

In Brief

Town wide yard sale The Town of Culver is sponsoring a Fall Town Wide Yard Sale Friday and Saturday, September 25 and 26 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Anyone interested in participating should contact the town hall between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. at 574-842-3140 beginning Monday, September 14 through Wednesday, September 23. Please provide your address and the date(s) of your sale. There is no cost for the event. A map of the locations hosting a yard sale will be disbursed by noon Thursday, September 24 at the town hall, Culver Express and Osborn's

Mini-Mart.

Karst to lead CUTPL Garden Club

The Culver-Union Twp. Public Library's monthly Garden Club meeting will take place Wednesday, September 16, at 6 p.m. Featured will be a presentation by Master Gardener Judy Karst followed by open discussion. The program is free and open to the public. For more information, call

The Lake Max Film Fest `09 - sights and sounds

ABOVE, LEFT: Culver Elementary School sixth grader Hunter Kephart, left, takes on the "Mad Ant" mascot of the Fort Wayne Mad Ants basketball team owned by Lake Maxinkuckee Film Festival co-organizer and co-sponsor John Zeglis of Culver. ABOVE, CENTER: The popular Culver Community High School Jazz Street choir, directed by Diane Derrow (at left), was one of several local performers on-stage Saturday evening leading up to the 9 p.m. showing of "The Music Man" movie on the giant screen in Culver's town park, where the festival took place. ABOVE, RIGHT: In a moment symbolic of the festival itself, Mike Overmyer – accompanied on piano by Anne Bigley -- rounds out the roster of live entertainment in a performance of Herbert B. Keller and J. Paul Fogerty's "Maxinkuckee Moon" from 1923, as a full, red moon rose over the lake at Overmyer's back. MORE PHOTOS PAGE B2

culture in America. CUTPL

is one of a small handful

of libraries in Indiana to

be awarded The Big Read

grant, which has facilitated

the many programs offered

at the library this fall, all

centered around two clas-

sic Thornton Wilder works, "Our Town" and "The

Bridge of San Luis Rey,"

and all intended to involve

the community at various

er-related community ac-

Among many other Wild-

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ing reading as the center of tivities, students at the high

Discovering 'our town'

Local students, community deepen appreciation of Culver

through literary classic, community events

"Big Read" in events Culver

A number of events will take place in September and October related to the Culver-Union Township Public Library's "The Big Read" program. Below is a listing, also available on the library website at www.culver.lib. in.us.

Now through Monday, Oct. 12: Locating Yourself in the Universe writing contest for young adults.

The contest is based on Wilder's "Our Town" character, little sister, Rebecca Gibbs as she talks to her brother George, who explains a letter Jane Crofut got from her minister. Read "Our Town" and find out how this letter was addressed and then "locate yourself in the universe."

manager for the high school performance.

school will perform "Our

Town" onstage as directed

by CCHS choir director

Diane Derrow, according

to Polly Thomspon-Wolf,

who has helped coordi-

nate the library's many

Big Read-related activities.

That performance will take

place Friday night, October

30 at 7:30 p.m. with a mati-

nee performance Sunday,

November 1. Thompson-

Wolf notes CUTPL staff

member Cameron Turney

also happens to be the stage

CUTPL at 574-842-2941.

Culver holiday committee formed

The town of Culver is forming a holiday committee to assist in facilitating Culver's holiday decorations this holiday season. Individuals and organizations are encouraged to contact the town via the town hall, 200 E. Washington Street in Culver, or 574-842-3140 to learn more and get involved.

Community meal at

Grace Sept. 15

Grace United Church of Christ will hold its monthly community meal on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at 6 p.m. All are invited to this free, ecumenical event whose pur pose 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.

St. Elizabeth's cheese balls this weekend

The girls of St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church will be back at the Farmer's Market Saturday, September 26, selling your favorite home-made cheese balls. Place an order for cheese balls to put in the freezer for holiday entertaining, host-

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instructors at Culver Com-

munity High School and

former Culver Academies

instructor Dr. Charles Bay-

less are using as a spring-

board for a host of pro-

grams and events over the

next two months at the li-

brary, the high school, the

Academies, and beyond

(see accompanying ar-

ticle for a complete list of

The Big Read is a pro-

gram launched nationally

by the National Endowment

for the Arts towards restor-

events).

By Jeff Kennev

Citizen editor

One of the attributes of

all great literature is its

universality, and no less

so with Thornton Wilder's

classic play, "Our Town,"

whose commonality can be

applied to a small town like

Culver – with its parallels

to Wilder's fictional Gro-

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ganizers of The Big Read

at Culver-Union Township

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ITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNF

Students in Sue Allen's tenth grade classes at Culver Community High School chat September 1 with members of the Culver Public library staff, who are dressed as characters in Thornton Wilder's "Our Town" and "The Bridge of San Luis Rey," from which they answer student questions. Left to right: librarian Colleen McCarty chats with student Amber Hopkins (in pink shirt), while library staf members Alison Gaskill (in apron) and Theresa Hudson speak with student Chandler Gast (partially hidden). Student AJ McHugh chats with library staff member Andrew Baker (off-camera), with Dr. Charles Bayless (in hat) and library staff member Polly Thompson-Wolf (in poncho) in the background.

More vehicle-related thefts in Culver investigated

CULVER - A rash of thefts were reported in Culver between August 29 and September

3. On Saturday night, August 29, three different vehicles had items stolen out of them during the overnight hours in Culver in the area of South Plymouth, Wabash, Obispo, and State Streets as well as Venitian Village on the south side of Lake Maxinkuckee. All of the vehicles were unlocked and the only items stolen were loose change out of the vehicles. All other items of value were left in the car, no reported damage or forced entry was made to the vehicles. See Thefts page A2

"Thornton Wilder isn't the easiest classic to read,"

See Our Town page A6

There are two categories:

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Culver schools reckon with H1N1 threat

By Jeff Kenne Citizen edito

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er their coughs and sneezes

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Creative writing and essay. Limit to 1,500 words. Deadline to the Culver Library: October 12 by 8 p.m. The contest will be judged by Dr. Lincoln Konkle. Winner will be announced October 30 by Dr. Christopher Wheatley.

Wednesday, Sept. 2: noon to 2:30 p.m.: A Novel Approach

A Novel Approach, a book/movie club, discusses Thornton Wilder's Our Town and watches the movie

Wednesday, Sept. 9: 3:30 – 5 p.m.: Hooked on Books

Culver Library's book club, Hooked on Books, discusses Thornton Wilder's "The Bridge of San Luis Rey" and the play, "Our Town."

Friday, Sept. 18: 9:30 -11 a.m.: Konkle and Cast

Dr. Lincoln Konkle speaks to the director and cast of "Our Town" in the school auditorium as an assembly for middle and high school students. Dr. Konkle reminisces different productions of "Our Town," how they were directed, staged and performed. Dr. Konkle introduces stories of Thornton Wilder to students. This event is open to the public.

3 - 4:30 p.m.: Dr. Lincoln Konkle: Thornton Wilder, American Author

Dr. Lincoln Konkle, English professor at the The College of New Jersey, executive director of the Thornton Wilder Society, author of "Thornton Wilder and the Puritan Narrative Tradition" will speak in the Roberts Auditorium at the Culver Academies. Join Professor Konkle as he talks about Wilder's major works, "Our Town," "The Skin of Our Teeth," "The Matchmaker," Heaven's My Destination," "The Eighth Day" and how they reflect American culture and history from the 17th century to the 20th.

Saturday, Sept. 26: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.: A Wilder Read-A-Thon

Dr. Charles Bayless hosts a Culver Library Read-A-Thon. Free copies of "The Bridge of San Luis Rey" distributed for this family event.

Thursday, Oct. 1 - Friday, Oct. 30: Wall Mural Painting in Children's Room

Children and parents create an "Our Town" wall mural during the month of October. Bring a paint shirt to protect your clothes. Paints and brushes provided

Saturday, Oct. 10: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.: Reader's Theatre for Young Adults

Try-out date to be announced. "The Bridge of San Luis Rey" read by young adults in the teen area. Teens learn the art of reading to an audience for dramatic effect.

Monday, Oct 12 - Saturday, Oct 24: Bridge Building for ages 10 and

Bridge building using various materials for ages 10 and up. Adult instruction and supervision. The bridge is used as a theme from Wilder's The Bridge of San Luis Rey to introduce the story to this age group. Companion age-appropriate books displayed.

Saturday, Oct. 17: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.: Lego Bridge Building

Lego Bridge Building for children under 10. Using the theme of "bridges" from The Bridge of San Luis Rey, younger children introduced to the story with age-appropriate companion books.

Thursday, Oct. 29: 3 p.m. - 4:30p.m.: Dr. Christopher Wheatley at Ancilla

Dr. Christopher Wheatley, Ordinary Professor of English and Director of Undergraduate Studies, from The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. speaks to Rev. Boys' Religion and American Culture class. The title of Dr. Wheatley's talk is "Historical Religious Crisis and The Bridge of San Luis Rey." This event is videotaped for teaching purposes at Ancilla College.

Friday, Oct. 30, 6:30 – 9 p.m.: Recognition Night

The Culver Library recognizes those people who have participated in the Thornton Wilder celebration. Public officials announce winners of contests. Jan and the Left-Hand band entertain. The cast and director of the Culver High School's play, "Our Town," introduce themselves and promote the October 31 and November 1 showings. Dr. Christopher Wheatley winds down The Big Read with closing remarks.

Dr. Christopher Wheatley at the Culver Library

Dr. Christopher Wheatley, Ordinary Professor of English and Director of Undergraduate Studies, at The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., speaks to our community. The title of his talk is "Piety in the one act plays of 1931 and Our Town." This public event will interest religious leaders and their congregations.

Saturday, Oct. 31 and Sunday, November 1: Our Town, The Play

Culver High School presents Thornton Wilder's "Our Town," directed by Diane Derrow, in the school auditorium.

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A taste of Monterey Days

Ernie Smith, Steve Reinhold, and Wayne Landry.

LEFT: Becky Pugh, right, checks out the wares available from the Monterey United Methodist Church's tent at the Monterey Days festival over Labor Day weekend Assisting her are, from left to right, church members Sandy Landry, Marian Wamsley

More Monterey Days photos will appear in next week's paper.

Thefts from page 1

Police Chief Wayne Bean.

tions of the Citizen.

parked vehicles as well.

In addition to these complaints, a vehicle was reported stolen September 3 from a Forest Place address; the vehicle was recovered a few hours later, according to Culver

The thefts occur to the heels of similar thefts of both vehicles and items in vehicles -- none of which involved forced entry, as was the case in these most recent incidents -- which took place between mid-July and late August, many on the south side of Culver, as reported in recent edi-

The Culver Police Department, adds Bean, reiterates its strong encouragement to area residents to lock their vehicles when not in use or parked for a substantial period

of time. Bean adds advice to residents not to leave items of value loose in plain view in passenger compartments of

These cases are under investigation by the Culver Police

Department and Marshall County Sheriff's Department.

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Culver area and Culver Academies physician Dr. Warren Reiss penned a letter to Academies faculty and parents noting "boarding schools will likely see (H1N1) disease this school year and need to have contingency plans in place for care of those who may become ill.'

Reiss said the school has discussed the potential impact of the virus on the area community, noting the Academies

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past experience with flu epidemics on campus and that the school is working closely with the ISDH (Indiana Department of Health).

"The same principles of separating those who are ill from those who remain healthy will apply," added Reiss.

An H1N1 vaccine is expected across the nation at some point in October, though initial quantities of the vaccine - which probably will require two injections per person -- will likely be limited at the outset.

"The CDC (Centers for Disease Control) has targeted five groups for the vaccine," notes Reiss. "This includes

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LOCAL

Wedding

Delk - Morris

Tiffany Marie Morris and Ryan Michael Delk were united in marriage June 20, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. outside on the grounds of the VFW. Rev. Russell Caudill of Dayton, Ohio performed the double ring ceremony. Chandler Brown was the

guitarist. The vocalists were Julie Schuler LaPorte, of friend; Angela Anaya of Knox, cousin; and Dillon McDaniel of Knox, cousin. The bride wore a white strapless, floor length satin gown with sequins and lace with a chapel-length

train. She carried a bouquet of 30 stem-dyed blue roses wrapped in pink satin. She wore small blue flowers in her hair.

Maid of honor was Traci

Morris of Plymouth, sister of the bride. The bridesmaids were Katie Bare of Anderson, Kelly Maichele of Zeeland, Mich. and Amber Bradley of Walkerton, friends of the bride. They wore strapless pearl pink knee-length satin gowns.

The best was man Josh Walker of Mun-Bret cie. Buchannan of Anderson, Travis Goebel of Indianapolis and Chris Jackson of Muncie, friends of the groom. The ring bearer was

Korban Wells of Muncie, nephew of the groom. The flower girl was Autumn Sparks of Knox, cousin of the bride. Approximately 175 peo-

ple attended the reception

held at the VFW, Plymouth. It was decorated by Sharon Grigsby, cousin of the bride.

The bride is the daughter of Grover and Patricia Morris of Plymouth. She is a 2004 graduate of Plymouth High School. She also graduated from Anderson University in 2008 with a bachelor's degree in social work. She is employed at Arizona's Children Association as a senior family support specialist.

The groom is the son of Dan and Anny Delk of Muncie and Mike and Jackie Akers of Opelika, Ala. He is a 2002 graduate of Wes-Dale High School in Muncie. He attends the University of Phoenix. He is employed with Bell Internet Company as a computer consultant.

Following a wedding trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, they now reside in Tempe, Ariz.

Letters to the editor

Culver cinema memories

I have just begun to get your paper. It is very interesting. I grew up in Culver, graduating in 1959 as a "Culver Indian."

I was wondering about the history of the Culver Movie Theater.

When I was in Culver (1941-1959), Mr. Hoesel owned the theater. When was the theater built and who were the owners before and after Mr. Hoesel?

I remember all of the advertising bills for the movies hanging on the front of the theater Wish I could have saved them. They would be worth much today.

If you could let me know or put it in *The Citizen*, it would be appreciated. With kindest regards,

Norman W. Thomas

Member of Culver Indians Basketball, 1959 Sherwood, OH

The editor responds: Culver's movie theater has been a source of a great deal of interest, especially since a "home-grown" Culverite, Dan Bickel, purchases the theater in 2007 and re-dubbed it the Uptown Cinema. There were at least two theaters in operation fairly early on in Culver: the Home Theater on Main Street in the building today occupied by Cafe Max (it was owned by John Osborn and thrived during the 1920s and `30s), and the theater still operating today, on Lake Shore Drive. An exact date of opening for today's Uptown Cinema has been impossible to pin down so far, though by May, 1919, the Liberty Theater had opened with Billy Link as owner and manager and included Vaudeville style entertainment besides movies (the Culver Citizen reported movie theater operations in Culver as far back as 1915, though descriptions of their location make it hard to be certain they're the same building as today's).

The Culver Theater was listed as "reopening" at that locale in 1923, and by 1939 the same establishment was known as the Palms (many Culverites may recall palm trees painted on the west wall of the building for many years). Evert Hoesel, longtime Culver school teacher and insurance agent, purchased the theater in the late 1940s and sold it several times over the ensuing years. It was one of the temporary owners and not Hoesel who named the theater the El Rancho and remodeled it in a southwestern style, according to Evert's daughter-in-law Gwen. Mr. Hoesel sold the theater in 1981 to a South Bend-based chain who sold it in 1984 to Jim and Pam Baker, who operated it until its 1996 purchase by Frank Stealy, who sold it in 2007 to Bickel. A more extensive history of Culver's theaters is in the editor's plans; in the meantime Mr. Thomas may want to be on the lookout for a look back at CHS basketball, planned for the next issue.

Culver students served thanks to generosity

School has started and thanks to all of you no child started without needed supplies. For this reason the Culver Lions would like to thank you and all citizen of Culver for their support in helping to supply the students of our schools with the needed materials to start the school year. This has been a team effort, and could not have been accomplished without your combined help. You can still add to that which has been given. This is a great community and again has demonstrated their willingness to aid those in need. The Lions can serve because of your generosity.

Program Chairman Jim Harper Culver

REAL Services menu

ing 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, Sept. 10: Meatballs and noodles w/ gravy, mixed vegetables, Brussel sprouts, roll and margarine, apricots, and milk

Friday, Sept. 11: Broccoli soup, apple saquce, chicken salad, saltines, tomato wedge, and milk.

-Monday, Sept. 14: BBQ chicken breast, broccoli, carrots, bread and margarine, pudding, and milk.

Tuesday, Sept. 15: Pork fritter, bread, stewed tomatoes, scalloped potatoes, fruit cocktail, and milk.

Chopped Steak with gravy, succotash, bread and

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Death notices Huhn Gertrude A. Huhn Aug. 20, 2009

READING, Pa. — Gertrude A. (Lithen) Huhn, 92, died Thursday, Aug. 20, 2009 in her Fleetwood, Pa. residence.

She is survived by three sons: Richard P. (Shirley) Huhn of Birdsboro, Pa.; Daniel M. (Kathie) Huhn of Culver; and John A. (Susan) Huhn of Fleetwood, Pa.; six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, Aug. 24, at 11 a.m. at Calvary Baptist Church, 510 Park Ave., Reading, Pa. with Gertrude's son, Daniel, pastor of Culver Bible Church, bringing the message and performing the graveside service.

Butler

Eileen W. Butler Sept. 2, 2009

CULVER — Eileen W. Butler, 81, of Culver, died Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2009 at 10:21 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor.

She is survived by her husband, Robert, of Culver; sons: Gary (Michelle) Butler of Knox, James (Betty) Butler of Culver, Jeffrey (Susan) Jenkins of Indianapolis and Scott Jenkins of South Carolina; sister, Ruby Herzak of Dunedin, Fla.; six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will take place from 10 to 11 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 12 at Grace United Church of Christ, Culver.

Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Interment will be at a later date.

Memorials may be made to Grace United Church of Christ

The Bonine-Odom Funeral Home, Culver was entrusted with arrangements.

Community Calendar

Thurs., Sept. 10

Public Library

Those interested in shar-

Wednesday, Sept. 16:

margarine, peach cobbler, apple juice, and milk. Thursday, Sept. 17:

Western omelet, pastry and margarine, fresh green pepper strips, diced potatoes, orange, and milk.

Friday, Sept. 18:

Liver and onions, salad dressing, mashed potatoes, sliced apples, bread and margarine, and milk.

Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library Culver Comm. Schools superintendant Brad Schuldt, Kiwanis Club, noon, Culver Public Library Yoga class, 5:30 p.m., Culver Public Library

Fri., Sept. 11

Open Mic Night with Jon Gaskill, 7 p.m., Culver Coffee Company

Sat., Sept. 12

Carillon recital, 4 p.m., Culver Academies Memorial Chapel

Mon., Sept. 14

Yoga class, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library Culver Redevelopment

Commission, 4 p.m., town hall

Knitting Class, 5 p.m., Culver Public Library DivorceCare, 7 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ Culver Community School board mtg., 7 p.m., administration building

Tues., Sept. 15

Fitness class, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library Community Meal, 6 p.m., at Grace United Church of

Christ Plan Commission mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall Culver Public Library

board mtg., 7 p.m., Culver Public Library

Weds., Sept. 16

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10 Culver Public Library Garden Club, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library

Thurs., Sept. 17 Fitness Class, 10:30 a.m., Culver Public Library Kiwanis Club, noon, Culver

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Yoga class, 5:30 p.m.,

Board of Zoning Appeals

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mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall

Mary of the Lake Coun-

cil #13720 business mtg.,

church rectory basement

Culver Public Library

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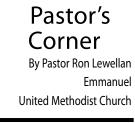
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OPINION Our stories and the great story

With two children under the age of three at home, my wife Jessica and I rarely get to see a movie playing at the cinema - I have been carrying around a half-used gift card for a movie theater for more than a year now, just taking up space in my wallet. Most films we see come courtesy of the Culver-Union Public Library DVD collection, and we are thankful for the nice collection they maintain. We watch movies for a variety of reasons - mainly to be entertained, sometimes to be moved emotionally or

busters, and sometimes just test of time. Such a variety and titles; for example, in Knight" (blockbuster) and

I cannot help but judge the personal measuring stick for how well it tells its story. A story is told - acting, directthan I can imagine, but at ceeds because it tells its



laugh, sometimes to stay current with blockbecause a film has a reputation for standing the exposes us to a whole range of different genres the last several weeks we have seen "The Dark "On the Waterfront" (classic).

movies I see - I suppose most people do. My evaluating the quality of movie is based on lot of different factors play into how well the ing, music, editing - the list is certainly longer the end of the day, for me, a great film sucstory effectively.

The basic story of the Christian gospel in Jesus Christ has been translated to film in different ways over the years. George Steven's film "The Greatest Story Ever Told" was released in 1965, while Mel Gibson released "Passion of the Christ" in 2004, and "The Nativity Story" followed in 2006. To me it says a great deal about the Christian faith that it can be shared in the medium of film because it is a true story. It is an amazing story - the limitless God becoming flesh, living a sinless life and yet dying an unjust death, only to defeat death on the third day.

We may be tempted sometimes to the boil the gospel down to a set of doctrines about sin and salvation, faith and grace, but the doctrines are not the foundation of the gospel - the gospel is the story of what God has chosen to do in Jesus Christ. I cannot diagnose the reasons why people seem to be responding to the gospel in fewer numbers than in the past, but I wonder if part of the reason why is that the church has taken what is fundamentally a story of God's unconditional love for sinners and tried to present it as "Four Spiritual Laws" or some other formula instead. If we want people to hear the gospel afresh, I suggest that in part, we need to evaluate how well we as Christians are telling the story of Jesus, and how well we as Christians are telling our own stories as individual chapters within the great narrative of God's grace and salvation. If we become better story tellers, then I have great hope that we can give the gospel a fresh hearing in our culture.

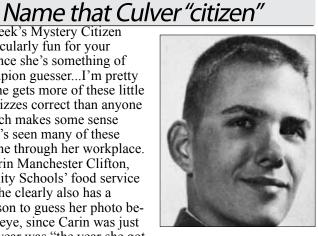


Culver from a bird's eye -- over five decades past Above is an excerpt from a photo kindly submitted by Judy Kemple of Culver, showing the downtown prior to the mid-1950s. Noticable at first glance: the existence of the Methodist Episcopal church just right of the Culver library (the church was demolished circa 1956), an early facade of the State Exchange Bank (added in the 1930s, replaced 1950s), the railroad tracks including the bridge at the end of Washington Street (along the lake shore) and the adjoining ice house (left side of Jefferson Street) and lumber yard (right side of the same street), Culver's earlier water tower (right corner of the photo) beside the then-fire station.



At left: Last week's Mystery Citizen, Carin Clifton, then and now. Right: week's mystery citizen.

Last week's Mystery Citizen was particularly fun for your editor, since she's something of our champion guesser...I'm pretty certain she gets more of these little visual quizzes correct than anyone this else, which makes some sense since she's seen many of these folks come through her workplace. She's Carin Manchester Clifton, Community Schools' food service for 32 years now, and is today the director of the program. She clearly also has a photographic memory and a good eye, though. The only person to guess her photo besides Carin herself was Tim McCarthy, who also has a good eye, since Carin was just a third grader in the photo from last week. Carin writes that year was "the year she got



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who's been working in Culver

her first NEW bike and her mother didn't write the teacher's names down, but I believe her teacher was Mrs Carter... She (Carin) started working at the school in January, 1977, leading to 32 years working in food service.

This week's Mystery Citizen is clearly not a third grader in the photo at right, but has become very active in the Culver community in recent years, lending his services to some great causes. Winners have been filling Culver's

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adds Thompson-Wolf, "but the ideas in it are so welcoming to the Culver community.

Sue Allen's tenth grade CCHS students are reading "Our Town" in class, and to prepare the students, Allen took each of her classes to the public library September 1 where Bayless, dressed in attire appropriate to his (fictional) role as the "stage manager" of "Our Town," chose specific portions of the play and shared them with students, but with a twist: instead of Grover's Corners, Bayless' "Our Town" was Culver, Indiana. He discussed the early years of the community and its various name changes around the turn of the 20th century, the founding of Culver Academies by Henry Harrison Culver, and a host of standout events and individuals in the Culver community past and present, including those associated with the library itself (as well as the Culver Citizen newspaper).

T h e point, of course, is the applicability of Wilder's characters to Culver, and indeed to most small American communities. The idea, however, is something Allen 15 taking ın a number of creative directions with students in her classroom.

the library

the stagehand in "Our Town."

visit, students were asked to write down a few points which particularly caught their attention; many, Allen says, picked up on the early names of Culver and the founding of the Academies, "so that was their beginning.

"When we went to the library as a class, I think what the students benefited from (was they were) able to see Dr. Bayless in an academic setting beyond high school," she says, noting some of her discussion with students involved looking at the differences in presentation between a high school classroom and more academic, universitylevel lecture. "They were all able to preview what it would be like when they go to college," adds Allen of the presentation by Bayless, who besides his three decades instructing at Culver Academies, also spent many years teaching at Ancilla College, including a stint as the English department chair at both schools.

Allen's students will also contribute to the library's essay "Locating contest, Myself in the Universe," and towards that end, Allen pointed out a passage in "Our Town" which takes an individual's mailing address from an envelope and expands in beyond a given city and state and into the United States, the continent of North America, the western hemisphere, the earth, the solar system, and the universe

"We broadened out about where we were in the universe," Allen explains. "Everybody addressed their envelope to their favorite place; that second step was to Lake Shore Drive and Main Street in Culver. narrow that back to the little place where we're at.

Which where the time capsule comes in. Allen's students have already begun work towards filling a "time capsule" to be buried September 11 outside the school, whose themes will be students' contributions to

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"our town" via family, school, a hobby or sport, or their community One student, for example, enjoys books reading with her family, and so brought in a book for

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Biking back in time

horizons and talked More than two dozen enthusiastic bicyclists joined Don Baker (facing the camera at left) of Culver's Bike Barn and Jeff Kenney, right of Baker, of the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver (and editor of the Culver Citizen) Aug. 22 for a Culver History Bike Tour, during which the group biked to several locations in Culver where Kenney -- and sometimes Baker -- shared historical information and anecdotes about landmarks of interest. Included in the tour were the site of the State Exchange Bank robberies of 1920 and 1933, Culver's ice houses, the site of the Maxinkuckee Assembly Chautauqua, the Vandalia depot and park and surrounding businesses, Culver's historic downtown, and other areas. Baker says a community fitness ride is planned later this month and a second history-related ride is was the first step. The likely in October, with more community events to follow. The Bike Barn is located at the intersection of

> One young man brought in a soccer show. The plan, says Allen, is to unearth the capsule at CCHS' current sophomores' 25th class reunion.

Leading up to their visit to the library, Allen and her students shared a lengthy visit to the local history section of the Culver Public Library's website (www. culver.lib.in.us). Students chose areas of particular interest to them from Culver's history as listed on the site, and some classes are creating individual brochures about "our town" of Culver and its history, while other classes are compiling a total of three class booklets on topics – so far – ranging from the early Potawatomi Indians in the area, to Culver's historic churches, to the early years of Culver Academies. Students are expected to extrapolate the information on the website into writings in their own words about Culver.

Students, adds Allen, will also complete an observation chart comparing Culver to Grover's Corners in "Our Town," as well as taking part in a "scavenger hunt" for information on the Thornton Wilder Society website.

The play, says Allen, has already resonated with one of her students, who picked up on "Our Town's" theme, "You've got to have life to love life, and you've got to love life to have life.'

"That ties into the essay the students will write,' notes Allen. "We're trying to contribute to society and give back, and that's loving life. So that quote right out of the book, you realize that: everybody needs to

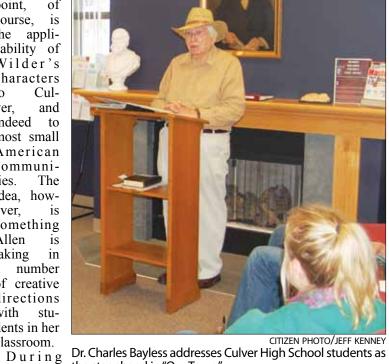
love life and give back."

Another application of the play – as well as the students' efforts in digging into the history and makeup of the Culver community is the value of the closeness of small communities in general. Allen says she grew up south of Chicago and "fell in love with small towns" when she came here.

"When I see (the students) in their school community and how close they are, how they interact, I think they'll be able to take that (if they go) into the big city (as adults), that small town inside themselves. I know I grew a lot after I came out here (to this area). They'll give the community something there, in the city, of that small town outlook."

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scenes from Lake More Maxinkuckee Film Fest `09

ABOVE, LEFT: Bill Howard, left, prepares to enjoy one of the root beer floats shared at the Sept. 5 event by the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver, part of its annual community ice cream social. Representing AHS are, from left to right, Bob Kreuzberger (standing), Fred Karst, Linda Hippenhammer, Agnes Bramfeld, Carol Saft, and Marcia Adams.

ABOVE, RIGHT: Wiggleston the clown, visiting from Elkhart, makes balloon animals and entertains, left to right, Tommy Schuberth (age 10),

Max Stallings (age 9), Zach Jones (age 7), and Mae Schuberth (age 10).

EFT: The Culver Military Academy band performs, one of a number of live performers entertaining guests during the picnic Saturday evening prior to the movie in the park.

Menominee statue's centennial to be celebrated Man behind legislation was central to Culver's history

Editor's note: as discussed in recent columns in the pages of the Citizen by John Houghton, the legislation which led to the Chief Menominee monument on Peach Road near Twin Lakes was the the work and passion of Daniel McDonald, former state senator and Marshall County historian. McDonald is largely -- if indirectly -- responsible for the development of Culver as we know it today. He and his fellow Plymouth businessmen built the Lake View Club at the highest point on Lake Maxinkuckee's north shore (the site of today's Indian trails) and induced the Vandalia Railroad to

build a line between Logansport and Plymouth, directly behind their club. The result was a booming tourist industry between 1884 and the 1920s, as well as the creation of the Culver Military Academy, an impossibility without rail travel. McDonald also owned a cottage which he dubbed "Potawatomi Wigwam" in honor of the Indians whose cause he championed. It is believed the monument whose legislation McDonald authored was the first government-sponsored monument to an American Indian in the US.

By Rusty Nixon Correspondent

PLYMOUTH — While last weekend's Blueberry Festival was a festive weekend for many in Marshall County, 170 years ago on that date the atmosphere was anything but festive.

Sept. 4 of 1838 was the day that Chief Menominee and two other chiefs, No-taw-kah and Pee-pin-oh-waw, were placed in a horse-drawn jail wagon and transported across Indiana, while their people walked or rode horseback behind them, beginning a forced march to Kansas that would be called the Trail of Death.

Later this month on Sept. 18, The Wythougan Valley Preservation Council of Plymouth and the Potawatomi Trail of Death Association of the Fulton County Historical Society will be hosting a ceremony to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the monument that commemorates the Trail of Death in Marshall County — the Chief Menominee statue on Peach Road south of Plymouth.

The ceremony will begin at 4 p.m. There will be a supper at 6 p.m. at Menominee Elementary School, 815 Discovery Lane, Plymouth, at a cost of \$6. "We certainly want to preserve history but we also want to acknowledge what happened," said Shirley Willard of the Potawatomi Trail of Death ssociation of the Fulton County Historical Society.

Since 1988, the Trail of Death Association has met every five years to retrace the route taken by the Potawatomi in a commemorative caravan along

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with ancestors of the original Potawatomi who made the trip. Making sure that others remember the event and exactly what happened is a labor of love for Willard.

"The Potawatomi adopted my husband and I in 2003 when we got to Kansas," she said. "I remember the first time reading how the Potawatomi were marched at guncome point through downtown Rochester. I felt they were wronged. As a teacher I thought it was important that people know what really happened." Willard says what really happened is the most well documented Indian removal in history, thanks to the pictures of George Winter, the letters of Father Benjamin Petit and the work of a Plymouth historian Daniel McDonald who researched and wrote several books about the event in the late 1800s. Several Potawatomi who had ancestors on the Trail of Death will attend and take part in this ceremony and also the Trail of Courage festival Sept. 19 and 20, at Rochester. The statue was erected in 1909 and paid for by the state of Indiana.

Statue's 100th anniversary ceremony speakers

PLYMOUTH — A special remembrance program is being planned for Sept. 18 at 4 p.m. Supper will follow at 6 p.m. the Menominee Elementary School, 815 Discovery Lane, Plymouth, for \$6. The public is welcome.

Many Potawatomi who had ancestors or relatives on the forced Trail of Death removal from Indiana to Kansas in 1838 will attend and participate in the program.

Speaking at the ceremony will be:

 Master of Ceremonies, Mark Gidley, Plymouth Johnna Ramer, Wythou-

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George Godfrey, • Dr. Athens, Ill., member of the Citizen Potawatomi, is president of the Potawatomi Trail of Death Association. He will tell about events leading to the 1838 removal called the Trail of Death. Tracy Locke and 10-year-old daughter Erin, Lafayette, will also give program at Menominee School in the afternoon, telling about their ancestor Abram Burnett, a fullblood Potawatomi on the 1838 Trail of Death. They are members of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation. · Johnny Flynn, Indianapolis, descendant of Chief Menominee and member of Citizen Potawatomi Nation. · Shirley Willard, Fulton County Historical Society, Rochester, will tell about Mas-saw, a Potawatomi chieftess who lived at Lake Kee-wau-nay (now Lake Bruce), as recorded by George Winter, frontier artist. John McMullen, teacher at a Catholic School in Evansville, will portray Father Benjamin Petit, the missionary priest who accompanied the Potawatomi to Kansas and died on the way back to Indiana. • Dr. Mark Schurr, University of Notre Dame, professor of Anthropology, will tell about archeological digs to find Menominee's village. Eddie Joe Mitchell, Mayetta, Kan., a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi, will say a prayer in Potawatomi. His ancestor We-wis-sa was on the Trail of Death. George and Michele Schricker and the children of Menominee School will be singing and signing (In-

For more information on the Trail of Death visit www. potawatomi-tda.org.

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Culver Tri Kappa kicks off 50th year in style



PHOTO SUBMITTED Culver Tri Kappa's newest members, pictured here with sponsors, host the first meeting of the year. From left to right, Karen Heim, Kimberly Perkins, Catherine Emmons and Susan Thews.

Culver Tri Kappa kicked off the first of its 50th anniversary year with a beachthemed meeting, hosted by new members Catherine Emmons, Kimberly Perkins along with their sponsors Susan Thews and Karen Heim, respectively. Newly appointed officers were introduced and include Recording Secretary Chris Sheppard and Treasurer Bridget Lowery. Plans for the upcoming year are underway for each committee led by each appointed chairperson and include charity: Ginny Munroe, courtesy: Kathy Rich, culture: Carol Jackson, education: Rhonda Anderson, Historian and Parliamentarian: Janette Surrisi, public relations: Andrea Cook, scrapbook: Anne Pilarski, and ways and means: Dottie Kissell.

With the recent initiation of two new members, the current membership for the Culver Tri Kappa chapter is reported at 34 active and two collegiate members. members have reconvened since the inaugural Chairs for Charity program which included a Chair Parade and Gala. With over 70 chairs donated by talented local artists and 30 businesses hosting these chair masterpieces in their entrance areas throughout Culver and Plymouth, the chairs were on display for preview throughout the month of June. The Gala took place June 28 at the Culver Cove. Twinkling lights christened the stairway welcoming over 200 artists and buyers for a wine and cheese reception with live music. Auctioneer Jerry Kisela along with his wife Angela presented each chair on the auction block with each chair selling from \$20 to \$500. Earning over \$7,000 in chair sales, Tri Kappa exceeded its fundraising goals by nearly 300 percent.

The generous support for this event can be attributed to all of the Tri Kappa members who volunteered their time and talent along with the creative artists, business owners and chair buyers. Specific gratitude was giv-This is the first time en to the co-chairs Andrea Cook and Judy Sawhook along with the committee member captains Rhonda

Anderson, Karen Boland, Kathy Rich and Chris Sheppard. Additional committee involvement and volunteers to thank included Karen Heim, Wendy Loehr, Jennifer Luttrell, Carol Jackson, Carol Saft, Janette Surrisi and Jo Surrisi. Community support was acknowledged including auctioneers Jerry and Angela Kiesla, musicians Beth Pare and Justin Ross, photography by Jeff Kinney, printing by Grant and Ginny Munroe, and chair delivery service by Don Burke, Phil Cook, Marshall Pranger, Jim Sawhook and Frank Sheppard. A special award will be announced during the next meeting to acknowledge the Tri Kappa member who donated a chair sold at the highest price.

Other items discussed included the special preparations in the process for the upcoming 50th anniversary party with the anticipation of bringing associates members, inactive members and state officers to-

Organizers reflect on Chairs for Charity's successful numbers

By Jeff Kenney Citizen editor

If organizers of this summer's inaugural Tri Kappa Chairs for Charity event and auction approached the event with trepidation as to its viability – particularly during a plodding economy they needn't have worried. The evidence was the great success of the June 28 event, which may have launched another summer tradition for Culverites to sink their teeth into.

Culver Tri Kappa president Colleen Denham calls the event, in which over \$7,000 in locally-created, artistically-crafted chairs were sold at auction amid food, drinks, live music, and plenty of camaraderie among the hundreds who attended, a "huge success for our chapter here; it well exceeded what we anticipated for our first year."

Denham praised the hard work of event chairpersons Andrea Cook and Judy Sawhook, noting funds will go towards the philanthropic organization's many endeavors, from local scholarships and continuing education to the popular springtime Tour de Max bicycle rides around Lake Maxinkuckee and beyond.

"This coming year we can do a lot more for our community," says Denham, adding reduced funds forced some cuts in Tri Kappa's charitable community work last year.

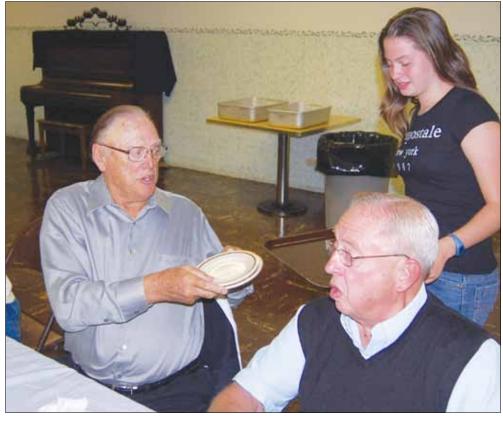
Andrea Cook herself praises the community for its support of the event, which took a different approach from many area fund raisers in working to make the effort easier on local businesses. "We didn't want to press our community's businesses any more than today's economy was already pressing them," she explains. "Although businesses graciously hosted and showcased the chairs, no businesses were asked to give us money for sponsorships. The revenue that was made for this event came exclusively from the fair trade of our local community's creativity.'

Another unique feature of the Chairs for Charity auc-

tion was an online update shared via web log (http:// chaircharity.blogspot. com), which offered weekly and sometimes daily posts of creative ideas with photos and videos. The site boasted over 1,600 page views since February. And while Cook and

Sawhook worked hard on the event, Cook is quick to point out the necessity and assistance of the event committee and "the other Tri Kappa sisters who worked at a grassroots level to reach out to the creative community members, the businesses and auction goers, we would have not generated the level of success that we did."

And, says Cook, a number of helpful suggestions were collected from the event surveys following the auction, which will only help to improve the Chairs for Charity 2010 program. "Hold onto your seat," she adds, "and stay tuned for more information!"



Sharing at meal at St. Mary's

CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church premiered its monthly community meals Aug. 30 in the church basement. The meals, modeled somewhat off of Grace United Church of Christ's monthly meals on the 15th day of each month, are free meals prepared by members of the church's parish council and offered to the entire community in an ecumenical, welcoming atmosphere for any and all who would like to attend. St. Mary's community meals take place at 6 p.m. the 30th day of each month. The premiere event was well-attended by a number of folks from St. Mary's as well as other Culver churches and members of the community. In the photo above, Culver Community Middle School eighth grader Maeve Kline (standing) serves Vern Chmielewski, left, as George Posejepal looks on.

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Academies students seeking to serve

Culver's Compos wins hot dog contest

The Culver Community Service Council (CSC) is a student-organized forum at the Culver Academies with a mission to improve our community by offering all members of our campus community opportunities to serve others. It is comprised of nearly 30 students who organize various events to spread awareness, serve the community, and support charitable organizations in our area. Past CSC events have included serving as crossing guards on Halloween, shoveling snow and raking leaves for the elderly, and assisting the Marshall County Humane Society. The CSC works in conjunction with the Town Council and The Culver Youth Community Organization, a conglomerate of CCHS and Culver Academies students, to host Community Day as well as with Marshall/Starke Head Start to host the Special Olym-

Proposals accepted until Oct. 1



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Culver Girls Academy student Angelica Collins from San Antonio, Texas (right), greets Special Olympics participant Mike Seaman at the on-campus competition last spring. Culver Academies teamed up with Marshall/Starke Head Start to host Special Olympics as one of dozens of service projects taken on by students at the school, where service project proposals will be accepted until Oct. 1.

pics Track Meet. Although the CSC hosts the Academies' United Way Drive and Shop with a Cop, CSC strives to offer events that illustrate service is more than fund raising. The CSC is always seeking new projects and ways they can help improve the Culver and Marshall County community. We will be accepting project proposals until Oct. 1. If you have any suggestions for a project that would benefit the community, want more information, or to get involved, please e-mail Ian Greenberg at greenbi@culver.org or adviser Anne Kelley at kelleya@culver.org.

Culver history event featured in Wheel Spokes newsletter

The September, 2009 edition of Wheel Spoke, the newsletter of the Pioneer Auto Club's Haynes-Apperson Chapter reprinted the story and photo featured last month in the Culver Citizen on a recent event in Culver detailing the Maxinkuckee connection to pioneer auto maker Elwood Haynes (whose grandson, Bud Hillis, is a Culver resident) and the Marmon family (whose descendents continue to live on the lake, including Anne Greenleaf). The newsletter features a number of articles and photos related to Haynes-Appersons automobiles in Kokomo and beyond. Copies may be obtained via the Pioneer Auto Club, Fran Fisher, 78 West 550 North, Kokomo, IN, 46901-8542.

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dian sign language) "Menominee," written by George Schricker, storyteller/musician, Plymouth.

• Michael Boys, the Pilot News, Plymouth, will tell the story of erecting the statue as told by Daniel McDonald, the man who got the Indiana State legislature to sponsor the statue.

• Rev. Dr. Samuel Boys, professor at Ancilla College, Donaldson, will read the original words of the Very Rev. Andrew Morrissey in 1909 dedication of the statue, and words for today.

• George and Michele Schricker and the children of Menominee Elementary School — "Holding the Hoop," written by George Schricker.

• The Boy Scouts will post the colors and flags of the Potawatomi nations.

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Chaney Compos

Chaney Campos, of Culver, was the winner in the youth division of the first hotdog eating contest, sponsored by Courtside View, at this year's Harvest Festival. Chaney chomped down seven hotdogs to win the coveted \$25 prize and a winner's plaque.

The winner of the adult division was Vernon Hurley of Knox. Hurley chowed down eight hotdogs with little effort. With time remaining on the clock, Hurley assessed his competition, decided he was clearly the victor and stood waiting for the clock to run down.

Hurley also received a \$25 cash prize and winner's plaque.

Spectators of the event were also winners. Jeff and Carol Messer, owners of the restaurant sponsoring the event, announced free hotdogs for everyone.

Other participants were: Youth division: Joshua Joseph and P.J. Thompson. Adult division: Jake Joseph, Jack White and Jeff Messer.

Still time to submit local photos for Marshall County LIVING HISTORY

PLYMOUTH — More than 30 people already have submitted more than 145 photos for a special Pilot News Group community project that will culminate in a 160page, hardback coffee table book featuring the people of Marshall County from 1945-1994. The book is to be titled LIVING HISTORY.

And the big news is there's still time for residents to scour their photograph collections and submit their own!

Deadline for photo submission is Sept. 18 - but now is the time to forward your photos to The Pilot News Group. And the sooner the better!

Don't worry, all photos will be returned in their original condition. See the big "LIVING HISTORY" advertisement elsewhere in this newspaper for complete details.

Submitted photos so far include junior high football teams, dancers from recitals, decision-makers with the REMC, high school proms, trampoline teams, Blueberry Festival canoists, and many, many more.

The Pilot News Group is particularly seeking photos

from Culver, Bourbon, Argos, Bremen and LaPaz, 1945-1995.

Staffers are currently compiling the photos by decade and writing the photo captions, with the goal of sending the book for printing in early October and having its return in early December for holiday gift-giving. This special keepsake book is entitled: "LIVING HISTORY, Marshall County, Indiana Pictorial History 1945-95 -- The people, places and times we lived "

The Pilot News Group of community newspapers is counting on readers from throughout Marshall County to help compile this unique, personalized book that features photos from a 50-year period.

The book's time frame begins in 1945 and ends in 1995 - which makes LIV-ING HISTORY a relevant book for anyone with Marshall County connections - and that should be just about everyone currently reading these words.

The focus of the book will be "slice-of-life" type photos showing people in Marshall County places. The photos should be properly identified as to where it was taken, who is in it and approximately when it was taken. These are key elements.

Please do not send newspaper clippings. Original photos are needed for this book to ensure top reproduction for printing.

For now, you might want to dig out that shoe box of snapshots, pull out the six or seven that are the best quality and properly identified and get ready to become a part of LIVING HISTORY!

See the advertisement elsewhere in this newspaper for complete details, or call Rick Kreps, publisher, The Pilot News Group, at 574-936-3101 or 1-800-933-0356.







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Party like it's 1925

Scenes from an August 15 official Maxinkuckee Yacht Club cocktail party (one of four held each summer) at the East Shore home of Ed and Suzie Curtis on Lake Maxinkuckee. The theme this time out was the Great Gatsby (1920s) era and as evidenced by these photos, many guests arrived in costume.

TOP LEFT PHOTO: from left to right, Rod and Suzie Jamieson, Ginny and Dave Gibson, Dixie and Nelson Becker, Richard Ford, Bev and Pete Trone, Susie and Ed Curtis, Jan and Mike Wilcox, Cathy and Bob Lowery and Susan and Mike Sheskey; not shown are Amy and Trevor Curtis. TOP RIGHT PHOTO: Dr. Leo Watson and wife Emily. LOWER PHOTOS: The event also served as a celebration of Ed and Susie Curtis's (RIGHT PHOTO) and Dave and Ginny Gibson's (LEFT PHOTO) 45th wedding anniversaries (both couples married on the same day in 1964). According to attendee Dick Swennumson, over 240 members and their guests attended the party catered by Larry Surrisi of City Tavern, and Ed Becker's 1940s-era croquet set was available in the side yard for all to play.

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ess gifts, carry-in meals, or just for you. Culver Scout pop-

Plymouth-Goshen Trail, Plymouth-Goshen Trail, Plymouth. Topics will include pond construction, weed management, and pond stocking. Reservations would be appreciated; will please RSVP to Wanda by orn September 9 at 574-9362024 ext. 3. CHIP sessions Free, one-hour informa-



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corn sales to begin

Culver's Cub Scout Pack 290 and recently-formed Boy Scout Troop 291 will hold their annual popcorn beginning August 23 and through October 30. 70 percent of the proceeds from Scouts' sales go to the local Scouting program. Those seeking more information are encouraged to contact Chuck Dilts at 574-842-4432 or crdilts@culcom. net.

Indiana basketball author to visit Culver

Indiana author Emerson Houck visit the Culver library Wednesday, September 23 at 1 p.m. He hopes to meet old-time and newer players and fans and see their memorabilia – photos, posters, pennants, newspaper articles, etc. – towards a scrapbook to give to the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame titled "The Alltime All-star Hoosier High School Alumni Basketball Team," which will be kept on permanent display at the Hall. Houck's new book, "Hoosiers All: Indiana High School Basketball, Team Names, Glory Season, Boys and Girls, Past and Present, Large and Small," will also be available.

Cub Master needed

Culver Cub Scout Pack 290 is in need of a Cub Master for this year's program. Those interested in more information are encouraged to contact Chuck Dilts at 574-842-4432 or crdilts@culcom.net.

Pond clinic Sept. 15

A pond clinic sponsored by the Marshall County Soil & Water Conservation District will take place September 15 at 6:30 p.m. at tion sessions for the Coronary Health Improvement Project (CHIP) will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10; Wednesday, Sept.

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