

## In Brief

### Kiwanis golf outing today

Culver Kiwanis Club's annual golf tournament and outing will take place Saturday, July 14, at Mystic Hills golf course in Culver. The shotgun start is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$280 per foursome or \$70 per person. Event coordinators are seeking additional sponsors for the event, which raises funds to support local youth and charities. Contact Julie Bess, 865-603-2241 or jbindexing@gmail.com, or Dusty Henricks at 574-842-4280.

### Papa's anniversary party Saturday

Papa's Pizza, at 824 Lake Shore Drive in Culver, will celebrate its 36th anniversary this Saturday, June 16, from 3 to 6 p.m. with a gala party, numerous prizes, music, and fun. Check indianasbestpizza.com or Facebook Papa's Culver, to learn more.

### Taste of Culver Saturday

The Taste of Culver festival takes place this Saturday, June 16, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., on Jefferson Street between Main and Ohio Streets. A number of Culver's renowned restaurants will offer small samplings their fare, and last year's Caribbean vibe will be recreated in part by steel drum player Kent Arnsbarger (www.kentarnsbarger.com) throughout the event.

### Safe Routes sidewalk work underway

Residents are advised that construction began on Culver's INDOT "Safe Routes to School" project Monday, with completion planned for July 31. Work will commence closest to the Culver Elementary and Middle schools, starting at School Street and moving south to Ohio, ending at the intersection of Main and Davis Streets. Streets and/or sidewalks may be temporarily inaccessible during this time, due to the work. Questions may be directed to Culver's town hall at 574-842-3140.

### Book sales this wknd, June 19

The Friends of the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library will hold a book sale Friday, June 15 and Sat., June 16 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the library. Book donations are welcome at the circulation desk during

## Coollest book in town

Culver resident Jack Johnston with son Owen, during a recent visit to Owen's class at Wesley Preschool during which Johnston read his newly published children's book, "The Ice Cream Hotel," whose cover is pictured ABOVE, RIGHT. The book will make its official Culver debut June 23 at an ice cream party at the Culver Coffee Company on Lake Shore Drive.

SEE STORY BELOW.

## Culver author celebrates kids & summer fun with 'Ice Cream Hotel'

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

For Jack Johnston, the idea was so simple it should have already been taken: kids love ice cream and they love to stay in hotels. So the Culver resident's new children's book, "Ice Cream Hotel," created a match made in kid heaven.

Actually, the idea itself started with a kid: Johnston's Culver Elementary School niece, Sarah Luttrell, had created an "ice cream hotel" drawing for art class, and Johnston was immediately struck by the idea. So, though he'd never had aspirations to pen a picture book, he went home and in two hours had the story on paper.

The result is a vibrantly illustrated new book hitting the streets just in time for that ice creamiest of seasons, summer in Culver.

Specifically, copies of the book will be available -- and Johnston available to sign them -- at a book release party which is, appropriately enough, also an ice cream party. The Culver Coffee Company on Lake

Shore Drive -- one of a handful of local venues to specialize in ice cream by the cone or dish -- will host the event Saturday, June 23, from 2 to 4 p.m. Kids who drop by can receive two free ice cream cones with purchase of the book.

While Jack Johnston is new to children's books, he's not entirely new to publishing. A graphic designer for Braun Corporation in Winamac, he'd helped edit his boss, Ralph Braun's autobiographical novel. Working on "The Ice Cream Hotel," however, gave Johnston an education in the challenging world of children's book publishing.

While the book is self-published (by Norwen publications, a combination of Jack and wife Anne's children's names, Nora and Owen), Johnston worked with an agency to help match him with an illustrator, a much more common scenario than authors acting as their own illustrator.

Johnston describes the result as "very much

a collaboration" between himself and artist Annette Cable, with whom he worked online. "The illustrations in picture books take on a life of their own and help the story grow," he notes, pointing out subtle components such as the proliferation of tennis balls in the book (the counting of which opens up a special kids' section of the book's website, theicecreamhotel.com) and the lead character's dog, whose name Johnston chose via a naming contest for children, on the book's Facebook page.

He says he sent Cable "very rough" sketches of what he wanted on each page, and she returned with more polished draft drawings (samples of the process can be viewed on the book's Facebook page).

Contracting with an artist, he explains, is "generally how children's books are done. 99.5 percent of children's books are self-published because it's so expensive. Publishers won't

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## Canoe-kayak 'poker run' debuts at Lake Fest

Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council executive director Kathy Clark had an idea running through her mind for several years. While she enjoyed all the great events of Lake Fest weekend, something directly involving the lake seemed to be missing.

This year, with the help of environmental council members and Lake Maxinkuckee Association executive director Jane Grund, that idea has morphed into the first ever Canoe, Kayak & SUP Poker Run on Lake Maxinkuckee, to be held Friday, July 20 from 5 pm to 8 p.m.

This first-time event is sponsored by the Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council and the Lake Maxinkuckee Association in conjunction with Culver's 2012 Lake Fest Committee.

## New town manager looks forward to working with 'warm, homey' community

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

When new Culver town manager David Schoeff first visited Culver, it was one of several sites he drove to, to drop off his resume. It was also the place he immediately felt most drawn to.

"I don't know if it was the atmosphere -- that you see the people and how they interact -- or just the feeling of the town, but it really felt homey," says Schoeff, who will complete his second week on the job at the end of this week. "I thought, 'This is where I'd like to be.'

Schoeff, native of Huntington, Indiana, says he still feels that way each time he pulls into Culver. "I can understand why folks that come here through the summer want to move here later. Obviously it feels like home to them.

"I look forward to working with the community and making Culver even better, if that's possible," he adds.

Out of high school in Huntington, David Schoeff earned his Associate's in Architectural Engineering from ITT Tech in Fort Wayne, moving to Virginia for a time to work but returning to Indiana with a somewhat new direction in mind. He moved to Indianapolis and worked for a civil engineering consulting firm for five years. While there, he met wife Sherrie, though the two had actually both attended high school in Huntington at the same time.

He and Sherrie have been married for 16 years now and have two boys, ages 13 and 16.

"They've been a great family," he says. "They've been pretty supportive over this whole thing -- it's a distance from where I live."

Schoeff notes he's been in engineering for 24 years now, in architectural, civil, and mechanical engineering. He

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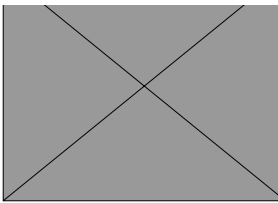
their Lake Patrol available during the event time for the participants' safety.

"We are all very excited about this event and hope it becomes a successful one each and every year for Lake Fest," says Clark. "Gary Shaffer, a member of the environmental council, was the one who came up with the idea of making it a poker run instead of a scavenger hunt while the concept was being discussed at one of our meetings. When presented to Jane and also Jean E. Overmyer, president of the Lake Fest Committee, they both agreed it sounded like great fun. Ed Furry, organizer of the SUP Lake Max Challenge taking place June 30th, took our idea of a t-shirt design and made it 'camera ready' for SuziQ's Embroidery of

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# Culver firm helps make unique worldwide archive a reality

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

The largest lending library of rare historical documents in the country has been quietly operating outside Culver's back door, and a longtime local firm helped facilitate its operation.

Kris Bex of the Remnant Trust in Winona Lake, Indiana, was introduced to members of Culver's Kiwanis Club at a meeting last month, by Kevin Berger, head of Easterday Construction, which was chosen by the Trust to construct the vault room containing its rather staggering collection of historical documents and books.

Accompanying Bex was the Remnant Trust's scholar-in-residence, Dr. David Baum.

Bex said the Remnant Trust was founded in 1997 on the notion of "making available to colleges and universities and educational institutions the great works on the ideas of liberty and dignity."

Bex likened the concept to the nationwide Great Books program, but said Remnant's focus on notions of liberty and dignity made it unique. He noted the Trust's collection starts in the year 1900 and goes backwards, and contains works ranging from more recent figures like Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass, to works as early as Martin Luther, Thomas Aquinas, Plato, and Cicero, to name a few. Along the way, items such as a first edition of The Federalist Papers and various works from America's founding fathers, have entered the collection.

The most unique facet of the program, Bex explained, is that it allows people to actually touch and handle documents 500 and 600 years old.

"They're incorporated into the curriculum in colleges and universities," he said. "Professors and faculty get the opportunity to use these pieces. We hope they can be the catalyst to get people to talk about these ideas.

"Our original incorporators were concerned that in higher education, we talk about superfluous subjects," Bex added. "We seized on this idea that we'd put together the 100 greatest books on liberty and dignity in the history of man."

Towards that end, Trust founders solicited input from scholars nationwide and attained about 90 percent agreement on the most central works, while the remaining 10 percent were debated. The list, of course, grew and Remnant Trust now contains 1,206 volumes, with more added regularly.

The Remnant Trust began in Hagerstown, near Richmond, Indiana, though its board members hail from across the U.S.

"Oddly enough," Bex said of the search for an ideal locale for the Trust's collection, "Winona Lake reared its... head."

Bex said he spends much of his time traveling with 40 to 60 of the rare items from the collection in the back of his vehicle, around the country.

The collection obtains pieces from various auction houses as well as a small percentage from private collectors. One of the Trust's rarest finds, he noted, was one of three known original copies of Aquinas' "Summa Theologica," at a flea market outside Chicago.

Operating on a "very tight budget," the Trust at times must pay for items over a period of time, Bex said.

The Remnant Trust has an ongoing display at the Newseum in Washington, D.C., and the Trust is the largest national institution operating as a lending library of original documents, he added.

The Winona Lake facility is primarily an office and operating space, Bex explained, though there are occasional public exhibitions (non-"hands on") there on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., with listings of such events on the Trust's website at theremnanttrust.com. Upcoming exhibitions include June 30, Aug. 18, and Oct. 6. Groups may also schedule appointments to visit the site.

Bex noted Easterday Construction fabricated a 1,500-square-foot vault at the site of the former Billy Sunday museum in Winona. The temperature is controlled within two degrees, plus or minus, as is humidity, and those items in the Trust's collection not "on the road" are housed there.

The gas-controlled vault is a sealed container which, in



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Kris Bex, right, of the Preservation Trust in Winona Lake, shares historical treasures from the Trust with Culver's Mary Baker (left) and Susan Ellert (center). In the background is Dr. David Baum, also of the Trust, and (leaning over at center) Anne Duff of Culver.

event of a fire, will be the site of dispersion of a chemical agent which pulls the oxygen out of the air.

"If we were stuck in that room (in such an event)," he said, "We would be dead!"

Berger described to the Citizen some of the process of the 2010 construction of the vault, which was designed by architects in Warsaw.

"We tore down, in the interior, part of the walls," he said. "We relocated the offices and changed some of the space. The main part was building the vault that holds the books. It had to be double insulated with staggered, stud-ded walls. There had to be block windows for light and security. It has a redundant HVAC system (and the) ceiling is all clipped down and held in place."

Berger also discusses Easterday's work, and Bex's visit to Culver, in his blog at easterdayconstruction.com/2012/04/27/kris-bex-at-culver-kiwanis.

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## Cole Porter's return to Lake Maxinkuckee -- at least in spirit

Music was in the air Saturday evening at Culver Academies' Legion Memorial Building, where the life of legendary composer Cole Porter -- including his Lake Maxinkuckee connections -- was dramatized by actor Rob Johansen (far left), with 12 selections of Porter's songs performed by the Cole Porter Radio Hour, an Indiana-based vocal ensemble directed by Chris Ludwa.

Some 150 guests packed the room for the performance, which was researched, written, and performed by Johansen, who dramatized Porter's life from childhood to death. The program kicked off the summer season for the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver, who sponsored the event. Following the performance, attendees enjoyed wine, cheese, and conversation in the building's Alumni Lounge.

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take a risk, so they stick with the most known authors in the market, which is a shame. It kills a lot of ideas."

Self-publishing also gives creators a larger percentage of profits from the book, so use of the internet and social media to generate "buzz" and promote a book is critical.

Copies will be available on a long-term basis locally at the Culver Coffee Company, as well as through the book's website.

In case you're wondering, there is indeed an ice cream hotel in the book, and it's likely all you imagine and more. An "incredibly bored" child at home embarks on a journey to the treat-filled hotel, all in rhyming verse, something Johnston says many children's book publishers shy away from.

"But this was written to be read aloud," he points out. "I look for the cadence and musicality of the language. Like it or not, you're going to read it 100 times, if your kids like a book. The ones we keep coming back to are the ones

where the language is lyrical."

Johnston's own kids, he adds, are "really excited about it" and have asked to hear the book repeatedly since it was published.

Jack and Anne Johnston are both native Culverites, he a child of the south shore of Lake Maxinkuckee and she the west shore (where the couple lives today, with Anne's parents Bob and Mary Harris). They returned to Culver from Indianapolis in 1998, and many may remember them from several years of operating a popular alpaca farm, which they have since sold off.

Jack Johnston is open to more writing and does have several ideas, but for the moment he's enjoyed the process of "The Ice Cream Hotel." "It really puts you in the frame of mind of a child and makes you think along those lines again. It's all about connecting with your kids."

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## Lake Fest from page 1

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You must be preregistered to get an event tee shirt. Head online to [www.culverlakefest.com](http://www.culverlakefest.com) or pick up a flyer from your favorite local business. Send the registration form and your check (\$10 for every person paddling your craft) to Culver Lake Fest, P.O. Box 146, Culver, IN 46511. All forms must be postmarked by July 5 to get a tee shirt. If you wish to register the day of the event, you must be at the lighthouse at 4 p.m. and the price will be \$15 per person. No t-shirts will be provided for late registrants. Participation is limited so register early!

"No worries," says Clark. "No hurry really -- just stay on the route you chose and enjoy the lake, pick up your five cards from the five different stations on your route, then bring your poker hand back to the launch area and register your cards with the event coordinators."

Winners will be announced at 8 p.m. with prizes awarded on the spot.



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## Miss Max sign-ups June 27

Sign-ups for this year’s Lake Fest Miss Maxinkuckee pageant will be held Wednesday, June 27, at the Culver beach lodge in the town park. Sign-ups for Princess (ages 4 through 6) and Little Miss (ages 7 through 10) start at 7 p.m., and for Junior Miss (ages 11 through 14) and Miss Max (ages 15 through 18) are at 8 p.m.

For more information call Susie Norwich, 574-298-5970; Jean E. Overmyer, 317-513-5216; or Chelsea Bramfeld, 740-994-8611.

The Miss Max pageant will be held at the west pavilion in the Culver town park on Lake Fest kickoff night, Friday, July 20 at 6 p.m.

## Library news

### Photo restoration at Thurs. Tech Time

Thursday Tech Time at the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library will take place June 21 at 6 p.m. The topic is photo scanning and restoration. Learn how to transfer old photos to your computer for safekeeping. In-depth demonstration on the process of image restoration – make your old, damaged or faded photos look great!

Thursday Tech Time is an open discussion group for anyone interested in computers and technology. Come and talk, share, listen and ask questions! Sessions are held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. For more information, call the Culver Library at 574-842-2941, visit our website at [www.culver.lib.in.us](http://www.culver.lib.in.us) or e-mail [abaker@culver.lib.in.us](mailto:abaker@culver.lib.in.us). The library’s street address is 107 N. Main St.

### Card making classes for June

Culver-Union Township Public Library will host Stampin’ Up card making classes Tuesday, June 19 at 4 p.m. and Tuesday, June 26 at 11 a.m. We will be making three cards for \$5 with a “general” card theme. Pre-registration is required and registration forms are located at the adult circulation desk. For more information, contact Cindy Good at 574-842-2941 or [cgood@culver.lib.in.us](mailto:cgood@culver.lib.in.us).

### Crazy for Horses Book Club for June

CUTPL’s Margaret Carter will host the new book club, “Crazy for Horses” Tuesday, June 26 at noon. Michael Korda’s “Horse People” is this month’s selection. It is a story of a lifetime love affair with horses, and of the bonds that have linked humans with horses for more than ten-thousand years.

This program is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Margaret Carter at 574-842-2941 or visit our website at [www.culver.lib.in.us](http://www.culver.lib.in.us).



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## Jake and the snake

Culver-Union Twp. Public Library kicked off its youth summer reading last week with a visit from Indiana Wild ([www.indianawild.org](http://www.indianawild.org)), a Woodburn, Indiana-based wildlife education group represented by Beth Wood, who brought a host of wild animals for youngsters to see and touch. Among them: a fruit bat, baby alligator, skunk, hissing cockroach, and this python.

Here, Wood is assisted by Jake Rogers of Culver in carrying the snake around the room for youngsters to touch.

During Summer Reading, free lunch will be provided at 11 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday (through Culver Comm. Schools). Special activities include: teens making worry dolls July 13; a “Stuffed Animal Pajama Party” July 18; and a library lock-in with pizza and games August 2 from 7 to 11 p.m. Regular, 10:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday story times are supplemented this summer with a third storytime on Thursdays. Call 574-842-2941 for more information.

## Death notice

Reinhold

**Robert K. Reinhold**  
**June 7, 2012**

CULVER — Robert K. Reinhold, 43, of Culver died at home Thursday, June 7, 2012.

He is survived by his wife, Rhonda; sons, Michael and Miles Demonja of Valparaiso; daughter, Reilly of Culver; mother, Brenda (Gerald) Campbell of the Villages, Fla.; brothers, Ronald (Kelly) Reinhold of Whiteland and Vance (Gretchen) Campbell of Lafayette; maternal grandmother, Wilma Swindell of Tennessee; and paternal grandparents, Valentine and Esther Reinhold of Monterey.

A funeral ceremony was held at the Wesley United Methodist Church, 511 School St., Culver, Sunday, June 10, 2012 at 3 p.m. Burial followed at Culver Masonic Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the Reilly Reinhold Education Fund at the First National Bank of Monterey. Checks should be made out to the education fund and sent to the bank in care of Mark Walmsley.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at [www.odomfuneralhome.com](http://www.odomfuneralhome.com).

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

## Culverites on Ancilla Dean’s, Honors lists

DONALDSON – Kassandra Crum of Culver was named to the Ancilla College Spring, 2012 Dean’s List. Jill Gavllick, Raymond Proskey, and Brittany Rust of Culver were named to the Honors List.

To be eligible for the Dean’s List, students must earn a 3.5 GPA or above and carry at least 12 credit hours during the semester. Those eligible for the Academic Honors List must have a 3.5 GPA for the semester and have completed between six to 11 credits towards graduation during the semester.

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# Screaming for ice cream and more

In case you missed the article this week, Culver resident **Jack Johnston's** new children's book, "**The Ice Cream Hotel**," is on the streets and if my own children's' reaction to it -- which involved multiple and ongoing requests for re-reading and tennis ball counts to unlock the "secret" fun areas of the book's website -- is any indication, it's likely to be a hit in your household as well. Even if there aren't any kids around, it's a sharp book, artistically, and a fun item to have with regards to local authors.



## View from Main Street

By Jeff Kenney  
Editor

As the story, and the advertisement this week indicate, there's a book release party June 23 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Culver Coffee Company on Lake Shore Drive...plenty of ice cream will be on hand.

\*Speaking of ice cream, I originally envisioned this week's edition as something of a "special ice cream edition" of the paper, but as yet I haven't caught back up with the intrepid driver of the colorful **ice cream truck** which cruises Culver's streets from time to time (usually weekends, says the driver).

I imagine many Culverites my age and older have fond memories of those trucks, cruising slowly through Culver and enticing us like the Pied Piper with those irresistibly colorful stripes (and photos of cold treats!) and that tell-tale tune which haunted us from blocks away. Practically living outdoors as we did back then, that repetitive ditty sent many of us scurrying for the house to beg for money from our parents, or scrape up the change in our piggy banks.

The great horror story of my childhood was the time my mom called us away from playing with the other kids on our block to tell us she had to run to the grocery store. That wasn't uncommon, but that summer evening, my dad and grandmother (who also lived with us) were also away, leading to a very unusual situation: no adults in the house. My sister and I were old enough to be fine for 30 minutes while she shopped, and were busily engaged in our play, so she told us she'd be locking up the house while she was gone.

No problem. In fact, we felt pretty independent, grown-up, and good about it. That is, until that haunting melody ("Camptown Races," was it, blared from a speaker atop the ice cream truck) hit our ears. Suddenly our challenge was to get inside and secure a few bucks for treats, which we tried desperately to do. If you've never been tortured by those old slider chain style locks, which allow the hand to get in, but nothing larger, you don't know suffering as we did. We tried windows, too, but to no avail. There was nothing to do but watch in agony as the truck slowly rolled by, we helpless to do anything but wish.

It's odd, really, how mesmerizing the process of purchasing those treats really was. It isn't like there wasn't ice cream -- in every form imaginable -- awaiting us a few blocks away in one of several stores in town, and possibly more affordably priced. But something about the phenomena of that truck, bringing frozen treats to us, demanded satisfaction.

It's also amazing how little has changed about the look, sound, and offerings (including, actually, the price) of ice cream trucks in Culver today. Drivers for the past several summers have figured out there are children on our street, and if the music wafts to our ears, you can bet ours are scrambling to make ready for a purchase.

After chatting with the driver some weeks ago, I called the home office responsible for these trucks' arrival here, Summer Song. There are four offices in Indiana and one in Michigan, but ours originate from a Pine Road locale in South Bend.

Marty Lentz, the general manager there, says her branch operates around 30 trucks, which journey out across South Bend and to communities beyond starting March 1 and winding up around mid-October (obviously all of this is as weather permits). Not surprisingly, she says sales are strongest between Memorial and Labor Days.

**Summer Song** has been in business now for 53 years (33 of which with Lentz at the helm), and she affirms that, indeed, the trucks I encountered as a child would have belonged to Summer Song, which runs a route covering Plymouth, LaPaz, Argos, and Culver.

Summer Song sells prepackaged frozen treats (many aren't exactly ice cream proper, but some variation on the popsicle format), and drivers work five to six days a week when full-time (there are part-time drivers as well).

That most scholarly of research tools, Wikipedia, tells us that early ice cream trucks actually sold ice cream, back when few households had freezers. The advent of electricity and common freezer ownership led to the sales of the more "novelty" frozen treats that we see today. Early chimes, it seems, were operated by hand crank. Common melodies included "Turkey in the Straw," "Do Your Ears Hang Low?," "Pop Goes The Weasel," "The Entertainer," "Music Box Dancer, and others. I asked our local driver

if the constant repetition left her hearing that tune in her sleep -- or threatened to driver her mad -- but she seems to have developed an indifference to it, which is a great grace for her, I'm sure.

\*Switching gears, I'm happy to say a number of readers responded to my query about **Sears-built homes**. Both Ken Turner and Kathy Clark reported that Dan Adams' house, at 620 College Ave., is a Sears home. Pat Birk reports the house just south of her, on Plymouth Street, is also one. Jean Strycker got in touch to suggest the Forest Place bungalows (or at least one or some of them) may be Sears homes. I owe a phone call to Betsy Guthrie of Peru (and Culver), to learn more about her reference to a possible Sears home on West Shore Drive. Paul Pare' has heard that the former Pippenger home on Fleet Parkway was Sears-built as well.

It seems I've opened a very interesting flood gate here! Paul McLeod, who readers may recall as a Culver Academies instructor with a specialty in geology (and who wrote some very helpful material for us on the geology of many of Culver's prominent buildings), first asked me about the subject of Sears homes in Culver, and he has pointed out that there are certain specific attributes one can look for -- usually inside the home -- to narrow down the question. More complicated, however, is the fact that some homes (perhaps many) have been built using Sears-derived building plans, but are not necessarily full-out "Sears homes" in the sense that they were ordered and delivered straight from the Sears company.

Paul also provided a fascinating website, which I highly recommend, full of details, images, etc., on the subject, at [www.searshomes.org](http://www.searshomes.org). There are several photos of Indiana-based Sears homes on the site, though none in Culver -- not yet, anyway.

\*I neglected to mention one of the highlights of my week, the week of Memorial Day. Technically, this actually took place on Memorial Day, which many don't realize is technically May 30, though it's celebrated in the U.S. on the last Monday in May. At any rate, we were able to show a DVD documentary of the journey of 24 veterans of the bombing of Pearl Harbor, including Culver's own **Jim Dewitt**, last December in honor of the 70th anniversary of that event. The DVD was made available by Jim's daughter, Karen Noll, and a number of folks ate their lunch at Culver's REAL Meals at the beach lodge, and then watched the 30-minute or so film. It was certainly a powerful program, lacking only in that Jim was pictured but not interviewed. There were few dry eyes in the place by the end of it, though I'm sure no one regretted the chance to be there, and to thank Jim for his service.

\*Lastly, though not least, I'm sure I join all of Culver in extending deepest condolences to the **family of Rob Reinhold**, who finally lost his battle with ALS last week. Along the way, he and his family left us with impressions of what a young girl can do (his daughter, Reilly, not only in her fund-raising efforts to fight the disease, but her courage and fortitude along the way of a difficult journey), what family can be (especially his wife Rhonda, in her steadfastness in standing by and supporting him, obviously with all her strength), and yet another instance of what a caring community can look like, when over 500 people rallied around the family and raised some \$35,000 to help with medical and other costs. In that sense, even as his own ability to communicate deteriorated, Rob and family left all of us with lessons I know I will never forget. May he rest in peace.

## Name that Culver 'citizen'

A number of readers recognized last week's Mystery Citizen, partly I think because he hasn't changed all that much, and partly because so many of us saw him, tools in hand, smile in place, taking care of business for decades as one of Culver Elementary School's custodians. He's Mike Overmyer, not to be confused with the *other* Mike Overmyer in Culver, who is associated with JMC Engineers (and everything else!). Among those winning free downtown parking for identifying him include Marilee McCormack, Dorothy Howard, Danny Thomas, Kay Tusing, Justin Croy, Cindy Riester, Deb Overmyer (we're glad she knew him, since she's his wife!), Janelle Price Kauffman, Carin Clifton, and Rhiannon Banks.

Catching up on old business, Trent Bennett correctly guessed Chris Chambers as our prior Mystery Citizen.

This week's Mystery Citizen has had various roles in the Culver community, but may be best recognized recently with a certain longstanding program many Culverites went through.

Guesses may be emailed to [culvercitizen@gmail.com](mailto:culvercitizen@gmail.com) or then and now. [culvercitizen@gmail.com](mailto:culvercitizen@gmail.com) or call the editor at 574-216-0075.



LEFT: Last week's Mystery Citizen, be emailed to [culvercitizen@gmail.com](mailto:culvercitizen@gmail.com) or then and now. ABOVE: This week's Mystery Citizen. Call the editor at 574-216-0075.





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## Bicycle winners

Culver Elementary School gave away three bicycles last week to students missing three days or fewer from the start of the second nine weeks to May 25. A drawing was held to choose one qualifying winner from each grade level, according to CES staff member Christy Havron.

Winners included (from left): Jordan Hopkins (6th grade), Jeremiah McCarthy (5th grade), Ryan Tompos (4th grade), Gracey Sherman (3rd grade), Sam Luttrell (2nd grade), Joseph Rehka (1st grade), and MaKenna Strycker (kindergarten).



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## Spud of love?

Yes, that's a heart-shaped potato in the hands of Culver resident Diane Johnson, and yes, it came that way. She found the unusual vegetable (isn't that its official classification now?) in a sack of spuds she purchased from Park N' Shop in Culver, and it was love at first sight. Well, maybe not love, but certainly a bit of fascination.

Some have speculated the potato may be the non-human equivalent of a Siamese twin.

No word yet as to whether it has ended up on the dinner table, or will be preserved for posterity into the future.



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## All-Conference Athletes

Lauded at Culver Community High and Middle Schools' spring sports awards were All-Conference Athletes (front row, left to right) Randy Cline, Nick Pritz, Trent Elliott, Collin Stevens. Back row, Matt Hurford, Denisha Brown, Kayla Shaffer, and Ali Overmyer.

## Culver's Woodcraft Camp at 100 -- special coverage next issue

Culverites have likely noticed the posters, banners, and other items popping up all over town calling attention to the Culver Woodcraft Camp's 100th anniversary celebration this summer. The celebration will culminate with a host of activities over the July 20 weekend, and a series of special Woodcraft Council Fires each Saturday night this summer.

In addition to the displays in various businesses and other locales around Culver at present, a special exhibit on the history of the Woodcraft Camp is on display now at the Culver Academies Museum & Gift Shop, 102 S. Main Street in downtown Culver. A Facebook page has also been created at [www.facebook.com/woodcraft100](http://www.facebook.com/woodcraft100).

The Woodcraft Camp was launched in the summer of 1912 under the direction of American Boy Scout pioneer and naturalist-author Daniel Carter Beard, as an addition to the already-existing Culver Military Academy summer programs, the Summer Naval and Cavalry Schools. Other world-renowned figures in Scouting and conservation helped launch the camp, as will be detailed in special coverage of the centennial in next week's Culver Citizen.



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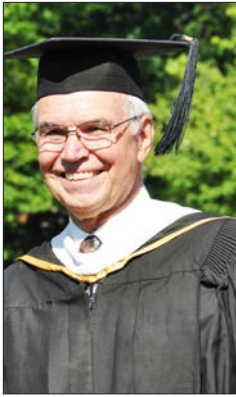


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## 50-year Masons

Plymouth-Kilwinning Masonic Lodge No. 149 presented the 50-year award to two of its members Thursday, June 7. The award of Gold was presented to Jim Bonnie and Verl Shaffer of Culver by Past Grand Master of Indiana, Jim Barkdull. Both men started their Masonic career in the Henry H. Culver Lodge in 1962 and transferred to Plymouth in 1989. Rosaile Bonine, wife of Jim and Sylvia Shaffer, wife of Verl, had the honor of pinning the awards to their husbands' lapels.

## 3 Culver residents retire from Academies faculty/staff



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From left, Dan Baughman, Deb Foley, and Shelly Oberwetter.

Culver residents representing nearly 60 years of educational experience with Culver Academies retired at the close of the 2011-12 school year, earning the designation as faculty/staff emeritus.

Retiring from the Math Department after 26 years was Dan Baughman, while math colleague Shelley Oberwetter retired after 11 years of service. Deborah Foley retired as a teaching associate with Huffington Library after 22 years.

Also retiring was Steve Winet of South Bend, a science instructor since 1977 and department head from 1989-2006.

A member of the Academies mathematics faculty since 1986, Baughman taught every course from Algebra 1 through AP Calculus and has been actively involved with ongoing curriculum development. He also sponsored the Academies' participation in the American Mathematics Competition and Indiana Math League. During the spring and fall athletic seasons Baughman served on the safety boat patrol for the crew program and was a sponsor of the Scuba Club.

Baughman earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in mathematics from Western Michigan University. He

A trio of previously taught three years at Kubasaki High school in Okinawa, Japan, with the Department of Defense Dependent Schools (DODDS) system.

Oberwetter joined the Mathematics Department in 2001. She has been primarily involved in Geometry and Honors Geometry. Schoolwide, Oberwetter has been involved on the ISACS self-study team and the Math Triennial Review Committee.

She has always possessed the heart of a math teacher in terms of her love for research, analysis, and application. After earning a bachelor's degree in American Studies/Anthropology from Barnard College, she worked on research out of the American Museum of Natural History. She earned a master's degree in epidemiology and public health at the Yale School of Medicine and participated in medical policy analysis and clinical outcomes research. Previously, she taught mathematics at Rumsey Hall School for 18 years. Her husband, John, taught ninth-grade Humanities at the Academies before his retirement in 2010.

Foley has a history with the community and with the Academies that reaches back to the late 1960s when her family relocated to Culver. In 1979-80, she served as a CGA counselor and also worked in Summer School Admissions.

Having taught in Maryland and Germany, Foley joined the staff of the Huffington Library in 1990 and has been team teaching the Information Literacy class with Linda Browne since 1996. She has a keen interest in educational technology and has been an active member of the Technology Integrators group. Foley has sponsored the Culver Quilting Circle since 2001. She is a member of the Culver Pipes and Drums band and Culver Living History Club. In the community, she has coordinated the Food Cooperative at Earthworks, been a Culver LakeFest volunteer, and taught piano for several years.

Foley and her husband have one son, a 1994 CMA alumnus.

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library hours. The Friends will have a children's book sale in the children's area June 19 from 10 a.m. to noon.

### CBGC auction Saturday

The Culver Boys & Girls Club's annual fundraiser, "Building Brighter Futures," will take place Friday, June 15 at the Lay Dining Facility on the Culver Academies campus from 6 to 9:30 p.m. The evening includes a silent auction with over 175 items, buffet dinner, and a premier live auction. Entertainment will be provided by "Quick Change," the magical transformation act seen on tele vision and at professional sporting events.

To purchase tickets, mail a check for \$65/person or \$125/couple to Culver Boys and Girls Club, P.O. Box 44, Culver, IN 46511 or call Ginny Munroe at 574-252-6148 to make reservations.

### Community meal at Grace Friday

Grace United Church of Christ will hold its monthly community meal on Friday, June 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.

### Kiwanis bass tournament Saturday

The 8th annual Culver Kiwanis and Marco Bassmasters two-person team bass fishing tournament will be held Saturday, June 16 on Lake Maxinkuckee. Sponsored by Collins and Co. realtors and Culver Marina, the entry fee is \$80 per team, with a 90 percent payout and \$500 big bass guarantee. Check in at the Culver Marina begins at 5 a.m., and launch will be from Culver Marina. The event will benefit the youth of Marshall County, and the public is invited to the launch and weigh-in ceremonies. Questions may be directed to volkerts@msn.com, or call 574-842-4566 and leave a message.

### 4H Parent Council will meet Monday

Union Township 4-H will hold a Parent Council meeting at Len Clifton's house (16860 16C Rd.), Monday, June 18, at 7 p.m. Call Carin at 574-952-1966 with questions.

### Lake Association auction and hog roast June 23

The Lake Maxinkuckee Association will hold its annual hog roast and auction Saturday, June 23, at the Culver Marina at 6 p.m. The live auction features several spectacular items, plus there will be a silent auction and a \$500 door prize.

This is a great family evening to benefit the Culver Lake Patrol. The event is open to the public. Buy tickets at the door or from any LMA board member.

### MCJFL sign-up dates

Culver's Marshall County Junior Football League youth football sign-ups will take place June 16 (9 a.m. to noon), and June 23 (9 a.m. to noon). Please sign up at the open garage doors on the west side of the Culver Community High School. We are also looking for volunteer coaches as well as event volunteers. Please contact the following

if interested: commissioner Chris Stevens (stevensc@culver.k12.in.us, 574-216-5007) or co-commissioner Van Hissong (vhisssong@hotmail.com, 574-225-0712). Note: players must be 7 years old by July 31 and weigh at least 45 pounds.

### Wastewater plant open house June 20

An open house for the public to visit the recently-renovated Culver wastewater treatment plant will be held June 20 from 3 to 5 p.m. on the south side of Culver. The plant recently underwent a largely grant-funded, nearly \$1 million enhancement.

### Monterey FD Hog Ride June 23

Monterey Fire Department is sponsoring its second annual "Hog Ride" motorcycle event Saturday, June 23, starting at the Monterey fire station. Tickets are \$15 per person and \$10 per passenger; riders eat for \$5, and non-riders for \$10. A hog roast will include live band and activities, and proceeds go to benefit the fire department.

### CHS reunion June 22

The Culver High School reunion will take place Friday, June 22 at the Culver Elementary School gymnasium. Doors will open at 6 p.m. and close at 9:30 p.m. Honored CHS classes will include those of 1967, 1962, 1957, 1952, 1947, 1942 and any other class ending with a "2" or "7," though all alums are welcome.

Ticket requests must be received before Sunday, June 17 and must forward a check for \$22 for each ticket requested, to: Thomas L. Curtis, 464 Lake St., Culver, IN, 46511-1315. Tom's other contact information is (email) tlcurtis@mediacombb.net, and (cell phone) 508-369-1506.

### Lake Max Challenge paddleboarding June 30

Culver will host Indiana's first-ever World Paddle Board Association sanctioned Stand Up Paddleboard (SUP) race Saturday, June 30 via the Lake Max Challenge. The Lake Max Challenge will start at the beach lodge at Culver's town park, 819 E. Lake Shore Drive. Parking and launching will be off the east end of the town beach. Learn more or register at lakemaxchallenge.com and facebook.com/lakemaxchallenge. Or contact 574.889.0022.

### Lake Patrol golf outing July 6

A golf outing to benefit the Lake Maxinkuckee Association Lake Patrol will be held Friday, July 6 at Mystic Hills Golf Club. Registration and range balls are at 1 p.m. Florida scramble starts at 2 p.m.; awards following at the Mystic Hills Club House. The event is open to the public. Individuals and teams are needed and welcome. Email lakedit@culcom.net to register and with questions.

### CCSC summer food program

Culver Community Schools' Summer Food Service Program for Children (SFSP) provides free meals for children 18 years of age and younger and people with disabilities regardless of age who participate in special education programs. All other adults may purchase a lunch for \$3 and/or breakfast for \$1.50. Call Carin Clifton at 574-842-3391 ext. 3113 with questions. Locations are: Culver High School: through June 29 and July 9 to 16



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From left: Stephanie Hall, Anne Duff, Emma Duthie, Ximena Garcia, and Angie Fulton.

## Mission trip students 'thank God for what we have'

Culver Academies' spring mission trip to South Africa this year included a familiar face to Culverites, that of retired Academies art teacher Anne Duff, who joined students Ximena Garcia and Emma Duthie, as well as adult chaperones Angie Fulton and Stephanie Hall, to discuss the trip with members of Culver's Kiwanis Club at a recent meeting at the Culver Public Library.

Duff noted Academies mission trips this year ranged from Portugal, China, and Italy, to Mexico, New Orleans, and Croatia.

"It's a wonderful opportunity to see another country," she said of the South Africa trip, "but the meat of the trip was Crystal House, which was started by a woman from Indianapolis and has schools in India, South Africa, and Indianapolis. The idea is to get children out of the cycle of extreme poverty."

Garcia and Duthie detailed the trip's itinerary, noting the Culver Girls Academy's Leadership Committee for Africa helps fund various organizations in addition to Crystal House. Students and adults interacted with Crystal House students towards leadership training goals using communication and team building exercises, compassionate listening, and games.

Garcia said Culver's students found it "amazing to see how similar the students are to us -- they watch the same (TV) series and love texting and gossip."

However, she said, travel to school isn't safe for students on empty pathways, so many stopped attending.

While on the trip, the Culver group also saw (and at one restaurant, ate) a host of African animals and beautiful locales, and toured the prison where South African president Nelson Mandela spent 17 years before the end of Apartheid. Students chronicled the trip via a web-blog available through culver.org.

As a result of the trip, added Garcia, "We thank God for what we have."

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So Celic's first adventure was over. That night he climbed into bed and dreamed of new adventures.

### Landon Stevens - Kindergarten: "Bigfoot."

I had fun on my camping adventure.

First, I set up my tent and climbed a tree and I looked for Big Foot and I found him.

Next, I cooked smores. Then I went to sleep and then Big Foot hit my tent but the good news is that I was still sleeping.

And then a raccoon took my food and he ate all of it.

(Monday, Wednesday, Friday): Breakfast — 8 to 9 a.m. July 29 to Aug. 10: Breakfast — 7 to 7:30 a.m.; Lunch — 11 to 11:30 a.m.

Culver Elementary School: through Aug. 10: Breakfast — 7:45 to 8:30 a.m.; Lunch — 12 to 12:30 p.m.

Former Monterey Elementary School: June 4 to 29: Lunch — 12 to 12:30 p.m.

Aubbeenaubee Township Community Building: through July 27: Lunch — 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Ora Gospel Chapel Church: through June 29: Lunch — 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. EDT

Culver Public Library: June 19 to Aug. 2: 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. (Tuesday and Thursday storytelling/craft time; closed July 17 and 19). \*All sites will be closed July 4.

### Farmer's Market is open

Culver's Farmer's Market has opened, at the corner of Jefferson and Ohio Streets near downtown Culver. Every Saturday, vendors will be selling items from 9 a.m. to noon.

### MCJFL seeks donations

The Marshall County Junior Football League's Culver branch is looking to the community to help purchase jerseys, buy awards, and secure game officials. This year's goal is \$7,500. Gold sponsorships are \$300, silver \$275, and bronze \$150. Sponsors' names will be featured on jerseys and the team banner at games. Make checks payable to MCJFL-Culver and please send by August 1 to Stephanie Schaller, 4060 S. State Road 23, Knox, IN, 46534.

### Remembrance bricks

The Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver is accepting orders for Heritage Park Remembrance Bricks at Heritage Park, corner of Main and Jefferson Streets in Culver. Individuals may also order the bricks for their homes. All brick donations to the Society are tax deductible. Bricks may be ordered from Charlotte Hahn, 574-842-3267. Order forms and a locator list of all the bricks in Heritage Park is available at the Center for Culver in the Culver Public Library.

### Kiwanis raffle tickets available

Tickets are available for the Culver Kiwanis Club's annual raffle to benefit local charities. Prizes include \$35,000 towards the choice of a vehicle from Oliver Ford Lincoln of Plymouth, or \$25,000 cash. Tickets are \$20 each or three for \$50, and are available at Osborne's Mini-Mart and Park N' Shop in Culver, or from members of Culver Kiwanis Club. The drawing will be held Sat., July 21 after the Lake Fest fireworks in Culver's town park. Inquiries may be directed to culverkiwanis@gmail.com or 317-363-6681.

### CCHS cheer coach sought

Culver Community High School is seeking a head cheer coach for the 2012-13 school year. Interested applicants should direct all inquiries to Andy Thomas, Athletic Director, Culver Community High School, thomasa@culver.k12.in.us, 574-842-3391.