



CITIZEN PHOTOS AND LAYOUT/JEFF KENNEY

## In Brief

### 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.

### Town accepting credit, debit cards

The Town of Culver will be accepting credit and debit cards beginning July 16, 2009. This service can be utilized within the Clerk's Office located at Town Hall, by phone at 1-866-480-8552, or web page at www.townofculver.org. Please know that you must have your utility account number, ticket number, etc. The town will accept Visa, MasterCard and Discover. A convenience fee is assessed to each credit and debit card transaction.

### Community meal at Grace July 15

Grace United Church of Christ will hold its monthly community meal on Wednesday, July 15 at 6 p.m. All are invited to this free, ecumenical event whose purpose is to share a friendly meal in a welcoming, community atmosphere. The meals are held on the 15th day of each month in the basement of the church.

### 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.

## On the edge of their seats

Above: Culver Tri Kappa's inaugural Chairs for Charity event drew a full house of bidders and onlookers. FAR LEFT: event committee member Karen Heim takes a close look at one of over 70 lavishly decorated chairs. UPPER RIGHT: event committee members Janette Surrisi (left) and Judi Sawhook pause with a "shell" themed chair which Surrisi designed and Sawhook purchased at the auction. CENTER: Event co-chair Andrea Cook with husband and event assistant Phil. LOWER CENTER: Chair artist Marina Cavazos with one of the hotter items at the auction, her Culver-themed chair, "I-Spy: Glimpses of Culver." LOWER RIGHT: Frances Ellert of Culver, left, chats with longtime Lake Maxinkuckee resident E.P. Severns, who fell in love with Ellert's purchase: a lake-themed armchair rendered by Ginny Munroe and her mother, Joan Bess. SEE STORY BELOW.

# A ringside seat

## Chair charity event a rousing success

By Jeff Kenney  
 Citizen editor

If buyer and participant turnout, smiles, and a stream of chairs leaving the Culver Cove's banquet hall Sunday night were any indication, Culver's Tri Kappa may have inaugurated a new, local summer tradition.

Tri Kappa's first-ever Chairs for Charity parade in Culver and Plymouth culminated in Sunday night's standing room only Chairs for Charity auction, during which auctioneer Jerry Kinsela helped the orga-

nization -- in a fast-paced live auction following wine and hors d'oeuvres -- sell more than 70 chairs. Each had been uniquely and creatively decorated by a local organization, business, or individual, and themes ranged from nature and art, to ever-popular lake and Culver-related imagery. Chairs sold for prices ranging from \$30 to more than \$300 per chair, with some of the most popular and high-priced entries including a Culver Academies Black Horse Troop Inaugural Chair autographed by

participants (made by Chris Sheppard), a chair created by children's book author David Slonim, and an entry created by Marina Cavazos featuring a montage of Culver scenes titled, "I-Spy: Glimpses of Culver." Figures as to the total amount raised by the event were not available at press time.

These and the other chairs had spent most of June on display throughout Culver and Plymouth, as well as online at the event's blog, chaircharity.blogspot.com, giving eager buyers plenty of time to contem-

plate which chairs to seek Sunday night.

With Beth Paré at the piano and Justin Ross playing jazz guitar, a sea of socializing guests enjoyed elaborate and well-received decoration of the space and display of the chairs by Tri Kappa's Judy Sawhook, who chaired the event along with Andrea Cook. Cook, whose husband Phil assisted at the event, helped organize and promote Chairs for Charity, which meant explaining the proceedings to would-be artists as well as an audience unfamiliar

with the concept.

The "parade" and auction itself, of course, were aimed at creating an artistic and enjoyable community event while raising money for the philanthropic work -- including scholarships and promotion of arts and culture locally, among other efforts -- of Tri Kappa, whose members toiled long and hard at the auction to bring the event into fruition with nary a hitch and many a smile on the faces of participants and observers.

## Culver High School's class of '54 perseveres

By Jeff Kenney  
 Citizen editor

Twenty-three graduates of Culver High School's class of 1954 (34 people total) attended the class's 55th reunion June 20 at Culver's VFW Post 6919, with the theme "Sentimental Journey" (conceived by John and Sandy Middleton) underscoring the event.

Class member Barb Jones -- who was joined in event setup by husband Jim Jones, Sue Hensley, Bob Ross, Nancy Kersey, and John and Sandy Middleton -- said Kersey also handled event decorations, while Bob Ross facilitated the location and the Morrisons catered the meal.

The class of '54, notes Jones, attended elementary school in the original Culver high school building built in 1906 (high school classes were moved to a 1921 building at its opening, leaving the old high school for use as an elementary for several decades). "If you were upstairs," recalls Jones of her class's elementary school, "you could see down to the first floor through the cracks. There were four classrooms on the top floor, a great big stairway...and four classrooms the first floor. We had one

classroom, restrooms, and the band room in the basement."

The old building, says Jones, creaked and groaned a lot. It was torn down in November, 1952, to make way for the existing Culver Elementary School

CHS' principal then was Floyd Annis, sports teams were the Culver Indians, and Jones recalls her class "had a good team and an excellent band and choir."

Twelve class members were memorialized at the event with small portraits and candles, as having "graduated this life," many in the last five years. They include Jean Condon, Joan Powers Farmer, Larry Geiselman, Marjorie Halinan, Pat Kaufman, Victor Kovacs, Gloria Kurtz Kovatch, Betty Swoverland Mast, Peg Crum Morris, Don Neidlinger, Barbara Osborn, and Barbara Taylor Snyder.

Jones and many Culverites recall the March, 1953 tragedy in Hibbard which made national news, when eight members of classmate Victor Kovacs' family died in a house fire.

Among the accomplish-

See Perseveres page A2

## All-class school reunion set for Lake Fest weekend

### Culver: Reunited

CULVER — Have you ever wondered, "What happened to so-and-so?" Do you ever see someone you think you recognize, thumb through the yearbook or go over the faces from the past in your head wondering if that was a former classmate - or former schoolmate from another class - who just passed you in the aisle at the grocery store?

Well, if you're interested in seeing those old faces again, this year's Lake Fest may be in store for you.

"We're planning an 'all-class' school reunion," said organizer Maggie (Hopkins) Nixon, Culver Community Jr-Sr High School class of 1992.

"Some classmates and I were discussing how nice it would be to have a reunion and to see familiar faces from the past, whether people who attend were in our graduating class or not."

After some FaceBook (social networking) discussion, the idea gears started grinding. What brings more people to Culver than any other event? The Lake Fest!

"Ragan (Croy) Breiter, Crystal (Smith) Compton, Shelby Jones and Serenity (Bowen) Shepperd, all classmates of mine, started throwing out ideas on how to bring people together. The Lake Fest was a simple conclusion," Nixon said. "But we don't want this to be just for people in the graduating class of 1992. We want people there from 1980, 2002, 1970 — any student who has ever sat in a Culver classroom. Sometimes life happens and people don't get to experience a Culver graduation. Even if you didn't graduate with your class, this reunion is for you. It's so hard to find a time to 'come back home' for people that live far away, but we're hoping they'll find time and fit it into their busy schedules."

Nixon notes teachers and faculty, past and present, are welcome as well.

While the Lake Fest is coming up in three short weekends, plans are still being finalized. What group organizers do know is that the Edgewater, located at 620 E Lake Shore Drive, has scheduled DJ/karaoke DJ Tim Prescott Friday night, and there will be casual attendance there from 8 p.m. on for reunion-goers.

Then, Saturday, reunion organizers are asking everyone interested in a few foot miles to join them in the annual Lake Fest parade entry, "Culver: Reunited."

Parade participants — which Nixon hopes is an overwhelming response — are asked to meet at the corner of Slate and College streets at 9 a.m. The parade begins at 10 a.m. in the downtown shopping district and will end near the beach lodge.

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## Reunion from page 1—

“Please, plan to walk with us. This is our time to show Culver and the people enjoying the Lake Fest parade how many people still love Culver,” Nixon said. “Make a sign, wear a T-shirt with your graduating year, or for that matter, wear your old marching or sports uniform. This is a time to show your class spirit!”

Saturday evening, the Marmont Grill has agreed to host entertainment for a social and dinner time from 5 to 8 p.m., in an open-house atmosphere. Because there was no technical committee for this event and no fundraising, all food and drinks are the responsibility of the consumers. All are invited to stay to enjoy entertainment from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. at the Marmont, located at 530 S Ohio St.

During the open-house time Saturday from 5 to 8 p.m., Nixon requests that everyone autograph a banner that will be on display along with their class and current location. She will also be planning to snap photos of the event and will create CDs of the weekend's togetherness, and will have slips available at the Marmont for people to fill out to order a CD.

Those with “vintage” photos from their own class or high school career in Culver are encouraged to bring digital or print copies of those photos as well.

“We really just wanted to have a certain place and time for everyone to show up and enjoy reminiscing,” she said. “We thank those who have stepped up and offered their assistance to make this possible.”

The reunion weekend will conclude Sunday.

“We’d like to do something family-oriented Sunday,” Nixon said, “but we’re still open and looking for ideas on what to plan for the final day.”



CHS class of 1954's 55th reunion. Front row, left to right: Janet Mikesell Lowe, Dorothy Swoverland Overmyer, Nancy Fishburn McFarland, Marilyn Mikesell Dillard, Pat McGaffey Birk, Wanda Savage Overmyer, Nancy Morrison Kersey, Virginia Lesko Novak, Sue Andrews Hensley. Second row: Henry Lewis, Jack Rich, Charles Edgington, Barbara Porter Jones, Sandra Fitterling Keyser, Bob Ross, Gary Bennett, Roger Wise. Back row: David Osborn, Larry Lindvall, Merle Gibbons, Jim Jones. Attending, but not pictured: John and Sandy (Hoesel) Middleton.

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If you'd like to give input or suggestions to the group, email Nixon at [nixon600@comcast.net](mailto:nixon600@comcast.net)

ments of class members: Marilyn Mikesell Dillard married a counselor at the Culver Academy who went on to become a judge. Charles Edgington became an architectural engineer and contractor. Larry Lindvall was a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Jim Jones worked at the Culver Post Office for many years; his wife Barbara had a local sign business and was a reflexologist in Culver for years. Pat Birk continues to be a well known community member, heavily involved in leadership of the local and statewide Lions Club. John Middleton became an engineer and designed some of the Indianapolis airport parking areas, among other things. His wife Sandra Hoesel Middleton was a teacher at Culver Elementary for many years.

Jack Rich became well known in the Indiana State Police besides being sheriff in Miami County Barbara Taylor Snyder was longtime Culver hardware owner Bill's wife, working at the State Exchange Bank and helping Bill with the store. Roger Wise is a recognized face in the local VFW.

comcast.net or call 574-952-9920. Facebook users may join the Culver Reunited group -- which already has nearly 300 members -- at this address: [www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=60554401568](http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=60554401568)

“We really hope to have a good representation of every living generation of Culver Community Schools out for this event,” Nixon

said. “In the coming weeks, we’ll be firming plans and posting flyers around the Culver community. If you know someone who has ever attended the community school at any time, please urge them to bring a friend and come on out!”

## CGA's Iwaniec signs on with Adams State

ALAMOSA, Colo. — Adams State College women's soccer coach Tom Cliff announced that Jenna Iwaniec of Culver has signed a national letter of intent to continue her education and soccer career with the Grizzlies, starting this fall.

A 5-foot-4 forward and midfielder, Iwaniec was a three-time first team and four-time overall All-Northern Indiana Soccer Conference player for the prestigious Culver Academy Lady Eagles during her prep career, scoring 16 goals and assisting on 14 others while helping lead the team to its first ever final four appearance at state last fall. She finished her high school career with 43 goals and 58 assists.

“Jenna is a great addition to our soccer family and is an accomplished player who will bring stability and toughness to our midfield and attack,” said Cliff.

Iwaniec was honored as the 2008 Michiana Player of the Year as well as CGA's Most Valuable Player. She was a 2008 All-State pick, was selected for an Olympic Development state team and played club soccer for the Junior Irish '91 side based in South Bend.

“Jenna was a great addition to our recruiting class. We feel very fortunate to add her to it,” Cliff said.

The daughter of Joseph and Mary Iwaniec, she plans to major in human performance and physical education with aspirations of becoming an athletic trainer.



FILE PHOTO  
CGA's Jenna Iwaniec dribbles the ball during a soccer game at the 2008 state final four tournament.

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

**Friday, July 3:** Closed for the holiday.

**Monday, July 6:** Spaghetti, tossed salad, dressing, bread sticks and margarine, French green beans, pineapple, and milk.

**Tuesday, July 7:** Turkey Manhattan, mashed potatoes and gravy, bread, beets, dessert, and milk.

**Wednesday, July 8:** Salisbury steak, carrots, mashed potatoes and gravy, bread and margarine, strawberries, and milk.

**Thursday, July 9:** Fish, diced red potatoes with herbs, mixed vegetables, bun, grape juice, apple pie, and milk.

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## Death notices

### Williams

**Tina M. Pike Williams**  
June 20, 2009

NORTH JUDSON — Tina M. Pike Williams, 45, of North Judson, died Saturday, June 20, 2009.

She is survived by her father, Roger Pike of Monterey; and brothers: Dale Pike of North Judson, Anthony Pike of Sparta, Tenn. and Brian Pike of Hamlet.

Visitation is Thursday, June 25 from 3 to 7 p.m. at M.C. Smith Funeral Home, Knox. Funeral services are at 7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. A private interment will take place at a later date at Crown Hill Cemetery.

### McKee

**Don McKee**  
June 23, 2009

NAPPANEE — Don McKee, 82, of Nappanee, died at 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 23, 2009 at Harbor Manor Nursing Home, Noblesville.

He is survived by his daughters: Susan (Wayne) Weise of Noblesville and Marcia McKee of Lakeland, Fla.; two granddaughters; one great-grandson; brother, Vern (Miriam) McKee of Culver; and sisters: Mary Powers of Culver and AnneBelle Fisher of Bremen.

Visitation was Friday, June 26 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee, and one hour prior to the service Saturday. Services were Saturday, June 27 at 12 p.m. at the Nappanee United Methodist Church. Burial will be at South Union Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Nappanee United Methodist Church.

### Conner

**Lela Carole Conner**  
June 25, 2009

KNOX — Lela Carole Conner, 67, of Knox, died Thursday, June 25, 2009.

She is survived by her mother, Catherine Caudill of Knox; son, Lloyd Conner of Knox; daughter, Carolyn Conner of Bass Lake; one granddaughter; brothers: Thomas (Loretta) Caudill of Culver and Phillip Caudill of Plymouth; sisters: Brenda Bailey of Knox, Cathleen (Howard) Lange of Knox and Rebecca Czapl of Griffith; and sister-in-law, Sharon Caudill of Knox.

Visitation was Sunday, June 28 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Braman & Son Memorial Chapel. Services are at 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

### Geiger

**LaVerne E. Geiger**  
June 25, 2009

CULVER — LaVerne E. Geiger, 90, of 18B Road, Culver, died Thursday, June 25, 2009 at 5:18 p.m.

She is survived by two sons: Dennis A. (Lynn) Geiger and Michael L. (Cindy) Geiger, all of Culver; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

There will be no visitation.

A graveside service will took place at Culver Masonic Cemetery Wednesday, July 1, 2009 at 11 a.m.

Memorials may be made to the Finney-Shilling VFW Post 6919 Ladies Auxiliary. Letters of condolence may be sent the Web site [www.bonineodom.com](http://www.bonineodom.com). The Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of arrangements.

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## Young entrepreneurs

The economy aside, these Culver youths haven't forgotten the potential in a good, old fashioned lemonade stand. During a recent weekend garage sale at the Gary and Barbara Shaffer residence, young Alex Paré (lower left) stopped by for a cup of cold lemonade made by Hanah Boland (back row, left) and Kelsey Shaffer (back row, right) and advertised by Nolan Shaffer (lower right).

## Albert graduates from Dominican University

RIVER FOREST, IL-- Tiffany Albert, a resident of Culver, graduated from Dominican University in May with a bachelor's degree in apparel design. Albert is a graduate of Culver Girls Academy.

Founded in 1901, Dominican University is a comprehensive, coeducational Catholic institution offering bachelor's and master's degrees. Dominican offers 50 undergraduate academic programs in the Rosary College of Arts and Sciences and 34 graduate programs through the Graduate School of Library and Information Science, the Brennan School of Business, the School of Education, the Graduate School of Social Work, and the School of Learning and Continuing Studies. In the 2009 issue of America's Best Colleges, U.S. News & World Report again ranked Dominican University in the top tier of Midwest master's level universities.

## Community Calendar

### 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  
Open Mic Night, 9 p.m., Edgewater Grille, Lake Shore Drive

### Fri., July 3

Computer class, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library

Lake Maxinkuckee Association golf outing (noon) and hog roast (5:30 p.m.), Maxinkuckee Country Club (see article in "Briefs" this issue)

### Sat., July 4 (Independence Day)

Fireworks display and Independence Day ceremony,

dusk, Culver Academies parade field

Carillon recital, 4 p.m., Culver Academies Memorial Chapel (see article this issue)

### Mon., July 6

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., July 7

Fitness class, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library  
Town manager Michael Doss, Culver Chamber of Commerce mtg., 6:30 p.m., Culver town park

### Weds., July 8

Genealogy mtg., 10 a.m., Culver Public Library  
Culver history movies,

REAL Meals, noon, Culver beach lodge

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

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

### Thurs., July 9

Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library  
Rev. Joanna Wagner (Culver Academies chaplain), Kiwanis Club, noon, Culver Public Library  
Culver Parks and Recreation board mtg., 7 p.m., town hall  
Knights of Columbus St. Mary of the Lake Council #13720 social mtg, 7 p.m., rectory basement

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# Keeping the Citizen in the black (or gold)

I've been meaning for a few weeks now to get to a few points of business here in the pages of the Citizen, but with another full Culver summer upon us, space

-- can be in short supply in these pages.

As many of you know, the economy has hit newspapers hard this year, and while small community newspapers like the Citizen are far more stable than our big-city counterparts, things are, of course, tighter than usual. Recognizing many of our local businesses are also a

bit crunched, one way individual readers may help

support the paper and ease the strain a bit -- besides subscribing, of course, which is nice too! -- is take part in our Gold Star Citizen campaign.

No, we're not asking for the ultimate sacrifice! This has nothing to do with Culver Academies' gold star ceremony. Instead, supporting the Citizen's Newspaper in the Classroom program, which puts your local paper into the hands of students in your local schools, not only helps build awareness and support amongst potential readers (and our younger

readers are certainly, demographically speaking, the least likely to read any newspaper at all), but helps defray the cost of this program to the Citizen and its parent company, the Pilot News Group. That means we have more funds available for the many other costs associated with running the paper. As advertised elsewhere in this issue, "Gold Star Citizens" may support the program at the \$500 Superintendent level, the \$200 Principal level, the \$100 Teacher level, and the \$50 Patron level (these

are annual contributions). A coupon appears in the ad this issue, to send in with one's contribution.

To take care of some unrelated business: last week I received a puzzling phone message from an apparently irate reader unhappy that the Citizen hadn't covered graduation exercises at our local schools. Regular readers, of course, realize this is simply not the case (two cover stories in two separate issues with accompanying photo pages attest to that!), but the shame is this caller didn't leave a name

or number, so there's no way to contact her and correct the misunderstanding.

The point: your editor really does aim to do the best job he can, and if there's a perceived omission or error -- or even just a gripe to be made! -- please give me a chance to discuss it with you. Chances are we can correct whatever it is, but that's much harder if I don't know how to reach you to talk.

So give me a call or email...let's talk.



## View from Main Street

By Jeff Kenney  
Editor

## Summer lunches

As I was enjoying a summer evening walking the dog the other night, my mind began to wander. I got to thinking about the summers of my childhood. I don't know if life was more uncomplicated back then or if I was just too young to notice. Probably I was too young to notice.

I have many happy summer memories of growing up here in Indiana.

Those were carefree days for my brothers and I; we would only go home to eat. And after a quick picnic of peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and cold glasses of cherry red Kool-Aid from mom's coveted giant metal pitcher under the boughs of a tamarack tree, we would be off on our bikes around Washington Square subdivision to continue our adventures.

On scorching hot summer days, we would run through a neighbor's sprinklers and when we were thirsty mom would always bring us out lunch and the Kool-Aid pitcher to fill our hungry bellies and quench our thirst. We may not run through the sprinklers anymore and the red Kool-Aid smile tattoo has long faded from our lips, but summer will always bring about happy memories for me.

There are thousands of children in this country who don't look forward to summer because summer means hunger. They don't have access to their free breakfast or lunch at school. Summer is particularly tough for families with children who depend on free or reduced-price lunch programs during the school year.

The Culver Elementary School's free summer lunch program kicked off again this summer at the Culver Boys & Girls Club. This free breakfast and lunch program, funded by the United States Department of Agriculture, expects to serve more than 1,000 nutritious meals to children during summer vacation. The program also eases the financial burden on families.

The Boys & Girls Club recognizes the importance of having continued access to a healthy, nutritious lunch during the summer. While most children enjoy the summer-time hiatus from school, others are not so jubilant. Without access to healthy meals, hundreds of local kids face an increased risk of hunger over the summer months.

Free summer lunch programs help provide healthy meals for kids who may not otherwise get the nutrition they need. Lunchtime is one of the most important parts of the day. For some kids, it's the best meal they get all day. So the clubs helps kids gain access to that kind of nutrition during the summer.

Thinking back to what we did as kids during the summer makes me feel like stepping back in time and enjoying those things again. Hmm...I think I'll pick cherry red Kool-Aid on my way home tonight -- but I'd probably look pretty silly to the neighbors if I started running through their sprinkler.

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Have you heard? The President is asking all Americans to participate in our nation's recovery and renewal by volunteering in our communities. Furthermore, he says we need to build a new foundation for economic recovery.

Well, I believe we also need to build on new foundation of service in our communities. The man we heard of many years ago -- the man from Nazareth of Galilee -- has modeled the "new" foundation of service two thousand years ago. We know him as Jesus. He traveled throughout Israel, even venturing into nearby Samaria, feeding the hungry, healing the ill and empowering the powerless. He taught his disciples to go and do likewise -- even

to the end of time.

The understanding of Jesus' disciples to follow in his footsteps has been



## Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Robin Keating  
Grace United Church of Christ

echoed throughout the ages. Teresa of Avila, a Spanish nun from the 16th century said, "Let everyone understand that the real love of God does not consist in tear-shedding...but in serving God by serving those around us, in justice, fortitude of soul, and humility."

We in Culver have an excellent opportunity to respond to Jesus' teachings and the example of his disciples throughout time, while responding to our President's call to volunteer and serve our community. The opportunity I refer to is our community garden on the corner of Lewis and Slate Streets.

This is an ecumenical effort of Grace United Church of Christ, Wesley United Methodist Church and the Culver Community to produce food and funds for the Culver Community Food Pantry. We are in need of all ages to pull weeds and

till the soil -- now and in the weeks to come.

The website for serve.gov states that, "This summer... young and old [and those] from every background... [can] participate in our [community's] recovery and renewal by serving in our community. From June 22 to September 11, "United We Serve" will begin to engage Americans...in addressing community needs in education, health, energy and the environment, and community renewal."

Please help us and participate in this very worthwhile endeavor. Contact Barb Quivey at 574-842-2329, Grace Church 574-842-2331 or e-mail [graceucc@culcom.net](mailto:graceucc@culcom.net). And may God bless you and keep you.

## Nostalgia

90 years ago

July 2, 1919

The Newman Dairy has a new Ford truck for handling its daily installment of milk at the Academy.

80 years ago

June 29, 1939

Brig. General L.R. Gignilliat, Superintendent of the Culver Military Academy, has been appointed to the presidency of the Culver Educational Foundation. At the same time, Bertram B. Culver of St. Louis will assume duties as chairman of the board. Col. W.E. Greg-

ory, Dean of the Academy will be superintendent.

The Maxinkuckee Fish and Game Club was used as the basis for a talk on conservation work over Indianapolis radio station WFBM Saturday night.

The Washington reunion was held in the Culver park Sunday with over 100 in attendance. William Norris was elected president (*Editor's note: the Washington neighborhood, in the general area of South Queen Road, 20th Road, and the adjoining section of East Shore Drive, was once a*

*small but thriving community which included its own church, school, and other amenities*).

75 years ago

July 4, 1934

Culver is among 17 Indiana communities approved for a Post Office building. Culver's building is approved at \$62,000; a specific site has not yet been chosen.

Culver experienced its worst heat wave of the summer last Friday when thermometers topped 103 degrees.

25 years ago

July 3, 1984

The 55-foot RH Ledbetter, the new flagship of the Culver Summer Naval School fleet, will be dedicated in public ceremonies July 7 at the Naval Building at Culver Academies. The Ledbetter will replace the OW Fowler, which was launched in 1941 and retired at the end of summer, 1983. The new boat was designed after the "Fowler" by Mr. Bill Preston, is the same size as the "Fowler," and uses the original boat's masts.

## Name that Culver "citizen"



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

As of this writing, no one has correctly guessed this week's Mystery Citizen, which may just be a first for the contest!

As the photos here attest, Glen Schrimsher was the young man in last week's photo...and of course the "pretty essential" part of everyone's lives in Culver he helps facilitate involve his work at the Culver Post Office.

Catching up on the previous week's contest, Jim Taber also correctly guessed Sally Ricciardi; his entry came in after press time that week.

This week's mystery citizen is also a very important part of the Culver community, and -- depending on your situation at any given moment -- you may either be relieved or unhappy to see him coming your way.

The stakes are high as usual for this contest: the editor's adoring admiration and yes, free parking downtown.



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## Miss Maxinkuckee winners

Culver's annual Miss Maxinkuckee pageant was held Saturday, June 20, at the town park depot/train station. The 2009 winners pictured above are, from left to right: Princess Miss: Lillian Proskey; Junior Miss: Brianna Overmyer, Miss Maxinkuckee: Paige Norwich, Little Miss: Allie Harris.

TOP, RIGHT PHOTO: First runners up (left to right); Princess Miss: Kaleigh Kephart; Miss Maxinkuckee: Ashley Zehner; Little Miss: Lily Gregorash; Junior Miss: Kaitlyn Littleton.

BOTTOM RIGHT PHOTO: second runners up, from left to right: Miss Maxinkuckee: Shae Harris; Junior Miss: Abby James; Little Miss: Rylee Lautt; Princess Miss: Anna Gregorash.



## Additional winners in other categories

Best theme, Miss Max: Paige Norwich. Jr. Miss Max: Abby James, Little Miss Max: Allie Harris; Princess Max: Lillian Proskey. Top sponsor, Miss Max: Paige Norwich; Jr. Miss Max: Shannon Deery; Little Miss Max: Brooklyn Sellers; Princess Max: Kaleigh Kephart. Miss Congeniality, Miss Max: Paige Norwich; Jr. Miss Max: Brianna Overmyer; Little Miss Max: Mandy Morrison; Princess Max: Savannah Hissong.

Other Little Miss Maxinkuckee contestants included Brooklyn Sellers, Shea Ruhly, Lindsey Proskey, Sarah Morrison, Mandy Morrison, Rylee Lautt, Allie Harris, Lily Gregorash, and Jasmyne Fowler. Other Princess Maxinkuckee contestants included Anna Gregorash, Savannah Hissong, Kaleigh Kephart, Jasmyne Rader, and Spring Ye.

Other Junior Miss Maxinkuckee contestants included Brianna Overmyer, Katelyn Littleton, Courtney Littleton, Abby James, Shannon Deery, and Denisha Brown.

Other Miss Maxinkuckee contestants included Ashley Zehner, Paige Norwich, and Shae Harris.

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# Culver: a summer calendar 2009

Several readers have asked for a consolidated calendar of Culver's summer events for easy access to dates for major events during this, the area's most exciting time of year. What follows is not intended to be a complete listing of all local events (which would inevitably omit something!), but as detailed a listing as possible of major goings-on around Culver this summer.

**Thursday, July 2:** Live music at Edgewater Grille's **Open Mic Night**, 9 p.m. (sign up to perform at 8 p.m.), Edgewater Grille, Lake Shore Drive

**Friday, July 3:** **Lake Maxinkuckee Association golf outing** (noon) and **hog roast** (5:30 p.m.), Maxinkuckee Country Club

**Saturday, July 4:** **Carillon recital**, 4 p.m., Culver Academies Memorial Chapel (each Saturday through August 1)

**Saturday, July 4:** **Fireworks display** and Independence Day ceremony, dusk, Culver Academies parade field

**Sunday, July 5:** **Garrison Parade**, 6:30 p.m., Culver Academies Parade Field (each Saturday through August 2)

**Tuesday, July 7:** Town

manager Michael Doss, Culver **Chamber of Commerce mtg.**, 6:30 p.m., Culver town park

**Friday, July 10:** Live music at Culver Coffee Company's **Open Mic Night**, 7 p.m., Culver Coffee Company, Lake Shore Drive

**Saturday, July 11:**

**Carillon recital**, 4 p.m., Culver Academies Memorial Chapel (each Saturday through August 1)

**Saturday, July 11:** Woodcraft Camp **Council Fire**, 9 p.m., Council Ring

**Sunday, July 12 through Saturday, July 18:** **Marshall County 4H Fair**, Argos

**Sunday, July 12:**

**Garrison Parade**, 6:30 p.m., Culver Academies Parade Field (each Saturday through August 2)

**Wednesday, July 15** (monthly on the 15th): **Free community meal** at Grace United Church of Christ (all welcome)

**Friday, July 17:** **Kiwanis golf outing**, 2 p.m. (reg-

istration at noon), Mystic Hills Golf Course

**Friday, July 17 through Sunday, July 19:** **Culver High School All-Class Reunion** (Friday night at Edgewater Grille, Saturday morning Lake Fest parade, Saturday night at Marmont

**ver Lake Fest** bass fishing tournament (5:30 a.m.), pancake and sausage breakfast (6 a.m.), fun runs (7:15, 7:30 a.m.), parade (10 a.m.), golf cart decorating contest (11:30 a.m.), wake board show (1 p.m.), fireman's waterball contest (1:30 p.m.). Complete schedule at [www.culverlakefest.com](http://www.culverlakefest.com).

**Saturday, July 18:** **Carillon recital**, 4 p.m., Culver Academies Memorial Chapel (each Saturday through August 1)

**Saturday, July 18:** Woodcraft Camp **Council Fire**, 9 p.m., Council Ring

**Saturday, July 18:** **Fireworks** over Lake Maxinkuckee (Culver Lake Fest), 10 p.m.

**Sunday, July 19:** **Culver Lake Fest L'Max bike ride** (7 a.m.), car show (9 a.m.), ski show (2 p.m.), burn out contest (2 p.m.). Complete schedule at [www.culverlakefest.com](http://www.culverlakefest.com).

**Sunday, July 19:** **Garrison Parade**, 6:30 p.m., Culver Academies Parade Field (each Saturday through August 2)

**Sunday, July 19:** **Moonlight Serenade** with Culver



CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

The Culver Academies' RH Ledbetter schooner will host the Summer Naval Band July 17 and 19 during the annual Moonlight Serenade on Lake Maxinkuckee.

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**Friday, July 17:** **Moonlight Serenade** with Culver Academies Summer Naval School band on the Ledbetter boat, sunset, Lake Maxinkuckee west shore

**Friday, July 17:** **Culver Lake Fest begins** (all weekend, Culver town park)

**Saturday, July 18:** **Cul-**

Academies Summer Naval School band on the Ledbetter boat, sunset, Lake Maxinkuckee east shore

**Friday, July 24 through Sunday, July 26:** Culver Summer Schools **Homecoming Weekend**

**Friday, July 24:** Woodcraft Camp **Homecoming Council Fire**, 9 p.m., Council Ring

**Saturday, July 25:** **Fireman's festival and Lions Club corn roast** (Culver town park area)

**Saturday, July 25:** **Carillon recital**, 4 p.m., Culver Academies Memorial Chapel (each Saturday through August 1)

**Sunday, July 26:** **Garrison Parade**, 6:30 p.m., Culver Academies Parade Field (each Saturday through August 2)

**Weekend of July 24 and 31:** **Maxinkuckee Players' "The Music Man,"** Culver Community High School auditorium (Friday, July 24: 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, July 26: 4 p.m., Wednesday, July 29: 7:30 p.m., Friday, July 31: 7:30 p.m., Saturday, August 1: 7:30 p.m., Sunday, August 2: 4 p.m.)

**Friday, July 31 and Saturday, August 1:** **Sidewalk days**, downtown Culver merchants

(Please note the Culver Triathlon held in past

years in July has been cancelled)

**Saturday, August 1:** **Carillon recital**, 4 p.m., Culver Academies Memorial Chapel (each Saturday through August 1)

**Saturday, August 1:** Woodcraft Camp **Council Fire**, 9 p.m., Council Ring

**Sunday, August 2:** Garrison Parade, 6:30 p.m., Culver Academies Parade Field (each Saturday through August 2)

**Wednesday, August 5:** **Communications relay**, 4 p.m., Culver Academies Naval Building

**Friday, August 7:** Culver Summer Schools **final Garrison parade** (10:30 a.m.), Woodcraft Camp graduation (3 p.m.), final band concert (3 p.m.), camp departure

**Friday, August 14:** Live music at Culver Coffee Company's **Open Mic Night**, 7 p.m., Culver Coffee Company, Lake Shore Drive

**Saturday, August 15:** (monthly on the 15th): **Free community meal** at Grace United Church of Christ (all welcome)

**Tuesday, August 18:** **First day of school**, Culver Community School Corporation

## Culver plan commission discusses PUD, other items

Staff Report

Culver - The Culver Plan Commission had a full agenda of items for consideration at their monthly meeting. Pam Baker, Remax realtor, requested a determination by the commission on a home at 214 W. Washington St. The home is presently being used as a tri-plex in an R-1 district. Baker wanted to know if the home was destroyed by natural causes, if it could be rebuilt and used as a tri-plex. The information is being requested by a possible mortgage holder.

The group advised that according to the zoning ordinance, Section 6.7, the home could be rebuilt on the original footprint if destroyed by natural disaster. However, could not affirm that the property could be used as a tri-plex as this would be a matter for the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Cary Master, owner of an ice cream franchise, Margee Moos, asked if there were zoning provisions against parking a concession trailer in the Osborn Mini-Mart parking lot. It was agreed there were no zoning violations but Master was cautioned against

undue congestion and noise due to adjacent residences. He was also instructed to check signage regulations with Russ Mason, building commissioner.

Kevin Berger, representing LMEC, presented a letter from Kathy Clark, LMEC Executive Director, regarding a newspaper article in April stating in part that "a letter from Marylou Renshaw, Watershed Planning Branch of IDEM, regarding the Maxinkuckee Village PUD said a site visited by an IDEM inspector determined that the proposed activity does not involve a discharge of fill material to or work below the ordinary high water mark of the water, does not require a Section 401 certification. This addressed concerns that the project could impact the wetlands."

Clark wanted to clarify that several additional agency permits are still required before the proposed PUD construction will be allowed. She added "while a drainage permit to disturb or move soil may have received state agency approval, further study is needed before the building project itself will be considered by

other state permitting agencies to be environmentally sound. We simply feel that it is important everyone involved in the approval process, as well as those who follow such things in the news, clearly understand that no State determination has yet been made concerning the possible environmental impact such a development would have."

The writer of the article did not intend to imply that the project had received a "green light" for the PUD and the commission members stated that they are well aware of their responsibilities to determine and examine all permits required in this environmentally sensitive area in addition to adhering to the requirements of the zoning ordinance for a PUD.

In other business, a replat of the Daugherty Farrer subdivision from six parcels to two parcels as presented by Jim Easterday, attorney, was approved.

Greg Saal, Stair Associates, gave an update on the efforts to contain water run-off from the renovation of the Culver Elementary gym. They have added 871 sq. ft. of impervious sur-

face but propose to remove 1,929 sq. ft. of impervious surface. This is accomplished by removing a sidewalk and a paved playground area. The new roof surface will remain at 1,929 sq. ft. Dry wells in the area will be vacuumed. The report was in response to a requirement of the commission that a plan to address that any additional water run-off from the construction process be contained due to the consistent flooding of that area in heavy rainfall.

A preliminary approval of a minor sub-division for the C-2 property at the corner of S. Main and W. Shore Drive was given. Jeff Johnston, said there is 4.28 acres involved and the proposed sub-division will be for three parcels.

Application and improvement fees will be determined at a public meeting to be held in July. A schedule of .10 per sq. ft. for additional fees over the standard permit fees will be presented and application fees for sub-divisions, PUDs, other variances will be considered for final recommendation to the Culver town council.

Kevin Berger updated members on a possible Garden Court Apartment complex. He said that property had tentatively been selected at the end of S. Ohio Street belonging to Wade McGee. McGee has stated he will subdivide his 30 plus acres and hopes to get a zoning designation of R-2. He would also agree to annexation and is discussing with the Culver town council the necessary water and sewer lines. Berger said the complex would probably be 14 units as approved by HUD.

Berger has been a long time proponent of a Garden Court for Culver but has had difficulty finding the necessary acreage needed.

The unfinished construction of a home at the corner of S. Main and Mill Street was discussed. Mason will contact the owner to see if a date for completion of the renovation can be estimated. Mason advised that there was \$2,073,833.75 in construction value involving 56 permits to date.

The Culver Board of Zoning Appeals continued a request for variance for Sue Hanselman, S. Ohio Street for a fence. Hansel-

man is requesting a variance for a side yard fence from the required 5 ft. and 50 percent visibility to 6 ft. and a solid fence.

Jeff Johnston, acting as agent for Jared Johnston, requested a special use variance for property at 18710 Tamarack Road for outside storage of construction materials. The property is located at the corner of Tamarack and W. Shore Drive across from the Culver Masonic cemetery. Johnston said the special use was needed to store materials from various construction sites. The board expressed their concerns about unkempt property and unsightly storage of sand, gravel, and other building supplies at this location. Two neighbors wrote in objection to the use. Pete Trone advised Johnston that the variance request could be continued if the petitioners wished to consider a plan for pre-screening of the site. Johnston said he would withdraw the request.

## Council debates Academies' sewer rates

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

Culver's town council wrestled last week with how best to handle reports showing sanitary sewage flow from Culver Academies' campus to the town of Culver sewer plant is significantly higher than previously believed, necessitating decisions as to fees for sewer services and costs to the school.

Town manager Michael Doss reported, at the June 23 council meeting, a meeting had taken place recently with he and council president Sally Ricciardi as well as council member Ralph Winters and Steve

Carter of accounting firm Umbaugh and Associates, to examine a report Carter created of sewer revenue and flow over the past six years.

Council member Ginny Munroe explained the Academies' meters show a sewage outflow of around two million gallons per month, whereas a meter recently installed by the town on Academy Road shows a flow into the town system of 2.7 million gallons per month. Both meters have been checked and recalibrated for accuracy.

It's fairly certain, then, the Academies' sanitary lines are experiencing in-

filtration, most likely from rainwater, between the school's meters and the town's, according to council members. The Academies, it was noted, had previously been charged for the two million gallon outflow rather than the actual outflow, which is considerably higher. Council member Ed Pinder felt the school should be charged for the actual outflow.

"I don't know how we could be any more fair than when we have a meter that reads a certain amount of flow, and we charge them

for the flow," said Pinder. "If we don't, other people in town will be paying for part of their flow."

Munroe said the question at hand was whether the town could adjust the Academies' rate in order to free up more of the school's money to conduct the costly engineering survey needed to pinpoint infiltration problems in its system as well as even more costly repairs to the system.

Ricciardi noted correcting the excess flow from the Academies would not only lower the school's

bill, but could reduce flow into the Culver system enough so as to eliminate the town's need to expand its present sewer plant, a move being discussed in order to accommodate Lake Maxinkuckee's Southwest Conservancy District, which hopes to help fund the expansion and connect its sewer outflow to the town plant in the future.

The town's share of that expansion, added Ricciardi, would be in the \$1.5 to \$2 million range, a cost likely eliminated if Culver Academies corrects its excess outflow and an expanded plant is no longer needed.

"They're (the Academy is) asking us to hold back

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## Culver's Day amongst award recipients



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Culver Community High School student Daniel Day

The SCILL Center held its Auto Tech graduation at 6 p.m. the evening of May 20. A brief history of the SCILL Center and the introduction of instructors Rod Dawson and Mark Anderson were given by Charles Weaver.

Students from several area schools attend vocational tech classes at the Knox-based SCILL Center, including from Culver Community High School.

Anderson introduced the 17 students receiving graduation certificates and gave recognition to the governing board members, advisory Board members, Knox School Corporation, and the many supporters throughout the year.

Dawson explained how the seniors for the first time were involved in the National Occupational Competency Testing Institute (NOCTI) testing, which compares schools nationwide in ASE type questions. The results were the SCILL students tested above the national average. NOCTI certificates were handed out to all of the second year seniors.

Outstanding Achievement Award Scholarships were then handed out from the SCILL Center: A \$200 went to Mitch Heavilin, and a \$100 to Jerry Lain, both from NJSP.

A representative from Hoosier Old Wheels, Mike Fitterling, handed out two scholarships at \$500 each, to Josh Dunbar (John Glenn) and Jerry Lain (NJSP).

George Mammarella from Economy Auto Sales was not present but did give two scholarships at \$500 each to Kristopher Saeuberlich (NJSP) and Daniel Day (Culver).

Dawson then presented a \$500 scholarship from Don Marohn (Plymouth) to Lee Morris from John Glenn.

The SCILL Center's Top Gun Awards are given to the top student and runner up. The first runner up receiving a set of Craftsmen tools and tool box was Seth Overmyer of Argos. Edging him out by one point over a two year period for first place and a \$2,000 set of Snap On tools and tool box was Kristopher Saeuberlich from NJSP.

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# EDUCATION

## From Spain, with love

Garzón says goodbye to Culver after more than three decades

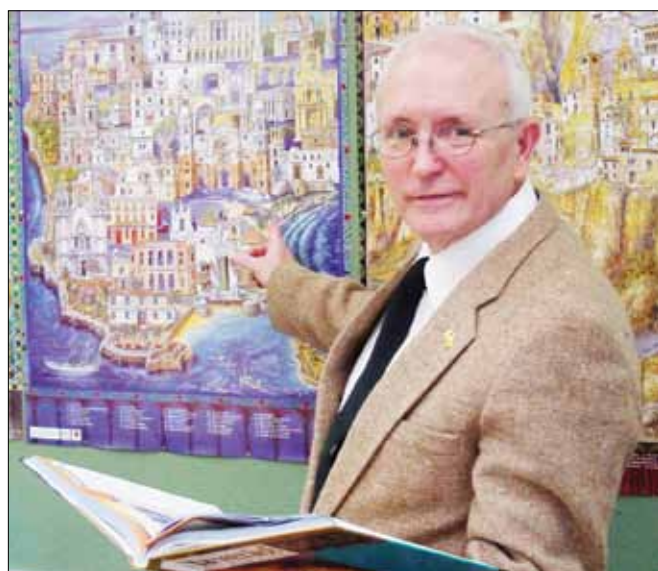


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José M. Garzón

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

In the more than 40 years since his journey from Spain to America, José M. Garzón has seen upheaval and transition across the board, from the "old Spain" of the past to the shift in this country from the "long hot summer" of his arrival in the US as a student in 1968, to today. He has also seen Culver Academies undergo one transition after another (for example, his first visit to Culver -- while still a senior studying English and Economics at Grand Valley State University in Michigan -- was in 1973, just two years after the opening of Culver's girls' school).

After five minutes with Culver's then-superintendent General Carpenter and just over an hour with the language department's John Mars and Dean Alexander Nagy, Garzón began a journey with Culver Academies which ended last month with his retirement, more than 35 years after his arrival, and after his student Visa with the Department of Immigration and Naturalization Services became a Permanent Resident Visa.

Spain in the days leading up to Garzón's arrival in America was the Spain of Francisco Franco, ruled through coercion, censorship, and repression. By contrast, José Garzón says he sought liberty and self-identity in America, while gently and exuberantly sharing with Culver students the beauty and complexity not only of Spanish language, but the great tapestry of the country's culture, arts, religion, and history as well.

As generations of Culver students -- and faculty, visitors, administrators, and parents -- can attest, Garzón has been a winning ambassador for Spanish culture in Culver, from preparing traditional Spanish dishes for students in his classroom as well as guests in his home, to serenading them with Spanish music on his mandolin. Memories of such pleasures -- often rendered in the Garzón home alongside José's wife, María Jesús -- have earned him glowing accolades from those who have known him, both as teacher and friend, through the years.

José Garzón has kept busy at Culver Academies. He has been a master instructor in the Modern and Classical Language Department and the holder of The

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## Culver Elementary recognizes students

### CES 'Culver's Best'

Culver's Elementary School has named its "Culver's Best" for April.

Students named to the list include: Sarah Luttrell, Kenny VanDePutte, Jannah McCarthy, Maddie Justice, Caitlyn Cowell, Addy Allyn, Justine Dexter, Lindsay Emery, Gavan Compton, Sydney Pritz, Bryce Howard, Seth Gonzalez, Brianna Smith, Jannah McCarthy, Courtney Black, Shilo Guerra, Cody Rieckhoff, Sarah Stefan, Adrian Craig, Sam Renfrow, Kelsey Heise, Sha-Dimon Noble, Fritz Elert, Alexis Grove, Gabriel Sherman, Savana Cook, Shane Stevens, Abbi Richard, Matthew Bailey, Madisen Diaz, Bryce Howard, Brenton Heckman, Hunter Ringer, Colin Deon, Riley Dare, Clarissa Porter, Kaylee Bailey, Owen Keller, Nicole DeKoker, Brittany Young, Hanna Hamibaugh, Renee Johnson, Caitlyn Cowell, Justine Dexter, Micaylah Rose, Emily Bendy, Krisonica Hesters, Missy Jewell, Makaylynn Miller, and Mark Mayer.

### CES Students of the month

Culver Elementary named its students of the month for April.

- **Kindergarten:** Ethan Moore, Mary Boland, Isaac Danley, Harlyn White, Matthew Bailey
- **Grade 1:** Izabella Scott, Tristin Minix, Coltin Wynn, Grant Dexter, Michael Moore, Aysia Conley
- **Grade 2:** Mackinna Burleson, Weston Keller, Kate Renneker
- **Grade 3:** Ethan Shuman, Ben Myers, Hayley Wilkinson
- **Grade 4:** Russell Temme, Jack Rich, Zackary Kisela, Shania Homan, Erica Nystrom, Chase Burleson
- **Grade 5:** Cody Valiquet, Kenny VanDePutte, Anne Nowalk, Hannah Boland, A.J. Beitler
- **Grade 6:** Jeremy Penrod, Colin Deon, Madison Marks-Porter, Tia Romig, John White

## Monterey Elementary all "A"s, honor roll

Monterey Elementary School fourth grading period All "A"s

- **Grade 1:** Alysa Penicaor, Nikki Watts
- **Grade 2:** Ryan Bradley, Alyssa Kinyanjui, Jebediah Smith
- **Grade 3:** Melissa Bradley, Selina Cunningham
- **Grade 4:** Katie Garland, Hailey Jones, Brianna Kinyanjui

"A/B" Honor Roll

- **Grade 1:** Alexis Bajer, Destiny Bajer, Wyatt Binion, Jasmine Felda, Sarah Keller, Shyla Loehmer, Autumn Smith, Amber Watts, Nathan Wood
- **Grade 2:** Alyssa Bailey, Charles Binion, Sydney Clingler, Brooke May, Zachery Moore, Nicholas Watwood, Olivia Weaver
- **Grade 3:** Nathan Clingler, Kristin Heise, Rachel Kunce, Deanna Lewis, Bruce Reynolds, Dillon Salyer, Taylor Thomas, Landon Tibbett, Cole Weldon
- **Grade 4:** Makayla Felda, Jesse Lamberson, Mattie-Ann Martinez, Jill Zehner
- **Grade 5:** Rebecca Rainey, Victoria Shank, Taylor Smith

- **Grade 6:** Kalley Heise, Whitney Hopkins, Austin Kelly, Marcus Manns, Elizabeth McElroy, Summer Moore, Alecia Rearick, Alexis Robles, Donna Zehner

### Second semester

All "A"s

- **Grade 1:** Sarah Keller
- **Grade 2:** Ryan Bradley, Alyssa Kinyanjui
- **Grade 3:** Melissa Bradley, Selina Cunningham, Rachel Kunce, Bryce Reynolds, Taylor Thomas, Cole Weldon
- **Grade 4:** Katie Garland, Hailey Jones, Brianna Kinyanjui

"A/B" honor roll

- **Grade 1:** Alexis Bajer, Destiny Bajer, Wyatt Binion, Jasmine Felda, Rafael Jimenez, Shyla Loehmer, Alysa Penicaro, Autumn Smith, Amber Watts, Nikki Watts, Nathan Wood
- **Grade 2:** Alyssa Bailey, Sydney Clingler, Brooke May, Zachery Moore, Jebediah Smith, Nicholas Watwood, Olivia Weaver
- **Grade 3:** Kristin Heise, Ricardo Jurado, Deanna Lewis, Dillon Salyer, Landon Tibbett
- **Grade 4:** Makayla Felda, Jesse Lamberson, Courtney Salyer, Jill Zehner
- **Grade 5:** Rebecca Rainey, Zarla Salary, Victoria Shank, Taylor Smith, Megan Thompson
- **Grade 6:** Kailey Heise, Whitney Hopkins, Austin Kelly, Larissa Kreischer, Marcus Manns, Elizabeth McElroy, Summer Moore, Alecia Rearick, Alexis Robles, Donna Zehner

## A cautionary reminder for Culverites' feet and Lake Maxinkuckee's health

By Kathy Clark  
Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council

As summer fun begins, users of Lake Maxinkuckee should be advised to consider wearing some kind of footwear when playing in the water to protect their feet.

Unfortunately, a few years ago it was determined by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources that the small invasive species known as zebra mussels had been brought into Lake Maxinkuckee.



PHOTO/INDIANA DNR  
These zebra mussels -- attached to a beer can -- are exemplary of the infestation at Lake Maxinkuckee.

For now, the mussels create more of a nuisance effect for lake users and homeowners with one very important exception. As the population grows in the lake, beach areas will need more clean-up as zebra mussel shells are sharp and can "foul the beach" making a stroll across the sand, or in shallow waters like out at Long point, uncomfortable if not dangerous. There have already been reports this summer of cut feet while "swimming" in some areas of the lake.

Usually the shell of this bivalve will have alternating dark and light bands resembling the stripes of a zebra, hence their name. However, not all zebra mussels will have this characteristic coloring pattern, some may be entirely dark or light. Their most distinguishing characteristic is the tuft of fibers called the byssal threads that grow from the "foot" and through the hinge of the mussel. These threads allow the mussel to attach to any hard surface like boat bottoms, piers, and even turtles. The LMEC office has a photo of a pair of sunglasses completely "decorated" with these pests.

Obviously they have no actual feet. These prolific breeders were brought into Lake Max the same way lots of invasive plant and animal species travel -- by hitching a ride attached to a boat that is moved from one body of water to another.

In its larval form, a zebra mussel is brought in water being held in the bilge, live wells, or bait buckets, or they may cling to plant fragments, the boat or trailer, or any other equipment or recreational items coming into contact with water.

A serious infestation of zebra mussels can lead to the elimination of native mussels and clams; both by inhibiting the ability of the native species to move, breath, and feed by "piling" on top of them, and by consuming so much phytoplankton daily that the delicate food chain is disrupted. At Lake Maxinkuckee, it seemed that over the last couple of years the initial climbing population of zebra mussels was apparently on the decline according to local observers. Many may have heard some of the local fishermen commenting that our native clams and mussels seemed to be returning to a more healthy level. It's possible that the population trends are cyclical in nature and can fluctuate from year to year. Continued education from sources like the IDNR will help us understand what the future might hold in this regard.

An added caution: always, always, carefully wash boats, trailers, jet skies, fishing gear, and toys when traveling between different bodies of water to protect our lakes.

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on extra costs they're incurring (from extra sewer outflow) so they can use some of that money to then fund a study via an engineering report," Ricciardi said, adding the few millions dollars in needed repairs is "not going to be a cheap thing for them."

Winters said he was concerned a rate break for the school now could facilitate less pressure on the Academies to alleviate the problem with expediency.

Munroe noted the cost of fixing the Academies' outflow problem is much higher for the school than any individual's repair, adding the Academies is "a very significant part of our revenue. This is extremely costly for them and a shock for sure."

Town clerk Casey Howard and Doss said Culver Academies would likely face sewage costs around \$72,000 more in 2009 than in 2008, based on an average of higher monthly rates since the outflow difference was discovered earlier this year.

Winters explained "the other side of the issue" involves the council's having been approached in recent months by the Southwest Conservancy District, which represents residents of the southwest side of the lake, in hopes those residents could hook up to Culver's sanitary sewer system, which would have to be capable of handling the 300-plus gallons a day of sewer outflow from the area during its peak occupancy in the summer. The Conservancy District will build its own collection facility and also pay its share of the cost of a plant expansion in Culver in a lump sum.

"What we're afraid of," said Winters, "is we com-

mit to our plant expansion and Southwest pays their share of the plant expansion. Then the Academy doesn't fix their flow and says, 'We don't want to pay for this higher flow (cost).'"

"But if they...build their own plant, we've spent \$1.5 million on (plant) expansion (and) we'll pay the rest of the share after Southwest pays. We've got a really sticky thing."

Ricciardi, noting she felt there have been some misunderstandings on both sides of the issue, said the school will likely consider whether building its own plant may be more cost effective than the combined cost of higher outflow charges as well as engineering studies and repairs to infiltrated lines to the town. "The question is," she added. "Are you willing to come to an agreement with them?"

Munroe noted a planning grant the town is seeking in order to pay for in-town infiltration problems doesn't

require citizens of Culver to pay for those problems, but the Academy is being asked to pay for similar infiltration issues. "I think we have to hold back from getting emotional about it and look at every aspect of it."

Munroe added a question as to what sort of data the town has on its own rate of infiltration. "We're treating (the town of Culver's) infiltration as well, but we can't really point to an institution and say, 'Fix it.'"

Doss said town-wide infiltration involves "so many pockets," including many homes in Culver, whereas the Academies' infiltration issue is more compacted. Winters added many town sewer lines are under the water table, making repair to them "a real challenge."

Munroe said she felt Culver Academies was waiting for a decision from the council in order to determine the school's direction regarding an engineering report. However, she and most council members

agreed no decision could be made without further dialog with representatives of the school. The council agreed to contact the Academies and seek to schedule a work session to discuss the matter further, with a school representative present.

In other discussion, Culver park superintendent Kelly Young told the council she made efforts towards appraisals and purchase of a small parcel of land adjacent to the park presently owned by Donna Dale. At the council's previous meeting, Young had been given the green light to seek purchase of the land in order to help keep the area clear for park boat piers and add to the park's land.

However, Young said the owner has already signed a purchase agreement with another buyer. "We did some investigation with

the (Indiana Department of Natural Resources)," said Young, "and we have some serious concerns about navigation and safety (in the pier area of the property)."

Town manager Doss said he and the Culver fire department are working on a grant involving federal stimulus money aimed at demolishing the existing brick fire station and replacing it with a new steel building with a brick facade at a cost of around \$500,000.

Doss also said a project is complete at the east end of the town park in which a six inch drain tile was added to handle excess water in the area, which he said is already now receding.

June 30 is the final day, said Doss, for citizens to apply for funding for sidewalk repair or replacement as part of the town's side-

walk sharing program. He said he and street department head Bob Porter will discuss recommendations for use of the \$10,000 remaining in the fund.

Also discussed was a request from the Nature Conservancy to collect seeds from certain wetland species on town-owned land -- the former fish hatchery -- west of Culver for use in restoring the Houghton Lake area nearby, which the Nature Conservancy owns. It was discussed that the area is a habitat for rattlesnakes, something Conservancy representatives should be made aware of if they're not currently. Winters suggested discussion of whether the Conservancy might consider assuming management -- though not ownership -- of the hatchery area.

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## Boys soccer champs

Culver's NCSA boys' seventh and eighth grade soccer team won the gold medal in the 14th annual All-Star Classic held at Newton Park in Lakeville, Indiana recently. It should be noted the girls' seventh and



and eighth soccer team also brought home the gold medal to Culver! Pictured above, from left to right: Assistant Coach Rick Tompos, Caleb Nash, Mitch Maes, Shane Comiskey, Joe Nehemiah, Adam Tompos, Gunnar Schmidt (partially hidden), Ethan Bennett, Paul Tulungen, Dylan Bettinelli, Zach Allyn, Austin Collins, Tyre Simpson, and Head Coach Johannes Tulungen.

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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.

### 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 at

tend. 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.

### 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.

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