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In Brief

Culver emergency services softball game June 28

The annual Culver Emergency Services softball game, which pits Culver's volunteer fire department against its police department and Emergency Medical Services crew, will take place this year Sunday, June 28, with the first pitch at noon. There will be four innings with 20 people per team, and the usual cookout at the fire station afterwards. As in the past, the fire department will donate the "meat and drinks" (burgers, brats, buns, sodas, water, etc.). The police and EMS will bring sides and desserts. Also as in the past, audience entry into the event is a canned or non-perishable item for Culver's food pantry.

Lake Max Association golf outing, hog roast

The Lake Maxinkuckee Association and Lake Patrol will hold its annual golf outing and hog roast Friday, July 3, with the golf outing starting at noon at Mystic Hills golf course. The event is open to the public and registration will take place that day. The hog roast begins at 5:30 p.m. at the Maxinkuckee Country Club at 1641 East Shore Drive and is also open to the public. There will be a grand prize drawing for \$500; winners do not have to be present to win. The LMA is a not-for-profit 501-C3 organization.

Wesley preschool registration

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

MCJFL sign-ups

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

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Party like its 1959

Above: Scenes from last Friday night's annual Culver Boys & Girls Club auction at the Culver Academies multi-purpose building. At left, winners and some participants in the event's hula hoop contest, including winner Emily Ryman (center). From left to right, Dusty Henricks, Jessye Gilley, Danny Cowell, Rymann, Wayne Bean, and Mike Grover. At right (clockwise from top): Culver High School principal Albert Hanselman and State Representative Nancy Dembowski display their hoop skills during the contest. To their right, Culver dentist Greg Easterday -- in full '50s regalia -- takes in the festivities. Below, Mike Grover (at right) and Sally Ricciardi (bottom center) in the hoop contest. Center, Julie Bess (left), Bob Kline (middle) and Angie Bess (right) share a laugh. Left: CBGC member Shannon Deery hula hoops, just for fun.

A blast from the past for Culver's future

'50s themed auction, hula hoop contest overcome economy for CBGC

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor
The Culver Boys & Girls Club may have stepped back in time to a happy -- and more prosperous era -- but in spite of the grimness of today's economic headlines, the CBGC's annual auction and fundraising event Friday night surpassed all expectations and raised some very 21st century-level dollars.

Ginny Bess Munroe, one of the principle organizers of this year's 1950s-themed event, says she and others involved in the effort are

"thrilled" with the \$45,000 the auction raised. "To put this in perspective," she explains, "in past years, we've raised between \$32,000 and \$35,000."

Besides signifying Herculean efforts on the part of Munroe and other volunteers, this year's numbers clearly display the generosity of a community whose members didn't let the economy dictate their impact.

"The Culver Boys and Girls Club seems to draw support from every aspect of the community," noted

CBGC board chairman and one of the emcees of the evening's festivities. "The restaurants, the lake community, the town community, the Academies, and the wide variety of people who attend our annual event. It continues to impress me every year just how much support there is for the... club. It's very gratifying for all of us who are involved in this organization."

A crowd of around 300 -- many in 1950s style attire -- filled the floor of the Culver Academies multi-purpose building, which

was decorated in period fashion, including several vintage cars from the day. As in years past, a wide array of desirable items, supplied this year by over 170 individuals or businesses, were available for auction, and bidding was strong and steady. According to Munroe, all of Culver's local restaurants participated in donating food, as did some individuals in the community including Julie and Danny Cowell, Kathleen Kline, Joan and Larry Bess, Angie Bess Martin, and Grant Munroe.

Of course, all eyes were on the highlight of the evening, the hula hoop contest featuring a number of Culver's best known and beloved figures. All told, hoopers -- who sought financial "sponsorship" from donors leading up to, and during, the event -- raised \$3,200 in one night during the auction event.

"The hula hoop contest was a big hit and brought an entertainment element that we've never had at

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Maxinkuckee to Disney

Furry builds worldwide career in sailing, Hollywood on Culver experience

Another of Lake Maxinkuckee's sons has met with success and acclaim in the world beyond, but in this case can attribute

premiered the Disney documentary, "Morning Light," at a gala event which doubled as a fund-raiser for the Maxinkuckee Yacht Club's Junior Fleet, one entity in which Furry cut his sailing

teeth, as it were. The event, Furry told an appreciative audience of Culver Kiwanians June 4, garnered "an incredible turnout" of 145 people, rather than the 75 anticipated. "That says a lot about this community," Furry added, noting many more people expressed interest in attending but were out of town. He credited Uptown Cinema owner Dan Bickel as "a big reason why the movie was a success here."

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Ed Furry at the Chicago Mac race in 2008

part of his success directly to the waters of this, Indiana's second largest natural lake.

Ed Furry was the man of the hour last month when Culver's Uptown Cinema

Ready's new book features Culverites' stories

By Jeff Kenney

Citizen editor

Joan Reininga Ready hopes her new book, "Rural Route 8, Old State Road: A Story of Rural Resilience" (2009), inspires others to write down their own personal stories and memoirs, an act she feels is important not just for potential readers, but for the writer as well. "Our memories are valuable," she says, referencing a quote on the back of her book, which is sold in Culver at Gail's shop on Main Street. "They do have a place. What happened is very important in the history of our community."

The history Ready unravels in her memoirs tells the story of her own childhood as well as that of her sister Ellen and two brothers -- both well-known in the Culver area -- Kenny and John Reininga, in the Evansville area.

"The book is not written in a very serious way," she explains. "Most of it is quite humorous, but it did have a very serious beginning: I get tired of the media excusing bad behavior because of poverty. You're poor in childhood or have a dysfunctional family... that's no excuse for bad, mean behavior in kids or adults. So I said to my sister, 'Let's write about our childhood. We could be excused for any bad behavior! It turned into entertaining my brother, sister, and (me) with the stories. People would read it and say, 'You've got to put it in a book,' and I did."

Ready says Kenny Reininga's first wife, the late Donna, had two grandmothers who lived in Culver, one of whom was a Cromley, an early family name here perhaps best known for "Neighbor" Cromley, the area's last Civil War veteran. Kenny Reininga, however, actually came to Culver after serving the Army as a Communications specialist which led to his working nearby at AT&T on State Road 10, west of Culver. Reininga was also involved with the Top Shop waterbed shop in Culver and for a time owned the Leiters Ford tavern ("If his truck was there, it was full," recalls Ready with a smile. "If not, it was just the regulars.")

John Reininga and his first wife moved to Culver where he was a pharmacist at Hook's Drugs and its subsequent manifestations (today it's CVS). He later married the

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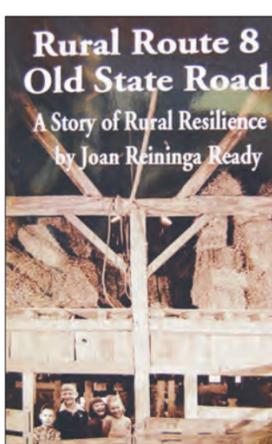


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Joan Reininga Ready's new book tells of the early lives of well-known Culver families.

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Ed Furry (left), an international sailor featured in the recent Disney film, "Morning Light," and his father, Bill Furry of Culver, himself a longtime sailor on Lake Maxinkuckee and elsewhere.

Furry said there's hope of showing the film in other local venues this summer, particularly since the DVD version was released June 16, though he stressed "Morning Light" is "a movie you want to see on the big screen. The videography is amazing."

Ed Furry, the son of Bill and Krista Furry of Culver, said he grew up on Lake Maxinkuckee learning to sail – in part from his father

and uncles involved in sailing – before attending Culver Academies' Summer Naval School. Unlike many who have enjoyed sailing the waters of Maxinkuckee, however, Furry felt drawn to pursue a life in the craft, and after attending school for a time at Xavier and then Indiana Universities and coaching sailing at Culver, he headed to San Diego at the invitation of a Godmother who lived

there. "What 23 year old would say no to that?" Furry smiled.

The next several years of Furry's life were filled with an array of work in coaching and sailing, from several prominent sailing companies in the San Diego area, to a stint with the Bitter End Yacht Club in the British Virgin Islands, to the American Yacht Club in New York, as well as work in Houston and for well-known Quantum Sails as a sailmaker.

In spite of the prestige of Quantum, however, Furry said he was learning most of the money from a \$20,000 sail didn't wind up in his pocket. "I learned I needed a college education," he said.

So Furry attended San Diego Community College while working for the largest sail-maker in the world, North Sails and waiting tables before returning to Indiana and finishing his degree at Indiana University. While in the Hoosier state, Furry worked at Culver Marina while continuing to sail, leaving the establishment when it was sold by its longtime owners, the Campbell family, before heading for Chicago and Grand Rapids, Michigan, where he worked for Red Bull on sailing events.

In Chicago, Furry says he was running a match racing regatta with the highest grading possible sans prize money, running a Farr 40, which is a \$350,000, 40-foot boat and eventually running other sailboats and handling their maintenance, lining up and coaching sailing crews, and working with sponsors.

The following year, he handled nine sailing events between Key West, Florida, and Newport, Rhode Island, where "I was in charge of everything you had to do with the boat;

I'd pretty much rebuild the whole thing between every regatta. Imagine all you have to do to your car, and then dunk it in saltwater!"

Traveling to Spain, Furry found himself the commentator there for a Volvo Around the World Race, something he repeated in Annapolis soon thereafter.

Soon after, Ed Furry decided it was time to start his own company, Sail22, a name derived from a "family number," that of his father's (now Ed's own) sailboat as well as the date of Ed's birth. The company, he says, was established to work with smaller race boats, some of which may be spotted by local folks driving by Furry's home on 18B Road while he works on them.

"We work with a lot of different clients," Furry noted. "We do anything from moving their boat, regular maintenance and rigging.. We make custom parts right here, (such as) carbon fiber pieces. There's an inflatable boat in my yard right now! We represent Protector Boats, a New Zealand company which builds 22 to 40 foot inflatable boats (which are) actually fiberglass boats with a big set of tubes going around it. In between races, a lot of crew and sails are moving around. We can come up along a sailboat, bounce up against them, move some equipment, and go on our way.

"We will find you housing (for a sailing team), a team chef, make dinner reservations, and run regattas. I'm running my very first coaching regatta in October to get teams ready for the World's. The first three teams committed are all high end teams, which makes us feel pretty good about what we're doing."

But the biggest thing to happen to him, says Furry, was his involvement in

"Morning Light."

Roy E. Disney (Walt Disney's nephew), said Furry, has been "a huge sailor for many, many" of his 79 years, so while Disney himself is somewhat past his sailing prime, he was approached with the idea of putting together a young team to sail one of the most sophisticated boats in the world, an idea Disney liked.

Disney auditioned a crew of 30 young adults – aged 18-23 -- to man a 52-foot sloop in the Transpac open ocean sailing race from California to Hawaii, over 2300 miles. The would-be sailors had six months to train for the race, which is where Furry came in, having been asked about it a few months before training was to start. After a brief introduction to the boat captain on the film, Furry headed to Hawaii for an eight day trial period to decide if both he and the crew wanted him to stay on the project.

"I seemed to get along with all the kids, the movie guys, and Roy," recalled Furry. "I still didn't know what I was getting paid!"

Furry spent the next three months back and forth between San Diego, Los Angeles and Hawaii training the young crew, focusing heavily on maintaining the boat. "To get a boat from L.A. to Hawaii...I wanted them to be able to fix it if there was a breakdown."

Part of the challenge for Furry, too, was working with the camera, sound, and other technical crews to wire the boat for filming, which meant factoring in the added weight of the cameras to the boat, a "bit of a challenge," said Furry.

He reunited with some of the crew at the film's October, 2008 premiere at the El Capitan Theatre in Los Angeles, though Furry says he didn't see any movie stars there.

The movie aside, Ed Furry handles his company and the life of a professional racer, which he's quick to note doesn't actually leave much room for the partying lifestyle some might expect. "not that I don't drink rum!"

"When I'm on the water, it's a job, and I have to be on top of things," Furry explained. "That's hard enough to do – the boat work and sailing -- and then to go drink all night, it just doesn't work. Now, Sunday nights after regattas for people like me are usually a lot of fun!"

This summer, however, Ed Furry may be working on a boat in his Culver area yard, or out on the lake which drew him first to sailing, though Lake Maxinkuckee and the ocean, says the sailor, are different animals.

"My oldest cousin, Bill Becker, is starting to do some work with me right now," he noted. "He had never sailed on a boat that had more than just the mainsail. Even though we have some great sailors here (on Lake Maxinkuckee) with pretty technical boats, it's a pretty different world out there (on the ocean). It's like comparing the Plymouth One Speedway to Formula One. Big difference."

And from time to time, even out on the ocean, Furry is reminded of his Culver roots. The first year he taught sailing in San Diego, for example, he recalls, "I had my Culver (Academies) ring on. Another sailor, whoever the guy was, didn't realize mine was a summer school ring. He said something the (Culver) winter school guys say and put his hand up, and he had his Culver ring on. That was a pretty interesting experience."

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Birth

Saunders



Big sister Maria along with parents Larry and Jessica Saunders are happy to welcome Anna Elizabeth to their family. Anna was born at 9:14 a.m. May 22. She was 7 pounds, 8 ounces and 20 inches long. Praise God for a happy, healthy new daughter.

Berg



Timothy and Sandra Berg of Plymouth announce the birth of a son born June 10, 2009 at 10:35 a.m. at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center.

Riley James Berg weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and was 20 inches long.

He was welcomed home by a brother, Brady Robert Berg, 23 months.

Maternal grandparents are Beth and James Browning of Grovertown.

Paternal grandparents are Margie Berg of Hamlet and Robert Ludvigson of LaPorte.

Culver Post Office holiday changes

The Culver Post Office retail counter will close at noon Friday, July 3, to enable retail employees to spend more time with their families. All collection points that have a regularly scheduled collection time prior to noon July 3 will be collected as scheduled. Regular mail delivery for July 3 will be unaffected by the change. P.O. Box mail access will be available until 4 p.m. The lobby and outside collection box in front of the Post Office will be collected at 4 p.m. as usual.

"As many businesses close early on July 3rd," said Cindy Shidler, Culver Postmaster, "the number of customers visiting our lobbies greatly diminishes. We view this as an opportunity to afford retail employees more time with their families by closing retail operations in most of our locations early on July 3."

Post Office retail counters will be closed Saturday, July 4, (Independence Day, a federal holiday) and there will be no mail delivery. Post Office retail counters will resume regularly scheduled hours of operation on Monday, July 6.

Anniversary

Ray



Charles and Sue Ray of Plymouth celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a weekend trip for children and grandchildren June 5-8 at the Wisconsin Dells. They were married June 14, 1959 in Brook, Ind. by Rev. Jerry Williams. Their children are: Ken (Kim) Ray of Plymouth, Toby (Kathy) Reeves of Noblesville, Paul (Kellie) Pirkle of Naperville, Ill. and Kevin (Lindsay) of Westfield. They also have 15 grandchildren.

Mr. Ray was a former associate publisher of a New Jersey newspaper before moving into the education field through President J. F. Kennedy's Teacher Corps program. Both Mr. and Mrs. Ray are retired from the Plymouth School Corporation where Mr. Ray was the principal of Washington Elementary School for 18 years and Mrs. Ray taught computer classes at all four elementary schools and Lincoln Junior High School.

While at Plymouth, Mr. Ray was selected as a National Distinguished Principal in 1989 following being named as Indiana's Elementary Principal of the Year in 1988. Mr. and Mrs. Ray spend their summers working for the Culver Academy Summer Camps program which they have done for the past 27 years. Mrs. Ray is also the bookkeeper for Sunrise Chapel. The couple met while attending Indiana University in Bloomington.

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Chairs for Charity auction takes place June 28

Tri Kappa's Inaugural Chairs for Charity gala will take place Sunday, June 28, starting at 6 p.m. at the Culver Cove, 319 E. Jefferson Street in Culver. All of the one of a kind chairs that have been paraded throughout Plymouth and Culver will be showcased throughout the banquet hall during a wine reception preview. A selection of wines, fresh fruit, assorted cheese and crackers, sweets, along with warm hors d'oeuvres will be available to enjoy with live music by Justin Ross and Beth Pare. At 8 p.m., Jerry Kisela will open the bidding for each chair during a live auction.

All proceeds go to community and statewide initiatives Tri Kappa supports in the areas of charity, education and culture. Chairs may be previewed throughout town until this Friday when they will be picked up from local businesses and prepared for the auction block. Adults may purchase tickets for \$20 at the door. Only cash and checks will be accepted throughout the evening. For insight on some of the highlighted chairs, visit www.chaircharity.blogspot.com.

Engagement - Brockey, Minas



Mr. and Mrs. Randall Minas of Crown Point announce the engagement of their daughter, Dawn Minas, to Larry Brockey Jr., son of Larry Brockey and Linda Boswell of Culver. Dawn is a graduate of Indiana State University, and is owner and operator of the Culver Coffee Company. Larry Jr. graduated from Ball State and owns and operates Brockey Insurance Agency in Culver, a satellite company of Larry Sr.'s Rochester firm. A September wedding is planned.

Letter to the editor

Area superintendents respond to funding changes

As county superintendents, we recognize the serious condition Indiana's economy is facing. We also recognize that establishing a school funding budget is a difficult process for our honorable Representatives and Senators. It is not our intention in this press release to advocate for a budget that will cause the state of Indiana to enact additional taxes. We believe, that as taxing units, we must accept the challenge to live within the fiscal means given to us by the State of Indiana.

The purpose of this press release is to respond to the accuracies and realities of the budget proposed by Governor Mitch Daniels and the Republican Party. On June 2, 2009, the Governor addressed the state by proposing a 2 percent increase for public education. This sounds fair for taxpayers and schools until you look at how that 2 percent is calculated.

Approximately 1.75 percent of the 2 percent is Federal Stimulus Dollars with stringent guidelines that will not allow schools to

pay for classroom teacher salaries, regular education supplies, insurance, and utilities.

The non-English Speaking grant is reduced from \$7 million to \$3 million.

More than half of Indiana schools will actually receive less money than the previous year's budget, while suburban Indianapolis schools will receive millions of extra dollars.

Moves payment of utilities and insurance from the Capital Project Fund to the General Fund.

The proposed formula provides, on a state-wide basis, only 0.25 percent new state dollars per year for the budget.

So, what is the result of

Brick inventory for AHS park now available

An inventory of all the bricks in the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver's Heritage Park -- at the corner of Main and Jefferson Streets -- is now complete. The listing is available at the Center for Culver History, the Society's museum and research center located in the library. The locator is in alphabetical sequence so residents and visitors can easily find the name, location, and the inscription of their brick.

The Society is also accepting orders for bricks that individuals may not want to have placed in the park...a "welcome" brick for one's yard, "no solicitors" or even a "family est." brick. The brick might also have a pet's name and placed in a favorite place for remembrance. The bricks are like the ones in the park except purchasers have possession of the brick, and it is a great donation to the Society.

Four by eight inch bricks with one or two lines are \$50 and eight by eight inch bricks with up to four lines are \$100. Brick donations to the Society are tax deductible.

Bricks may be ordered from Charlotte Hahn at 842-3267. Order forms are also available in the Museum room at the library.

Death notice

Marguerite E. Zechiel
June 20, 2009

CULVER — Marguerite E. Zechiel, 95, of W. S.R. 110, Culver, Ind. died Saturday, June 20, 2009.

She is survived by a brother, Ferris Zechiel of Culver; a sister, Elisabeth Davis of Culver; two nephews and two nieces.

Visitation took place Tuesday, June 23, 2009 from 10 to 11 a.m. at Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver Ind.

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

Burial followed at Culver Masonic Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the Atlanta Bible College, P.O. Box, 100000, Morrow, GA, 30260-7000.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family via the funeral home's Web site at www.bonineodom.com.

the Governor's proposed budget for Marshall County schools?

Additional increase in elementary class size.

Additional reductions in the number of teachers and aides.

Additional reductions in classroom and extracurricular programs.

In these tough economic conditions, we do not believe that it is the time to propose a budget that includes restrictive federal funds and a new formula that favors rich suburban Indianapolis schools. We believe that a 2 percent budget increase is fair and will allow Marshall County schools to continue the quality education that we

currently provide as long as all schools receive a 2 percent increase.

Please contact your local legislator and ask them to support Marshall County schools.

Russ Mikel, Bremen Community Superintendent

Brad Schuldt, Culver Community Superintendent

Richard Reese, John Glenn Community Superintendent

Carl Hilling, Triton Schools

Daniel Tyree, Plymouth Community Superintendent

Rodger Smith, Plymouth Community Assistant Superintendent

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Don't just sit there; celebrate!

What have you celebrated recently?

The past several weeks of my focus have been centered around the Tri Kappa Chairs for Charity event. In fact, we started working on this project back in October and my creative energy has been thoroughly invested into the overall planning and coordinating of this program. One of my favorite past-times has been coming up with ideas for chairs! One of the chairs that I created is called the Celebrate Seat. It was designed with the purpose that it can be sat in by someone who is celebrating something special. It seems that during larger family dinners or parties, there are extra chairs that are always brought to the table from the basement or closet. Since family gatherings are usually planned



By Andrea G. Cook

around a time when someone has had a recent birthday or monumental achievement of some sort, I thought a Celebrate Seat may be useful.

In our family, we have a special plate we call a "Celebrate Plate" that is stored front and center in our china cabinet. Savana loves it whenever she gets to eat off of it. Although we only use it for special occasions, our Celebrate Plate has gotten a lot of play! Especially over the past several weeks when Savana finished first place in the first grade spelling bee. We brought the special plate out again when Phil was served a special breakfast in bed the day after he received the Culver Academy's Spivey Award. As the matron of our home, I am always looking for reasons to use the celebrate plate. It always seems to bring a smile to the person who gets to eat from it. Although I'm thankful that I get the opportunity to make someone smile, I actually enjoy having the Celebrate Plate around more for the reason that it helps me to focus on good times. I find myself looking for any excuse to celebrate someone.

In these days of the downturned economy, it is second nature to see lost jobs, foreclosed homes and depreciated 401K accounts. This is the reality that we live in today. It is even more critical than that we celebrate the moments in our lives that make us smile. It is our duty to our friends, our family and even our co-workers. In the workplace, it can be challenging to celebrate the good times if we are feeling stretched so thin, pressed for time and energy. But, it is during those times when people need it the most. It is during those rough parts of our journey when we need to be looking for what is praiseworthy. Being a change-agent or a merry-maker isn't easy, but someone's gotta do it!

One of the principles that I held on to from a conference I attended many years ago was about the value of celebrating successes. As an entrepreneur, creating goals and making action plans to meet those goals can lead you on a path to success. It is a slippery slope when you move forward with creating more and more goals and you forget to celebrate the small milestones that you worked so hard to achieve. That is one of the areas I struggled with in my own experience in corporate America. It is easy for greed, ambition and insecurity to take over when you fail to measure the milestones and then celebrate them before moving on to the next steps.

With all of the inspirational quotes that are available online, you would think there would be a lot about "celebrating." When I was repainting my Celebrate Seat, I spent a lot of time looking for a quote that would give my chair the real purpose I had created it for. I searched my brain and even put out a call to my friends on "Facebook." Although I did receive a lot of quotes with the word "celebrate" it them, none quite tickled my fancy. I started wondering if the act of celebrating others was outdated or boring. Search Google for quotes about success or thankfulness and you get endless quotes, most of them commonly used and seen in frames hung on walls. People are comfortable with the acts of success or thankfulness, but the act of celebrating? Some may equate celebrating with drinking alcoholic beverages. Sure, sometimes that fits the circumstance, but there is more involved

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"A library is not a luxury but one of the necessities of life."

-Henry Ward Beecher

The Big Read -- it's official! Your Library has been awarded a federal grant to participate in the national reading program, The Big Read. Sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts, we find this description of the mission of The Big Read program on their website: "The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts, designed to restore reading to the center of American culture. The NEA presents The Big Read in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and in cooperation with Arts Midwest. The Big Read brings together partners across the country to encourage reading for pleasure and enlightenment.

The Big Read answers a big need. Reading at Risk: A Survey of Literary Reading in America, a 2004 report by the National Endowment for the Arts, found that not only is literary reading in America declining rapidly among all groups, but that the rate of decline has accelerated, especially among the young. The concerned citizen in search of good news about American literary culture would study the pages of this report in vain.

The Big Read aims to address this crisis squarely and effectively. It provides citizens with the opportunity to read and discuss a

single book within their communities. The initiative includes innovative reading programs in selected cities and towns, comprehensive

excited about the prospect of the entire community coming together to participate in this exceptional program. In the coming weeks

and months we will hear more from Polly, CUTPL's The Big Read Coordinator, as we present our plans to you. Polly will tell us how we came to select Wilder as our author, and

how we hope to promote reading of his works "for pleasure and enlightenment".

Kudos to the Friends of the Culver Library--National Friends of Libraries week is celebrated in October, and we plan to give special honor to our Friends at that time, but we do not want to wait until then to recognize the CUTPL Friends for their help and support of your library. Through a generous donation from our Friends Group, your Library now has a set of display panels for exhibiting artwork, and we are using them to showcase items from our "Picturing America" collection. These 40 high-quality reproductions of selected masterpieces of art which the American Library Association and the National Endowment for the Humanities has distributed to public libraries, will be on a rotating display in our lobby throughout 2010.

This month's display highlights artifacts created in America, in keeping with our summer reading theme "Be Creative @ Your Library." Thank you, Friends.

"Kill-a-Watt" electric use meter available for loan. Is it time to buy a new freezer? Is your old air conditioner still saving you money? Folks are counting their pennies these days and CUTPL now has another weapon available in the arsenal for saving money. The Library has purchased a "Kill-a-Watt" EZ Power Meter.

The device enables a homeowner to determine the power consumption of an appliance by the kilowatt-hour. The electrical expense can be figured out by the day, week, month or year. The device also evaluates the quality of the electrical power being supplied by the utility company by monitoring voltage, line frequency and power factor. The unit features a large LCD display. Instructions are included with the monitor. Simply connect your appliances to the device and it will assess how efficient they are.

Adults may check out the Kill-a-Watt meter from the Library with your library card, just as you would check out a book. The meter circulates for one week and is available at the Circulation Desk. Any questions? Call your Library at 842-2941.

The Big Read is officially 'on'



From the Other Side of the Book Drop

By Colleen McCarty
Director, Culver-Union Twp.
Public Library

resources for discussing classic literature, an ambitious national publicity campaign, and an extensive Web site providing comprehensive information on authors and their works."

And Culver is one of those selected towns! Due to the efforts and diligence of Technical Services Assistant Polly Thompson Wolf (with the able assistance of Barb Maves), CUTPL has successfully obtained a grant from the NEA to present, discuss and promote two literary works of Midwestern-born author Thornton Wilder: The Bridge of San Luis Rey and Our Town. From September through November 2009, we have several events planned in cooperation with our partners in the community, including our educational associates, the Culver Community School Corporation, the Culver Academies and Ancilla College. We are very

Name that Culver "citizen"



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

A number of Culverites guessed the subject of last week's quiz, town council president and longtime Culver Academies security head Sally Ricciardi. Among correct guessers: Julie Bess, Marizetta Kenney, Chuckie Strang, Barb Quivey, Carin Clifton, Chuck Dilts, Rich and Millie Sytsma. If I've missed anyone, it's



because a few folks approached me on the street with their correct guess, and sometimes things don't get written down by your editor, who does occasional forget things (but never in the pages of the paper, eh?) The hint about a tribute to Sally from outside Culver refers to a Facebook page many of our readers may not be familiar with, started by a former Academies student: "Security Sally Rocks," which is a pretty unique and high distinction (how many of us can say we have a web tribute in our honor?).

A late entry in the previous week's contest is John and Connie Schoening of Valparaiso, who correctly guessed John Bickel.

This week's mystery citizen is pretty well known to practically everyone in Culver. But if a hint is needed, he helps facilitate a pretty essential part of all Culverites' lives.

As always, astounding amounts of admiration from the editor -- and plenty of free parking in downtown Culver -- are waiting in the wings for the true Culverite who can identify our mystery citizen.

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Auction from page 1

partment (Mike Grover), our town manager (Michael Doss), the president of the town council (Sally Ricciardi), Dusty Hendricks from the lake community, Emily Ryman and Danny Cowell from Culver Academies, a state representative (Nancy Dembowski), local citizen and Tri Kappa member (Jessye Gilley), a school principal (Albert Hanselman), and one of the kids from our club (Jordan Green) hoop to '50s music, all in the name of fun and for a cause."

And, she adds, the hooping portion of the evening was a bit hit. "The crowd

loved the hula hoop contestants. I had so many people comment to me about how much fun it was to see them. I truly want to thank each of them for bringing entertainment to our evening."

By evening's end, Elvis impersonator and singer/celebrity emcee Quentin Flagg – who performed music to hula hoop to during the contest – announced Culver Summer Schools' Emily Ryman as the winner, with Bean as first runner up, Cowell in second place, and Grover in third.

"We are thrilled we got such a large crowd to kick off summer," beams Mun-

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CBGC board president Alan Loehr, dressed for the occasion.

roe. "And we are grateful for the generosity of everyone who attended. Just when you think the economy will affect your ability to raise funds for your program, along comes the Culver community to prove that even in a bad economy, giving is possible."

Celebrate from page 4

to celebrating others than buying a round of drinks. Celebrating others means that you notice and acknowledge someone. You make them feel special, appreciated or honored. You don't have to wait until their birthdays or worse, funerals to celebrate the people in your lives.

Why don't people step up and celebrate others more often? It doesn't have to cost anything from your wallet. But it does come at a cost. It takes a generous heart to praise another person for a recent victory. It means setting aside your own pride, jealousy and

Ready from page 1



PHOTO/JOAN REININGA READY
A childhood photo of the Reininga children from Joan Ready's book: Ellen and Kenny are in front with John and Joan standing.

former Gail Ruhnaw – today of the aforementioned Gail's shop on Main Street.

Ready herself spent many years moving around with her former husband, developing a career as an elementary school teacher from which she is now retired. Today she lived in Southboro, Massachusetts where she's near her daughters Lauren and Becky. She still visits Culver frequently, and notes her son David Ready plans to be here this summer.

A public library lecture by a woman who owned a Massachusetts publishing

company near her, Discovery Enterprises, prepared Ready to take her writings to the level of an actual book; Discovery published the book, which Ready markets and helps distribute.

Ready says she plans to donate 30 percent of the book's proceeds to the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver's ongoing museum project in the lower level of the Culver Public Library. She recently donated a 1929 quilt created by Donna Reininga's Cromley-family mother, to the museum for its collection. "That's something that's in my soul, I don't know why," says Ready. "I'm just a history buff. I was so happy when you got that (Culver museum) area in the basement."

Ready also sees her book in the broader context of the importance of memoir writ-

ing as part of local history, something she hopes others will consider.

"You can quit (writing) anytime," she notes. "People say (writing one's memoirs is) too big a commitment, but if you write it story by story, you've got what you wrote...there are a lot fewer records than you would think of what actually went on in families."

Ready's book, which ends with the story of her brothers' exodus to the Culver-Lake Maxinkuckee area, weaves together themes of emphasizing the good grown from less than ideal circumstances. "In the prolog, I say in my account of one family's struggles it becomes clear that poverty does not have to dictate one's life. Poverty often creates necessity and results in invention and creativity."

The book, she says, "invites readers to the care-free and often perplexing existence of a rural childhood, circa 1935 through the 1950s, in southern Indiana... it's a modest book, but I think it records how we looked at things then."

sometimes anger. And, you have to be mindful and sacrifice some time, even if it is just a few minutes to pick up the phone or a few seconds to acknowledge someone in the produce aisle at the grocery store. Acknowledging someone for something special makes you special too. Celebrations are as important for the person who achieved the milestones as they can be for you. Realigning your focus off of your own problems and onto another person's success can bring you as much joy as it does to the person you encourage and celebrate. It is during these

times of celebration that all the worries and stress don't seem to matter much.

Being thoughtful and following through with your thoughts is a character investment, not only in yourself, but in the person you uphold and esteem. When you take the time to celebrate others, you are pulling a weed and replacing it with a flower in the garden of life. This makes the world a better place, not only for you, but for others to enjoy.

I decided that I needed to make my own quote for that chair: "Celebrate the moments that make you

smile." That sums it up pretty well for me. That is when life happens. It is in those moments, those key moments when you move into your first home, when your son comes home for a surprise visit on military leave or when your wife earns that college degree that she put on hold while she raised the kids. Birthdays, anniversaries, reunions, those Kodak days, celebrate them! Don't get so lost in your busy schedule and worries that you lose sight in all the good times. Kool and the Gang said it best, "Celebrate good times, come on!"

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Culver library closes MCCF fund, discusses new policies

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

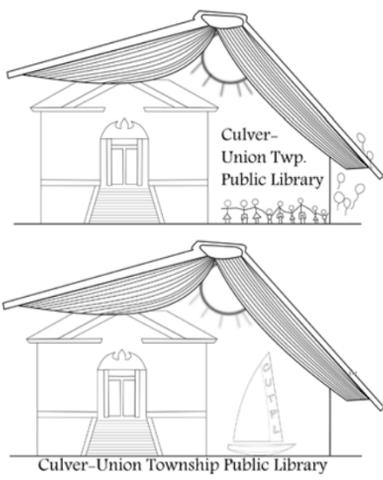
The Culver-Union Township Public Library board, with "a great deal of angst," said board president Jim Hahn, voted to close its Library Improvement Gift Fund at the Marshall County Community Foundation and instead invest the proceeds from the fund in a certificate of deposit at a Marshall County bank.

The move, made at the board's June 16 meeting, came following examination of trends in the fund over the past nine years since its establishment using monies from a bequest to the library by the late Innes Humbert. Members of the library board also met earlier this spring with officers of the MCCF. Humbert's bequest totaled \$288,000, which was used to create the Library Improvement Gift Fund by

Hahn noted a total of around \$28,000 in management fees has been subtracted from the fund over the past nine years, amounting to about 10 percent of the original money. Since its establishment, it was noted, the fund occasionally showed gains, but as of 2009, the library had lost around \$69,000 besides fees. "The (board's) original intent in 2000," said Hahn, "they thought they'd get a 12.5 percent return on the investment. This is a heck of a long way from that."

Board member Rita Lawson pointed out, in the cur-

Lawson abstained from the board's vote to close the account and invest the proceeds in a CD in a bank out-



adding the distribution amount to the library will fluctuate each year, but should be around \$2,000 this year.

In other discussion, the board discussed library policy changes suggested by its ad hoc policy committee, debating in particular a recommendation to strike language from library policy forbidding the library director from appointing more than one member of the same family to work in the same building in a permanent position. Board member Hahn noted he understands why some businesses hold to a policy forbidding family members from being employed in the same location, and had concerns about striking the language from the policy.

Board members Lawson and Melanie Robertson, both former employees in the Culver Community School system, noted the school has family members working for it but asks they sign a conflict of interest statement, something whose merits Hahn and Saft said they doubted in this case.

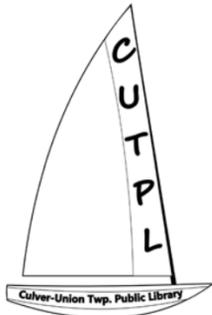
Robertson explained the committee felt limiting family members from working at the library in such a small community as Culver runs the risk of "getting rid of some potential talent you might want to use."

The board tabled discussion of this and other proposed policy changes, which included full time, part time, and salaried employee status, the library's grievance policy, and certification standards as specified by the Indiana State Library.

Library director Colleen McCarty also told the

side Culver, in whose two banks the library already has monies over \$200,000 per bank. It was noted FDIC insurance only covers amounts of \$250,000, prompting the decision to allow Faulkner to investigate other Marshall County banks in which to house the money, rather than leave any library money uninsured by depositing more locally.

The board also established a Humbert Gift Fund in the library's own accounting records as well as voting in a resolution to request the maximum allowed distribution to the library from its (much smaller) permanent fund in the MCCF, which cannot be closed by the library. The library has never requested that distribution in the past, it was noted, with Faulkner

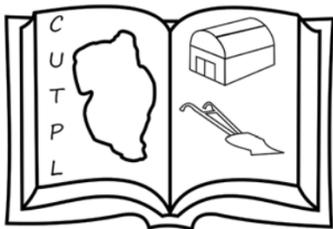


board members at the time, in the year 2000. \$116,000 was used towards improvement and renovation of the library that year, with remaining funds deposited to the MCCF, according to library records read by library accountant Jim Faulkner.

rent economy, "anybody with money in stock has gone down," though board member Carol Saft countered the decrease in funds has been fairly consistent over the years, rather than simply a recent phenomenon.

"I just want us to be aware," said Lawson, "that it won't go back up if we take it out now."

Hahn, acknowledging the decision has not been a pleasant one for board members, added, "We have to protect what we've got left (of the original money)."



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Soccer champs

Culver's fifth and sixth grade boys soccer team (sponsored by the Original Root Beer stand) won the NCSA season end tourney for their age group in Laville. They are, front row, left to right: Michael Davidge, Gavin Compton, D.J. Keller, Tevin Jones, Mitchell Elloit, Kenny Vandeputte, and Hunter Kephart. Back row, Tyler Thomas, Mark Mayer, Paul Foersch, Aaron Becker, Frank Kline, Josh Krsek, Daniel Bettinelli, and Addyson Allyn.

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Police blotter

Myriam G. Delavega, 48, of E1 Paso, Texas was issued a citation May 15 for exceeding the posted speed limit, 34 mph in a 20 mph zone.

Mark R. McLaughlin, 23, of Carmel, Ind., was issued a citation May 15 for exceeding the posted speed limit, 33 mph in a 20 mph zone.

Anthony W. Zappia, 35, of South Bend was issued a citation May 16 for a seatbelt violation.

Marie D. Zappia, 28, of Mishawaka was issued a citation May 16 for a seatbelt violation.

Ryan J. Wittig, 28, of Cambridge, Mass., was issued a citation May 16 for a golf cart violation.

Roy V. Minix, 52, of North Judson, was issued a

citation May 18 for exceeding the posted speed limit, 68 mph in a 55 mph zone.

Derrick B. Little, 23, of Ora, IN was issued a citation May 18 for a seatbelt violation.

Alyssa R. Hyndman, 21, of Culver was issued a citation May 19 for a seatbelt violation.

Kenton B. Lovely, 19, of Culver was issued a citation May 19 for a seatbelt violation.

William B. Scroggs, 23, of Delong was issued a citation May 19 for a seatbelt violation.

Abby L. Hayworth, 28, of Culver was issued a citation May 19 for a seatbelt violation.

Mary L. Eckhart, 69, of Thayer, Ind., was issued a citation May 19 for a seat-

belt violation.

Caitlin A. Schrimsher, 21, of Culver was issued a citation May 19 for a seatbelt violation.

Erin N. Schoberg, 35, of Plymouth was issued a citation May 19 for exceeding the posted speed limit, 34 mph in a 20 mph zone.

Heather R. Clemons, 19, of Plymouth was issued a citation May 19 for a seatbelt violation.

Steve J. Valt, 58, of Knox was issued a citation May 19 for a seatbelt violation.

Joseph P. Sassano, 77, of South Bend, Ind. was issued a citation May 19 for a golf cart violation.

Cultice participates in Sports Fest

Drew Cultice of Culver Community High School was among area athletes who wrapped up a week's worth of events at the annual Sports Fest in South Bend last weekend.

Invited local athletes have been taking part all last week on the West team. There are four total regional teams.

Friday, the girls and boys basketball championship games took place and Saturday, the football game closed the week's events with Indiana East vs. Michigan and Indiana West vs. Metro.

Cultice was involved in the baseball portion of the events.

Correction

In last week's Culver Citizen articles on the Culver Academies tennis team (page 7), it was stated this is the farthest Culver players have gone in the state tourney or the first time the program has ever sent players so far in the individual tourney. In fact, this is the furthest a number one doubles team from either CMA or CGA has advanced in the state doubles tournament, according to coach Alan Loehr. Romina Clemente ('08) finished fourth in the Indiana state singles tournament in 2006.

Cultice, Pinder are honored CCHS spring athletes



Drew Cultice



Myles Pinder

Two Culver Community High School spring athletes received special recognition recently, according to CCHS athletic director Andy Thomas.

Drew Cultice received Northern State Conference All-Conference Baseball Honorable Mention.

Myles Pinder was named Academic All-State in Track.

Both students graduated earlier this month.

Academies students, faculty receive awards

Culver Academies has announced student and faculty recipients of various honors and awards.

Katherine Barnes of Culver graduated Cum Laude and received the Jane Metcalfe Culver Bowl award. Nicolas Elizondo of Culver received the McDonald Award.



Katherine Barnes

Alexis Howard of Bourbon received the Alfred J. Donnelly Scholastic Award.

Other recipients included Thomas Ott (Palmyra, Penn.), who received the YMCA Cup and Chambers Award; Ashlyn Ayres (Atlanta, Georgia), recipient of the Mary Francis England Humanitarian Award; Audrey Abrell (Valparaiso, Ind.), the Arthur G. Hughes Award; LaThelma Armstrong (Chicago, Ill.), the Superintendent's Bowl; Russell Davis (Plainfield, Ill.), the VanZandt Key; and Hao Wu (Beijing, China), the Scholarship Medal.

Among faculty members receiving awards:

John Oberwetter was named the Kaser Scholar. Established in 1977, the Mark B. Kaser award is given by the parents and classmates of Mark B. Kaser, Valedictorian of the class of 1975, following his untimely death at Culver's 1976 Commencement. The Award is presented to a member of the faculty whose scholarly interests, enthusiastic teaching, sympathetic understanding and wise counsel combine to inspire students and kindle a zest for life and learning. John Buggeln and Catherine Tulungen received the Williamson Fellows Award.

Other faculty members awarded included Phil Cook and Jose Garzon (see articles at right).



Elizondo Nicholas

Campers age 9-13 wanted

The Marshall County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) is offering to pay the registration fee (\$100) for the first 10 boys and girls wanting to attend the Northeast Indiana Conservation Camp.

The Camp is open to children ages 9-13. The Boy and Girl Camp will be held August 3-5. It is located at 4305 W Camp Whitley Road, Columbia City, Indiana.

Activities include sessions on soil, water, wildlife and forestry, plus swimming, etc.

Contact the Marshall County SWCD for more information, at 574-936-2024 Ext. 3. Deadline for accepting applications is July 17.

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Culver Basketball Skill Camp still has openings

CULVER -- There is still time to register for the Culver Basketball Skill Camp, to be held August 9-13.

For the past five years, over 100 campers yearly have enjoyed NBA- and College-level instruction on the campus of the Culver Academies.

Coaches Kevin Wilson, All-American, Detroit Pistons and University of Minnesota coach; Todd Landrum CBA, college and Minnesota Timberwolves coach; along with a group of former players and coaches, will be instructing on the courts of the five indoor gyms at Culver. Last year's special guest, current Washington Capitals coach Flip Saunders, provided additional instruction for three days.

Day Campers and Overnight Campers, both boys and girls ages 10-13, are welcome. Camp includes nearly eight hours daily of instruction, t-shirt, camp ball, camper evaluation, meals, swimming and lots of fun.

Call Chet Marshall 574 842-8072 or email marshac@culver.org to sign up or for more information. Group and family discounts are available.

Garzon receives Mars award

José M. Garzon, master instructor in the Modern and Classical Language Department and the holder of The W. A. Moncrieff, Jr. Chair of Teaching at the Academies since 1999, was recognized as the John R. Mars Faculty Merit Award winner at the 115th commencement convocation at Culver Military Academy and Culver Girls Academy June 6.

The award was established in 1983 by the board of trustees in order to honor the tenth superintendent of the school and perpetuate the example of his positive relationship with students throughout his long career as instructor, coach, counselor and administrator. The award is presented annually to a member of the faculty or staff who has established the most positive and constructive relationship with students and best exemplifies the ideal of Culver and Dean Mars.

Prof. José M. Garzon is a longtime assistant varsity soccer coach, faculty resident in West Barracks, a member of many academies committees, sponsor of the Spanish Club and the Spanish Honorary Society Chapter "José Martí" at the Academies since 1974 to the present, president of the Spanish Honorary Society in the State of Indiana since 1997 to present time, and sponsor of the National Spanish Examination at the Academies. He has also been a reader and consultant for the College Board for over thirty-five years, recipient of the Indiana Spanish teacher of the year in 2000-01 award, named to Who is Who Among America's Teachers in 1992, 1996 and 2000. Garzon is a lecturer and presenter in humanities for IAIS, ISACS, AATSP, ACTFL, CSC, IFTA and in Salamanca, Spain and Lisbon, Portugal, a winner of national and international prizes in Spanish philology, a poet, art critic and a freelance writer.

In addition to his teaching here in Indiana, Prof. Garzon taught in Muskegon Community College, Muskegon, Michigan; Grand Valley State University, Allendale, Michigan; University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California; College de Espuma, Salamanca, Spain; Los Angeles Valley College, Los Angeles, California, and Ancilla College, Donaldson, Indiana.



José M. Garzon

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United Way Ride

June 27

The eighth annual "Ride for United Way" is scheduled for Saturday, June 27. Motorcycle ride registration begins at 9 a.m. at CJ Chrome & Cycle at 6770 N. Michigan Street, Plymouth. CJ Chrome & Cycle will provide coffee and donuts. A brief riders meeting will be held at 9:45 a.m. Riders will leave at 10 a.m. and travel throughout Marshall County on a 62-mile route. For more information contact Jennifer S. Maddox, Executive Director, at 574-936-3366 or online www.marshallcountyuw.org.

Cook receives Spivey award

Phillip Cook of Culver, a member of the Science Department at Culver Academies, has been named the recipient of the Major General Delmar T. Spivey Award.

Dean Kathy Lintner said that Cook "is the kind of teacher who plans fun lessons and labs for his students that inspire them to want to learn more. He integrates and

teaches for connections, keeping in mind the dispositions he wants students to internalize. And he does it

with his laid-back demeanor, wisdom and playful humor. What could be more fun than encouraging students to blow things up, light their hands on fire without burning them, and study the popping of a kernel of corn right down to the nanosecond? He hooks them with what they observe and then draws them on to ask why."

Cook even uses Halloween to showcase how chemistry can be fun. In front of an audience, he dazzles them with his famous self-carving pumpkin, sick pumpkins with green foam oozing from mouth and nostrils, ghost bubbles, erupting volcanoes, and Mentos-Coke explosions that erupt 30 feet into the air. Students routinely use words like "awesome," "fantastic," and "amazing" to describe Cook's teaching. Lintner told the audience at the awards ceremony that one student said the following about Cook. "This was the best class I have had at Culver. He cares about his students, helps us understand the material and do fun practicals using real-world examples. He also gives us opportunities to get help anytime and encourages us to do well and keep getting better."

Cook's colleagues share the students' high opinion. Lintner referred to one colleague who said that after brainstorming with Cook about a project for Cook's AP class, within a few weeks Cook had developed "amazing projects with explosions, pops, and popcorn - all presented to help future students and teachers incorporate fun demonstrations into the classroom...this is just one of the many examples on how he has elevated my own teaching."

Cook lives with his wife, Andrea, and their two daughters in Culver. He is a 1995 graduate of Plymouth High School. Cook joined Culver Academies' Science Department in 2007. He earned his Bachelor's Degree in Chemistry Education from Purdue University. His areas of interest and teaching include Chemistry and Physics. Previously, he taught Honors Chemistry and General Chemistry at Oak Park and River Forest high school, in Oak Park, Ill.



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Phillip Cook

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Future Culver student recalls National Spelling Bee

By Rusty Nixon
Correspondent

NAPPANEE – Adam Freymiller will never forget his family trip to Washington D.C.

Of course there were the normal sights, but what Adam will probably remember most is “gamopetalous.”

“The definition is ‘...having the corolla composed of united petals,’” he said. “It’s a botanist term.”

The word was also the final word Adam misspelled in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington. It wasn’t the one that put him out of the competition though.

“There was a computer test on the first round and then the second and third rounds were oral,” said Adam. “I needed a score of 28 out of 31 and I only got a 22. That’s how it happens sometimes.”

Champion of the Elkhart County Spelling Bee that earned him the spot in the national contest his orthographic skills are prodigious.

The former 8th grader at NorthWood Jr. High will be attending Culver Academy for his freshman year in the fall. He does more than just spell too.

“I’m really just an average teenager pretty much,” he said. “I like all sports really. I probably like running the most – cross country and track. I plan on running in high school next year. My favorite event in track is the 1600.”



CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

REAL Services menu

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

Thursday, June 25: Western omelet, partsy and margarine, fresh green pepper strips, diced potatoes, orange, and milk.

Friday, June 26: Liver and onions, salad and dressing, mashed potatoes, sliced apples, bread and margarine, and milk.

Monday, June 29: BBQ

pork, bun, sweet potato patties, baked beans, pineapple and milk.

Tuesday, June 30: Beef stew with corn, carrots, potatoes, cauliflower, broccoli salad, biscuit, peaches and cottage cheese, and milk.

Wednesday, July 1: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, bread and margarine, applesauce, and milk.

Thursday, July 2: Smoked sausage, black eyed peas, coleslaw, roll and margarine, All-American cherry cheesecake, and milk.

Friday, July 3: Closed for the holiday.

Community Calendar

Thurs., June 25
Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library
Kiwanis Club, noon, Culver Public Library

Fri., June 26
Computer class, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
Culver Summer School campers arrival/orientation (all weekend)

Sat., June 27
Eddie Amond memorial (10 a.m., Bonine-Odom funeral home) and celebration (1 p.m., Culver town park)
Carillon recital, 4 p.m., Culver Academies Memorial Chapel (see article this issue)

Sun., June 28
Culver EMS, fire, police charity softball game, noon
Chairs for Charity Tri Kappa auction, 6 p.m., Culver Cove

Mon., June 29
Yoga class, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
Knitting Class, 5 p.m., Culver Public Library
Computer class, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library
DivorceCare, 7 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ

Tues., June 30
Fitness class, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library

Weds., July 1
Genealogy mtg., 10 a.m.,

Culver Public Library
Yoga class, 5:30 p.m., Culver Public Library
Euchre club, 6 - 8 p.m., Culver Public Library

Thurs., July 2
Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library
Kiwanis Club, noon, Culver Public Library
Knights of Columbus St. Mary of the Lake Council #13720 social mtg, 7 p.m., rectory basement

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Friend to the Friends

Thomas Crowel – author of the recent novel, The Passerby, which has stirred interest due to its plot similarities to a 1980s Argos-area murder – presented a check for \$2,395 to the Friends of the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library. Crowel brought the check to the library June 20, one week after more than 50 people attended his talk about the book, at the library. Accepting the check is Connie Van Horn of the Friends, surrounded (in the back row) by Friends members, left to right, Marge Kearns, Angie Nelligan, Charlotte Hahn, Ginger Budzius (right of Van Horn), and Marizetta Kenney. In the front row: library employees Barb Mayes and Polly Thompson-Wolf, with Friends president Sandy Wakefield. The check represented not only the proceeds from copies of the book sold at the event, but a \$2,000 donation to the organization as well.

Event aims to reduce alcohol-related boating accidents

Indiana is participating in Operation Dry Water, a coordinated national weekend of Boating under the Influence (BUI) detection and enforcement aimed at reducing BUI, June 26-28.

Curbing the number of alcohol-related accidents and fatalities is a key to achieving safer and more enjoyable recreational boating.

In 2007, U.S. Coast Guard statistics indicated that 21 percent of all boating fatalities were a result of alcohol use, which continued an upward trend in the percentage of fatalities where alcohol was the primary cause of the accident. In 2008 there were 55 boating accidents reported within Indiana. As a result of those accidents eight victims drowned while boating Hoosier waterways.

Alcohol was believed to have been a major factor in a number of the accidents.

Indiana will increase BUI enforcement during the weekend by offering overtime to off-duty officers increasing patrols in several locations. The overtime would be paid through a grant from the Coast Guard.

For more information on this program, see www.operationdrywater.org.

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Briefs, from page 1

St. Elizabeth's book club kicks off

Everyone in the Culver community and surrounding area is invited to come and share in the discussion of the book, "Joy in Disguise, Meeting Jesus in the Dark Times," by Edward S. Little, as part of St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church's summer book club, a weekly discussion coordinated by Judi Dodge. Discussion takes place each Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the church, located at 525 State Street in Culver. For more information please contact Judi Dodge at 574-842-4753 or minister Tom Haynes at 574-842-2410.

Khorman farewell party July 12

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

Second Century meets July 14

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

Live music at Edgewater

The Edgewater Grille, 620 E Lake Shore Drive, will be hosting live musical performances this summer, including an Open Mic Night Thursday, July 2, with sign-up beginning at 8 p.m. and music beginning at 9 p.m. an Original Music Showcase will take place Saturday, July 11 at 9 p.m., featuring The Gin Soaked

Boys (folk/rock/blues) and The Splanchnic Ganglion (instrumental/progressive), both from Mishawaka, as well as Culver's own plankton (alternative/indie/rock). All events are free.

New at Lake Fest

The Lake Fest Committee is busy making plans for Lake Fest this July. New this year is a Mobile License Branch that will be there all weekend. Attendees will be able to renew their driver's license, get an identification card, obtain titles and registrations as well as voter registrations. Anyone wishing to donate to the fireworks can send your donation to Culver Lake Fest, PO Box 146, Culver, IN 46511 % Lake Fest Fireworks. The Festival has some new and fun ideas that will be in the paper in the future. Plan to attend the Culver Lake Fest July 17 through 19.

Culver Kiwanis golf outing July 17

Culver's Kiwanis Club is planning its 12th annual golf outing to be held July 17 at the Mystic Hills Golf Course in Culver. Shotgun Start is 2 p.m. (registration starts at noon). Individuals: \$65; foursomes: \$260; hole sponsorships: \$150. Dinner and soft drinks will be provided at the awards ceremony, and there will be door prizes and chances to win hole-in-one prizes. All proceeds benefit Kiwanis recipients. Contact Julie Bess at 574-216-4205 or jbindexing@gmail.com, or Dusty Henrick at 574-842-4280 to sign up your team.

Sunfish Regatta sets sail July 18

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

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

St. Paul examined at conference

Registrations are now being taken for the conference retreat "The Letters of Paul," which will take a close look at some of the key insights that Paul has into Jesus and have the opportunity to appreciate the great depths of his spirituality and commitment to Jesus and his Church. Facilitator Michael Fonseca is currently Director of Spiritual Formation and Facilitator for Deaconate Formation Programs in Michigan and Texas. Liturgy and Mass Leader Fr. John Scott currently serves St. Thomas Aquinas in Knox, Indiana.

The retreat fee of \$350 includes meals and a private room. The program begins Sunday, July 12 at 5 p.m. and ends, Friday July 17 at 1 p.m. Registration deadline is Monday, July 6. For information or to register, contact Lindenwood at 574-935-1763 weekdays 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Citizen contact info

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

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

Culver's Grace Church to change times, join with Plymouth UCC



Rev. Robin Keating

Grace United Church of Christ, 307 N Plymouth Street in Culver, will change its worship times beginning Sunday, July 5 as part of a new, yoked partnership launching July 1. Grace will partner with the First United Church of Christ, 321 N Center Street in Plymouth, with Grace pastor Robin Keating sharing pastoral duties between the two churches. Beginning July 5, Culver's worship time will switch to 8:45 a.m. Pastor Keating will continue office hours at Grace in Culver Mondays and Tuesdays, with office hours in Plymouth Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Keating notes the move was voted on by both congregations and required at least 80 percent approval amongst members of each. Culver's congregation approved the yoking by over 90 percent, he says, adding Culver members have been "open and welcoming" to the joint church idea. He said each congregation will have its own unique voice, with committees in place at both churches to review the situation. "Both congregations have made concessions," Keating notes, to make the yoking happen.

Flack, Good visit Culver Lions

By Don Freese
Culver Lions Club

For 56 years the The Indiana Lions Cancer Control Fund has been prolonging life, relieving pain and giving hope to thousands of people battling cancer, according to Dottie Flack, Indiana Lions Liaison and Patient Advocate. Flack – addressing members of Culver's Lions Club at its June 10 meeting -- said the Fund, in conjunction with the Indiana University School of Medicine, has formed a powerful partnership. She reported that Indiana Lions have contributed almost \$4.5 million to the department of radiation oncology, a cornerstone of the IU Cancer Center.

Much of the cancer treatment equipment purchased over the years was the first of its kind in the world. The Gamma Knife equipment was dedicated in 1997. It provides the ability to aim 201 radiation beams in a precise fashion and thus concentrate the beams on the cancer with minimal impact on the surrounding "good" cells. There have been greater than 1,100 patients treated with this technology. A lot of patients have been successfully treated because of the precision provided with the Gamma Knife. The Center is located in Indianapolis.

Flack pointed out a doctor's referral is not necessary to be considered a candidate for treatment at the Center.

The Lions were very appreciative of the presentation.

The featured speaker at the May 27 Lions meeting was Mike Good, the Executive Director of Marshall County Solid Waste located in Plymouth, Indiana. MCSW's mission is "To achieve conservation of natural resources, environmental preservation, encourage recycling efforts, provide opportunities and guidance for waste stream reduction, and increase awareness of proper hazardous waste disposal."

The Center, at 1900 Walter Glaub Drive is open to the public Tuesday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and the first Saturday of each month from 8 a.m. until noon.

Good reported in 2008 the Center recycled 2,844,529 pounds of recyclable materials collected through curbside recycling. In addition, the Center handled waste brought to their facility such as paper, cardboard, shredding of documents, hazardous materials, plastic, glass, metal, electronics, automotive waste, fluorescent lamps, household bat-



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Mike Good and Culver Lions Program Chairperson Sally Flora.



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Dottie Flack.

teries, white goods, tires, cooking oil and more.

Most the recycling is free to their customers with a modest fee charged for certain waste products which are difficult and expensive to recycle.

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First summer carillon recital kicks off at Culver



Starting Saturday, June 27, John Gouwens, carillonneur of the Culver Academies, will present the first in a series of carillon recitals to be presented on six consecutive Saturday afternoons at 4 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time. This will be on the 51-bell Gillett & Johnston carillon at the Memorial Chapel on the Academies campus.

Compositions will include "Dance of the Tower Bells," by Belgian carillonneur Liesbeth Janssens (who incidentally performed on the Culver series several years ago), "Sprookje" ("Children's Story"), by Jef Rotiers, "Andante," from the opera "Alceste," by Christoph Willibald Gluck, arranged for carillon by Wendell Westcott, "Air with Variations in the Italian Manner," for harpsichord, by J.S. Bach, and "Irish Suite," commissioned for the carillon of Saint Colman's Cathedral in Cobh, Ireland.

As always, the recital will also include improvisations on hymn tunes from various traditions.

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 tours and a demonstration of the instrument will be offered following the performance. John Gouwens will play additional recitals on July 4 (All-American program), July 18, July 25, and August 1. The July 11 program will feature Tim Sleep, City Carillonneur of Naperville, Illinois.

School board considers university credits for students

Bobbie Washburn Ruhnow Sue Wilson, Director of School Partnerships Purdue University North Central, spoke to the Culver Community School board of trustees regarding a dual credit concurrent enrollment program offered by Purdue/North Central.

The program as outlined, is an opportunity for students at Culver to receive college credit through a university by taking courses that are approved and offered at the high school during the regular school day. They would be taught by qualified high school teachers. Students use the books provided by the high school, and teachers follow very similar curriculum, assignments and testing as their college faculty counterparts. The program allows students to get a jump start on college credits and is a good transitional medium.

There are financial advantages for parents in reduced tuition costs at the high school level versus college level at \$89 per credit hour. Free and reduced lunch students who qualify would get free tuition. There would be no additional fees, no book fee, activity, lab, or transportation fee. Credits earned by the students would be transferable. Presently, there are 27 schools participating and the comments have been extremely favorable Wilson said.

Brad Schuldt, superintendent, discussed a change in the alternative education program presently in effect in Culver. Instead of transporting students to Plymouth who are in the alternative program, Culver would have their own JESSE teacher who would teach approximately 15 students in two classes daily. The board concurred and Mary James, an 8 year veteran teacher in the JESSE program, was hired for the coming school year. The program gives students who are destined to fail in regular school environment, an opportunity to transition back into the regular curriculum, Schuldt noted.

Book rental fees are set for 2009-2010 as follows: K-\$104, first - \$130, second - \$136, third - \$129, fourth - \$126, fifth - \$116, sixth - \$123, seventh - \$70.45 plus art supplies and 8th - \$76.30 plus art supplies. High School fees depend on courses chosen.

Breakfast and lunch fees will be raised .05 per meal with reduced breakfast fees at .30 and lunch at .40.

Trustee approved refinancing the 2000, 2001, 2002 bond issue at the suggestion of H. J Umbaugh. Instead of reducing the present interest rate of 5.25, 5.02, and 4.93 respectively, they decided to take the

money produced by the refinancing of approximately \$190,000. Schuldt said this money could be used toward the elementary gym renovation saving the funds remaining in the Capital Projects Fund. This will be the second refinancing of the bond issue which is due to mature in 2023 and will not affect the final maturation date.

A Title 1 grant application in the amount of \$342,295.10 was approved.

Ongoing budget battles in the present session of the

state legislators was noted by Schuldt.

Possible shortfall of a million dollars for the Culver school system has been projected. "Local control of the school budget has been lost in the last few years," Schuldt said. "Unfortunately, budget issues have been taken out of the hands of the local people who deal with the issues on a daily basis," he continued.

The next meeting will be June 20, 2009.

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A tree for Danny

Employees of Medallion Cabinetry planted a flowering crab apple tree Tuesday, June 16, in memory of former employee Danny "Papa" Garbison. Garbison was employed with Medallion from February, 2007, through October, 2008. His significant other, Beverly Griffo, attended the ceremony along with his sisters, Sandy Craft, Gail Stepp, and nieces Brenna and Brooke Stepp. Deana Thomas of Medallion shared several fond memories of Garbison. Donna Louk, HR supervisor at the plant, said, "Danny was a kind person who made people smile. He has been greatly missed by all."



In the photo above: front row, left to right: Beverly Griffo and Sandy Craft. Back row, Brenna, Gail, and Brooke Stepp.

Kailas to perform at CBC

Dustin and Kaila, a husband and wife team from Wakarusa, will be performing at Culver Bible Church, 718 S. Main St., Sunday, July 5, at 10:30 a.m. The musical duo has been singing together since they met in 2004. A free-will offering will be taken. For more info, contact Pastor Dan at 842-3056.



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