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In Brief

‘Shakespeare 2.0’ tonight at CES

The 20th annual 6th grade play under the direction of Todd Shafer will take place at Culver Elementary School at 6:30 p.m. this Thursday, May 16, on the school gymnasium stage. Admission is free and the public is invited to this student production.

Home networking at Thursday Tech Time

Thursday Tech Time at the Culver Public Library on May 16 at 6 p.m. will focus on home networking. For more information, call the Culver Library at 574-842-2941, visit our website at www.culver.lib.in.us or e-mail abaker@culver.lib.in.us. The library's street address is 107 N. Main St.

Bus fund raiser Friday

A Nelson's Golden Glow chicken fund-raiser for St. Mary of the Lake - St. Michael's bus will take place Friday, May 17, from 3:30 to 7 p.m. at the Town and Country Liquor Store (corner of Lake Shore Drive and St. Rd. 17) in Culver. The cost is \$6 per half chicken.

Culver Comm. HS football meeting

There will be a meeting for all football parents and players in grades 9-12 for the 2013 season Monday, May 20. The meeting will be at 6 p.m. EDT in the Culver Comm. High School cafeteria. The summer schedule will be handed out. Upcoming events, expectations, physicals, costs, workouts, and camps are among the topics to be discussed. Those with questions may contact Coach Thomas by phone at 574-842-3391, extension 3409 or by email, thomasa@culver.k12.in.us.

Free computer classes at the library

Culver-Union Township Public Library is offering free technology classes for beginners Mondays at 6 p.m. and Fridays at 10 a.m. in May. They include: Internet/email for beginners (May 13 and 17), Mobile devices for beginners (May 20 and 24). Classes are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Andrew Baker at abaker@culver.lib.

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Marching Cavaliers, lakeside

ABOVE: Taking full advantage of the beautiful spring sunshine last week, members of the Culver Comm. High School band, under the direction of Jason Crittendon (left) showcased their recently-acquired uniforms during a short, afternoon concert in front of the lighthouse at the town park. Parents and citizens gathered around to hear the band perform several numbers before a formal portrait was taken. The uniforms are the result of a lengthy effort by Crittendon and band members, with community and school support, to replace the previous, 25-year old uniforms with more a up-to-date and practical style. The band will be marching -- though perhaps not in the warm, dark uniforms -- in several parades this summer, including Lake Fest and Monterey Days.

Superintendent clarifies on hiring-cutting at Culver Comm. Schools

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

In last week's article on five Culver Elementary School teachers given notice of termination in last week's (May 9) edition of the Culver Citizen ("Five Culver Elementary teachers cut last week"), it was reported that, "At the April 29 school board meeting, three new teachers were hired at a cost of \$179,050 for the upcoming year," which was incorrect.

Culver Community Schools superintendent Brad Schuldt has clarified the following: as of the close of this (2012-2013) school year, the corporation has had one resignation and four retirements from its full-time faculty-staff at the middle and high school level. Combined with the Reduction In Force of five Culver Elementary teachers mentioned last week, \$690,000 has been eliminated from the corporation's budget.

Three out of the five positions previously filled by staff-faculty who resigned or retired were able to be eliminated, but the corporation will still need a faculty member licensed for FACS (home economics), a required position. The corporation also elected to retain its one middle school math licensed

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Noted scientist Goldman here on ‘Climatic Change and Global Warming’ tonight

CULVER – Noted limnologist and oceanographer Charles Goldman, Ph.D., a 1948 alumnus of Culver Military Academy, will present a public lecture on tonight (May 16) at 7 p.m. in Roberts Auditorium, located in the Roberts Hall of Science on the campus of Culver Academies. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Goldman, whose return to campus coincides with his 65th class reunion, will speak on “The Impact of Climatic Change and Global Warming on Inland Waters of the World: What can be done now to Mitigate this Crisis.” The lecture is sponsored by the Academies’ Global Studies Institute, which challenges students to become knowledgeable and conscientious citizens of the world.

During his visit, Goldman also will meet with two of the Academies’ Advanced Placement science classes and attend a private lunch with members of the Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council.

Goldman recently retired from the Department of Environmental Science and Policy at the University of California-Davis, where he had been since 1958. He developed the first courses in limnology (the study of fresh waters) and oceanography at UC-Davis and was the founding director of

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CBGC unit director Monnier announces resignation



Cory Monnier, unit supervisor at the Culver Boys & Girls Club since the summer of 2010, has announced his resignation from the position as of May 24.

During his tenure, Monnier saw the club expand its already-sizable influence on students in the Culver Community Schools district, growing in number to nearly 400 youngsters in 2012, with an average daily attendance at the Culver Elementary School-based after-school program of some 90 children. Summer offerings were also enhanced under the leadership of Monnier, who was consistently passionate in his promotion of the Boys & Girls Club program in general.

Prior to taking the job at Culver, Monnier was program director in charge of athletics at the Valparaiso club, part of the same Porter County BGC of which Culver is a part.

"I have truly enjoyed my time in Culver helping to mold the lives of our young people," Monnier wrote in an email announcing his resignation. "I have seen our youth and our Club grow so much over the last three years and I have complete confidence it will continue to grow in my absence. This community has been such a tremendous support for our Club and I would like to thank each and everyone of you for the part you have played in its success."

Monnier, who has taken a position with another company, emphasized he hopes to stay involved in the club and community in some volunteer capacity going forward.

Park board debates pier issue, fall fest, storage building

Staff report

A lengthy, heavily-attended, and at times heated May 1 Culver parks and recreation board meeting centered largely on the implications of problems with the new public fishing pier installed last month, as well as the park's involvement in a proposed fall festival later this year.

Shortly after its initial install, a portion of the \$44,000 pier -- a combination stationary and floating style dock planned for and discussed by the board over the past few years -- ended up submerged in the lake. Installer Van Huis Construction repaired the pier, according to park superintendent Kelly Young, April 26.

The general consensus of the board was overall dissatisfaction with the pier, though board member opinions varied as to what should be done about it, with some suggesting repairs to the pier would be sufficient to rectify the situation and some pressing for a complete overhaul of the project.

Board member Rhonda Reinhold suggested a review of the contract to see if the pier could be returned and replaced. However, it was noted -- to the apparent surprise of some board members -- that no contract was created or signed with the installer prior to installation.

Board member Patty Stallings, noting she had voted against a floating style pier in the initial proposal, suggested the problem lay in the format of the pier itself. Stallings also suggested the park board change its manner of business, possibly engaging a committee of professionals to overlook construction projects; board member Ed Behnke noted the town had a professional for just such oversight in the past.

The board requested town attorney Jim Clevenger send letters to the installer and manufacturer of the pier reflecting the board's unhappiness with the project, with the pier remaining closed to the public in the meantime, and decided to revisit the issue after consulting Clevenger.

A sizable contingent of Culver area merchants were on hand to discuss whether the park -- specifically, activities director

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New Main Street crosswalks



The most interesting fact about the new brick crosswalks at Main and Jefferson Streets, which follow up on the repaving of Main in the downtown area, is that they aren't actually brick. Instead they're pressed concrete made into a remarkable likeness of brick, but with more resilience and easier year-round care. Part of the downtown revitalization project began last fall, the crosswalks will be duplicated at the intersections one block south and north of their current locale.



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the Institute of Ecology, serving from 1966-69 and again from 1990-92.

His most important and sustained contribution is the four decades of research on Lake Tahoe. Goldman is director of the Tahoe Research Group and has pursued long-term ecological research simultaneously at Lake Tahoe and Castle Lake, Calif., since 1958. He successfully combined effective research and social action with his pioneering studies of lake eutrophication (the dense growth of algae and other organisms, the decay of which depletes the shallow waters of oxygen in the summer).

Goldman's many prestigious awards include a Nation-

al Science Foundation Senior Postdoctoral Fellowship in 1964 for limnological research in the Arctic (Lapland), a Guggenheim Fellowship in northern Italy in 1965, and having the "Goldman Glacier" in Antarctica named for him in 1967.

He was awarded the Vollenweider lectureship in Canada in 1989, the Chevron Conservation Award, and was named Culver's Man of the Year in 1991.

He received degrees in geology and zoology from the University of Illinois before completing his doctorate in limnology and fisheries from the University of Michigan in 1958.

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Donna McKee -- would take an active role in a proposed fall festival tentatively slated for October 19 and 20.

Diva owner Sue McInturff explained merchants have been "brain storming for ways to bring people into town (during) the off season," with the festival as a resultant idea. Organizers hope to enhance the annual Culver scare crow contest, and the event would also include a pet costume parade, chili cook off, and display of local artists' work, among other activities.

McInturff said it was discussed that the park's activities director could take the lead in a haunted trail or beach lodge, utilizing "spooky" decorations donated by Mark Damore, owner of the Original Root Beer Stand.

Rich West, executive director of the Culver Cove, suggested the event "doesn't have to be Barnum and Bailey (circus level)" for its first year out. "Just commit to an activity," he added. "We have to start somewhere and build on that."

Audience member Bill Furry asked that McKee be al-

lowed to meet with the festival committee and work out a plan.

McInturff asked the board who the public should contact if they have ideas for activities, with Young responding such inquiries should be directed to Young herself, rather than activities director Donna McKee.

The issue of accessibility of McKee to community members was central to lengthy discussion with merchants and residents, with Young eventually consenting to allow McKee to attend fall festival meetings.

Board member Kathy Hart asked if involvement with the planning committee and work on the festival itself would be unfair to McKee, though Reinhold noted October is the off season and park activities such as festival organizers suggested "are what she's paid for."

Board member Ed Behnke emphasized the importance of the board not "micro-managing" McKee, since McKee works for Young.

Other discussion focused on a proposed storage build-

REAL Meals menu

To share a meal at REAL Meals, call Ruth Walker at the nutrition site (the Culver beach lodge) before 11 a.m. the day before for reservations, at 574-842-8878. A donation is suggested for each meal.

Thursday, May 16: Beef and mushrooms over rice, Brussel sprouts, bread and margarine, Mandarin oranges.

Friday, May 17: Chicken pot pie, salad and dressing, dinner roll, cobbler.

Monday, May 20: Stuffed baker with sloppy Joe meat,

cheese, onion, broccoli, pears, and muffin.

Tuesday, May 21: Chicken stir fry, low mein noodles, dinner roll, pineapple, pudding.

Wednesday, May 22: Beef and peppers, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, bread, fruit, dessert.

Thursday, May 23: Spaghetti salad and dressing, garlic bread, green beans, fruited Jello.

Friday, May 24: Stuffed green peppers, mashed potatoes, succotash, roll and fruit.

ing to be built on town property near the water tower on Lake Shore Drive, a project for which Young distributed bid packets.

Reinhold suggested the proposed building appeared to be more of a "pole barn" in construction than a more substantial steel or concrete structure. Stallings asked who had been contacted to research specifications for the building, noting her husband, contractor Mike Stallings had offered his services free of charge but was never contacted. Young said she had spoken with local contractor Tim Howard and an employee of the town about the building.

Behnke suggested the board should be in contact with professionals hired via the town council, adding he assumed Young was working with an engineer and attorney when the board planned construction projects.

In other actions and discussion, Young noted 18 boat slips are still available for rent this summer at park-owned piers, and the board voted to approve donation of a wave runner slip for the 2013 and 2014 seasons for donation to the Culver Boys & Girls Club auction next month.

Young also said the park's new babysitting club will meet May 8, and there is a fly fishing workshop scheduled for June 15, to be led by fisherman Charlie Ray.

She also explained F and H Contracting is mowing in the park for the next two weeks since mowing needs are growing faster than the pre-summer staff can keep up with.

The board also approved hiring of the park's summer staff.



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Culver Kiwanians weigh in on Culver priorities via comp plan

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

As part of the ongoing effort to include the entire community in the process of creating a new comprehensive plan for Culver, the plan was brought to members of Culver's Kiwanis Club in hopes of soliciting input from those who didn't make it to the public meetings held last month.

The discussion and information gathering was led by Ralph Winters, who called the comprehensive plan -- which is being handled by Chicago-based consulting firm Housel Lavigne -- "a blueprint for the next ten years" in Culver. As in prior public meetings, attendees were initially asked to identify five issues or concerns confronting the town of Culver.

As was the case with public meetings, affordable housing within Culver rose to the surface as an oft-repeated concern. Related concerns included identifying developable land for new housing and the need for condominium-style housing -- though not necessarily on the lake or golf course -- for seniors and retirees, and drawing younger families to the area. Retention of local youth was also discussed, in addition to activities and destinations for local teens.

Also raised were concerns about infrastructure, the need to solicit more industry to the area, support of local businesses, the relocation of Culver's local historical museum from the library to a new home, management of the town park, the need for a movie theater, and support of civic organizations. It was suggested assisted living care be added amenity to Miller's Merry Manor nursing home in Culver.

The matter of declining public school enrollment led to more in-depth discussion of Culver Community Schools,



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Kiwanis Club member Ralph Winters leads a discussion on Culver's priorities last week as part of the ongoing work towards a Culver comprehensive plan.

as well as the inter-related nature of the already-mentioned issues. Affordable housing, for example, affects the school population, and many teachers at both the public school and Culver Academies choose to live either outside of town or in other nearby towns due to the cost of housing in Culver proper.

The concern was raised that, if trends in housing and state funding don't change, Culver could be without a public school in a decade or so. It was suggested that, in light of the state's current approach to public education, which tends to favor a more competitive, business-derived model, Culver's school system may need to come up with creative means of making itself attractive to potential students and their families, and that community partnerships towards such ideas might benefit the school.

intertwines," said Winters, who wrote down participants' responses. "There's no one thing and no magic bullet."

He also pointed out there's a variance in notions as to what constitutes "affordable" housing, given that some who work here make \$10 to \$15 per hour.

It was noted Culver Academies owns around 75 units to rent to its faculty and staff, which number in the hundreds, and that many of the other homes rented out privately by their owners in Culver are only available by the week or weekend between Memorial and Labor Days.

More public meetings towards the comprehensive plan are slated for the summertime months to maximize participation from all aspects of the community. Extensive documentation and opportunities to interact regarding the plan are available on the town of Culver website at www.townofculver.org.

Culver-related composers highlight Alumni Wkd Carillon recital

John Gouwens, carillonneur of the Culver Academies, will present the second in the series of recitals on the 51-bell carillon in the tower of the Memorial Chapel on the Academies campus Saturday, May 18, 4 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

Because the program is part of the events for Culver's Alumni Weekend, the program will feature music by carillonners who have at one time or another played the carillon at Culver. Due to other events that weekend, the program will be just 45 minutes long, therefore ending at 4:45. The opening piece is by Belgian carillonneur Staf Nees, who played recitals at Culver in 1959 and 1961. Interestingly Belgian-American carillonneur Kamiel Lefévere, to whom the piece is dedicated, played it as the first piece on the dedication recital of the Culver carillon in 1951.

Among the many fine carillonneurs who have played recitals at Culver is another Belgian, Geert D'hollander, who is City Carillonneur of Antwerp, Lier, and Sint-Niklaas in Belgium. Just this year, he accepted a seasonal position as carillonneur at Bok Tower Gardens in Lake Wales, Florida. D'hollander has won many competition honors as a player, and as a composer, and for this program, Gouwens will be playing "Modal Nocturne," which won First Prize in a com-

position competition held by The Guild of Carillonneurs in North America.

Culver has hosted The Guild of Carillonneurs in North America at four of its annual congresses. At the second of those, in 1961, a brilliant young American carillonneur, Daniel Robins, played his examination recital to become a full “carillonneur member” of the guild. His playing was so dramatically more skilled and flamboyant than was normal for carillonneurs of the time that he created a shock wave in the profession. For this program, Gouwens will present Robins’s three-movement Sonata. The recital will conclude with one of Gouwens’s own compositions – the flamboyant “Bolero,” from his virtuosic “Three Dances for Carillon.”

Additional recitals will be offered on June 22 and 29; July 6, 13, 20, and 27; August 31; and September 28, all Saturdays at 4. In the event of bad weather, the tower will be open to the public during the recital (which would be indicated on signs near the South doors), and printed programs will be available near the doors as well. Admission is free, and a tour and demonstration of the instrument will be offered following the performance.

Academies Jazz Ensemble at H.S. Cafe Jazz Fest Saturday

PLYMOUTH — Culver Academies' Jazz Ensemble will perform at 8:40 p.m. Saturday as part of the Plymouth Music Boosters annual Cafe Jazz Festival. The large event transforms the PHS multi-purpose gymnasium into a jazz nightclub for one evening of great jazz music and dinner. Admission to the event is \$10 and includes the concert and all dinner items (soft drinks are sold separately).

Performances begin at 6:20 pm. with the Plymouth H.S. Jazz Orchestra and continue in 20-minute rotations with jazz groups from Knox, John Adams, Clay, and John Glenn. Tickets for the event are available at Door 5 at Plymouth High School starting at 5:30 p.m.

Mildred Curtis services May 25

A funeral for Mildred Curtis (formerly of Culver, April 28, 1920 - Jan. 5, 2013) will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 25, at the Poplar Grove Methodist Church on State Road 10, three miles east of the stone "Welcome to Culver" sign.

The funeral and graveside services will be brief in keeping with her wishes. A gathering at the depot in the town park will follow the aforementioned services, during which lunch will be provided.

Anniversary - Pletcher



Willard and Ruth Pletcher of Argos will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary.

The couple was married May 16, 1948 at Plymouth Church of God.

Their children are Rebecca (David) Hartman of Plymouth, the late Kathleen Pletcher, Ste-

phen Sr. (Penny) Pletcher of Culver, and Timothy (Tisha) Pletcher of Plymouth. They also have 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Willard worked for Plymouth Thermogas for 17 years spreading liquid fertilizer and herbicides for farmers, delivering propane, and doing service work. He then went to Marshall-Fulton Co-op to continue spreading fertilizer and delivering feed until his retirement. After retiring, he worked part time at Family Fare Grocery Store in Plymouth for eight years.

Willard served in the U.S. Coast Guard for 32 months during World War II as seaman first class. He is a member of the American Legion. He has been a beekeeper since 1975 and is a member of the Michiana Beekeepers Association.

Ruth is a homemaker. She was a Sunday school teacher and a den mother for Cub Scouts. She was also a 4-H leader for embroidery and crocheting for more than 30 years. She was a member of the Home & Hobby Homemakers Club for several years and participated in its sewing projects. She enjoyed sewing diapers for missions in South America.

Their faith and church has been the central part of their 65 years having attended the Church of God most of those years. They currently attend Crossroads Church in Plymouth.

Ditmire graduates Marine Engineer School

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. — Marine Corps Pvt. Brandon L. Ditmire, son of Amy Ditmire of Culver and Scott Ditmire of Culver, recently graduated from the Marine Corps Basic Combat Engineer Course at Marine Corps Engineer School, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

During the five-week course, Ditmire received instruction in the fundamentals of engineering support for combat units, including the procedures for building and repairing bridges, roads and field fortifications. Ditmire also received training on demolition concepts, land mine warfare and camouflage techniques.

Ditmire is a 2012 graduate of Culver Community High School and joined the Marine Corps in August 2012.

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If these walls could talk...from 115 W. Mill to 600 W. Jefferson

By Jeff Kenney

Our ongoing series of "virtual" historical walks through buildings of note in Culver has just about wrapped up West Jefferson Street, since we're nearly to State Road 17 and thus the edge of town.

However, we hadn't yet stopped into a property which was once home to a thriving local business, Boetsma's Interiors (and various other names) at 600 W. Jefferson, at the corner of that street and S.R. 17.

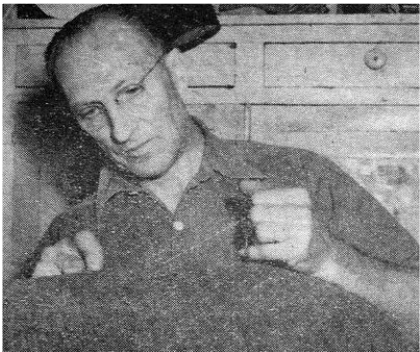
The roots of that business, which opened at the W. Jefferson location in November, 1960, touch on another business property several blocks away, but which it only makes sense to touch upon in today's column, and that's at 115 W. Mill Street, between Ohio and Main.

The story also starts a few generations back with Joe W. Boetsma, who arrived in Culver in 1917 with a background in automobile mechanics and furniture factory work. He was a member of Culver's fire department and, according to the Citizen in the 1930s, helped get signers on the petition to bring town mail delivery to Culver.

According to the Citizen in March, 1939, he'd already had 19 years experience in the furniture and upholstery business when he formed Joe Boetsma & Sons in Culver that same year (he also planned to open a furniture store in Burr Oak later in March).

The Mill Street business expanded in October, 1947 "so the business will cover about 2,000 feet in floor space," according to the Citizen.

In March, 1953, Joe W. Boetsma, age 59, died unexpectedly from a heart attack, though his upholstery business continued. It's also worth noting that, two years prior, he had helped launch what would become the Culver Bible Church, several blocks south of his business, on South Main Street, though Boetsma himself only saw the early seeds of his dream begin to take root (in fact, son Joe H. Boetsma's former home at 317 S. Ohio, a block west of the Mill Street business, has been home to the Bible Church's pastor for more than 35 years; Joe Sr. lived at the



Joe W. Boetsma at work in his upholstery shop in 1939.

house adjacent to the business on Mill Street).

Boetsma's son, Joe H. Boetsma, continued in the family business, and in Nov., 1960, relocated the business to the much-larger building on West Jefferson. The building at 115 W. Mill would receive new use around 1980, when Jim Patrick opened his Culver Auto Body shop there.

In the mid-1980s, the old Boetsma house streetside in front of 115 W. Mill was razed and made into a parking lot for the auto body business, which closed its doors in the mid-2000s.

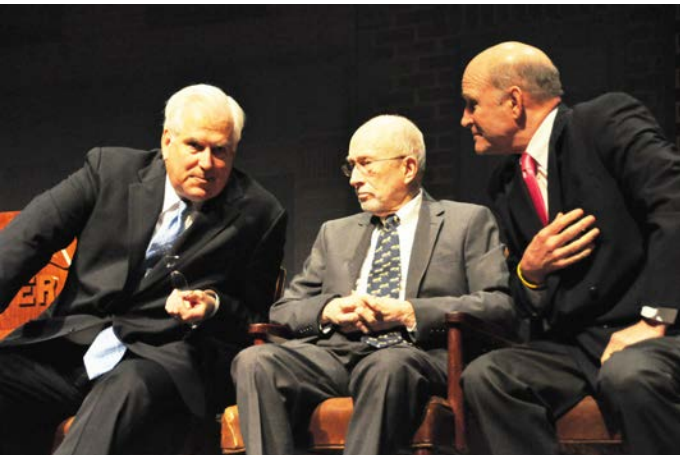
Joe H. and wife Thelma (Harris) Boetsma's move to the big building on Jefferson was a boon to the business in size, stock, and visibility, located as it was at the edge of the "west gateway" into town. The couple eventually retired to Hobe Sound, Florida, in 1979 (though he retained ownership of the West Jefferson building until 1993), where Joe continued to work in a drapery business. His Feb., 2008 obituary describes him as "a true craftsman when it came to making things for the home," and notes he and Thelma had moved to Indianapolis in 1999 and went to Gilbert, Ariz. in December 2006.

Thelma also passed away in 2008.

Many current Culver residents will remember Boetsma's under the leadership of Joe H.'s son Larry and wife Anita (Larry was officially appointed manager at the store in July, 1979, and in an article in the Citizen promised a wider array of prices for shoppers there). Many Culver carpets, drapes, and pieces of reupholstered furniture during the 1980s and '90s were facilitated by the business, whose exterior was radically reconfigured to its present state in the late 1980s. Through the years, a number of antique pieces came into the building, and this was capitalized upon and the business re-launched as The Maxinkuckee Moon "antique mall" in the early 2000s.

The site has been closed for several years now.

Academies historian Hartman honored with Chair



Miles White (left), chairman of The Culver Educational Foundation Board of Trustees, talks with Robert B.D. Hartman and Head of Schools John N. Buxton prior to the all-school meeting honoring Hartman.

PHOTO/JAN GARRISON

The career and contributions of Culver Academies historian Robert B.D. Hartman were honored at a May 3 all-school meeting at Eppley Auditorium on the school's

campus, with the introduction of the Robert B.D. Hartman Chair for Excellence in Teaching.

A gift of Miles White (CMA class of '73), his wife, Kim, and their sons, the endowed chair will be awarded to that faculty member who has demonstrated a commitment to and an understanding of Culver Academies' history and values.

The White family made the gift as a way saying thank you to Hartman, a mentor and friend, and also to the teaching profession as it is practiced at Culver. Miles White is the chairman of The Culver Educational Foundation Board of Trustees and the presentation was made during the weekend of the trustees meeting.

Hartman has served as a history teacher, assistant counselor, the director of admissions, executive secretary of the academies, director of the audio visual aids department, and coach of the Company A football team. He is the holder of the MacMillan Family Chair of American Heritage; and served as the executive secretary of the centennial commission in 1994, special assistant to the president of Culver, and as Culver's official historian. His books on Culver history include "Pass in Review," "Boots and Saddles," "The Grand Parade," and "Lest We Forget."

Two giants

LEFT: Former Indiana Governor Otis Bowen died May 4 and will surely be remembered as one of the most beloved of Indiana's sons. The 44th governor (1973 to 1981) and Secretary of Health and Human Services (1985 to 1989) is seen here during a Sept., 1979 visit to Culver's Chamber of Commerce where, with Mrs. Bowen (left), he greets local legend, State Exchange Bank president W.O. Osborn at the Culver Inn. During his visit, Bowen was also declared an "Oarsman of Aubbeenaubbee Bay" by "chief" John Mars and other Aubbeenaubbee council.



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Last week's Mystery Citizen, Tom Curtis, graduated from Culver High School, went on to a successful career spanning the globe, and returned to Culver a few years ago, where he's thrown himself into a number of community projects, from heading up CHS' annual class reunion, to serving on the boards of the Culver library and Antiquarian and Historical Society, among other endeavors.

He was recognized by readers Lora Pinder, Heather Moriconi, Judy Thews Tipton, Bea (Price) Stephenson, Marizetta Ken-

ney, Valerie Carter Kemble, and Ed Stephenson, all of whom receive the traditional free parking in downtown Culver for a job well done.

Catching up on older business, we didn't get Kay Tusing's name in by press time as correctly identifying previous Mystery Citizen, Tom J a n n a Curtis, then and now. V a n - DePutte. I'm not sure Kay has ever missed a guess!

This week's Mystery Citizen is seen regularly at at work at one popular local establishment. Guesses may be emailed to culvercitizen@gmail.com or call the editor at 574-216-0075.

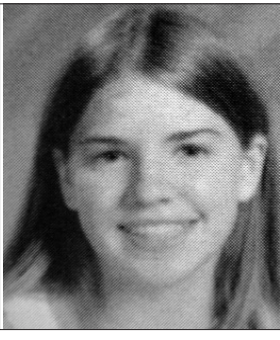






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CGA girls lacrosse players Rory Byrne, left, and Kelsi Carr were selected for the U.S. Lacrosse game.

Two CGA lacrosse players selected for US Lacrosse Tourney

CULVER — Two juniors on the Culver Girls Academy lacrosse team were selected to play in the U.S. Lacrosse Women’s National Tournament.

Rory Byrne of South Bend and Kelsi Carr of Kitchen-er, Ontario will play for the combined Indiana-Kentucky team May 25-26 at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa.

Players must try out for the regional teams in order to participate, and the majority of players in this division are rising seniors. Byrne and Carr will be playing in School-girls Division, which is the largest segment of the tournament. Nearly 50 teams compete annually in this division, and the event has been become one of the marquee college recruiting events in the country.

The U.S. Lacrosse National Tournament began in 1933 to showcase the best women’s lacrosse players in the country.

Byrne has also been selected to play in the Brine All-American Lacrosse Classic on June 30-July 3 in Maryland after a regional tryout. Fourteen teams from across the nation will compete during that competition. Athletes must be rising sophomores, juniors or seniors to compete.

Sports briefs

Baseball

Stevens leads Culver at New Prairie

Collin Stevens struck out six and walked one in a complete-game shutout, and Culver Community won its second Northern State Conference game of the year, 4-0 on the road in New Prairie Saturday.

Stevens also doubled in the win, his first of the season, as the Cavs improved to 3-13 overaell and 2-8 in conference play.

• CULVER 4, NEW PRAIRIE 0
At New Carlisle

Eagles lose 2

Culver Military fell in two game in a home doubleheader Saturday, losing in a tight 6-5 decision with NorthWood in the opener before falling 7-2 to Valparaiso.

Anthony McHugh drove in three runs for CMA versus the Panthers. He and Colin Dean both doubled, while Hunter Lane, Blake Cleveland and Tanner Farmwald doubled for NorthWood. CMA’s Kyle Bartelman tripled in the loss.

Perley Provost homered to help his own cause in the second game, but it wasn’t enough for the Eagles.

• VALPARAISO 7, CULVER MILITARY 2
At Culver
• NORTHWOOD 6, CULVER MILITARY 5
At Culver

Cavs fall

Culver committed four errors compared to just five hits by the Cavs, and the home team fell 13-3 in a Northern State Conference contest with visiting New Prairie last Monday.

Chris Zehner took the loss on the mound before Everett Krueger relieved him in the third as the Cougars jumped on top 3-0 in the first then tacked on another four runs in the top of the fourth.

Collin Stevens doubled, and Culver managed three runs in the bottom of the sixth, but it was too little, too late.

New Prairie moves to 10-7 with a 5-4 NSC record, while Culver slides to 1-12 and remains winless in conference play at 0-7.

• NEW PRAIRIE 13, CULVER 3
At Culver

Girls tennis

CGA falls in two matches

Culver Girls Academy dropped a pair of tennis matches to Bishop Luers and Kokomo at home Saturday, falling by a narrow 3-2 margin to Kokomo and 4-1 to Luers.

The difference-maker versus Kokomo was Regina Padilla’s and Pita Navarro’s 6-3, 0-6, 6-2 loss to Brooke Grider and Stephanie Kailey at 1 doubles.

Padilla and Navarro earned the Lady Eagles their only win against Bishop Luers, 6-3, 6-1 over Andrea Choka and Courtney White.

• KOKOMO 3, CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 2
at Culver

• BISHOP LUERS 4, CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 1
at Culver

CGA wins 4-1 vs Logansport

Culver Girls Academy earned a 4-1 win over visiting Logansport at home last Monday.

Natalia Yanez-Lopez took the Lady Eagles’ lone loss of the night, retiring to Whitney Jennings after falling behind 6-5 in the first set at 1 singles.

Rachel Simon clinched a first-set tiebreaker over Kat Meyer before putting her away in straight sets at 2 singles, and Alena Arkhipov downed Brooke Bullard 6-3 after splitting with the Logansport 3 singles player in the opening two sets.

• CGA 4, LOGANSPORT 1
at Culver

CULVER — Culver Community hosted John Glenn on a frigid Friday evening and true to past history it was another closely contested game, but in the end it was the Falcons on top 6-2.

Glenn grabbed a 2-0 lead in the first and second innings. Justin Gierlowski singled with two out in the first, David Jaworski was hit by Culver starter Chris Zehner, and Kyle Lietdky singled in Gierlowski to put Glenn up 1-0. The Falcons stretched the lead to two runs in the second when a dropped fly off Mark Einhorn’s bat scored Cole Kaser all the way from first.

The Cavs cut the deficit in half in the bottom of the inning when Nick Pritz led off with a hit, Tyler Niespodziany walked Chris Zehner, and Shawn Russell laid down a bunt single to load the bases with none out.

A hard smash up the middle was knocked down by Glenn second baseman Drew McDonald and rolled to short stop Einhorn for the force out at second as Pritz scored.

Zehner was tagged out at third caught in a run down on a missed hit and run, and Niespodziany struck out Derek Keller as the Falcons dodged a potential big inning from their hosts.

“Every time we have the making of a big inning we take ourselves out of it,” said Culver coach Mike Elliott. “They make a big defensive stop up the middle and then we have a busted play; changed the inning, maybe the outcome at

the end.”

The Falcons plated another run in the fourth off a McDonald walk and singles from Einhorn and Jaworski, but it was still anybody’s game until Glenn chased Zehner off the mound in the top of the fifth.

Kaser sacrifice bunted Niespodziany over to second following the latter’s walk, and Ryan Price’s double scored him. McDonald drove in pinch runner Michael Holder-read, and Einhorn doubled in McDonald to give Glenn 6-1 lead before freshman Everett Krueger came in to relieve Zehner and induced two flyouts to center to retire the side.

Culver mounted one more attempt in the bottom of the sixth when Pritz doubled with one out and moved to third on a Zehner single off the pitching rubber. Russell’s SAC fly scored Pritz, but it was two little, too late as Niespodziany fanned Brendon Pinger to end the threat.

While Glenn improves to 8-4 in Northern State Conference play, Culver slides to 1-8 in the NSC with Friday’s decision.

“We’re doing a lot of good things, it’s just a couple of mental mistakes here and there,” lamented Elliott. “We had a squeeze play on and our hitter reads the sign wrong and takes us out of an inning. It’s the little things, and with eight games in the next week we’ll overcome them, I believe.”

• JOHN GLENN 6, CULVER 2
At Culver

Culver competes at NSC track meet

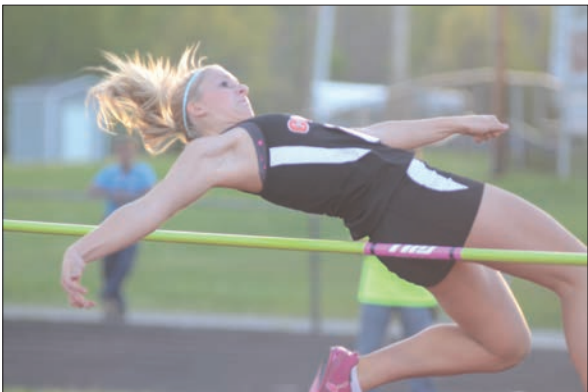
By James Costello
Sports Editor

WALKERTON — Bremen’s boys track and field team had already beaten both Jimtown and New Prairie in dual meets earlier this season, but the Lions knew it would likely be a different story at the Northern State Conference championships. With start sprinter Sam Lacher sidelined with a hamstring injury and a total of eight teams in the field vy- Culver Community’s Tatum Schultz competes in the ing for the top spots in each high jump at the Northern State Conference Track event, Bremen fell short of Meet last week in Walkerton. both.

The Jimmies put in strong showings in the field and the sprints for the conference championship with 132 points, and New Prairie was strong in the hurdles and distance events for second with 123 points ahead of the Lions’ score of 108.

Culver Community finished fourth with 68 points ahead of host John Glenn’s 67, Knox was sixth with 45 points, three ahead of Triton in seventh, and LaVille rounded out the boys NSC standings with a score of 39.

While Bremen got a pleasant surprise from its 4x100 squad and solid points production throughout the night



PHOTO/JAMES COSTELLO

All we can do is compete as hard as we can. I thought all our guys in all our races competed real hard tonight.”

While Bremen’s boys finished third Wednesday, the reigning NSC-champion Lady Lions were dethroned by New Prairie, 134-116.5.

Schafer may have edged out Culver Community’s Denisha Brown for top honors in the 200, but it was Brown who got the better of Schafer in their first finals match-up Wednesday, turning in a 12.83 comfortably ahead of Shafer’s 12.91 for the championship in the 100.



ABOVE, LEFT: Culver Community’s Matt Hurford hands off to Micah Budzinski in the boys 4x400-meter relay at the Northern State Conference Championships at John Glenn.



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ABOVE, RIGHT: CCHS players, from left, Matt Hurford, Bradley Beaver, Preston Hansel, and Micah Budzinski, the 1600 meter relay team, which won the NSC conference and broke the school record with a time of 3:33.22.

from Dean, Culver Community got its best one-two punch from Micah Budzinski and Matt Hurford.

Budzinski, a walk-on football player at Purdue, and Hurford, the reigning 182-pound IHSAA state wrestling champion, finished first and second, respectively in the 100 hurdles, and the duo combined with fellow senior Bradley Beaver and sophomore Preston Hansel to break their school record in the 4x400 and edge out Glenn for third place in the conference tourney standings.

“With the hurdles, those two have been pushing each

conference meet. She does a great job of competing, taking these things the right way, taking them as a challenge and not freaking out at these moments.”

“Really, Donna is getting to be on par with Denisha in terms of somebody we expect to score big points for us in meets like this and to be a champion,” he added.

• NORTHERN STATE CONFERENCE
TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS
At Walkerton

Class A SECTIONAL 51 Softball draw

At South Central (Union Mills)

Monday, May 20

Westville vs Marquette Catholic, 4 p.m. CT

South Central vs Argos, to follow

Tuesday, May 21

Winner Westville-Marquette Catholic vs winner South Central-Argos, 4 p.m. CT

Culver Community-Triton, to follow

Wednesday, May 22

Championship, 4:30 p.m. CT

Boys golf

CMA hosts invite

NorthWood won the Culver Military Academy Boys Golf Invitational with a 309 score at Mystic Hills Saturday, edging out Warsaw by a stroke, while Triton finished fourth a stroke behind Elkhart Memorial’s 313, Culver Military was seventh with a 323 team score, Plymouth was ninth with a 336, and John Glenn placed 10th with a 339.

Dylan Gessinger finished with a 73 for second place overall for NorthWood, while Triton’s Quentyn Carpenter also shot 73 for third.

Davis Payne shot 78 for CMA, and Tyler Prentkowski shot 79th to tie for seventh with CMA’s Ben Sharff and Triton’s Tanner Shepherd.

Plymouth Ben Schenk, Zach Craft and Curt Corsbie tied for team low-medalist honors.

The tournament followed a unique format with the best four scores on each hole counted toward a team’s total.

• CULVER MILITARY INVITATIONAL
At Mystic Hills (par 71)

Boys lacrosse

CMA routs Luers

Culver Military’s varsity lacrosse team routes visiting Bishop Luers 15-0 Friday.

Brenden Brewer had a hat trick, and Don Reed, Nick McNab and Frank Kline each scored twice.

William Dennen finished with two saves in the shutout.

• CULVER MILITARY (Varsity) 15,
BISHOP LUERS 0
at Culver

Rugby

CMA beats Angola at regional

Culver Military’s boys rugby team beat Angola 17-10 at the Division 2 Regional at home over the weekend.

Eric Madhuit had two conversions for CMA.

• CULVER MILITARY 17, ANGOLA 10
Div. 2 Regional at Culver

Duff Memorial exhibit open to public at Academies' Crisp Gallery

The Culver Academies' Crisp Art Center, a 2011 renovation to the former Eppley Hall of Science, is hosting two exhibitions in its Wolf and Deer-Zink Galleries.

Now on view in the Deer-Zink Gallery and Crisp hallway exhibition space is The Charles T. Duff Faculty Memorial Exhibition, which recognizes the career and artwork of one of Culver Academies' most respected and beloved master instructors of fine arts.

Comprising more than sixty artworks in ten media, the exhibition reflects the life and experiences Mr. Duff shared with his students, colleagues, friends, and family.

"I enjoyed the students," said Duff, reflecting on his years at the Academies. "They made it all worthwhile."

Born in West Virginia, the late Duff earned his bachelor's degree in geology and German before entering the Air Force as a fighter pilot. He moved to Scotland to study at the Edinburgh College of Art, where he met future bride Anne, the two moving after marriage to New York where Charlie earned his Masters of Fine Arts at the Pratt Institute. The fami-



PHOTOS PROVIDED
ABOVE: The late Charles T. Duff pictured in his home studio in 2005.

ly moved to Culver in 1976, where he taught fine arts as a master instructor until his 1996 retirement. He later taught as an Adjunct Professor at Ancilla College, but continued to devote much of his time to his artwork, creating works in watercolor, tempera, pastel, wax encaustic, printmaking, and more.

His work has been shown across North America and Europe and is in private collections all over the world.

"This exhibition has been a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the artistic life of someone who not only influenced a generation of Academy students," says Bob Nowalk, Culver Academies Visual Art Collection Coordinator and coordinator of the exhibition, "but was also a creative presence in the Culver community. We are honored that so many of Mr. Duff's patrons consented to loan works to the exhibition for the people of Culver to enjoy."

The Crisp Visual Art Center's Wolf Gallery parallels the Duff Exhibition with a selection of paintings from the Culver Collection addressing the broad subject categories of People, Places, and a Few Things. Installed as a teaching exhibition for the Visual Art Painting classes, the works on view span across the centuries from the marvelous portrait of Christ by the Master of 1499, given by Robert R. Young CMA '14, to the whimsical 1980's Byron Burford painting of Tom Mix, a recent gift of L. Herbert Tyler, CMA '47 in memory of his father Herbert F. Tyler. On view for the first time in this exhibition are several Impressionist paintings, one American and one French, given by Randy Deer, N '48, as part of his continued commitment to strengthening the Visual Arts experiences for Culver students.

Exhibits are open Wednesdays and Sundays, 1 to 4 p.m.



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CES authors at work

LEFT: Culver Elementary 5th graders in Raeanne Stevens' reading class got their first look at a hardbound, professionally printed book compiled from their writings and art last week, when family members were invited to the school's media center for a first look at the book, which students also signed.

This year, the book, titled, "Catastrophe on the SS Sapphire," centered around mystery and intrigue on a cruise ship, with students encouraged to plug in their most imaginative work to the theme.

TOP PHOTO: From left, Trista Fritter, Isabelle Ahlenius, Aysia Conley, Lillian Sayavongsing, Dana Rodgers, Brooklyn Sellers, and Lily Hayes.

BOTTOM PHOTO: Lillian Sayavongsing, left, and Dana Rodgers display the cover and some inside pages of the new book.



CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

Multiple morels

LEFT: Melvin Walters of Culver is one of a handful of locals who have reported a bumper crop of the popular morel mushrooms, which seem to have been particularly bountiful in recent weeks due to the specific mix of cold, warmth, and precipitation in the area.

Walters won't go into specifics, but says he found this batch of more than 100 in the Culver area.

Fellow Culver resident Wendy Nelson showed the editor some of the unusually large-sized morels she and others have been finding recently, as well.

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teacher in current position at the elementary school and so will need to fill a middle school math post.

Thus, between the math and home economics positions, the corporation will have to hire two new teachers by next school year.

Further, the corporation also had to hire a nurse for an IEP disabled student, earlier this year.

The nurse, home economics, and math positions were thus incorrectly reported as having been filled by the

board at the same (April 29) meeting as five elementary teachers were cut. It's important to note those positions cannot be filled by any of the five RIFed Culver Elementary teachers due to licensing requirements, according to Schuld.

Schuld says the corporation also estimated a cost of \$50,000 in unemployment costs.

Previously, the school board had resolved to cut \$500,000 from its budget by the end of this school year.



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Factoring in the above-mentioned \$690,000 saved the corporation due to resignation and retirement this year, minus \$179,000 in unemployment, the nurse position, and two future hires, the corporation has cut \$511,000 from its budget, just above the board's resolved amount.

Schuld also notes he's been asked if music will be eliminated at Culver Elementary in light of teachers cuts.

"We definitely will have a similar offering in music, both vocal and band," he says. "We currently have four Music Educators in the corporation and even if one would leave, several of our Music teachers were performing other duties outside of music. Through rearranging teaching schedules, Culver Elementary won't be negatively affected in the music offering."

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Culver kindergarteners take home trees

Rosalie Bonine of Culver (left) continued a now 23-year old tradition when she visited Culver Elementary School April 26 in celebration of Arbor Day. Bonine, assisted by Dick Brantingham of Culver's tree commission, distributed 90 trees to CES kindergarteners, along with information for their parents on how to plant and care for the saplings (as well as a post to place in the ground next to them to avoid their being mown down). Bonine notes she's given away 2,750 trees to date as part of the program, which ties in nicely with Culver's status as a "Tree City USA." The town of Culver also issued a formal proclamation observing Arbor Day. Pictured here are kindergarteners Emma Brown and Matthew Baker, with Bonine.



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CCMS students inducted into Nat'l Jr Honor Society

Several Culver Community Middle School students were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society April 24, reactivating what had been a dormant program in recent years, thanks to the addition of faculty sponsor Tina Stacy. Teachers Julie Kitchell, Amy Gearhart, and CCMS treasurer Joyce Hanselman volunteered to help create the ceremony for the inductees, whose parents and grandparents attended to celebrate their induction. Pictured, front row, from left: Cody Russell, Morgan Keen, Erin Bendy, Hailey Jones. Back row: Cody Rieckhoff, Brianna Kinyanjui, Josh Krsek, Brandon Havron and Jack Rich (all students were 8th graders with the exception of Rieckhoff and Russell).

Shelter seeking supplies for women, children

PLYMOUTH - The onset of summer time means more need at the Heminger House. The shelter for women and children that are fleeing domestic abuse situations finds a great increase in occupancy and need in the spring and summer months. Heminger House provides a shelter for people to escape unsafe and abusive domestic environments of any kind. With the increase in occupants Heminger House is run-

ning through supplies at an increased rate and is seeking donations to help. Each spring the house campaigns in the community for help. The address of Heminger House is kept as confidential as possible for the safety of those who reside there so those wishing to help are asked to call 574-936-7233 to arrange for pickup or drop off of any donations.



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Culver's Miss America runner-up Glaze returns to area May 22

The 42nd annual Marshall County Historical Society dinner will make history of its own Weds., May 22 at 6 p.m. at Christo's Banquet Center in Plymouth. The featured speaker for the event is former Culver resident Tommye Lou (Glaze) Beavers, 1958 and 1960 Miss Plymouth, 1960 Miss Indiana and 4th runner-up to Miss America. Her talk, "Titles and Tiaras," will provide a glimpse into the seemingly glamorous (and sometimes not so glamorous) world of pageants. She will be joined by nine other former Miss Plymouths for a panel discussion and "trip down memory lane," as Glaze and the Miss Plymouths from 1958-1987 reminisce about their experiences while holding the coveted title. Others attending are Janice (Slagle) Albright (1961 Miss Plymouth), Pamela (Holtzclaw) Lyon (1966/ 1968 Miss Plymouth), Susan (Erow) Eggleston (1967 Miss Plymouth), Patricia (McDaniel) Kuntz (1969 Miss Plymouth), Mary Pat (Martindale) Glaub (1974 Miss Plymouth), Mary (Coursey) Bencisics (1979 Miss Plymouth), Pamela Carlberg (1980 Miss Plymouth, 1981, Miss Indiana, 3rd runner-up Miss America), Lori Calmus-Maike (1981/1983 Miss Plymouth), Nicole (Rash) Cook (2007 Miss Ball State, Miss Indiana, 4th runner-up Miss America – Current Ms. America). Tickets to the dinner and event are available at the Marshall County Museum for \$25 for members of the Historical Society, and \$30 for nonmembers. The social hour will begin at 6, followed by dinner at 7, and the featured speaker and panel discussion after dinner. Call 574-936-2306, or email the museum for more information at mlangdon@mchistoricalociety.org.

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in.us or 574-842.2941.

Jr. Football sign-ups

Sign-ups for the 2013 Junior Football season are June 15 and 22 from 9 a.m. to noon, at the Culver Community High School library. All enrollment will be online this year with only an email address required. If you do not have one, volunteers can help you create one when you enroll. If you choose to enroll online on your own, please still plan to attend one of these dates to be fitted for equipment and uniforms. All are encouraged to “like” Culver Junior Football on Facebook.

Maxinkuckee Singers spring performance schedule

The Maxinkuckee Singers’ spring concerts, “Makin’ Music – 2013,” will take place at several area venues at 7:30 p.m. (the Knox show is at 6:30 p.m. central time), including: **May 16** at First United Church of Christ, Plymouth; **May 20** at Knox United Methodist Church. This spring’s shows are free to the public with a freewill donation accepted. For further information, call 574-276-2287 or check www.maxsingers.org.

Tour de Max May 18

The Culver Tri Kappa Tour de Max bicycle ride will take place Saturday, May 18 and will include 10, 30, and 63-mile routes. At the end of the ride, riders are invited to enjoy a biker’s brunch. Cyclists may begin checking in at the beach lodge and start their ride as early as 7 a.m. and as late as 9:30 a.m. However, those riders planning to ride the 63-mile route must leave no later than 8 a.m. The cost is \$25, and includes a t-shirt. Riders 12 years old and under may ride free with an adult but do not receive a t-shirt. Registrations will be accepted the day of the ride. Helmets are required and must be worn during the ride. Read more at www.tourdemax.blogspot.com or register online at www.active.com.

Author Albertson at CUTPL May 20

Culver-Union Township Public Library will host former Plymouth resident and local author Marie Albertson Monday, May 20 at 1:30 p.m. to discuss her book, “Old Librarians Never Die; They Jump Out of Airplanes.” This free program is open to the public, and will be held in the large meeting room on the lower level of the library. For more information, please contact Reference/Adult Services Librarian, Laura Jones, at 574-842-2941 or ljones@culver.lib.in.us.

Beach opens, passes available May 25

The Culver beach officially opens for the summer Saturday, May 25. Lifeguards are on duty from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. Family beach passes will be available starting that day. Culver/Union Twp. passes are \$45 for the family. Passes for family members outside of this area are \$60.

Prime rib dinner, live music at VFW May 31

The Culver VFW Post 6919, 108 E. Washington St., will host a prime rib dinner from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Friday, May 31. Following the dinner, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., a live band, Union Station, will play upstairs at the Post. The public is welcome.

Little League bake sales

Culver Little League will hold bake sales Sat., June 1 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Park N Shop and Café Max in Culver.

LMEC hosts free fishing classes June 1, 2

The Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council will

hold free family fishing classes on June 1 and 2 to correspond with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Free Fishing Weekend, during which no fishing licenses are required on any public lake in the state. Class size is limited to 20 at a time, so call 574-842-3686 to register now. Classes will be held from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, June 1 at the beach lodge on Lake Maxinkuckee, as well as from 9 to 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 2.

Tutoring starts first week of June

Tutoring sessions will commence at Wesley United Methodist Church on School Street in Culver during the first week of June. With a specialization in tutoring children with dyslexia, A Better Chance to Learn will offer sessions. For more information, email abetterchance-2learn@yahoo.com, or call 574-505-1028.

Culver Farmer’s Market open

The Culver Farmer’s Market has opened for the season each Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon at the corner of Jefferson and Ohio Streets (across from CVS Pharmacy). Interested produce and flower vendors are encouraged to call Barb at 574-842-2648.

Zeller family basketball camp here June 5-7

A Zeller family sponsored overnight youth basketball camp open to anyone entering 4th through 9th grade will take place at Culver Academies June 5 through 7. The camp will give youngsters an opportunity to spend some time with NBA players, college and high school coaches, and other area and regional standouts and learn not only some basketball skills, but skills in the area of character development as well. Cost of the camp is \$400 for overnight attendees and \$300 for “commuters,” which includes a t-shirt, lodging, meals, and of course camp instruction. There is a sibling discount of \$350 and \$250, and there are a limited number of scholarships available for area students. Visit distinxion.org for more information or to register.

‘Carmichael Sings Carmichael’ June 8

Randy Carmichael, son of Hoosier music legend Hoagy Carmichael, will perform “Carmichael Sings Carmichael” Saturday, June 8, at 7:30 p.m. at the Legion Memorial Building on the Culver Academies campus. The performance will be followed by wine and delicious appetizers with Randy Carmichael in attendance. A limited number of tickets are available at \$25 for Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver members and \$35 for non-members, and may be purchased at The Center for Culver History museum at the library. Or request tickets via historyofculver@gmail.com or regular mail at P.O. Box 125, Culver, IN 46511. You may also call the museum at 574-842-2941 ext. 218 or Ginny Gibson 574-635-0635.

CBGC auction set for June 14

The Culver Boys and Girls Club has announced its annual fundraising event, “Building Brighter Futures” to be held Friday, June 14 at the Culver Academies Lay Dining Center from 6 to 9:30 p.m. The evening includes cocktails and hors d’oeuvres, the annual silent auction, and entertainment provided by Mission IMPROVable, a comedy improv act. The silent auction will culminate with a premium live auction featuring spectacular items available to the highest bidder. To reserve admission, contact Leslie Shepard at shepard@culver.k12.in.us or a CBGC board member. You can also write to Attention Auction, CBGC, PO Box 44, Culver, IN 46511.

Fly fishing 101 June 15

Learn when and why fly fishing is the right tool for the task Saturday June 15, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Culver Academies’ Tennis Courts. Attendees will gain an understanding of what weight fly rod and fly line to use for various fishing; leaders and tippet as well as fly line types (SF, DT, etc.), fly fishing safety and etiquette, and types of flies; learn basic casting techniques and the five casting principles that help you become more proficient in handling casting situations; basics in tying, knots, and bugs. Class is limited to 5 participants. Minimum age is 11 years of age. Total cost for each participant is \$10. Equipment will be supplied. Please contact Kelly Young, park supt., at 574-842-3510 to register.

Vonnegut exhibit at museum starting June 18

The Center for Culver History will host the Kurt

Vonnegut Memorial Library’s traveling exhibit as well as local history and memorabilia of the Vonnegut family on the shores of Lake Maxinkuckee. The exhibit will run from June 18 through July 20th, and is free. The Center for Culver History is located in the lower level of the original Carnegie library in downtown Culver. Visit www.culverahs.com for more information.

Tri Kappa Chairs for Charity returns June 29

Culver Tri-Kappa’s bi-annual Chairs for Charity returns Saturday, June 29 at the Culver Cove resort on Jefferson Street. The evening begins with a reception, hors d’oeuvres, and silent auction. At 8 p.m. the live auction begins. Chairs, donated by Tri-Kappa members and artists in the Culver community, are artistically altered to create artistic content in a variety of themes. Tri-Kappa is encouraging members of the community to find a chair and give it a new life for the event. The chairs will be displayed in various businesses around town for two weeks leading up to the event. Proceeds from the event go directly to area children’s education and other community needs. Please contact Kathy Rich bkrich@culcom.net or Dorothea Ragsdale, dnoyesragsdale@hotmail.com.

Culver High School reunion June 29

The Culver High School (CHS) reunion will take place Saturday, June 29, at the cafeteria for the Culver Community Schools Middle School/High School. Doors will open at 6 p.m. and close at 9 p.m. Honored classes will include any ending with a “3” or “8,” though CHS alumni from all years are welcome, as are those who attended but did not graduate from Culver High School.

Please forward requests for tickets (and .jpg files of photographs such as those mentioned above via CD) to: Thomas L. Curtis, 464 Lake St., Culver, IN 46511-1315, or e-mail tlcurtis@mediacombb.net or call 508-369-1506. Reunion ticket requests must be received before Saturday, June 22, and must forward a check which includes the amount of \$25 for each reunion ticket requested. These requests must also include the name, address, and CHS class year of the requesting alumna or alumnus, as well as the phone number and e-mail address of the requestor (if available).

New teachers, education director sought for Wesley

Wesley United Methodist Church is expanding its youth ministry and looks forward to hiring, along with two new preschool teachers, a new Director of Education who will oversee the Wesley Preschool, along with family and adult education opportunities at Wesley United Methodist Church. Those interested in knowing more about the preschool or the new job openings may visit the church’s website (www.culverumc.com/preschool or www.culverumc.com/hiring) or contact Pastor Jacob Juncker (jacob@culverumc.com or 574-842-2900).

Swimming lesson registration

The Culver park department will offer three sessions of swimming lessons this summer. Registration for children aged 3 and up will take place June 3 through 12 and the cost is \$25 per child. Session dates are as follows: session 1: June 17 through 26; session 2: July 1 through July 11; session 3: July 22 through July 31. Times will be determined at a later date.

CUTPL offers World Vital Records database

Culver-Union Township Public Library is now offering library patrons access to the World Vital Records subscription research database, which allows researchers access to over 4.2 billion family history records, including 1790-1940 US censuses and images, 100 million pages of newspaper from 1739 to the present, historical maps, military records, birth, marriage, and death records. CUTPL also offers Access Newspaper Archive, Ancestry.com, and Heritage Quest databases. For more information please contact Reference/Adult Services Librarian, Laura Jones, at 574-842-2941 or ljones@culver.lib.in.us

Park board meetings change time

Culver’s park board will now meet at 7 p.m. (rather than 7:30 as in the past) the first Weds. Of each month, at the Culver town hall, 200 E. Washington St. in Culver. Meeting schedules, board makeup, and other information related to the municipality of Culver is available online at www.townofculver.org.

Culver to host “Michiana’s Rising Star” event

WNIT Public Television has announced the Culver Academies Eppley auditorium will host one of the five regional competitions of “Michiana’s Rising Star,” a search for the brightest and best talent in the entire Michiana region, Saturday, June 15. The five top performers will compete at the WNIT studio each evening from July 28 through, August 2, to determine the grand prize winner and “Michiana’s Rising Star.” The grand prize winner will receive \$1,000 cash and the opportunity to appear on WNIT programs. Visit the contest web site at wnit.org or call the station at 574.675.9648 x 309.

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Who—and How Many—Are the Palestinian Refugees?

How, under the auspices of the UN Relief and Works Agency, can their numbers have exploded from 650,000 in 1948 to more than five million today?

In 1948, some 650,000 Arabs fled from Israel during Israel's war of independence against six invading Arab armies. The United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) was then formed to provide humanitarian aid to these Arab refugees. Sixty-five years later, UNRWA has grown into a huge, half-a-billion-dollar-a-year bureaucracy that claims a constituency of five million Palestinian-Arab refugees. How has the number of Palestinian refugees grown so dramatically? Is UNRWA helping resettle the refugees, or is it exacerbating the problem? Finally, why would the Palestinian Authority in negotiations for a Palestinian state insist that these refugees be moved to Israel?

What are the facts?

UNRWA's original definition of a refugee was someone "whose normal place of residence was Palestine between June 1946 and May 1948, who lost both their homes and means of livelihood as a result of the 1948 Arab-Israeli conflict." UNRWA began by providing emergency assistance, temporary shelter and basic relief. Soon after, UNRWA helped resettle the refugees in permanent housing and create educational and health institutions. But, unlike the treatment of refugees in all other wars, UNRWA dramatically and insupportably expanded the definition of "refugee" to include descendants of Palestinian refugees.

The Palestinians insist that millions of "fake" refugees "return" to Israel—though 98% of them have never set foot there.

Today, UNRWA claims more than five million Palestinian refugees, most of whom are in fact descendants and have never lived in Israel. UNRWA currently employs 30,000 people, mostly Arabs in Gaza and the West Bank. The organization receives more than \$600 million annually to serve these people, almost 60% of which comes from the U.S., and the Palestinian economy has become absolutely dependent on this aid.

By contrast, the U.N. High Commission on Refugees (UNHCR)—founded in 1950—serves all the world's refugees except the Palestinians, and has successfully resettled 20 million refugees. Yet UNRWA, with its strange definition of "refugee," has actually increased the number of Palestinian refugees by more than 700%—several million of whom are citizens of Jordan, and millions more of whom are living in Lebanon, Syria and Gaza. By 2010, the number of Palestinian "refugees" is expected to hit \$5 million.

UNHCR, which currently serves about 34 million refugees, employs only 7,685 staff—about one for every 4,426 refugees. UNRWA, however, employs one worker for every 172 refugees, and their staff employs per head is double that of UNHCR.

After 1993, when an agreement between Israel and the Palestinians gave broad authority for self-governance to the Palestinian Authority (PA), many Jewish nations argued that UNRWA's purpose should be taken over by the PA and "refugee

host governments, such as Jordan and Lebanon. UNRWA officials vehemently resisted this move, however, and won out.

How many true refugees from Israel are left? In May 2012, Senator Mark Kirk introduced and Congress passed a bill known as the Kirk Amendment, requiring the U.S. State Department to specify the real number of refugees who meet the original UNRWA definition. That number is estimated to be no more than 300,000 Palestinians—a far cry from the five million claimed by UNRWA. The actual number is critical because the U.S. is the single largest donor to UNRWA—contributing about \$640 million annually. Surely U.S. citizens have a right to know whether they're supporting legitimate refugees from Israel's 1948 war of independence or whether they're paying to support millions of descendants of refugees and thus creating a new category of Arab welfare dependents.

Why does the Palestinian Authority want millions of "fake" refugees moved to Israel? One of the greatest obstacles to an Israel-Palestinian peace has been the insistence by Palestinian leadership of the "right of return" of Arab refugees to Israel. Of course there is no inherent right of legitimate refugees, let alone their descendants, to move to Israel. But in every peace negotiation, the Palestinians have stubbornly insisted that millions of "fake" refugees—descendants—"return" to Israel, though 98% of them have never set foot in Israel. This poses an obvious question: Why would Palestinian leaders who are determined to create a Palestinian state want the 10 people now living in the West Bank, Gaza, Lebanon, Syria, and Jordan to move to Israel instead of to their own new state?

There can be only one explanation: They want a Palestinian state and they want to conquer the Jewish state. For surely, if Israel, with a population of eight million—six million Jews and two million Arabs—were to agree to such peace terms, it would be tantamount to suicide. An influx of five million Arabs would swamp Israel demographically, and it would instantly cease to be a Jewish state.

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First Communion day at St. Mary’s

St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church’s First Communion class pauses on the big morning prior to Mass, along with their teacher, Jim Park (visible in back, assisting student Harlie Hanley). First Communicants are, from left: Alex Paré, Shane Shuman, Logan Coiner, Harrison Hanley, Hunter Hanley, Esmé Kenney, Harlie Hanley, KayLee Dragani. Fr. Thaddeus Balinda, pastor at St. Mary’s, celebrated the Mass.

Culver police ‘Click it or Ticket’ mobilization starts May 17



As motorists take to the roads this Memorial Day holiday, Culver police are urging everyone to buckle up.

Beginning May 17, law enforcement officials will be out in full force, taking part in the 2013 national Click It or Ticket seat belt enforcement mobilization and cracking down on motorists who are not belted. According to the U.S. Department of Transportation’s National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 52 percent of the 21,253 passenger vehicle occupants killed in 2011 were not wearing their seat belts at the time of the crash. As noted, deaths involving seat belt nonuse are more prevalent at night than during the daytime. According to NHTSA, 62 percent of the 10,135 passenger vehicle occupants killed in 2011 during the overnight hours of 6 p.m. to 5:59 a.m. were not wearing their seat belts at the time of the crash. In 2011, seat belts saved an estimated 11,949 lives nationwide according to NHTSA. While this year’s Click It or Ticket enforcement mobilization runs from May 17 through June 2, officers are out enforcing seat belt laws year-round. For more on the national Click It or Ticket mobilization, please visit www.nhtsa.gov.



Mark Schlabach

the hit A&E TV series Duck Dynasty. The book was released May 7 by Howard Books. Schlabach already hit gold earlier this year when he co-authored another Duck Dynasty title, "The Duck Commander Family: How Faith, Family, and Ducks Built a Dynasty," co-authored with Willie and Korie Robertson, which hit the top 20 on the New York Times' best-seller list in December. Schlabach, who spent much of his childhood in Culver



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Confirmed by Bishop Rhoades

Confirmed April 27 at St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church were a number of teens from both the St. Mary’s parish and Culver Academies. Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades (above, center) of the Diocese of Ft. Wayne-South Bend, confirmed the students during a heavily attended, Culver Academies Parents Weekend Mass, assisted by Fr. Thaddeus Balinda, pastor at St. Mary’s, celebrated the Mass. Pictured above, just left of Rhoades, is just-confirmed Jennifer Sayer of Lake Latonka, a member of St. Mary’s parish, and her sponsor and brother, Jeff Sayer (far left), as well as their father, Chris Sayer (right).

Culver native’s ‘Duck Dynasty’ book top seller in U.S.

Culver native and author-columnist-television anchor Mark Schlabach has co-authored another nationally best-selling book which recently became the top selling book on amazon.com. Schlabach co-authored "Happy, Happy, Happy: My Life and Legacy as the Duck Commander," with Phil Robertson of Duck Commander, a family business popularly featured on

and attended Culver Elementary School, today lives near Atlanta with his wife and children. Besides his growing name as an author, he's "one of the most respected and popular college football columnists in the country," according to a web-page devoted to his work at publisher Simon & Schuster. Schlabach has long been an on-air commentator for the ESPN sports cable network as well. Schlabach's 2010 book, "Called to Coach: Reflections on Life, Faith, and Football," co-authored with legendary retired Florida State football coach Bobby Bowden, climbed near the top of the Times list that fall as well. Last fall, he released "Heisman: The Man Behind the Trophy," which he co-authored with John M. Heisman, which was met with a torrent of positive response. Mark Schlabach, whose passion for sports was fed and nurtured in Little League and pickup games in Culver, among other experiences, told The Culver Citizen his travels occasionally bring him back to his old stomping grounds, where he may stop in to visit his mother in Argos or family members in Culver. "(It's) still the same wonderful place where I grew up," he said. "The lake is still as gorgeous as I remember it being."

Pint-sized scientists

RIGHT: Wesley Preschool youngsters paid a visit to Culver Academies' Roberts Hall of Science, where they met some unusual creatures in the biology department, and experienced some eye-catching chemical interactions in the chemistry lab. Pictured ABOVE is Wesley assistant Shelly Schrimsher helping Daniel Chambers take a closer look. BELOW, senior science instructor Josh Pretzer (center) holds helps Ella Simon and Madeline Pretzer "pet" a scaly friend, with (from left) students Daniel Chambers, Arien Hunt, and Aiden Molebash visible in the background.

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Hands-on warning

Culver Comm. High School prom attendees received what officials hoped would be a reality check by way of a staged "deadly" car accident and helicopter transport. Using students as "victims," Culver police, Marshall County coroner Bill Cleavenger, and others helped facilitate the event the Thursday morning before CCHS' May 4 prom. Police also spoke to students in the auditorium prior to the event, all of which seemed to have worked, as no injuries or alcohol-related accidents were reported.