



Culver's biggest leaf pile?

Above: At least it might be! Several neighborhood children on Culver's northeast side worked hard raking area leaves to create this mountain. Left to right: Nicole Paré, Dana Rodgers (in red), Lucy Battersby, Jake Rodgers, Anne Nowalk (bending down). Behind the leaf pile, Claire Nowalk, Rebecca Haynes.

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The great pumpkin

Above: Bryce Campbell, a senior at Culver's Wesley United Methodist Preschool, holds a pumpkin he chose at Yellow River Farms on SR 8 Oct. 15. Wesley classes journeyed to the farm to pick pumpkins and enjoy the autumn activities including frolicking in a "hay maze" and playing in a sandbox full of corn kernels. Assisted by Wesley teachers and assistants Jill Gavlick, Jennifer Lutrell, and Esmerelda Rogers and a number of parent chaperones, the children had a hay ride to the farm's pumpkin patch, with each child choosing a pumpkin to take home..

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In Brief

Lions Halloween Party

The Culver Lions will again sponsor the annual Halloween Party on Thurs. Oct. 30 at the Culver Middle School gymnasium. This is a party for anyone in the Culver Comm. School Corporation. Registration will start at 6 pm.. Costume judging will start at 6:35 p.m. Games will begin at 7 p.m. The judging categories will be: Infant through 3 years old; 4 and 5 year old; 6 and 7 year old; 8 and 9 year old; 10 and up. It is not necessary to be in costume to participate in the games.

Trick-or-Treating in Culver and Monterey

Halloween Trick-or-Treating this year in Culver will take place Fri., Oct. 31 from 5 - 7 p.m. Monterey Trick-or-Treating will take place the same day from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Miller's Trick-or-Treating

Children 12 and under, accompanied by an adult, are encouraged to Trick-or-treat at Miller's Merry Manor in Culver from 4-5 p.m. Oct. 31.

Paranormal investigator joins "Got Ghosts?" at library

A paranormal investigator (that is, a ghost tracker) will be on hand for the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library's "Got Ghost?" event Thurs., Oct. 30. Anyone interested is invited to share tales of their own haunted houses, farm fields and ghostly apparitions with others in the audience. The event will take place in the large meeting room at the library, 107 N. Main St. in downtown Culver, from 6 to 8 p.m. Everyone is welcome, but all should be prepared to be scared.

For more information, phone the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library at 574-842-2941.

Boys & Girls Club special hours

The Culver Boys & Girls Club will be closing at 5:30 p.m. Fri., Oct. 31. Members must be picked up by 5:30; there will still be a shuttle bus.

New library director hired

Carpenter hiring one of several changes

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

In a meeting involving lengthy discussion of a number of issues, the Culver-Union Twp. Public library board's decision to end Colleen Carpenter's tenure as interim director and hire her officially as director went came quickly. Board president Ron Cole noted the board had received several applications for the director's position since advertising of the position began about a month ago, but recommended Carpenter – who was hired in early 2008 as head of the library's local history and genealogy department – as director. "You've done a fine job," Cole told Carpenter after the board unanimously voted her into the position, replacing past director Carol Jackson, who announced her resignation in August.

Cole also announced the appointment of a new board member, Jim Hahn, who was appointed by the Marshall County council to replace Dave Campbell.

The board also announced it will advertise to hire a new library attorney, who will be part of a new committee including board member Alfred Nyby and Cole to discuss the library's cell phone, credit card, and insurance policies.

Much of the meeting was spent discussing various facets of finance, following up on months of sometimes-heated discussion about library spending and account reconciliation.

Representatives from accounting firm Umbaugh and Associates, hired last month to aid in straightening out library finances, will be on hand at the next board meeting to discuss their findings, though Nyby noted one preliminary finding shows the library's LIRF (Library Improvement Reserve Fund) at a zero balance, with only a CD attached to the ac-

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A chat with Colleen Carpenter

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

The Culver-Union Twp. Public Library's newest director has worked in the library field most of her professional career, though this is her first stint as director. But Colleen Carpenter, certified by the American Library Association with her Master's in Library Science (and self-described "Connecticut Yankee" by birth) feels her "whole professional and community service career has prepared me for this (directing job). Looking back, I



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see what I did taught me so many things. I learned all the aspects of librarianship, and I was on a library board myself, so I was on the other side of the table also."

Carpenter's arrival in Culver seems Providential. Having moved to Indiana from New England last year, she intended to seek a job and home in the South Bend area but drove through Culver. "I drove down Lake Shore Drive and saw the lake...and

went to the little park, and I just fell in love with it. I got an apartment here and a week later put in my application (at the Culver library). I started volunteering in January and got hired later on that month."

As for the library's future direction, Carpenter sees the nation's current economic woes as an opportunity for the library to serve the public. "What a time for us to be in a library serving the local community's needs for information and entertainment. We provide to the commu-

nity a place to go. We have books, we have movies, we have music that they can take out for free with their Culver library card. We have magazine subscriptions and newspapers they can come read here. The internet: we're here for those who don't have it at home or their equipment is down."

"We have the museum (the Center for Culver History) in the works, and we're housing that in collaboration with

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President and Vice President of the United States

John McCain and Sarah Palin Republican
Barack Obama and Joe Biden Democratic
Bob Barr and Wayne A. Root Libertarian

Governor and Lieutenant Governor

Mitch Daniels and Becky Skillman, Republican
Jill Long Thompson and Dennie Oxley, Democratic
Andy Horning and Lisa Kelly, Libertarian
Timothy Lee Fry, Independent

Attorney General

Greg Zoeller, Republican
Linda Pence, Democratic

Superintendent of Public Instruction

Tony Bennett, Republican
Richard D. Wood, Democratic

United States Representative 2ND District

Luke Puckett, Republican
Joe Donnelly, Democratic
Mark Vogel, Libertarian

State Senator District 5

Ed Charbonneau, Republican

Larry W Balmer, Democratic

State Senator District 9

Ryan D Mishler, Republican
Mike Settles, Democratic

State Representative District 17

Mark MacKillop, Republican
Nancy Dembowski, Democratic

State Representative District 23

William C Friend Republican

Judge Circuit Court

Curtis D Palmer
14811 12TH Rd, Plymouth (574-936-2912) Republican
Rick R (Rick) Huff 220 Webster Ave, Plymouth (574-936-4031), Democratic
Judge Superior Court No. 2
DeanAColvin, POBox 274, Plymouth (574-936-1841), Republican

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Culver Your local candidates

County Coroner

William Cleavenger
763 East Shore Dr, Culver (574-361-8663), Republican

Opposing:

Pam Kruder, 914 W Garro St, Plymouth (574-935-0658), Democratic

County Commissioner, District 3

Kevin G Overmyer, 15150 Thorn Rd, Culver (574-842-4932), Republican

Culver Elections

Culver Community Schools Corporation

Ned A. Davis, 7757 N. 700 W, Culver (574-742-0595)
At Large A

James (Jim) M. Wentzel, 7500 Main St., Leiters Ford (574-542-2135), District 1- Aubbeenaubee Township

Edward R. Behnke, 321 E. Washington, Culver (574-842-2327), District 2- Union Township

Eugene R. Baker, 608 N. Slate St. Culver (574-842-3240), District 5- Town of Culver

New Culver library director



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count remaining. Nyby said the flipside of the findings so far is the library’s operating fund has more in it than previously thought.

Umbaugh also recommended the library consolidate two presently separate checking accounts, the LIRF and the operating funds, as checks can’t be written from the LIRF account, forcing transfers from one account to another that can cause the appearance of off-kilter balances, said library accountant Jim Faulkner. The board passed a resolution to consolidate the accounts.

The board established an ad hoc finance committee consisting of Carpenter, Faulkner, Nyby, and board treasurer Rita Lawson, with an invitation to Hahn or board member Melanie Robertson, both of whom were absent at the meeting, to join. The objective of the committee is to examine reasonable opportunities for the library to economize and reduce unnecessary overhead while continuing to enhance library collections and services.

Faulkner added he is continuing to work with Umbaugh and hopes the new committee will help resolve account issues. “I think we’re making good progress,” Faulkner said. “I feel much more comfortable with the direction we’re going and the status of our record keeping.”

Lawson praised a new system of presenting the monthly treasurer’s report to the board and noted the library will “probably be well under \$40,000 (in expenditures) this month, even with new furniture and an extra pay period this month, and that’s a celebration!”

The board also suggested to Carpenter an inventory of capital assets be conducted, with Nyby noting such an inventory was recommended in a library audit two years ago, but not conducted. Carpenter said she hopes not to have to shut down the library to conduct the inventory. Peggy Hjertquist, an audience member and former library employee, said a capital assets inventory may have been done in April, 2007; Carpenter reported seeing no record of that inventory, but she will investigate further.

Library computer lab head Andrew Baker presented a Power Point presentation on possible cost savings in the area of library technology, listing for the board critical software the library uses, including data backup, anti-virus, circulation and collection management, and internet filtering. He noted government discount rates save the library more than \$3,000 annually in software costs. Baker added the library is turning off staff and public terminals at night now, and that new computers and monitors are more energy efficient. Carpenter told the board Baker is doing “a fine job.”

Library staff member Susan Nikirk shared with the board her procedures for fine collection, explaining the library has around \$6,000 worth of longtime overdue, unreturned items and \$4,000 in separate overdue fines owed. Nikirk said no fine collection policies existed at the library when she started, and she has been researching other library policies online. She noted she sends two notices to those owing \$10 or more in fines, and then turns them over to the prosecuting attorney to follow up.

Nikirk also announced a “Food for Fines” drive from Nov. 3 to Jan. 3, during which patrons owing fines for already-returned items may bring in a non-perishable food item in exchange for one dollar removed from their fines, up to as many food items as they wish. Food cannot be exchanged for items still out, unreturned, or lost. Donated food will go to Culver’s food pantry.

“We’re willing to work with you,” Nikirk emphasized. “Just bring the stuff back.”

Nikirk also explained to the board that state library regulations requiring purchase of PLAC cards seem to have been neglected in the past two years, during which few if any PLAC cards were issues. In answer to board queries, Nikirk explained that reciprocal borrowers are those Indiana library card holders whose home library is on a list of participating libraries around the state (Plymouth is one local example of a library reciprocal with Culver, she said). Library patrons from Indiana libraries not on the reciprocal list must purchase a PLAC (Public Library Access Card) card for \$30, and produce a valid card in good standing from their home library. If any patrons live in a township unserved by any library, said Nikirk, they must purchase a non-resident card for \$160, which pertains to property tax dollars most residents spend on their home library.

The board also took the first steps to form a committee to revise the library’s policy manual.

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County Treasurer Deborah VanDeMark 14750 Tulip Rd, Culver (574-842-3957), Republican	Dennis Ct, Plymouth (574-935-5488), Republican	(574-935-5689), Republican
County Surveyor Larry C Fisher, 10700	County Commissioner Large District 2 Tom Chamberlin, PO Box 359, Plymouth,	County Council At Large Ralph E Booker, 9110 Suter Rd, Plymouth (574-936-3502), Republican

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Teaming up for a cause

Culver Academies students (from left) Henry Sander, Slater Wolf, and Zach Al-Shafei join Culver Lions Club president Dan Adams and more than 200 pairs of eyeglasses collected in Saudi Arabia due to the students’ efforts. The glasses will go to the Lions Club to be used for children and needy families’ vision needs, part of the primary mission of the Lions Club International’s central mission. The effort was part of a service project for the students.

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the Antiquarian and Historical Society. That’s good for the entire community and will benefit it in the future...it’s very good that we house the museum. I’m excited about that.”

“We have a very fine staff,” she adds, “who are very willing and anxious to serve the community.”

The library, Carpenter feels, can provide for the diverse elements of the area. “(Culver is) a very special place in a very good sense, and the library wants to meet the needs of our citizens, our taxpayers. It’s almost like an international community, but at the same time it’s a homespun community. It’s a lit bit of everything, in a nice way. It will continue to be that as it has over the years.”

Carpenter adds the library is here for everyone, not one particular group over another. And she hopes citizens will feel welcome to approach her. “My door is open,” she says. “If citizens have concerns, I’m happy to talk to anybody about our library services, whatever they might like to talk about. I’m here.”

“The Culver library is a vibrant, exciting place. Come to the library!”

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Rex A Gilliland, 9040 Union Rd, Plymouth (574-936-5881), Republican		3. Justice of the Supreme Court of Indiana: Shall Justice Brent E. Dick- son be retained in office?
Clifford Allen, 212 Eastwood Dr, Plymouth (547-936-7505), Democratic		4. Judge of the Indiana Court of Appeals, Fourth District: Shall Judge Carr L. Darden be retained in office?
Robert Listenberger, 10611 Kings Ct, Plymouth (574-930-0857), Democratic		5. Judge of the Indiana Tax Court Shall Judge Thomas G. Fisher be retained in office?
Don Massing, 14678 Candie Ln, Plymouth (574-936-9531), Democratic		

**Marshall County
Ballot Certification
Retention Public ques-
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Court of Indiana:
Shall Justice Randall T.
Shepard be retained in of-
fice?

2. Justice of the Supreme

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Scarecrows on parade

Two inventive entries in Culver's annual scarecrow contest have been greeting Culverites over the past week. At left, "Freddie MacDonald" lampoons certain parties blamed for the nation's present economic woes. At right, a somewhat darkly humorous twist on the 'man bites dog' theme. The contest continues through the end of October, with citizens encouraged to vote for their favorites at participating venues around town.

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REAL Services

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

Thurs., Oct. 30: Salisbury Steak, gravy, bread & margarine, mashed potatoes, beets, fruit, dessert, and milk.

Fri., Oct. 31: Chicken & Noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread & margarine, fruit cocktail, brownie delight, and milk..

Mon., Nov. 3: Smoked Sausage & Bun, green peppers &

onions, mashed potatoes, carrots, sliced apples, and milk.

Tues., Nov. 4: Country Fried Steak, white gravy, mashed potatoes, spinach, bread & margarine, strawberries, and milk.

Weds., Nov. 5: Meatloaf, Baby Bakers, margarine & sour cream, green beans, bread & butter, peaches, and milk.

Thurs., Nov. 6: Chicken Patty, red potatoes, broccoli, bun, applesauce, and milk.

Fri., Nov. 6: Chili, shredded cheese & onion, oyster crackers, coleslaw, pears in season, fruit bar, and milk.

Police blotter

Jennifer S. Daly was charged with driving while suspended and improper display of registration plate Aug. 29

Lola A. Kegley was charged with illegal consumption of an alcoholic beverage and possession of paraphenalia Sept. 6.

Avery Austin Mullins was charged with theft of steaks at Park-N-Shop Sept. 16.

Larry E. Greene, 44, of Culver was issued a citation for speeding, 70 mph in a 55 mph zone Sept. 16.

Christina E. Winter, 36, of Culver was issued a citation for driving while suspended Sept. 16.

Tyler A. Rosen, 24, of Evansville was issued a citation for speeding, 34 mph in a 20 mph zone, Sept. 20

Diana L. Cho, 56, of Portage was issued a citation for speeding, 35 mph in a 20 mph zone Sept. 21

William D. Corey III, 51, of Knox was issued a citation for driving while suspended Sept. 25

Leslie M. Bass, 52, of Lake Forest, Ill., was issued a citation for speeding, 34 mph in a 20 mph zone Oct. 3

John R. Terpstra III, 27, of St. John, Ind., was issued a citation for speeding, 40 mph in a 20 mph zone Oct. 4

Guadalupe Legaspi, 43, of

Colde Valle, Mexico was issued a citation for disregarding a stop sign Oct. 5.

Justin V. Secviar, 28, of Kewanna was issued a citation for speeding, 75 mph in a 55 mph zone and for driving while suspended Oct. 7.

Robert A. Greer, 37, of Twelve Mile, Ind. was issued a citation for speeding, 40 mph in a 20 mph zone Oct. 11

Lauren J. Schwartz, 23, of Knox was issued a citation for speeding, 61 mph in a 45 mph zone and for driving while suspended Oct. 11

Cody R. Hunt, 19, or Culver was issued a citation for an expired license plate.

Community Calendar

Thursday, Oct. 30
Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library
Mary Pruess, WNIT-TV president, Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library
Yoga, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library
Alcoholics Anonymous Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Culver Public Library

Friday, Oct. 31
Halloween: Trick-or-treating (Culver, 5-7 p.m., Monterey 5:30-7:30 p.m.)

Monday, Nov. 3
Knitting Class, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
Al-Anon Mtg., 5:30 p.m., Culver Public Library

Computer class, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library
Overeaters Anonymous Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Culver Public Library
DivorceCare, 7 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ

Tuesday, Nov. 4
Fitness class, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library
Yoga, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
Culver Chamber of Commerce mtg., 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 5
Genealogy mtg., 10 a.m., Culver Public Library

Thursday, Nov. 6
Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library

George Pesek, Marmont Grille/Corndance Cafe, Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library
Yoga, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library
Alcoholics Anonymous Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Culver Public Library
Knights of Columbus St. Mary of the Lake Council #13720 social mtg, 7 p.m., church rectory basement

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Death notices

Ruth A. Karn
Oct. 19, 2008

DELONG — Ruth A. Karn, 70, of Delong, died at 10:25 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, 2008 at home.

She is survived by sons: Shawn Rodriguez of Gulfport, Fla., Ramon (Cheryl) Rodriguez of Rock Springs, Wyo., Joe (Beth) Rodriguez of Leiters Ford, Dean Rodriguez of Missouri, Jay Gragg of Wyoming, Roy (Patty) Gragg of Roseland, William (Diane) Karn of South Bend and Cecil Karn of Niles, Mich.; daughters: Helen (Barnard) Bell of Delong, Melody Gragg of Missouri, Candy (Rick) Whitmire of Niles, Mich., Kathy (Bob) Smith of South Bend and Karla Karn of Mishawaka; 16 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; 22 great-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Dolores Padsield.

Visitation was Wednesday, Oct. 22 from 2 to 8 p.m. at Delong Gospel Lighthouse Church. Funeral services were Thursday, Oct. 23 at 2 p.m at the church. Burial was at Leiters Ford IOOF Cemetery.

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

Agnes C. Hartman
Oct. 25, 2008

MONTEREY — Agnes C. Hartman, 99, died Saturday, Oct. 25 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac, Ind. at 3:58 a.m.

She is survived by a brother, Winfred H. Hartman of Mesa, Ariz.; three sisters: Dorothy Morrison of Mesa, Ariz., Mildred Simpson of Higginsville, Mo. and Gertrude Hahn of Apache Junction, Ariz. and numerous nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

Visitation will take place Wednesday, Oct. 29 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Funeral services took place Thursday, Oct. 30 at 10 a.m. at St. Anne's Catholic Church, Monterey.

Burial followed at St. Anne's Catholic Cemetery.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family through the Web site at www.bonineodom.com.

We would like to send “thank yous” to each and everyone but the huge response to Jeff's passing makes that impossible. We have been graced with so many beautiful cards, flowers, and offers of help in every capacity. Everyone has really touched our hearts. Without everyone's support, the days would have been harder to bear.

Thank you, “everyone,” for sending Jeff on his final journey with dignity and love.

God bless!!



Henry, Gladys, Mike, and Lee Willhite
Our motto: do one thing at a time, but do it well.

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November:
elections and other chilly
things

The great timber
wolf scare of `42

November is basically here, and with that comes elections and other chilly things. This particular political season has been especially hostile. At least up to at this point in our history we have always had a peaceful transition from one political leader to another. Hopefully that will continue. I think it is important to try and foster real unity and a real respect for one another, and strive to not be blinded by political ideology.

Many leaders in the Catholic Church made serious errors when they tried to put their trust in a particular political faction. Usually it seems the political power that is courting support from religion was not concerned about the religious ideal, but rather getting control of a particular populous for their own profit or control over various regions. The Catholic Church has learned from these mistakes and has tried to focus her members on issues that support the Culture of life. In the last 100 years or so the church has a whole body of documents that put forth various aspects that need to be emphasized. It can be looked at under the framework of four basic pillars.



Pastor’s
Corner

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

Hopefully whoever our leader will be will honor these basic pillars. The first pillar is a deep and profound respect for human dignity. No credible scientist will question that human life begins at conception, but sadly our culture, for political reasons, has chosen to suggest that life somehow begins at some arbitrary point. This stems from the same logic that pushed many intellectuals in the past to rationalize the inferiority of a race to justify slavery. Good government will always strive to protect the weak. In fact, protecting the vulnerable is the mark of truly a government that exists

for its people instead of its own benefit.

The second pillar relates to religious liberty. Faith and love are very similar in that they can not be real unless they are experienced in the context of freedom. You can not force someone to love you, nor can you force someone to believe in something. Religious tolerance is a destructive force, because if you "tolerate" something, the something is judged to be a negative force. Religion is far from a destructive force; true religion always leads to a deep and profound respect for God's creation. Religious liberty is so important, so far as the particular religion honors the first pillar, which is respect for human dignity.

The third pillar is human solidarity. We are all brothers and sisters in the human family. Society has an obligation to respect every single person. It must serve to respect and foster collaboration to make our society function as a good family. People should be inspired to assist those who need it from their surplus. We are all in this together.

The fourth pillar is subsidiarity. Sorry for the crazy word, but it basically means that governments must not be overly intrusive. They must respect the various sub-structures in society. The family is principle among these structures. Laws should be enacted in such a way that promotes the optimal conditions for human beings to develop. It is proven that children benefit most from having a mother and a father in the home, both with complimentary psychological aspects that provide for a psychologically healthy development. Government must not strive to socially engineer those entrusted to its care, but rather respect the individual aspects of various groups or organizations that respect human dignity and normal societal structures.

Whatever happens next Tuesday I hope that our new leader will strive to promote the Culture of Life and respect all of the above pillars. I would encourage you to discover how the respective candidates respect the above pillars. Regardless of who wins, let us work towards understanding and mutual respect. If hurtful things have been said by our neighbors or by us, let us go forth united to make our community a better place. Let us work towards reaching out to help one another and never let political ideology be a source of division. No matter who wins, it is likely that we still will remain free to improve on probably the most successful form of government the world has ever known. Let us strive to be good neighbors and grow in our respect for one another.

Nostalgia

75 years ago
Nov. 1, 1933

- The 1933-34 Culver High School basketball team will make its first appearance of the new season Fri. night at Bourbon under coach Paul Underwood. The game promises to be one of those nip and tuck battles that have thrilled fans in the past.
- The Culver-Northwest Indiana Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Maj. W.J. O’Callaghan is rapidly becoming a major musical organization.

50 years ago
Oct. 29, 1958

- One of Indiana and Lake Maxinkuckee’s most distinguished citizens, Walkr W. Winslow, died Saturday at age 71. A direct descendent of Mayflower pilgrim Isaac Allerton,

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Winslow oraganized the Indiana Civil Air Patrol (and was its commanding officer until 1947), was a respected business leader, and taught flying in 1921 at Culver Military Academy. He traveled extensively in foreign lands, including an exploratory journey down the Amazon River in Brazil. The Winslow summer home, “Green Leaves,” has been located at 1640 East Shore Dr. on Lake Maxinkuckee since 1896 (this was Mr. Winslow’s retirement home as well). He was one of the founders of the Maxinkuckee Yacht Club and had a prominent role in the development and success of thee Maxinkuckee Golf Club. He contributed in large measure to the Lake Maxinkuckee Association and is responsible for the present property numbering system on lake shore highways.

- Area children are invited to the annual Lions Club Halloween parade, which will begin Halloween night at 7 p.m. at the Indiana Bell telephone building at the corner of Lake Shore Dr. and Main St. The parade, which will be led by Culver-Union Twp. fire trucks, will head south on Main St. to Jefferson St., west to Ohio St., and back north to end at the community building (the Culver Elementary school gymnasium).

25 years ago
Nov. 2, 1983

- The Culver town board, following a public hearing, passed by unanimous vote a proposal to make a park district out of land presently in use as a park, spelling out its use as recreational land and what is permitted on designated park land. A discussion at the same meeting of increasing EMS user fees was tabled. Present fees are \$45 plus \$1.25 per mile for an average of \$64 per trip. Town board president Al Bunner proposed an increase to \$55 plus \$1.55 per mile. Bunner noted the EMS budget increase could be affected by the \$7,420 town budget cut by the Tax commissioners; the EMS budget is under appeal.
- Lions Club Halloween party costume winners this year included Nicky Gesue (preschool), Katie Napier (kindergarten/first grade), Brandon Reister (second/third grade), Hilary MacDonald (fourth/fifth grade), Jenny Wolverton (sixth and older).
- Sadie and Evert Hoesel presented to Lions Club president Dan Adams a check for \$400, proceeds from the El Rancho Theater’s showing of “The Man From Snowy River,” towards the Culver Park gift fund.

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This Halloween season, I’m not aware of any tales of werewolves around Culver, but I stumbled across a fascinating bit of local history a few years ago while thumbing through old issues of the *Culver Citizen*. First, a Feb., 1942 article (with photo, see below) in the paper declared, tantalizingly, “Timber wolf shot after attacking hunter.” Accompanying was a photo of Fay Neidlinger and his son, none other than Ralph, whose name graced this column not many weeks back, holding a “husky, 35-pound timber wolf” they shot in a hunt staged to thwart the creatures, which were attacking area sheep. Starting at the Cihak farm west of Culver, the hunt -- which also included Anthony and Frank Cihak, ended in Starke County when the wolf turned and attacked the elder Neidlinger, who managed to shoot the beast before reached him.

I was astounded. Timber area as late as the 1940s? In the Jan. 24, 1945 *Citti-* (and photographed) that Lee Wynn shot two more Culver, the largest mea-

feet from head to tip of tail 12-guage charges of buck-

This was good stuff, and on the history section of Library website, on which I I also ran those newspaper stories by Randy Dickson of the Marshall Co. Purdue Extension office, who allowed me to quote his research on the website. Randy noted the Starke County records from that same period also included reports of several timber wolves shot (and even a bear kill around 1920).



Above: From the Citizen archives, the Neidlingers in Feb., 1940 with their kill.

word “Maxinkuckee.” It’s a great read, with info on everything from deer (extinct at that time in this part of Indiana!) to porcupines (also absent here by then) and everything in between, complete with where each critter was spotted (or not) around the lake.

Write Evermann and Clark, “The Prairie Wolf, or Coyote as it is more commonly known in the west where it is abundant, is not known to occur in the immediate vicinity of Lake Maxinkuckee.” However, they continue, “during a visit to Starke County in 1906 .we heard statements to the effect that large wolves are occasionally seen and heard in the vicinity of Knox. Dr. Hahn in his *Mammals of the Kankakee Valley* states that the reports of the occurrence of the Timber Wolf in that region are conflicting and that it may be that only the Prairie Wolf is found there.”

And: “Mr. Anton Meyer of Plymouth...informs us that he usually gets a few small prairie wolf pelts each winter, chiefly from Starke and Jasper counties. As the prairie of this portion of the state reaches Lake Maxinkuckee it is quite probable that this wolf occurs there.”

Randy Dickson, Purdue’s Dr. Parker, and -- if I may invoke family expertise here -- my own sister Alethea, a graduate of Purdue’s Forestry program, agreed that we’re probably talking about coyotes being shot near Culver in the 1940s. This was particularly affirmed when Randy and Alethea saw the photos from the Citizen, which showed “wolves” quite a bit smaller than typical timber wolves, and matching up nicely in size and appearance to that of the “prairie wolf”...that is, the coyote.

The honest mistake is understandable in light of the common past tendency to call coyotes “prairie wolves.” Leaving out the “timber” and “prairie,” they’re both wolves, right? Further, the Mr. Meyer of Plymouth quoted above by Evermann and Clark said he was getting the occasional larger, grey timber wolf pelt around 1905-06. That, at least, is more possible, since `08 was given as the date of elimination and there was, after all, a fair bit of wilderness still existing in northcentral Indiana in those days, especially in the area of the Kankakee wetlands west of Knox. Natural history experts seem to agree, however, that it’s highly unlikely there were real, live timber wolves wandering around near Culver by the 1940s, particularly in abundance enough to get themselves shot two-by-two and have their mugs on display in the paper.

So, those looking for a Halloween scare in the form of a local timber wolf menace will be disappointed. As it happens, an *actual* timber wolf was found dead on a highway near Fort Wayne a few years back, as was widely reported in the Indiana press. The wolf had Minnesota DNR tags on it and was declared a “lone wolf,” scouting away from its pack. And, some Culverites will remember more tangible fears from packs of dogs alleged to be attacking pedestrians and bicyclists near Burr Oak in the late 1970s. Fears of real timber wolves near Culver, however, can be relegated to the dustbin of 19th century history.



View from
Main Street

By Jeff Kenney
Editor

Wolves were paid through the 1840s and 50s, he said, adding that the Marshall Co. Historical Museum’s Judy McCollough was able to verify the then-hefty sum of \$1.50 per wolf pelt back then. In a nutshell, a lot of wolves were killed in the mid to late 19th century in Indiana, and according to Dr. George Parker of Purdue University -- who Randy asked about the wolf phenomenon -- 1908 has been given as the date of wolf elimination in the Hoosier state.

So what happened in the 1940s around Culver? Apparently, the same thing that happened in many Indiana communities; that is, a bit of confusion regarding wolves, based largely upon names.

Some light might be shed by a fascinating monograph by Barton Evermann and Howard Clark, authors of a massive, two-volume study in the early 20th century on the biology of Lake Maxinkuckee. A short “sequel” of sorts to their book is the pamphlet-sized “Notes on the Mammals of the Lake Maxinkuckee Region” from 1911. You can read it yourself, as I did, by going online to www.archive.org and typing in the

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Sports



CGA claims first semistate soccer crown

By James Costello
Sports Writer

VALPARAISO — For the first time, Culver Girls Academy head soccer coach Harry Canellakis had doubts about his players.

They put those doubts to rest in the second half Saturday.

Following a scoreless first half, CGA hit the field with a vengeance, and attacking midfielder Dineo Mmutla scored just more than two minutes in. The Lady Eagles made that lone goal stand up for 38 minutes, and CGA soccer claimed a rare 1-0 Valparaiso Semistate championship victory over Lake Central at Viking Arena to give the girls academy its first semistate crown.

“After the first half, I sort of questioned the integrity of the team for the first time,” said Canellakis. “Just because I thought we were so poor in the first half. I’d never really seen that from this team, and I did think we were a little bit sort of wrapped up in the pressure. So I really just asked the question are we going to fold or aren’t we, and they answered it. They played fantastically well in the second half.

“It’s very special,” he added. “I think the sort of gravity of the event matches the quality of the group. They’re just a fantastic group. We’re

in dreamland.”

After losing the battle for possession throughout the first 40 minutes of play, surrendering five Lake Central corner kicks in the process, the Eagles poured on the offensive pressure after the break. Lake Central defender Kayla Hughes cleared a shot by Eagles forward Courtney Hague during a large scrum in the Indians penalty box, and Mmutla chipped a high arching shot off the volley and over Indians goalkeeper Samantha Cook, who was scrambling back into the net as the goal cleared the cross bar.

“There aren’t many high school players that could make that full volley shot,” said Canellakis. “Usually it’s going 30 yards over the cross bar, but she kept her knee over it, kept it down. It was a fantastic take, and it ended up being all we needed.”

CGA maintained its forward pressure until a late three-minute span when Lake Central players began pushing hard with time running out. Eagles sweeper Samantha Hinsey got in front of several scary Indians attempts, and Culver made one last push in the final minute to seal the semistate win.

“I think our best defense is our offense usually, but our offense wasn’t necessarily clicking tonight,” Canella-

kis said. “So I was more im-

semistate match against Penn

Soo beat her to the ball on the would-be keeper.

With Schuchard nowhere near the goal, Soo held off Penn’s Leann Kuehn, driving in an empty-netter just as the Kingsmen fullback dove to clear the ball.

After the goal, the Eagles began anchoring back to defend the slim lead, and the result was greater offensive pressure by Penn. The Kingsmen took four corner kicks while CGA had none in the half and got off three shots on goal before Paige Stroinski evened up the score in the 69th minute.

“I think that was a lot of our own doing as far as being on our heels a little bit and wanting to protect the lead,” Canellakis said. “But I think everyone knew it wasn’t to be a one-nothing game. We haven’t been here very often, and I thought we made a lot of rookie mistakes after we went up a goal.”

It looked like the match might go into overtime when Soo came to the rescue again in the 77th minute. Jenna Iwaniec got

tripped during a scuffle between several players in the box, and Canellakis selected Soo for the resulting penalty kick. The junior forward calmly drove the shot home, and CGA held onto the lead for a 2-1 semifinal win over Penn.

“I had a dream last night that Jasmine (Soo) was going to score, and after she scored I told her, ‘Actually, I dreamed that you scored two goals’, and she scored two,” laughed Canellakis. “Jasmine taking the penalty kick at the end was fantastic, and she’s got the exact type of personality for that situation. She’s just cool as steel.”

• VALPARAISO GIRLS SOCCER SEMISTATE
At Valparaiso
Final
CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 1, LAKE CENTRAL 0
Second half
CGA — Dineo Mmutla, 42nd minute
Shots on goal: CGA 4, LC 2
Saves: LC 3 (Samantha Cook), CGA 2 (Alicia Schaefer)
Corner kicks: LC 8, CGA 5
Records: LC 17-2-4 (final), CGA 18-0-1
Semifinal
CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 2, PENN 1
Second half
CGA — Jasmine Soo (Mmutla), 47th minute
Penn — Paige Stroinski, 69th minute
CGA — Soo (PK), 77th minute
Shots on goal: P 7, CGA 5
Saves: CGA 6 (Schaefer), Penn (Sabrina Schuchard) 3
Corner kicks: P 6, CGA 2
Records: Penn 15-4-2 (final), CGA 17-0-1 .



PHOTO/JAMES COSTELLO

CGA's Dineo Mmutla, left, Jasmine Soo, center, and Jenna Iwaniec, right, celebrate the first of Soo's two goals against Penn in Valparaiso Semistate action Saturday.

pressed with this blank sheet than any other of the previous ones. We didn’t have a lot of possession up front. Lake Central is excellent, and they put on the pressure. This was a fantastic game for the defense.”

Culver learned a hard lesson about laying back with a one-goal lead in its first

Saturday morning.

As in the championship match Saturday night, both teams were scoreless at halftime, and CGA stepped up its offensive effort in the second half. Mmutla delivered a pass into the box in the 47th minute, and Penn goalie Sabrina Schuchard was caught off guard when Jasmine

Jana's bronze and silver

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Top photo: Jana's Bronze Team is Caitlin Kulpa, Abigail Bankson, Lexi Miller, Allie Bickle, Kendall Rhodes, Michela Gibson, Karly Gruett, Belle Beeson, Sydney Oliver and Alexis Agnew.

Bottom photo: Jana's Gymnastics Silver Team is Barbie Kimmel, Lindsay Miller and Hanna Hough.



Jana's Gymnastics team defends title

FORT WAYNE — Jana's Gymnastics competed in the Pumpkin Tumble Gymnastics Meet in Fort Wayne Sunday, and the undefeated Bronze and Silver teams both defended their titles yet another time.

Results:
Bronze Team
Caitlin Kulpa: Vault 7.9, Bars 8.45, Beam 8.55, Floor 8.7, AA 33.6.
Abigail Bankson: Vault 8.65(1st), Bars 8.85, Beam 8.45, Floor 9.05(4th), AA 35.0(2nd).

Lexi Miller: Vault 7.5, Bars 8.95(1st), Beam 8.8(2nd), Floor 9.04(4th), AA 34.3.
Allie Bickle: Vault 8.4(4th), Bars 8.85(3rd), Beam 8.25, Floor 8.9, AA 34.4.
Kendall Rhodes: Vault 8.25, Bars 8.725, Beam 9.05(1st), Floor 8.85, AA 34.875(3rd).
Michela Gibson: Vault 8.45, Bars 8.375, Beam 8.7(3rd), Floor 9.175(2nd), AA 34.7(4th).
Karly Gruett: Vault 7.9, Bars 8.85(3rd), Beam 8.55, Floor 9.3(1st), AA 34.6.
Belle Beeson: Vault 8.45(2nd), Bars 8.95(1st), Beam 8.6(4th), Floor 9.125(3rd), AA 35.125(1st).
Sydney Oliver: Vault 8.3(2nd), Bars

8.675(2nd), Beam 8.7(2nd), Floor 9.175(2nd), AA 34.85(2nd).
Alexis Agnew: Vault 8.575(1st), Bars 8.7(1st), Beam 9.1(1st), Floor 9.3(1st), AA 35.675(1st).

Silver Team
Lindsay Miller: Vault 8.95(1st), Bars 9.175(1st), Beam 8.15, Floor 9.15(1st), AA 35.425(1st).
Hanna Hough: Vault 7.9, Bars 6.95, Beam 8.75(2nd), Floor 8.9, AA 32.5.
Barbie Kimmel: Vault 8.15, Bars 7.75, Beam 7.8, Floor 9.0(2nd), AA 32.7.

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Sports briefs

High School Football

CMA clobbers Braves in Class 3A Sectional 18 action

BUNKER HILL — Maconaquah took a slim first-quarter lead off a two-point conversion, but the Braves never led again as Culver Military's defense shut them out of the end zone for the remainder of the game, and the Eagles claimed a convincing 24-8 Sectional 18 win on the road Friday.

Zach Deery returned Maconaquah's first punt of the game 48 yards to set up the first score of the game — a short 2-yard plunge by Ryan Stec — and CMA took a 7-0 lead. Deery led the Eagles with 73 yards total rushing, and he scored the Eagles' second TD on a 3-yarder early in the second quarter.

CMA won the battle for field position as the Eagles' first three drives started inside Braves' territory. Quarterback Tom O'Neill completed on just one of four passing attempts at the game, but that pass was a 32-yard touchdown strike to Luke Schumacher on fourth down

to put CMA up 21-8 in the third frame. O'Neill hit a 22-yard field goal to bring the score to its final.

Maconaquah closes its season at 1-9, while CMA moves on to play NorthWood next Friday in Sectional 18 action.

• CULVER MILITARY 24, MACONAQUAH 8
At Bunker Hill
CMA: 7 14 3 0 — 24
Maconaquah: 8 0 0 0 — 8
First Quarter
CMA — Ryan Stec 2 run. Tom O'Neill kick, 9:32.
M — Josh Morgan 6 run. Jordan Calendine run, 3:37.
Second Quarter
CMA — Zach Deery 3 run. O'Neill kick, 8:17.
CMA — Luke Schumacher 32 pass from O'Neill. O'Neill kick, 0:28.
Third Quarter
CMA — O'Neill 22 field goal, 5:51.
CMA Maconaquah
First downs 7 16
Yards rushing 159 223
Yards passing 32 16
Passing 1-4-0 2-5-0
Punting 2-41 1-35
Fumbles/lost 2-1 2-1
Yards Penalized 8-67 4-50
Records: CMA 5-5, Maconaquah 1-9.

Tri-County tops Culver in OT sectional heartbreaker

WOLCOTT — Culver Community's two-point conversion attempt failed, and the Cavaliers fell in a 14-12 overtime heartbreaker to Tri-

County in round one of the Class A Sectional 35 tournament Friday.

Neither team broke on the board until the fourth quarter when Culver jumped ahead on a 1-yard run by Dennis Davis — who scored both his team's touchdowns and led the Cavs in rushing with 140 yards in 24 carries. Tri-County knotted the score at 6-all with just 24 seconds on the clock to force the OT.

Tri-County struck first in overtime with an 11-yard run by Zach Minnicus, and Coty Martin ran in the two-point conversion for an eight point Tri-County advantage. Davis ran in another 1-yarder, but the Cavs were ultimately eliminated. Culver finishes its season at 2-8, while Tri-County survives to play the winner of Friday's match-up between Carroll and Pioneer.

• Tri County 14, Culver 12, OT
Score by quarters
CC: 0 0 0 6 — 12
TC: 0 0 0 6 8 — 14
Fourth quarter
C — Dennis Davis 1 yd run, 7:07
TC — Coty Martin 1 yd run, 0:24
Overtime
TC — Zach Minnicus 11 yd run (Coty Martin run)
C — Dennis Davis 1 yd run
Team statistics
CUL TC

First downs: 10 10
Rushes - yards: 37-131 41-145
Passing yards: 68 59
Comp - att - int: 9-12-1 5-9-0
Return yards: 18 34
Punts - average: 3-34.7 4-30.3
Fumbles - lost: 2-1 1-0
Penalties - yards: 6-33 6-55
Time of possession: 22:51 25:09
Individual statistics
Culver Cavaliers
Rushing: Davis 24-140, Michael Salary 2-3, James Dulin 3-(minus 5), Zoe Bauer 8-(minus 7)
Passing: Zoe Bauer 9-12-1-68
Receiving: Robert Molebash 4-44, Dulin 2-10, Salary 2-7, Davis 1-7
Tri County Cavaliers
Rushing: Minnicus 17-74, Coty Martin 13-72, Zeph Bickett 6-0, Koty Lear 5-(minus 1)
Passing: Zeph Bickett 5-9-0-59
Receiving: Minnicus 2-42, #21 Kyle Martin 1-12, Coty Martin 1-6, Koty Lear 1-(minus 1)
Records: Culver Community 2-8, Tri-County 4-6.

Volleyball

Cavs, Lions fall

Culver Community and Bremen both ended their volleyball seasons with first-round Class 2A Sectional losses Thursday.

The host Cavs lost 26-28, 25-13, 25-11, 25-16 to Boone Grove in Sectional 34.

State power Fairfield swept Bremen 25-15, 25-11, 25-12 in Sectional 35, hosted by Westview.

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CBGC celebrates ‘Lights on’

Left: The Culver Boys & Girls Club celebrated Lights On Afterschool, the nationwide rally for quality afterschool programs, Oct. 16. The club is displaying light bulbs that were decorated by youth that participate in its program, in hopes that the bulbs will serve as reminders of the importance of afterschool programs like CBGC. Such programs keep children safe, inspire learning and help working families. In addition to the local event, one million Americans and more than 7,500 programs participated in Lights On Afterschool in October, all seeking to illustrate the benefits of afterschool programs and the pressing need for additional programs. Unfortunately, 14.3 million children in the US have no safe, supervised place to go when the school day ends.

Back row, left to right: Shauna Potter, Garrett Reinhold, Miss Mary Mason, Grace Fleury, Jordan Green, Malik Guerra, Everett Krugar, Debbie Combs, Marcus Clifton, Chayton Blair, AJ Beiter, Next Row: Elise Oquendo, Shilo Guerra, Hamish VanNorman, Abby Haimbaugh, Myles Koenig, Brandon Sellers, Kenny VanDePutte, Mariah Jones, Ryan Tompos, Anna Tompos, Kennedy Rainey. Next Row: Josh Havron, Tyler Rodgers, Isaiah Tidwell, Kate Renneker, Payton Lowry, Fiona McLellan, Mitchel Elliott, Haley Howard, Roman VantWoud, Mackenna Evans, Abby Surrisi. Next Row: Trenton Jones, Jazmyn Beitler, Kayleen VanNostrand, Lindsey Emery, Shannon Deery, Logan Kephart, Alexis Riale, Trista Fritter, Emily Bendy, Alyssa Buzzard, Kylie Buzzard. Next Row: Brenden Walters, Emma Krugar, Shelby Blair, Isabelle Ahlenius, Natasha Riale, Kaleigh Kephart, Sarah Lowry, Austin Jones, Aubrey Highberger, Erin Renneker, Brooklyn Sellers.

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Culver Miller’s head Fassett celebrates 30 years with company

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Greg Fassett says he has always felt able to relate to the older adult population. “I’ve always liked relating to them because of what you could learn from their lives, from what they’ve been through, and what their sufferings are, the rewards, the accomplishments. I’ve always enjoyed that.”

On Oct. 10, Fassett, executive director of Culver’s Miller’s Merry Manor, celebrated 30 years working with that population, and all of those years have been for the Miller’s company, which began in 1964 in Warsaw and has since expanded to 32 long-term care facilities and eight free-standing assisted living facilities around the state.

Fassett, who grew up in the North Liberty area and attended both IVY Tech and Bethel College, says he was in the second class of individuals to take a test not only to earn his state license to administrate nursing care facilities, but also his national certification as well. His first assignment was the Miller’s facility in Plymouth in 197, where he stayed for three years. Fassett moved to several other facilities through the years – 17 in all – including a 1983 stint as project manager at the Logansport, Ind., Miller’s construction site, where he stayed until that building was finished, the largest from-the-ground-up facility Miller’s has ever opened, at 150 beds. “I ran that for 16 years,” Fassett recalls. “Logansport is where I still live today. My wife Sandra is an educator there in the Logansport school corporation. She’s a special, special person.”

The Fassetts had two daughters, Kathleen and Anne, and now are grandparents to one child with another on the way. “The number one accomplishment of my whole life is we’ve produced two wonderful kids

and good human beings; anything else I’ve done is second to that.”

After seven years as a special project coordinator with Miller’s, Fassett settled here in 2005, one of a small handful of facilities at which he specifically asked to work, having briefly been a senior administrator at one point in the past.

“I loved this community and this building, and way it was designed. I always wanted to come back here, not just to sit and retire, but I wanted to get back into day-to-day contact with the facility (and) be able to help people, to touch people’s lives and make them better.”

Culver’s Miller’s Merry Manor, built in 1981 (Fassett notes he attended the groundbreaking), has 66 beds and about 65 residents, with 74 employees including Fassett. “The staff here,” he says, “the vast majority are incred-



Greg Fassett, executive director of Miller’s Merry Manor in Culver.

CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

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Any questions or concerns can be directed to 574-250-0103.

Friends of the library meeting, booksale

The Friends of the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library is a non-profit, all volunteer organization dedicated to supporting the library by providing funds for materials that would not otherwise be possible. The Friends also sponsor book sales. Do you have any books you would like to donate? They can be dropped off at the library circulation desk. We appreciate your donations.

Meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the lower level meeting room of the library. Please join us at our next meeting on Nov. 3 at 6:30 p.m., to learn more. Dues are \$10 per year. The next Friends of the Library book sale will be Sat. Nov. 8, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the library.

Check out a club at the library Nov. 8

Looking for a new craft, club or hobby? Find it at the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library Sat., Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. If you have a club you wish to grow or even start a new club, a craft or hobby you want to share, just call the library at 574-842-2941 and reserve a free table to decorate with your information. Genealogy, Friends of the Library, Antiquarian and Historical Society, and many more are already expected. Get a hobby, join a club, start a craft before the cold winds and snows of winter are all over us.

Culver library initiates

Food for fines

The Culver-Union Twp. Public Library will accept donations of non-perishable food and personal items for Culver’s food pantry to offset fines accrued for already returned items, between Nov. 3 and Jan. 3. Each item donated is good for one dollar off a patron’s fine. Donated items may not be used to pay for lost or damaged items, and will not be accepted to pay fines for items still unreturned. Items should be brought to the circulation desk and given to a clerk along with the patron’s name.

DivorceCare

DivorceCare divorce recovery seminar and support group (sponsored by the Culver Community Council of Churches): Meets at Grace United Church of Christ, 307 N. Plymouth St., Culver each Monday evening at 7 p.m.

DivorceCare features nationally recognized experts on divorce and recovery top-

ics. Seminar sessions include “Facing My Anger,” “Facing My Loneliness,” “Depression,” “New Relationships,” and “Forgiveness.” For more information, call Pastor Robin Keating at 574-216-0331 or Michael Rakich at 574-842-4625.

Monterey Halloween party

The Monterey children’s Halloween party will be held at the Monterey Elementary School Thurs., Oct. 30.

Cheese ball sales

Marshall County Right to Life is holding its annual cheese ball sales. There are six flavors to choose from: bacon/onion, sharp, blue cheese, mild, mild without onion, and mild low fat. 12 oz frozen balls are \$6. Call Marilyn at 574-936-9582 to order.

Culver Bible Church

hosts ladies study

The ladies at Culver Bible Church invite you to join them for their fall Bible study, meeting each Tues. at 7 p.m., in the church basement. The Beth Moore series “The Life and Ministry of Paul” will be used. Discover the fascinating details about Paul, apostle to the Gen-

tiles, and how he demonstrated what it means to die daily, crucified with Christ. For more information, call Karin at 574-772-3711 or Kathie at 574-842-3056.

Center for Culver History needs items

The Center for Culver History is in need of area artifacts to display in our recently renovated space, the future home of our museum. Items can either be a permanent gift to our collection or a loan. Artifacts may be dropped off at the Culver Public Library. Please stop in and see us in the lower Carnegie level of the library during regular library hours.

Citizen cell phone

Culver Citizen editor Jeff Kenney may be reached by cell phone at 574-261-7887.

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Culverites encouraged to honor vets on Our Heroes tree

The Military Family Research Institute at Purdue University is partnering with the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library and libraries across the state of Indiana to present the Our Heroes’ Tree initiative. Through this program, the library honors past and present service members and creates awareness of military families affected by current military deployments.

The library will display its Our Heroes tree from Oct. 27-Nov. 15. Community members are encouraged to create handmade ornaments to honor the service members in their lives from past and present wars, conflicts or peacetime operations. The library will also provide resources to help the community provide support to local servicemen and women and their families. Stories about individual service members can also be submitted and displayed in a binder near the tree.

“We are the only library in Marshall County that is signed up to do this,” says library staff member Ali Schuldt. “We thought it would be a way for our community to come together and recognize veterans and troops. (Library Director Colleen Carpenter) signed up for it through Purdue University.”

Schuldt notes that all ornaments submitted will also be part of the Virtual Indiana State Heroes’ Tree, which can be found online at www.mfri.purdue.edu/VirtualHeroesHome.asp. There, those wishing to see local heroes honored on the tree may choose Marshall County and click the Culver Library option.

Community invited to share at Culver history “show and tell”

People from Culver and the surrounding area will have a chance to play “local history show-and-tell” Nov. 12 from 2 to 4 p.m. when the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver hosts an event inviting anyone and everyone with interesting stories, artifacts, pictures, or other items pertaining to the history of the town, lake, Academy, Native Americans, or rural area around Culver to come and share. Refreshments will be served at this informal gathering, to which those with family trees and photos to share are encouraged to allow AHS representatives to make a quick digital copy of their item for research purposes, though doing so is certainly not required to attend.

The event will take place in the Center for Culver History in the Carnegie portion of the lower level of the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library, downtown Culver. Call 574-842-2941 for more information.

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Academies induct `58 football team, seven individuals into Athletic Hall of Fame

Culver Academies recently inducted seven new members into the school’s Athletic Hall of Fame. Also inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame was the undefeated 1958 Culver Military Academy varsity football team.

The Class of 2008 inductees included Douglas H. Fishesser '70, the most decorated amateur golfer to have graduated from Culver; David W. Dale '67, CMA baseball and football varsity player selected by the Los Angeles Dodgers in the 1967 amateur draft and starter at Michigan State University for three years; Andrew M. "Andy" Lausier '66, the best all-around athlete in the CMA Class of 1996, a 2000 NCAA All-American at Lycoming University, and current assistant wrestling coach at Princeton University; Laura Korus Brown '77, captain and MVP of the 1996 CGA golf team who turned professional in 2001, qualifying for the 2003 U.S. Women's Open; Dennis John "DJ" Svihlik '96 earned seven letters in baseball and hockey at Culver, captain of the baseball team his senior year, enjoyed a stellar career at the University of Illinois still ranking in the top 10 for home runs there, played three years in the New York Yankees organization, now a scout for the Yankees; James R. "Jamie" Spencer '91, CMA hockey player who was voted best all-around athlete in his class, captain of the 1994-1995 Wisconsin Badgers hockey team, played on the Team USA squad in the 1995 World Champion-

has been honored. The 1958 team played eight games against their high school rivals. The first game against Rochester ended with CMA gaining the upper ground, 21-14. In the second game, CMA ran over Buchanan (Mich.), 33-6. The third game against Morgan Park Military Academy was a shut-out, 20-0. South Bend Washington-Clay fell next, 22-6. With only four games to go, CMA beat St. John's Military



Above: Inductees into Culver Academies’ Athletic Hall of Fame. First row, left to right: Douglas Fischesser, David Dale, DJ Svihlik. Second row: Laura Korus Brown, Andrew Lausier, Jamie Spencer. Left: Members of the 1958 CMA football team. First row, left to right: Tom Reemelin, Bob Boling, Rusty Oliver. Second row: John DePrez, Tom Yendes Brown, John Schoo.

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ships, played with the Anaheim Mighty Ducks organization, and now is an executive with the National Hockey League’s Minnesota Wild and National Lacrosse League’s Minnesota Swarm.

J. William "Bill" Henderson, Jr. '43 was inducted posthumously into the Athletic Hall of Fame for Lifetime Achievement. Henderson was the named best all-around athlete for his class, starring on both his company and the varsity football team in 1942. He was captain and the leading scorer for the varsity basketball team his senior year. After Culver, he earned letters in four varsity sports at Denison, playing varsity football and junior varsity basketball for legendary coach Woody Hayes.

The undefeated 1958 CMA football team was also inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame, the first time an entire team

Academy 40-0, followed by the Kentucky Military Institute, 27-0. Ashland (Ohio) gave the Flying Squadron some competition, but CMA triumphed, 27-26. The final game of the season found Gary Edison falling to CMA, 14-12.

Some of the more prominent previous 63 inductees include: late Brooklyn and Los Angles Dodgers President Walter P. O’Malley ’22, late Cincinnati Reds Owner Louis “Gus” Nippert ’22, late Sporting News President and Treasurer C.C. Johnson Spink ’35, Tennessee Titans Owner K.S. Bud Adams ’40, late Kansas City Chiefs founder Lamar Hunt ’42 (summer school), late Kentucky Horse Park founder John R. Gaines ’46, New York Yankees Owner George M. Steinbrenner ’48, Houston Astros President of Baseball Operations Talbot M. Smith ’50, auto racing entrepreneur Roger Penske ’50 (summer school), America’s Cup Winner William I. Koch ’58, five-time National Hockey League All-Star Gary Suter ’82, former United States World Cup soccer team member Juergen P. Sommer ’87 and 1990 Indiana Miss Basketball Patricia Babcock ’90.

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On a mission

Local youth aims to serve through club

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Dana Wireman is on a crusade, and she’s hoping her vision will attract more girls from the Culver area to join in. Wireman says she was inspired by the popular American Girl



Cutline: Patty Ruhnow, standing, watches as Crusades Club members (left to right) Melissa Ruhnow, Megan Brady, and Dana Wireman work on signs for their girls’ service club.

CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

dolls and the company’s girls’ programs to start a local club for girls, initially to “help save the Humane Society and all the animals there.” She says once her mother, Patty Ruhnow, helped her get started, the scope of her Crusaders Club – as it’s been dubbed – expanded to include helping other organizations and individuals in the area. Plans are in the works to adopt a family this Christmas from which to purchase presents, to raise funds for St. Jude’s children’s hospital, and to

alternate raising funds to help the Marshall and Starke County Humane Societies, respectively.

All of this started, Wireman says, three or four weeks ago. After some preparation, an Oct. 18 cupcake sale in Culver yielded over \$190. Ruhnow says an area greenhouse bought all the cupcake supplies for the girls, who did the baking and selling.

So far, recruitment for the all-girls club – whose members are age 11 and up – has included Wireman-made flyers hung up around Culver and Marshall County and passed around the schools, yielding a handful of new members, though Ruhnow emphasizes the group is “always recruiting” and every girl in the appropriate age range is welcome.

Wireman’s sister, Melissa Ruhnow, also a member, says she joined initially because she’s an animal lover. Megan Brady, age 11 and the club’s first member after Wireman, joined “because I wanted to help animals out and...people that need us. It felt good to help other organizations out.”

“This is helping the girls, too,” adds Ruhnow. “If they’re shy when they get out there, I get them going and they say, ‘I would never have done this (if I hadn’t joined).’ It’s good for them. They’re learning a lot and I’m proud of them.”

The club headed to the Humane Society Oct. 25 to clean cages, walk animals, and present their cupcake-raised donation. Plans are also on for more bake sales, a fund raising dinner (complete with a DJ who committed to lend his services for free), and possibly a concert down the road. Ruhnow says the Crusaders also hope to set funding aside for elderly citizens who can’t afford to have pets spayed or neutered, and the club would like to bring a traveling neutering van to the Culver area someday as well.

The Crusaders Club meets each Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. in the lower level (smaller) meeting room at the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library. Those interested in joining, or seeking more information, are encouraged to drop by or call Wireman or Ruhnow at 574-220-2000.

Culver nutrition site holds party for Citizen editor

Bobbie Washburn Ruhnow

Culver - A larger than usual group turned out at the REAL Meals Nutrition Site Wednesday, to show their appreciation for Culver Citizen editor, Jeff Kenney. That it was also Jeff’s 34th birthday, and the day of the month when Jeff entertains the group with slides and historical facts on Culver, was more than a happy coincidence thanks to advance planning by Ruth Walker, site director, and Jeannette Geiselman, assistant director.

Tables were decorated with fan centerpieces, made by Sharon Coffey, featuring Jeff’s various stories in the Culver Citizen and Plymouth Pilot News. Scattered among the centerpieces were more of Jeff’s articles. Jeff’s mother, Marizetta



REAL Meals site director Ruth Walker and Citizen editor Jeff Kenney.

PHOTO/BOBBIE RUHNOW

Kenney, and wife, Beth, with Peter (who didn't like any of the meal but the birthday cake and ice cream) Esme’ and Felicity joined the group as each person attending gave a personal reminiscence of Jeff.

Birthday cards, along with a gas card, were presented to thank Jeff for his continuing interest in preserving and presenting Culver's history.

Dorothy Poloncak, Rose Vantwoud, and Helen Schmittel, representatives from St. Mary’s of the Lake were the volunteer servers for the day.

In this stuttering economy, it's always a good idea to stay in the boss's goo graces so Bud and I were pleased to be invited to share in Jeff's appreciation day.

The nutrition site serves nourishing meals five days a week at the Beach Lodge. The cost if \$3.50, or what you can afford. The company is excellent and various topics of interest are always a part of the noon time camaraderie. The phone number for reservations is 842-8878. All are welcome.

Editor's note: Your editor prefers to keep his name and especially his face out of news stories, but includes this to note the hard work and kindness of everyone who contributed to our get together that day. I would be reticent not to add that Ina Harper baked the excellent birthday cake you see here. My thanks to all!

Culver Kiwanis Texas Hold `Em Nov. 8

The Culver Kiwanis Club announces its charity Texas Hold'em poker tournament to be held Nov. 8 at the Culver Cove. The event will start at 12 p.m. Registration for the event will begin at 11 a.m. The Culver Cove is located at 319 E. Jefferson St. in Culver.

President of Kiwanis and chair event organizer Grant Munroe says, "The popularity of Texas Hold'em in this country is evident from the many televised tournaments, home games, and celebrity events seen in the media. We hope to attract beginner players as well as those people who have played in other tournaments. The purpose is to have fun and to support an organization that serves kids in the community."

A member of Kiwanis and Culver chief of police Wayne Bean adds, "We hope those who like to play cards will come out and support the kids that Kiwanis supports. It's a great organization that gives directly back to the kids in the community and does a lot to help send kids to college and activities they are involved in."

Bean is helping to plan the event and believes it will bring people from Culver and surrounding areas, as he has helped plan similar events.

At the event, Kiwanis members will provide a free lunch and beverages as well as a cash bar. "The lunch we served at the spring tournament was very popular. Some of the players told us to get the same food for this event, so we plan to make the players happy with our lunch choice," says Munroe. To enter the event, participants will pay \$80. Each participant in the tournament will receive chips that represent \$10,000. There will be one payout for every 10 players.

Munroe comments, "Kiwanis is an organization whose purpose is to serve kids in the community. We plan other annual events to raise funds for college or vocational scholarships and to support local organizations, such as the Culver Community Choir, the BPA (Business Professionals of America), the Culver Boys and Girls Club, and many other organizations whose members or participants are kids."

The tournament required a license (#118726) with the state. To preregister to the event or to obtain more information, call 574-842-2000. To learn more about Kiwanis, you can join the organization at a weekly luncheon meeting at the Culver Community library. Meetings are held at noon on Thursdays.

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