhee agreed to make his land — located just south and west of the Marmont Grill and the intersection of Main, Davis, and Ohio Streets — available.

The council voted to take first steps towards annexing the land in question, including Roberts' land.

In other discussion, town clerk Casey Howard explained Mike Stallings — contracted by the town to service town-owned computers and networks and create a disaster recovery plan for town computers and data — is unable to service computers in the Culver-Union Township EMS area due to that department's desire not to be involved with the plan.

Town building inspector Russ Mason told the council he understood the EMS to be concerned over patient confidentiality issues arising when Stallings works with department computers. "But (Stallings' staff are) looking at what's critical, like backups and viruses; they didn't look at my data," said Mason. "It's a danger to the town if (the EMS) exclude themselves."

Mason added the EMS is on a separate internet and tech service system from the rest of the town: while other department computers are serviced and access the internet via the Fourway Company, the EMS goes through Culver Communications.

Several council members expressed concerns about allowing the EMS to operate on a separate system with separate security and support options.

EMS member Tim McCarthy, attending the meeting, said the EMS had issues last winter when the

town's computer network was down for several days. "We need access to do our record keeping and billing," said McCarthy. "If we're down, Rich (Sytsma of Culver Communications) comes down and services our machines."

Council member Ginny Munroe noted computer service contracts usually include a guarantee the customer's system is down no more than a specified number of hours. "I agree we should all be on the same system with the same vendor and the same rules. We're paying to ensure Casey's and Russ' and everyone's security, but we can't fix it if you're on a separate system."

EMS member Chuck Dilts agreed the EMS is responsible to the town and explained his department began service with Culver Communications years ago and just never joined other departments when the town contracted with Fourway, something both the EMS board and town council "just allowed to happen." He added the EMS' system was up and running within two hours during last year's lengthy break in service when Sytsma came to the EMS office to repair the problem.

With an upcoming visit from Stallings to continue disaster recovery planning on town computer systems, Howard noted the council won't meet again to vote on a decision until after Stallings' visit. She said Stallings had lengthy conversations with Culver police chief Wayne Bean — who initially also was concerned about privacy and security issues connected with tech work on his department's computers — and Bean was comfortable with the situation afterwards.

The council agreed to table the discussion and arrange a meeting between the EMS, the town of Cul-

ver, and the Union Township board to discuss the matter. Stallings, it was agreed, will proceed with other town computers at his next visit and catch up with the EMS if needed later.

The council next held a first reading to establish a storm water utility user fee for residential customers at \$2 per month and \$4 per month for commercial customers. Town manager Michael Doss explained a dedicated funding stream was needed to deal with Culver's "serious issue" with storm water.

Doss noted the town did not receive a grant requested earlier this summer to overhaul the storm water system on Culver's west end, but another grant application is in process and will be submitted before its early October deadline.

The council decided to discuss at an upcoming work session a letter from Mike Hudson of Bayside condominiums. Hudson requested the town consider three options to ease the financial burden on individual condo owners caused by one-inch water meter charges: reduce individual meter size from one-inch meters to ¾-inch; combine all individual meters into a single, two-inch line; or bring standard one-inch meter charges in line with ¾-inch meter minimum charges.

Doss said he told Hudson a switch to a two-inch line for the building would not be authorized. In addition, Doss noted the switch from a one-inch to a ¾-inch line could cost the town several thousand dollars in revenue and cause other individuals in town to make the same request.

Winters said after giving the matter some consideration, he's willing to switch out the one-inch meters for ¾-inch, saving unit owners considerable money. It was noted the contractor made

the original decision regarding size of water lines going into the building.

In other water-related matters, the council discussed a letter from Harry Anderson of 517 Liberty Street revisiting concerns over problems with his water quality going back to 2001. Doss said a two-inch line feeding water to 517 and 515 Liberty is a "dead end line" which creates potential for pressure and quality problems. Doss said he and town staff went door-to-door to other houses on Liberty Street, all of which report fine water quality and pressure. Of particular note was satisfaction from 515 Liberty, which shares Anderson's line.

"It doesn't make sense that 515 (Liberty) is not experiencing the same problems (as 517)," Doss said. He estimated it would cost between \$18,000 and \$22,000 to install the six-inch water line Anderson requested, but that the move would allow a useful "loop" of Liberty Street, College Avenue, and Academy Road water lines. Clerk Howard said the town's water fund couldn't support the cost of the move. "If that house next to it is not having problems," she added, "I have trouble believing we need this project."

It was discussed a hydrant placed in the area could help, and that the source of the problem could be the line connecting the town's water line and Anderson's home. Doss agreed to test Anderson's water as a step forward in the matter.

Audience member Connie Van Horn asked the council to look into the status of personalized fence pickets paid for by donations to the town park's Vandalia Village playground project over the last three years. The pickets have not yet been erected,

Van Horn noted.

"People have all donated their money, and nothing is happening," she said. "I wouldn't want to ask for money for anything else when people think back on this."

Winters suggested Van Horn and audience member Margaret Dehne, also expressing concern over the pickets, attend a park board meeting to discuss the matter. Van Horn and Dehne indicated park board meetings are often canceled due to lack of a quorum of board members, adding board members shouldn't serve if they can't attend meetings.

Temporary repairs are likely in the near future for culverts channeling water from Lake Maxinkuckee toward nearby Hawk Lake, following inspections and recommendations from Mike Strang of the Bonar Engineering Group. Total replacement of the pipes should take place within the next two or three years, council member Winters explained. He said the estimated total is around \$108,000 with a \$118,000 option which would include a walking path into town.

Concern was expressed by a property owner of the former Olde Towne restaurant on South Main Street who said noise and language emitting from the nearby Culver Cabana restaurant after midnight the previous Saturday "was so bad it gave me goose pimples!"

Another audience member said her recent late-night phone call to county dispatchers for the Culver police met with a "very curt" attitude from the dispatcher, a matter council member Munroe suggested should be brought to police chief Bean's attention.

## Culverite among honored veterans

By Mike Boys  
Correspondent

PLYMOUTH –Nine Marshall County veterans received their long overdue awards and certificates from the Marshall County Veteran Service office in the Commissioners Room on Wednesday. The presenters were Celina Weatherwax, representing Senator Richard Lugar, Adam Russell, representing Congressman Joe Donnelly. The families of three of the veterans accepted the awards given posthumously.

Posthumous awards presented were to:  
Frank B. Wilkinson, Culver, U.S. Army, WWII was awarded the Purple Heart, U.S. Army Good Conduct Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with 2 Bronze Stars attached, WWII Victory Medal, U.S. Army Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon, Philippine Liberation Ribbon with Single Bronze Star attached, Honorable Service Lapel Button WWII Ruptured Duck. His daughter Patty Wilkinson accepted the award.

Col. Bruce VanDerWeele, Argos, U.S. Army, WWII was awarded the U.S. Army Good Conduct Medal, The American Defense Service Medal, The American Campaign Medal, The Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal, The WWII Victory Medal, National Defense Service Medal, U.S. Army Expert Badge and Pistol Bar attached. His wife Vivian and daughter Jean Stauffer accepted the award.

Jack Morcombe, Plymouth. U.S. Navy, WWII and Korea, was awarded the National Defense Medal. His son Kris Morcombe and daughter Nancy Morcombe McCallen accepted the award.

Other veterans who received awards were:  
Albert F. McVey, Plymouth, U.S. Army, Vietnam; Jeffrey W. Pflueger, Bourbon, U.S. Army, Gulf War; Ricky L. Bierly, Walkerton, U.S. Army, Granada and Lebanon; Jimmy L. Risner, Walkerton, U.S. Air Force, Vietnam.

Those not present but earned awards were Kenneth E. Ludwig, Plymouth, U.S. Army; Wayne R. Hummel, Bremen, U.S. Army

Others attending the ceremonies were DAV Commander Bud Ross, Third District American Legion Commander Richard Richardson, Plymouth American Legion Commander Julian Keyser and Plymouth Mayor Mark Senter.



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## Medallion Cabinetry Awards Scholarship

Courtney McGowan, daughter of Medallion Cabinetry employee Dawn Sibbo was presented the Cliff Freeman Scholarship. Courtney, a 2009 graduate of Knox High School will be attending Indiana University in Bloomington this fall. Medallion Cabinetry awards the scholarship in honor of Cliff Freeman who passionately shared his kind wisdom, his love of learning and empowered us to live better lives in a better world until he passed away in 2006 at age 76. He was still working with Medallion Cabinetry. Children and grandchildren of Medallion Cabinetry employees at all locations (Minnesota, Oregon and Indiana) are eligible to apply for the scholarship.

From left to right: Donna Louk, HR Supervisor, Don Fosler, Operations Manager, Courtney McGowan, scholarship recipient and Dawn Sibbo, Medallion employee and mother of Courtney.

## Sports from page B1

strong all-around outing at the net with seven kills and two blocks, while Meagan Barron handed out 10 assists as Plymouth beat visiting Culver in three games at home Thursday 25-11, 25-12, 25-13.

Haley Smart chipped in four kills, and Lindsay Renz made 13 digs at the match for Plymouth, which improves to 2-2 on the year.

PLYMOUTH 3,  
CULVER 0 (25-11, 25-12, 25-13)  
At Plymouth

Plymouth stats  
Kills: Chelsea Bengé 7 (16-17 attacking), Haley Smart 4 (13-13 attacking)  
Blocks: Chelsea Bengé 2, Cortnee Kelly 1 assist  
Serving: Meagan Barron 16-17  
Setting: Barron 27-27, 10 assists; Nicole Scheetz 26-26  
Digs: Lindsay Renz 13  
Record: Plymouth 2-2  
JV score: Plymouth 2, Culver 0 (25-7, 25-9)

**Culver coasts**  
Culver coasted to a 3-0 win on the road at LaCrosse Wednesday 25-14, 25-12, 25-13.

Patrice McBee led in kills with five and chipped in six digs on defense, while Olivia Knapp put away three kills and served seven aces. Aspen Kitchell recorded four aces and set six assists, while Kalee Miller handed out four assists. Alison Zehner led in digs with eight at the match.

Culver improves to 4-3 on the season.

## Community Calendar

### Thurs., Sept. 4

Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library  
Kiwanis Club, noon, Culver Public Library  
Yoga class, 5:30 p.m., Culver Public Library

### Sat., Sept. 6

2nd annual Lake Maxinkuckee Film Festival, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Uptown Cinema/town park  
Carillon recital, 4 p.m., Culver Academies Memorial Chapel

### Mon., Sept. 8

Labor Day - public buildings and offices closed  
DivorceCare, 7 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ

### Tues., Sept. 9

Fitness class, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library  
Town council mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall

### Weds., Sept. 10

Genealogy mtg., 10 a.m., Culver Public Library  
Culver history program, REAL Meals, noon, beach lodge  
Culver Lions Club mtg.,

6:30 p.m., depot-train station  
Knights of Columbus St. John Vianney Assembly business mtg., 7 p.m., St. Mary's church rectory

### Thurs., Sept. 11

Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library  
Kiwanis Club, noon, Culver Public Library  
Yoga class, 5:30 p.m., Culver Public Library  
Parks and recreation board mtg., 7 p.m., town hall

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## Culver's Kowalski graduates

John Kowalski of Culver was among the 1,445 students who received degrees during graduation ceremonies Aug. 8 at Indiana Wesleyan University's main campus in Marion. Kowalski, graduated with a B.S. in administration.

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## Letters to the editor

I apologize if I offended the good doctor. I was merely trying to emulate the new administration of change in Washington. The new leaders who believe the rich should be forced to pay higher taxes to fund health care reform. The ones who advocate taking what the rich have rightfully earned and redistributing it to those who have not earned it. I believe that is a classic example of class

warfare.

Dr. Watson offered interesting statistics but they do not indicate where those 6,000 golf cart accidents took place. On our streets? On golf courses? It makes a big difference. Golf carts were invented to be used on golf courses where the traffic flows generally in one direction and at slow speeds. The longest trip between stops is a monstrous drive of 300 yards. Given

### Responding to the golf cart response

the abilities of most golfers it is usually a trip of a few feet! On golf courses you aren't confronted by 18 wheelers and SUVs coming directly at you. On streets you are and most of the time both the driver of the golf cart and vehicle are either eating, texting, talking on a cell phone, reading a map, or putting on makeup.

Jim Sturman indicates that golf carts are the wave in many communi-

ties across our country. Pet rocks were once a "wave" but I didn't see the value in them either.

I'll say it again: Golf carts do not belong on our streets any more than a go-cart belongs in a NASCAR race.

Dr. Watson suggests golf carts are heavily regulated. I would argue just the opposite. No seatbelts or child restraints are required. Golf carts aren't even required

to have doors! If you are going to use a golf cart as a car then it should be subjected to the same laws and required safety features.

Sadly these issues will not be addressed until someone in a golf cart is either seriously injured or killed. It is unfortunately the way we change laws. We see the danger (an unmarked railroad crossing for example) but nothing is done until someone pays

the price for our imprudent lack of action. And there is good news for those of you who favor the use of golf carts on our streets and highways: A trip around east shore this past weekend suggests that residents are ignoring the new law. We saw no less than four golf carts driving down the state road.

**Jonathon Penhurst  
Culver area**

The August 20, 2009 "New building rates" article in the *Culver Citizen* would lead one to believe the current plan to raise the building permit rates in Culver is my personal

plan. I do support an increase in the building permit rates because the town is currently losing money under its building permit fee structure. However, the current plan before the

### Clarifying building permit matters

town council to increase Standard Fees is not mine. In reality, if one were to read the minutes of plan commission meeting in July, one would see I was the only member present

to vote against the current plan. I voted the way I did not because I am against a rate increase, but because I am against the methodology of the plan. I recommended and argued for a

plan that would base Standard Fees for permits on the cost of construction, but the plan commission chose to go with a plan that bases permit fees on a per square footage basis. The square

footage based plan is the one before the town council at present.

**Janette Surrisi  
Culver**

## Deadline near to submit photos for Marshall County pictorial history

The Sept. 18 deadline is approaching to submit photos for the he Pilot News Group's pictorial history book celebrating the 50 years between 1945-95 in

Marshall County.

"Living History: The people, places and times we lived . . ." will be a collection of more than 300 photos from throughout

Marshall County during the period 1945-95. The 160-page, hardback coffee table book will be compiled with the help of Marshall County residents, present and

past. It will be available in early December for holiday gift giving.

"We are looking for 'slice-of-life' photos of people, places and events from

throughout Marshall County during the time span of 1945-95," explained Rick Kreps, publisher of The Pilot News Group and coordinator for the community project. "We're asking folks to pull out their photo albums and shoeboxes of photos and help us by submitting those that best capture this 50-year 'living his-

tory' period."

When submitting photos (all of which will be returned), each should be properly identified as to where it was taken, who is in it and approximately when it was taken. Photos can be dropped off to the Pilot News office in Plymouth, mailed, or emailed.

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# Culver Academies open 116th school year

Culver Academies welcomed 793 students from 39 states/territories and 28 countries back to campus Aug. 24 during the annual opening convocation at Eppley Auditorium.

The enrollment includes 455 boys and 338 girls. The 527 returning students equals to a 93 percent retention rate. A total of 266 new students matriculated at the Academies, led by

154 in the freshman class, with 72 sophomores, 35 juniors, four seniors, and one post-graduate. There are 728 boarding and 65 day students.

Beginning his 11th year as Head of Schools, John N. Buxton told the audience that the symbols of the Culver Experience, such as the cardinal virtues and Culver values found on the Leadership Plaza and the

Culver Crest, can be abbreviated for the digital age to “Keep It Real.”

In citing passages from the book “Playing the Enemy” by John Carlin, which deals with the unification of South Africa under Nelson Mandela, Buxton said the leader had to “make it real.”

“Actually it’s about doing something to create a better reality,” he said.

“Mandela became the embodiment of leadership during this process. He discovered that if he treated everyone – enemies and comrades – with respect, he would be successful. He also realized that in order to reach people he needed to address their hearts rather than their brains. He needed to lead with his soul.”

While Culver’s challenges are not as significant

as Mandela’s, Buxton said, they still “demand leadership, personal sacrifice, an acceptance of personal accountability, and a healthy respect for other people’s humanity. To be successful, we will have to embrace Culver’s virtues and values.

“Especially in our personal relationships, ‘keeping it real’ will ensure a better outcome,” he said. “Be honest, be yourself,

be respectful, and communicate in your own digital way. But remember that there are other important Culver values in addition to keeping it real. In addition to truth, we value service to others, honor, and integrity. Those were Mandela’s guidelines for success, and they will surely serve us as well.”

## Briefs from page A1

pose 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.

### St. Elizabeth’s cheese balls this weekend

The girls of St. Elizabeth’s Episcopal Church will be back at the Farmer’s Market Saturday, September 5 and 26, selling your favorite home-made cheese balls. Buy what you need on Sep. 5 and while there, place an order for cheese balls to put in the freezer for holiday entertaining, hostess gifts, carry-in meals, or just for you. The girls will have cheese ball orders ready for pick-up Saturday, September 26 at the Farmer’s Market.

### Culver Scout popcorn sales to begin

Culver’s Cub Scout Pack 290 and recently-formed Boy Scout Troop 291 will hold their annual popcorn beginning August 23 and through October 30. 70 percent of the proceeds from Scouts’ sales go to the local Scouting program. Those seeking more information are encouraged to contact Chuck Dilts at 574-842-4432 or [crdilts@culcom.net](mailto:crdilts@culcom.net).

### Indiana basketball author to visit Culver

Indiana author Emerson Houck visit the Culver library Wednesday, September 23 at 1 p.m. He hopes to meet old-time and newer players and fans and see their memorabilia – photos, posters, pennants, newspaper articles, etc. – towards a scrapbook to give to the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame titled “The All-

time All-star Hoosier High School Alumni Basketball Team,” which will be kept on permanent display at the Hall. Houck’s new book, “Hoosiers All: Indiana High School Basketball, Team Names, Glory Season, Boys and Girls, Past and Present, Large and Small,” will also be available.

### Cub Master needed

Culver Cub Scout Pack 290 is in need of a Cub Master for this year’s program. Those interested in more information are encouraged to contact Chuck Dilts at 574-842-4432 or [crdilts@culcom.net](mailto:crdilts@culcom.net).

### Pond clinic Sept. 15

A pond clinic sponsored by the Marshall County Soil & Water Conservation District will take place September 15 at 6:30 p.m. at Price Memorial Park, 205

Plymouth-Goshen Trail, Plymouth. Topics will include pond construction, weed management, and pond stocking. Reservations would be appreciated; please RSVP to Wanda by

September 9 at 574-936-2024 ext. 3.

### 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.

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