

In Brief

Culver kindergarten student Roundup

-Culver Community Schools Superintendent Brad Schuldt announced the kindergarten enrollment information for the 2010-11 school year. Kindergarten Roundup for those students in the Culver Elementary attendance district will be held at 6 p.m Wednesday, April 7. in the Culver Elementary School cafeteria. Kindergarten Roundup for those students in the Monterey Elementary attendance district will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 8 in the Monterey Elementary School cafeteria.

To be eligible for kindergarten, a child must be five years old on or before Aug. 1, 2010. Children do not need to attend this informational meeting for parents.

During this meeting, parents will be informed about required health records, forms needed for registration, kindergarten screening, Indiana riculum standards, and programs available for kindergartners. Parents should bring a copy of the child's birth certificate, to verify the date of birth, and the child's immunization record. If a parent cannot come April 7 or April 8, a parent or guardian should contact Culver Elementary at 574-842-3389, or Monterey Elementary at 574-542-2601 to make other arrangements.

Faculty artworks at Coffee Company

The Fine Arts Department of Culver Academies invites the Culver community to view an exhibition of artwork by its Visual Arts faculty, including Audrey Blessman, Jack Williams, Ashley Zimmerman, and Bob Nowalk, at the Culver Coffee Company, 634 Lake Shore Drive in Culver. The work will be on display from now until the first week of April and its viewing is free and open to the public.

REAL Meals

Nutrition Day

Culver's REAL Services site will present a special Nutrition Day program Friday, March 12, starting with a special lunch menu at noon. Included will be a presentation by Peggy lowry of Culver's Park N' Shop on healthy foods. Guests are welcome, and those attending are asked

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Good day for a swim?

Members of the Culver-Union Township Volunteer Fire Department's dive team staged an ice rescue training session last Saturday on Lake Maxinkuckee. A triangular hole was cut in the ice and members of the team took turns acting as the "victim" and engaging in various rescue techniques. LEFT: Culver Fire Chief Mike Grover (on rescue sled) is pulled from the water with help from (from left to right) Pete Peterson, Dave Cooper, and Walt Hanselman. Looking on, standing, at left are Jerry Siler and Terry Wakefield. RIGHT: Peterson, in the water, is assisted by Grover (left) and Hanselman. According to Grover, this time of year — when ice is slowly beginning to melt on the lake -- is one of the most common times for the team to be called for ice-related rescues, as the thickness and strength of the ice is often overestimated. The ice at the training site was around 10 inches thick, though warmer termperatures this week will likely reduce that number.

Culver's 'Painter' puts iconic depot on canvas

By Jeff Kenney

If the Culver community had an official "artist-in-residence" and poet laureate to chronicle its landmarks in image and verse, for the past quarter-century those titles would have to go to Esther and K. Ward Miller, proprietors of The Painter and the Poet gallery at 307 N. Main Street near downtown Culver.

Thus it's noteworthy when Esther releases a new Culver-oriented painting, and particularly so when it's one of the community's most iconic buildings: the former Vandalia train station-depot, now owned and operated by Culver's Lions Club. The building stands as a central symbol of Culver: the first stop of thousands of tourists bound for Lake Maxinkuckee 100 years ago and the portal which facilitated Henry Harrison Culver's dream of a military boarding school on the lake's shores. Since the railroad faded away, the depot has been center stage to the efforts of Culver's almost equally iconic service organization, the Lions Club.

Miller's new painting is a nice companion, too, to husband K. Ward's poem, "Our Depot," from his first – and probably still best-known, locally – book of poems, "Small Town," inspired, he says, by looking out over the lake one winter when the couple lived

Esther's depot painting, which actually debuted last year, is a watercolor like all of her best-known works, and was a natural choice to follow up on her many paintings of iconic and beloved buildings, scenes, and events in the Culver area. It joins her depictions of several buildings on the Culver Academies campus, Academies-related scenes like the Black Horse Troop and Council Fire dances, the Culver Cove, the downtown Heritage Park, public library, Pinder's restaurant, Maxinkuckee tour boat, town park lighthouse, post office, and several area churches, besides scenes from outside Culver and of sur-

"I paint the things people are really interested in, I think, for memories, and then things that fascinate me because of their design and architecture. That might be decades of doing

(real estate) appraisals and selling houses.' Esther says she's always liked the look of the depot as a subject for a painting, and

she managed to include the train platform and the town park's gazebo in the angle of her painting. She completed the piece in See Miller page 2

The state of Culver: 2010

Doss updates on numerous projects changing face of the town

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It's been some weeks since the New Year turned, but not a bad time to take a look at the "state of Culver, 2010." That's particularly true since the town has a great many projects on the horizon in which infrastructure, aesthetics, and lifestyle improvements for Culverites will be markedly improved, and much of it by way of grant funding from various sources.

Most of these improvements grow from the efforts of Culver's Town Council and staff. Culver Town Manager Michael Doss says there are "a lot of good things going on in Culver" which will see fruition within the next year and coming years.

As those attending – or reading about – Council meetings over the past several months know, Culver has gotten "more aggressive," says Doss, about obtaining grant monies. He notes municipalities around the state are having to do more with less money, with the same level of service hoped-for. "We owe it to our citizens to go find grants," he adds, and the Council has done just that.

Culver, Doss explains, is locked out of much of the stimulus money coming from federal initiatives due to the town's population level, proximity (or lack thereof) to a state highway, and income levels. Therefore, Culver is in a pool for more grant funding, and it's a highly competitive pool across the state.

A face lift for downtown Culver. In light of all the competition for grant funding, Doss' announced late last year that the Indiana Department of Transportation had awarded the town a \$442,000 Transportation Enhancement grant to enhance and improve the downtown area, was good news indeed. That endeavor is expected to include new sidewalks with brick pavers along them, new curb and gutter drains, new decorative street lighting, tree wells for new trees, and conduit run down sidewalks on both sides to help accommodate outdoor events, See State page 2 festivals, or other needs for electri-

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Favorite soup feeds guests, hungry in community

Brian Linhart Jr. (left) of Culver took first place in a "diner's choice" contest at the Culver VFW Post 6919's annual "Soup-erbowl" on Super Bowl Sunday, February 6. His Southwest chicken soup beat out eight other soups to win, even though the recipe, from a book, was a first try for Linhart. "I thought it was something different I'd never seen before," he says.

He's no stranger to the kitchen, however. Linhart often cooks soups and other foods at the VFW for special events and on the third Friday of each month for meals prepared by the VFW Men's Auxiliary.

He participated in the "Soup-erbowl" this year, says Linhart, to make a donation and help the event turnout. The winning entry in the cook-off, in fact, grants its "chef" the opportunity to donate all of the money from event donations at the door to the local charity of the cook's choice. Linhart chose Culver's food pantry, appropriately enough, so the \$145 earnings will ensure that his soup not only fed hungry folks at the "Soup-erbowl," but will feed more people by way of the pantry.

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Culver's train station-depot as painted by Esther Miller of The Painter and the Poet gallery.

the fall of 2008, she says, but didn't publicize it initially because an Indiana author planning a book on Hoosier artworks wanted some original works to take around the state to help him publicize his book. Long delays in publishing, however, eventually led to Esther releasing the painting locally last fall.

"Culver's Vandalia Train Station" also became the first of her works to be publicized via the Painter and Poet's new, online blog at

www.painterandpoet. <u>blogspot.com</u>. The blog is a more up-to-the-minute, interactive companion to the couple's longstanding website at www.painterandpoet.com, many of the Millers' available books and artworks are available for purchase. Response to the train station painting, she says, has been very good so far.

Esther Powers Miller's real introduction to art was 35 years ago on a trip to Hawaii, where she took

lessons from John Pike, an "absolute master artist' who worked for the State Department and traveled all over the world, giving workshops here and there as he did. "He was so inspiring," Miller recalls. He shared everything he knew. A lot of teachers don't do that. He was one of the premiere watercolor artists here in the States."

Miller says she's been painting all her life, but took a "long hiatus" to raise children and earn a living doing real estate appraisals.

She began painting in earnest again about 20 years ago, when she painted the Academies' Memorial Chapel.

"By then I had three children graduated from the winter school, so that was very familiar," she says. Ward, meanwhile, had

been doing poetry since 1951, having written his first poem "walking guard in Korea in the middle of the night," he recalls. In the years since, he didn't write many poems, but when he moved to Culver and retired from working for the telephone company, he began to write again. He's published four poetry books so far, though he says he has "stacks" of poetry at the house, unpublished.

Before any serious forays into their "Painter and the Poet" business, the Millers tested the waters on the art show circuit. When Esther began to complain around 1989 because she couldn't find time to paint and continue in her appraising work, Ward told her, "If you really want to paint, quit and paint."

The two began to travel across the US from art show to art show, bringing their camper and visiting the seven children they had between them as they went and, smiles Esther, spending all the money they made on art at the shows.

They did a number of juried art shows, finding some success in the Miami and Key West areas of Florida among others, Esther often painting regional scenes which sold well, as might be expected, in their native

Eventually tiring of all

the travel, the couple established their gallery in Culver initially a few blocks south at the Bear End, still on Main Street adjoining the Collector's antique shop. They spent three years a few doors north at the site of today's Gail's shop before eventually buying the house they're in now as both home and business. In fact, the house is special to Esther in particular: she recalls first moving to Culver in 1953 with her first husband, when Fred and Marcia Adams lived in the house. Both couples' children played in the house back then. Later, Esther sold the house to former Culver Citizen publisher Tom Zoss, who laid out the paper in the basement of the house. Ward says he still uses the wooden moldings from the newspaper days for framing wood for

Esther's paintings. The Painter and the Poet has been a means for the Millers to do "something interesting" after retirement, notes Esther, and something which would pay its own way and even

make a bit of money as well. Ward concedes it's more a hobby than a profession, but it's an interesting and enjoyable one.

'We meet so many interesting people from all over the US and outside the US," Ward explains. "Some of the people who are just passing through are the most interesting. At least two people saw our place and stopped and said, What is that college over there' (referring to Culver Academies)? I said, 'It's a high school.' And they said, No, it's a college!'

Esther has a number of ideas for upcoming paintof culver-related scenes, and whatever they are, it's a safe bet they'll garner plenty of interest and enthusiasm. And Esther Miller herself takes pains to make sure her art is the best she can make it.

"I won't let anything go out I'm not proud of," she

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cal power in the area. Plans are in the works, and the hope is that the project could start sometime yet this year.

Sidewalk overhauls for "Safe Routes to School." Another Indiana Department of Transportation program, "Safe Routes to School" provides funding to improve walkways utilized by area students ages kindergarten through eighth grade walking or biking to school. Culver's efforts to secure the approximately \$250,000 in funds from the program has been a collaboration between the town, Culver's Second Century Committee, and the Culver Community Schools. Doss says target areas include Ohio and Main Streets and portions of Academy Road and College Avenue. Last month, Doss asked the Council to consider putting funds originally set aside for Culver's sidewalk sharing program towards overhauling curbs and gutters on Ohio Street at the same time its sidewalks are redone. The final grant application for "Safe Routes" is due this spring, with another round of grants awarded this fall, Doss says.

West side storm water overhaul. The center of much discussion, planning, and effort last year and before, funds for a major (it's currently slated for around \$892,000 in work) overhaul of the storm sewer system on Culver's west side are being aggressively sought. The town is working towards a grant via OCRA (Indiana's Office of Community and Rural Affairs) for the work, which would

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upgrade the size of catch basins and storm water tiles running along West Jefferson Street and out to a county ditch along State Road 17. The resultant improvements would include the portion of Lake Shore Drive just south of the Culver Elementary School gymnasium, a source of major flooding since at least the 1950s.

Annexation, Garden Court, and future devel**opment**. The town has taken steps to begin annexation of 88 acres, notes Doss, of currently undeveloped land west of South Main Street. In conjunction with the move, sixinch water and eight-inch sewer lines will be run in the area to accommodate future development there. The first phase of development? Construction is hoped to begin this late summer or fall on a Garden Court senior living facility, which will include around 15 housing units on 1.5 to two acres. Doss says the annexed area would also provide potential developers an area to create middle-income family housing, while the Medallion property on State Road 17 still has potential for future industrial development as

Indiana Main Street. As reported elsewhere this issue, Culver's Town Council voted at its February 24 meeting for the town to join OCRA's "Indiana Main Street" program, which Doss says will facilitate access to technical assistance and possible funding for improvements in the town's downtown façade – including possible

retooling of business signage, awnings, windows, and doors -- among other future ventures.

· Small business development. The Town Maner says he's hoping to work more closely with the Marshall County Economic Development Commission (who will make a presentation to the Council at its March 9 meeting) to establish business incubators and the possibility of small start-up businesses in the areas of nanotechnology or agri-science. "We want to look at industries that are agri-friendly conducive to our environment in Culver," Doss notes.

A comprehensive street plan. Recently, engineering firm DLZ worked alongside Doss, Culver Street Department head Bob Porter, and other town representatives to create a comprehensive plan for Culver's streets, curbs, and gutters. The hope, says Doss, is to install new curb and guttering "on every street we pave." Endeavors assisted by the storm water fee added to Culver residents? water bills last year will include curbs and gutters, an important factor in proper handling of the storm water whose overflow has plagued some areas of Culver.

Major sewer upgrades. Doss says the town is looking for Community Focus funds via OCRA for a major -- \$1.1 to \$1.3 million – upgrade and enhancement of Culver's sewer and wastewater plant and sewer lines. "We have an antiquated system of sewer lines that's decades old," he notes. "By reworking it, we will enhance our sewer systems by 30 to 40 years. A contract in the works with Lake Maxinkuckee's Southwest Conservancy District which involves that District joining with Culver's sewer system -- would help make improvements to the existing system, Doss says. "Working with the Conservancy District will also help preserve the quality of our lake by getting them off individual septic systems," Doss adds.

Other improvements. The town of Culver recently obtained GIS (Geographic Information System) software and is working with Marshall County's information technology department to map Culver's infrastructure and utilities, explains Doss. "That's good for knowing what we're doing in the future as far as our sewer lines. It's critical for future infrastructure and economic development."

There's also still potential, he adds, for development of the West Jefferson Street corridor, in hopes industrial and

other development may be able to locate there.

"If we are successful in getting all those projects (funded)," says Doss, "you're looking at \$2.6 million in projects. (Matching funds of) just \$400,000 will get us \$2.6 million in projects. You can't beat that. The return in investment is pretty big.'

And Doss, who's been here just over a year as Town Manager (he started February 9), says one personal goal in 2010 is "to get out of the office more and start to build those relationships (with county and local entities). I'd like to strengthen our relationship with the Academy and the lake communities. Even though we're separate entities, we understand that whatever happens at the Academy and on the lake impacts all of us, and vice versa. We're all interlocked together (and) we need to all work together, cooperate, and communicate towards moving Culver forward.

"We can be proactive and not reactionary," he adds. "Future leaders in this town, I think, can look back and appreciate the practical steps we've taken to move the town forward in a controlled way...I think over a period of time -- whether it's three, five, 10, or 20 years – this will really blossom into worthwhile projects and benefits.'

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Letter to the editor

Remembering a promise regarding sewage, lakes

Dear Editor:

This is in response to a public meeting held in Culver recently. You published this meetings summary Feb. 9. Apparently the owner of the property and the contractor want to protect the environment, while developing this new subdivision, Maxinkuckee Vil-lage.

The gist of the article seems to emphasize that everything will be done to protect and preserve the (wetlands)

You further note that the majority of the attendees oppose this development — due to environmental concerns. About 20 years ago there was a public meeting at Plymouth Country Club regarding a new subdivision of condominiums to be built there.

This was before Plymouth's sewage system was extended to Pretty Lake. Sewage at Pretty Lake was a problem. Pretty Lake Condominiums' natural drainage would be

into Pretty Lake.

A follow-up meeting was held and the contractor, Chris Collins, told the audience, loud and clear, if a sewer system is available they will hook up to it. They will do everything possible to improve the environment.

We have a farm at Pretty Lake; the sewer system goes right by our property and Plymouth Country Club.

Last time I checked, Pretty Lake Condominiums is still on the hill and natural drainage flows into Pretty Lake. The condominiums weren't hooked up to the sewer and legally this appears to be alright.

But what about the contractor's promise to the com-

What real guarantees does the Culver community have in protecting the environment?

Perhaps I'm wrong in assuming your coverage at this meeting was totally accurate. Maybe I missed something. I hope so! Maybe guarantees will be put in writing. Lake Maxinkuckee won't have a second chance.

Terence Smith Plymouth

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to give 48 hours or more notice of plans to attend. A donation is suggested for those planning to eat. Those wishing to make a reservation or with questions may call 574-842-8878. REAL Meals is held weekdays at the Culver Park beach

CUTPL hosts course on social network-

Culver Union Township Public Library, located at 107 N. Main St., Culver, offers an introductory course on the various types of social networking. The class meets from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 10. The class is a tutorial on the phenomenon of "Social Networking."

The class will cover what social networking is, and features a walk-through to set up your own social networking account. The meeting will highlight Facebook, Myspace, Twitter, Youtube and LinkedIn.

For more information on this event, contact CUTPL Technology Manager Andrew Baker via e-mail at abaker@culver.lib.in.us or by dialing 574-842-2941. A full calendar of events for Culver Union Township Public Library is available at www.culver.lib.in.us.

VFW fish fry to benefit fire dept.

Culver's Post #6919 is sponsoring an allyou-can-eat fish fry in conjunction with the Culver-Union Township Volunteer Fire Department Saturday, March 20, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Post, 108 E. Washington Street in Culver.

Prices are \$4 for children 12 and under and \$8 for adults, and carry out orders will be available. The doors are open to the public and all meal fundraiser proceeds will be donated to the Culver Fire Department. The fish will be prepared by the Tyner IOOF Lodge. Those with questions may call 574-842-3886.

Free computer classes at the library

Culver-Union Township Public Library will contin-

ue its free computer classes in March. Classes will be held Monday evenings at 6 p.m. and Friday mornings at 10: a.m. and will last two hours. Sessions for the month of March will cover the following: Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint and Microsoft Publisher. These are handson classes and the library will provide computers. Those with their own laptop computer may bring it to the classes. Instructors will conclude the session of computer classes with a class that demonstrates how to build a computer from parts.

Classes for March: Microsoft Excel March 1 at 6 p.m. and march 5 at 10 a.m.; Microsoft Power-Point March 8 at 6 p.m. and March 12 at 10 a.m.; Microsoft Publisher March 15 at 6 p.m. and March 19 at 10 a.m.; and Computer Building March 22 at 6

For more information, call the Culver Library at 574-842-2941, visit its Web site at www.culver.lib.in.us or e-mail abaker@culver. lib.in.us or stop by at 107 N. Main St.

Weekly Lenten services

The Culver Community Council Of Churches will once again hold weekly Lenten service, held at 4 p.m. each Sunday. The dates and Churches are as follows: Pretty Lake United Methodist Church (March Emmanuel United Methodist Church (March 14), Leiters Ford United Methodist Church (March 21). All are welcome and encouraged to attend these inspirational services.

Market Basket offers weekly crafts

The Market Basket and Company, 13775 S R 17, will be holding Tuesday Tea and Crafts each Tuesday in March from 1 to 3 p.m. A different craft project will be offered. All crafts will be in the \$5 range, and include bead and wire spoons (March 9), glass painting (March 16), fairy craft for mom and kids (March 23), and lavender sachet (March 30).

Friends meeting, book sale

The first meeting of the Friends of the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library for 2010 will be Monday, March 1 at 1 p.m. at the Culver-Union Township

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Public Library. New members are always welcome. The Friends' next book sale is slated for Friday, April 23 and Saturday, April 24, from 9 a.m. to noon both days. The group welcomes book donations any time; please bring to the main desk at the library. Those with questions may contact Charlotte Hahn at 574-842-3267.

Park boat slips now available

The Culver Park and Recreation Department is now leasing boat slips for the 2010 summer season. The fees for the boat slips are as follows: Culver-Union Twp. Residents: \$700; outside of the area: \$1000; waverunner spaces: \$400; and Hobie spaces: \$400. All boats and waverunners must be placed on lifts. Interested individuals should contact Kelly Young, Park Supt. at 574-842-3510 during the evening hours.

Free computer classes at Culver Library

Culver-Union Township Public Library will continue its free computer classes Monday evenings at 6 p.m. and Friday mornings at 10 a.m. Upcoming sessions include Microsoft Word (Feb. 26, 10 a.m). For more information, call the Culver Library at 574-842-2941, visit the Web site at www. culver.lib.in.us or e-mail abaker@culver.lib.in.us.

Adult winter gym at Culver Middle School

Sunday afternoon basketball at the Culver Middle School, for adults 18 and over only, takes place Sundays from 1 to 3 p.m. and will continue until March 7.

Cost will be \$2 per Sunday, or \$15 for the entire season, and must be "paid before you play" to cover insurance. Please call Ken VanDePutte at 574 274 9942 with questions.

Museum areas closed for renova-

tions

PLYMOUTH Beginning Feb. 24, parts of the Marshall County Museum will be closed due to reconstruction. The research library will remain open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays. Those wishing to visit should call 574-936-2306 before arriving so accommodations can be made.

Citizen contact info

Drop-off boxes for community news are located at the Culver-Union Township Public Library and the Culver Coffee Company on Lake Shore Dr. These boxes will be accessible during the locations' normal business hours. Citizen editor Jeff Kenney may be reached at 574-216-0075. News can be sent by e-mail to: citizen@culcom.net.

Death notices

Giudice

Brian P. Giudice Feb. 22, 2010

SOUTH BEND — Brian P. Giudice, 38, of South Bend, died Monday, Feb. 22, 2010 in Memorial Hospital.

He is survived by his parents, Arthur and Elaine (Lamb) Giudice of Culver; a sister, Christine (Tim) Worden of Plainfield, Ill.; a son, Giovanni Karakatsanis-Swarts of South Bend; and girlfriend, Tracey Freed of South Bend.

There will be no services or visitation.

Palmer Funeral Home-Guisinger Chapel and Southlawn Cremation Services, South Bend, were entrusted with ar-Memorial contributions may be made to Palmer Funer-

al Home-Guisinger Chapel, 3718 S. Michigan St. South Bend, IN, 46614. Condolences may be sent to the family via the funeral

home's Web site at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com.

Hepler

Emma C. Hepler Feb. 25, 2010

PLYMOUTH - Emma C. Hepler, 93, of Plymouth, died of natural causes at her home at 10:05 p.m. Thursday, Feb.

She is survived by daughters, Joyce E. Elder of Indianapolis and Debbie L. Haeck of Plymouth; three grandsons; two great-granddaughters; a sister, Marcella White of Culver; and brother-in-law, Jack Overmyer of Pittsfield,

Visitation took place from 3 to 8 p.m. Monday March 1, in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth and one hour prior to services Tuesday. Funeral services took place at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March

2 at Sunrise Chapel 11802 Lincoln Highway, Plymouth. Burial followed in New Oakhill Cemetery, Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be given to the Center For

Hospice & Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN, 46563 or the Marshall County Humane Society, P.O. Box 22, Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the funeral home's Web site at www.johnson-danielson.com.

Correction

In the February 18 edition of the *Citizen*, the page 1 article, "The Klines of Washington neighborhood," quoted Fred Karst and identified him as past editor of the Culver Citizen. As Mr. Karst pointed out -- and the present editor and author of the article knew, but forgot -- Judy Karst was, in fact, editor of the paper during the couple's several years' tenure. Fred Karst, her husband, served as publisher of the paper, and not as editor.

In the same article, Theodore Kline was incorrectly listed as the father of longtime (now late) Culver businessman Ray Kline. Theodore was actually Ray's grandfather. Instead, Edgar and Nellie Kline were the parents of Ray, who was born in 1917 and died December 26, 2009. He operated Kline's TV and Appliance starting in 1952 and for around the next 50 years, on Main Street in Culver.

The *Citizen* regrets the errors.

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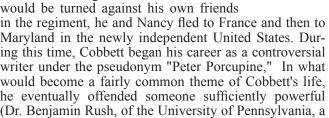
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Rural rides

March 9, 2010, will be the 247th birthday of the English radical writer and politician William Cobbett, "The Poor Man's Friend." Cobbett, whose father owned a pub in the village of Farnham, Surrey, briefly worked in a barrister's

office. Dissatisfied, he enlisted in the army, got a quick promotion to corporal, and was stationed in the Maritime Provinces of Canada (the on-line Dictionary of Canadian Biography describes him as "arguably the most important person who ever lived in New Brunswick"). After his discharge and return to England, he married Nancy Reid (1792) and brought charges of corruption against four officers of his former unit. Concluding that the court martial



signer of the Declaration of Independence, member of the Continental Congress, and founder of Dickinson College) that he had to flee the country, returning to England in 1800.

Cobbett's writings as Peter Porcupine had been broadly pro-British, more in the conservative tone of Washington and Adams than on the radical line of Thomas Jefferson (one of his oft-quoted remarks described Jefferson as "as fit to be President as I am to be an Archbishop"). On his return to England, he at first supported conservative politics, but soon became a radical himself. He began publication of a newspaper, "The

Weekly Political Marshall County Houghton descendants after the Houghton Family Gathering Act of lage: Register," in 1802, Worship, All Saints Church, Botley, England, in April, 2001. From left, John Wm. Houghton, Jim kin and was also the Tom Houghton, Katy (Mrs. Tom) Houghton, Ron Olle, Frieda (Mrs. Everett) Houghton, Jim kingdom. founder of the Brit- Jones, Marilee (Mrs. Dale) Houghton, Dale Houghton. ish equivalent of the Congressional Record, called "Hansard" (Mr. Hansard

was originally Cobbett's printer, then eventually bought the business from him). Devoted to country life, Cobbett moved to Botley, in Hampshire, in 1805, conducting his London newpaper business from this village ninety miles away. In 1806 he stood, unsuccessfully, for election to Parliament.

Cobbett was convicted of treasonous libel in 1810 and spent two years in Newgate Prison; after his release, the Register became the most popular weekly of the English working class. In 1817, threatened with another criminal charge, he escaped to the United States with two of his sons, and settled on Long Island, where he wrote (among other things) "A Year's Residence in the United States of America." Cobbett was interested in agriculture—he writes at some length about farming rutabagas on Long Island—but he includes as a kind of appendix to his book an account by his disciple Thomas Hulme of an 1818-1819 trip along the Ohio River, through parts of Ohio, Kentucky, Illinois and Indiana. Hulme's journal of visits to places like Harmony, Princeton and New Albany gives us one of our earliest descriptions of the newly-formed Hoosier state.

In 1819, Cobbett returned to England (his Botley farm had been sold to satisfy his debts, and his wife and the children he had left behind were living in poverty). As

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controversial as ever, he argued for the civil rights of Roman Catholics, was accused of libel several more times, and in 1831 was brought to trial for the support he gave to the "machine breakers," the farm laborers who attempted

It's still the

lake water...

By John Wm. Houghton

to preserve their jobs by destroying early threshing machines. On this last occasion, he was acquitted, and in fact, after the system of Parliamentary elections was reformed in 1832, he was finally elected to the House of Commons in 1832. He died on June 18,

In the early 1820's, Cobbett made several trips through the English countryside, writing about his journeys in the "Register," and eventually collecting the pieces in book form, under the title "Rural Rides," in 1830. Cobbett wrote the book with more than a little political spin, but like Hulme's journals of southern Indiana, these descriptions give us lots of insight into village life at the time. On August 6, 1823, Cobbett was trav-

> eling in the neighborhood of his old home. wrote: came through Durley, where I went to the house farmer Mears. I was very much pleased with what I saw Durley, at which about two miles from Botley, and is certainly one of the obvilscure lages in

whole Mrs. Mears, the farmer's

wife, had made, of the crested dog's-tail grass, a bonnet which she wears herself. I there saw girls platting the straw. They had made plat of several degrees of firmness; and they sell it to some person or persons at Fareham, who, I suppose, makes it into bonnets. Mrs. Mears, who is a very intelligent and clever woman, has two girls at work, each of whom earns per week as much (within a shilling) as her father, who is a labouring man, earns per week." Cobbett goes on to discuss the economics of rural poverty, and then

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. A donation is suggested for each meal.

Thursday, March 4: Chicken patty, bun and mayo, red potatoes, broccoli, apple crisp, and milk.

Friday, March 5: Vegetarian lasagna, tossed salad and dressing, mixed vegetables, roll and margarine, pears, and milk.

Monday, March Chicken breast and gravy, spinach, mashed potatoes, bread and margarine, Mandarin oranges, cookie, and milk.

Tuesday, March 9: Chili, oyster crackers, corn, salad with tomato and dressing apricots, and milk. March

Wednesday, 10: Ham, cheesy potatoes, stewed tomatoes, bread and margarine, tropical fruit, and milk.

Thursday, March 11: Pot roast with corn, rice, Brussels sprouts, pears, bran muffin and margarine, and milk.

Friday, March Chicken mole, Maui vegetable blend, fruit crisp, roll and margarine, spinach salad, milk, tea and coffee.

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describes his trip with Farmer Mears past the neighboring villages northward to Owslebury.

One has to wonder what Mr. Cobbett and Farmer Mears found to talk about all day. The only actual quotation Cobbett gives is from a discussion about whether the two of them are looking at smoke or a cloud. But given a substantial chunk of time in which to chat, Cobbett the expert on American agriculture (or at least on Long Island rutabagas) might have discovered that Farmer Mears had a pair of nephews in the States, living, in fact, in southern Indiana. They were his sister Rachel's boys, born down in Swanwick, six miles away, on the other side of Botley. Their names were James and John Houghton, and in another dozen years they'd be taking the Michigan Road north to Maxinkuckee.

A sixth-generation native of Culver (and resident of Houghton Street), the Rev. John Wm. Houghton, Ph.D., was educated in the Culver-Union Township Schools, Woodcraft Camp, the Naval School Band, and Culver Military Academy. He holds degrees from Harvard, IU, Yale and Notre Dame, and has taught in Culver Summer Camps and the Academies, as well as at other independent schools. A fellow of the Episcopal Church Foundation and an Episcopal priest, he is Chaplain and Chair of the Department of Religious Studies at the Hill School in Pottstown, PA. and is author of a novel, Rough Magicke, and of Falconry and Other Poems.

Community calendar

Thurs., March 4

Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library Knights of Columbus St. Mary of the Lake Council #13720 social mtg., 7 p.m., rectory basement

Fri., March 5 Computer class, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library

Sat., March 6 Quilting group, 9 a.m.,

Culver Public Library Census job testing, 2 p.m., Culver Public Library

Sun., March 7

Open gym for adults, 1 to 3 p.m. (Sundays through March 7), Culver Middle School gymnasium Lenten Service, 4 p.m., Pretty Lake United Methodist Church

Mon., March 8 Story time, 11 a.m., Culver Public Library Culver Redevelopment Commission mtg., 4 p.m., own hall

Free computer class, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library DivorceCare, 7 p.m., Grace United Church of

Christ

Tues., March 9

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

Tuesday Tea (and crafts), 1 p.m., Market Basket & Co., SR 17

Weds., March 10 Story time, 9:30 a.m.,

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

Culver history program, noon, REAL Meals, Culver beach lodge

Hooked on Books book club, 3:30 p.m., Culver **Public Library**

Garden Club, 6 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 chuch rectory basement

Thurs., March 11 Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library Story time, 3:30 p.m.,

Culver Public Library

Name that Culver "citizen"

Last week's Mystery Citizen garnered some good guesses, but unfortunately all of them were wrong. Some were pretty close, though...wrong restaurant, but right idea! Our subject was Donna Huberty, who has long worked alongside Dawn Minas in keeping the Culver

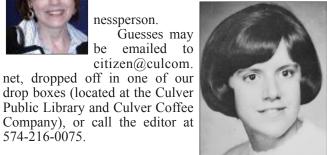
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w e e k ' s Mystery Citizen, Donna Huberty, then and now. Right: this week's m y s t e r y

citizen.

Coffee Company on Lake Shore Drive afloat. Donna Left: Last also bakes some (perhaps all?) of those baked goods you may have purchased there! This week's Mystery Cit-

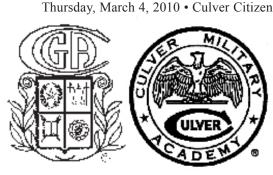
izen is a longtime Culverite (and CHS graduate) known to many, many in the area through her many years of residence and marriage to a well-known Culver busi-



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Sports



Bauer powers Cavs over Bremen

By James Costello Sports Editor

CULVER — The Cavaliers took their Feb. 23 tough loss at Argos to heart.

But instead of dwelling on it, they simply got back to work. It paid off Friday.

Junior combo player Zoe Bauer put up a game-high 33 points, Culver's team defense totally stifled Bremen, and the Cavs converted at an efficient 21-for-29 rate at the line, snapping a four-game skid with a season- and Northern State Conference-closing victory over the visiting Lions,

48-27, in the Culver seniors' last game at John R. Nelson Gymnasium Friday.

"I'm just very excited for these kids," said Culver head basketball coach Kyle Elliott. "We've been in some tight ball games for the last two or three, and we've come up on the short end. That was a tough loss over at Argos the other night, and our kids took it hard but yet our kids came right back in and practiced just as hard as we have all year if not harder. We took that game tape and we broke it down and pointed out the positives and took a good look at the negatives, and I thought we covered up some of those tonight and did some positive things. Hopefully we can continue to build on those next week as we head into the tournament."

After scoring just 14 at Argos, Bauer went 10 of 17 from the field and attacked the lane for several trips to the free-throw line and 12of-14 charity tosses as he single-handedly outscored Bremen with 33 points Friday. As impressive as the 6-foot junior's offensive efforts were, he looked equally good in all phases of the game, pulling down four rebounds, grabbing three steals, recording a block and taking a pair of charges in a masterful all-around perfor-

"That's one of the most games played in awhile for us," said during a Northern State Conference basketball game Friday at Culver. committing a foul. Part Elliott. "It was a good night, obviously to step up and do

that. Conference game, it's kind of been a down year for Bremen, but their kids play hard, and we knew going in this game that it was going to be a battle."

While Culver finished 13 of 24 from the field, the Lions scuffled to a chilly 10-of-30 field rate themselves. The Cavaliers' 2-3 zone held Bremen scoreless for more than six minutes stretching from the first into the second quarter, as the home team jumped off to an 18-5 lead by the 6:24 mark of the second frame.

Taking the early lead is something the Cavs have been able to do lately, including a 16-9 lead Tuesday, but Elliott was more impressed with the way his team was able to hold onto it Friday.

"We talked to the kids about sometimes we start looking over our shoulder," he said. "Saying 'Is this Culver basketball or are we supposed to have this lead?' So we get a little timid at both ends and I thought tonight — there were a couple little stretches where we got complacent maybe and were uncertain what we wanted to accomplish — but for the most part I thought our kids kept their eye on their

goal and were able to maintain that lead and methodically

While Culver's defense was partly responsible for the Lions' woeful scoring numbers, the visitors were their own worst enemy.

Bremen surrendered 18 total turnovers against the zone including 13 unforced errors — which Culver capitalized on with 18 points, and the Lions never found an offensive groove at the game.

'Let's talk about the fact that we can't catch the ball," said Bremen head coach Kyle Hanyzewski. "There's noth-

ing that you can run offensively if you can't pass and catch the ball. We were not mentally locked in. There were two things we talked about. One on offense was taking care of the ball. You saw how that worked out, and defensively we had to know where (Bauer) was at all times. It's not the guys guarding him — they're getting screened. We worked in practice on showing until help gets there; we didn't help at all. He's a great player, but I think we made it easy for him tonight."

Bremen's lack of rotation and help on the defensive end translated into 22 total fouls for 15 trips to the stripe by Culver. The Lions were also called for a pair of technical violations as starter Tyler Pfeiffer and Hanyzewski argued with officials over a pair of foul

"I think we were a step behind early. and then frustration kicked in because we weren't able to get anything going on offense," Hanyzewski said. "Part of it is when you're not helping, PHOTO/JAMES COSTELLO we're scrambling to get back and you're out Zoe's Culver's Micah Budzinski (33) defends against Bremen's Jesse Glingle of position and you're

> laziness and part frustration, I think, that led

to all those foul calls tonight."

One of the few bright spots for Bremen was senior Justin Nick's play as he recorded team-highs of nine points with four rebounds, two steals and two assists as well as a

'We need Justin to advance in the tournament at all," Hanyzewski said. "We need another guy to step up so the focus isn't so much on Barrier and Feldman. We've talked about that, and he does a nice job of getting in position. Sometimes he struggles to finish, but he's getting a lot bet-

BREMEN 27 Score by quarters Culver: 13 25 37 48 Bremen: 5 13 24 27

CULVER (48): A.J. Neace 0 4-4 4, Nick Peterson 0 0-0 0, Brock Elliott 0 0-0 0, Collin Stevens 1 2-4 4, Zoe Bauer 10 12-14 33, Patrick Mulvihill 0 0-0 0, Kyle Pugh 2 0-0 4, Micah Budzinski 0 0-1 0, Larry Clingler 0 3-5 3. Totals:

BREMEN (27): Cody Barrier 2 0-0 6, Ryan Carpenter 1 0-0 2, Kyle Feldman

See Bauer page 7

Culver's Hurford ends strong season at state

By James Costello Sports Editor PLYMOUTH — Three days after placing fifth at the state finals, Plymouth heavyweight Damon Howe was back in the wrestling

No, he wasn't getting a head start on his senior season, he was taking time out to give Plymouth junior high wrestlers some point-

"Damon's a great kid," said Plymouth head wrestling coach Bob Read. "For instance, tonight he was over and he spent time talking with and wrestling and working with our junior high kids. So here he is coming off a state tournament, and he's willing to spend time just sharing what the sport has done for

him and what it means to

him. He could've left after

he talked with the kids, but he hung around and worked with the big kids in some of the stuff that he does. He's pouring into the kids what's been poured into him, so that's a special thing."

Howe was one of three area wrestlers to finish out his season at the state tourney at Conseco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis over the weekend, along with Knox's Danny Bradley and Culver Community's Matt Hurford.

Howe was knocked out of championship contention 4-0 in the quarterfinals by eventual heavyweight champion Ross Janney of Yorktown before topping Craw-fordsville's Dylan McBride for fifth place in the consolation round. He finished the season at an outstanding 36-4 with the

win over McBride, and all

of his defeats came at the hands of top-three grapplers as he dropped a pair of close decisions to state third-place finisher Travis Thomas of Mishawaka and another to state runner-up James Travis of Merrillville in their semistate championship bout a week prior to the finals.

While Howe finished fifth Saturday and Bradley placed second as the only Knox wrestler in history to reach the state finals, Culver freshman Matt Hurford there since 2001.

made his debut at Conseco in the first Cavaliers berth "I've never coached anybody to state before, and Culver has never had anybody to qualify for state since 2001," said Culver head coach Michael Bus-

chman. "I was telling some-

body the other day, they

were saying something like it was a big accomplishment for a freshman, and I said heck, I would've been tickled pink if he was a senior. Just getting down there alone is a big step for our program, it means a lot to our student body and to our athletic program on what we can achieve.'

Hurford burst onto the high school wrestling scene after eight years on the mats in junior high and at summer freestyle and folkstyle tournaments. Despite losing his first round bout with Bellmont's Travis Thatcher at state Friday, he was able to finish his season with a phenomenal 36 wins and four losses while claiming individual sectional and regional titles, a remarkable feat for anyone, let alone a freshman and especially in the hefty 189-pound weight

Dragons top Cavs at buzzer in Bell Game

ARGOS — Argos' boys basketball team answered the crunch time bell, and in the process, retained "The Bell."

After trailing most of the game, the Dragons hit 5-of-6 field-goal attempts and 7 of 9 from the foul line in the fourth quarter to eke out a 43-41 heart-pounding win over archrival Culver Community in the annual Bell Game Tuesday at a packed and raucous Phil Weybright Gymna-

For Argos, senior Justin Dunfee drilled the go-ahead 3-pointer with 2:01 left in the game; classmate Scott Sanders, hobbled by a sprained ankle, scored 11 of his teamhigh 13 points in the final 7 minutes; and senior forward Jeremy Weirick chipped in 12 points and delivered two defensive stops in the last 1.8 seconds.

"If you're talking about what just happened, the one word that comes to mind is gutsy," Argos head coach Joel Grindle said. "We're pretty beat up. Scott Sanders probably shouldn't even have been playing; his ankle is 50 or 60 percent, but he stayed in and gave absolutely everything

'It takes a lot of guts to come together like they did," he added. "Our guys showed character and a lot of heart. This is Indiana basketball at its finest. It's a great rivalry, fun rivalry, with a lot of respect." Argos fell behind with 4:21 left in the first quarter and

chased Culver until Dunfee dumped the ball to Sanders on the right block for a drop step and old-fashioned 3-point play to put the Dragons up 32-30 with 4:21 to go in the Then after two deadlocks, Sam Edmonds kicked over to

a wide-open Dunfee who hit from two steps left of the top of the key for a 37-34 Argos lead at the 2:01 mark.

"We told our guys that this is a team of Argos that has found a way to win all season," Culver head coach Kyle Elliott said. "Our guys had to step up. We defended Sanders well for three quarters, and then (Argos') best player showed up in the fourth quarter.

"When we had Sanders covered, he found a way to get the ball to Weirick and Dunfee, who stepped up as role players," he continued. "Their best player got the ball and Scott made good decisions. Credit them for the way they played."

After Larry Clingler's rebound basket trimmed Culver's deficit to a point with 1:40 to go, Weirick responded with a right-handed drive to the rim for a 39-36 game.

"Those are the senior moments that we talk about," Grindle said. "Jeremy's really stepped up his game over the last week and a half. He's a big reason why we're playing better. Dunfee's been struggling shooting the ball, but he hit that big 3 to give us the lead.

Freshman Collin Stevens' trey with 5.8 seconds left, coupled with two Argos missed charity tosses over the final 13.9 seconds gave the Cavs a chance, trailing 43-41 with 2.4 ticks left, and possession under Argos' basket.

Weirick leaped and intercepted Culver's baseball pass, but slipped on his way down, giving the Cavs the ball under their own basket with .3 seconds to play. Weirick then batted away Culver's inbound lob in the middle to preserve the win.

"We're tired of Culver being in a position to win a ball game and coming away with a loss," Elliott said. "We've been there with LaVille, New Prairie, South Central. We've been in this scenario too many times not to figure out the little things that we need to do to win."

Also for the Dragons, Edmonds scored six of his eight points in the first three minutes of the second half, while Sanders, held down through the first three quarters by Clingler and Kyle Pugh, grabbed six rebounds and Dunfee handed out five assists.

'Sam Edmonds, boy, he came out and got us going in the third quarter," Grindle said. "He played like a man possessed in the first four minutes of the second half and set that tone for the rest of the game."

The Cavs actually threatened to gap the game in the first quarter. Culver junior guard Zoe Bauer powered a 15-2 first-frame run with eight points, highlighted by an NBA distance 3-pointer from the right wing, as the Cavs raced to a 16-7 lead at the 1:13 mark.

Culver scored just four points in the second quarter but maintained a 20-16 halftime advantage and stayed out in front well into the final stanza.

However, once the Cavs fell behind they rushed the offense and missed a number of quick shots, finishing 1 of 6 from behind the arc in the final 8 minutes.

'As soon as (Argos) took the lead we kind of got in panic mode," Elliott said. "We had kids trying to hit the winning shot with 5 minutes to go, instead of working the basketball to get the best shot. We folded under pressure, bottom

Bauer paced Culver with a game-high 14 points, but Dunfee and senior reserve Nick Kepler combined to keep the high-scoring forward to a single point over the final

"You look at someone like Nick Kepler, who hasn't played much this year, coming off the bench when Justin fouled out and having to guard Bauer," Grindle said. "He

"I guess (Bauer) was a little under the weather," he continued. "Both star players were not 100 percent, and that's unfortunate, but it showed that both guys have really good players around them."

Also for Culver, junior guard AJ Neace added 10 points, including a steal and basket that knotted the game at 34-34 with 2:21 left in the game, and freshman center Micah Budzinski grabbed nine rebounds.

Both teams finish off the regular season Friday. Argos hosts CMA, while Culver entertains Bremen. ARGOS 43,

CULVER COMMUNITY 41 At Argos Score by quarters Culver: 16 20 28 41 Argos: 9 16 25 43

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The lake at rest

This photo, "January Thaw/Lake at Rest" by Culver resident Paul Paré, took first place in the "Nature" category of the "Our Town" category of CGA – Meghan Grieves the Culver Public Library's "The Big Read" photo contest, which concluded late last year. The Citizen has been running some of the winning (Shelby Saponari) 13:10. photos as space allows, along with recollections from the photographer of the circumstances and methods surrounding his or her photo.

Writes Paré, a veteran teacher at Culver Community Schools, of the photo:

"It was a very warm day for the dead of winter, low 50's, the first week in January of 2007. I put my infant son in the car in mid-afternoon so the both of us could enjoy an opportunity to get outside the house for a walk. As I pushed Alex in his stroller near the Memorial Building CGA on the campus of Culver Academies, I noticed the absence of sound on campus as the students were on Christmas break. Then I observed Smith) 6:43. a combination of preternatural conditions on Lake Maxinkuckee. First, there was a thick mist covering the lake, the kind of fog that usually burns off before noon. Second, the lake had no ripples whatsoever. I heard no boat engines at all (the hour we were there) so no boats, no (Lesperance, Tori Emoff) waves. No breeze at all either, so again, the lake was as still as bathwater. Thus the mirror image of the tree and building in the lake which makes the picture.

Louis (Amber Alvarez)

"There was a lot to see in the picture that probably won't be noticed in the small version printed in the paper. The statue in the corner and 44, CGA 3 (Mackenzie the green grass (in January) are two things worth noting.

"For you shutterbugs, I should mention that the photo was shot with an old 1970's-era Canon AE-1 SLR camera, perhaps the only picture taken with film in the library's contest. Some people keep hope alive. I keep film alive. Some other shots came out well that day, such as one where the Aboriginal-American (statue) looks out at the misty lake. As for Alex, he slept through the whole thing.

Cavs receive bye at Sectional 34

By James Costello Sports Editor

Class 2A Sectional 34

BOONE GROVE — Culver Community will try to build on a strong regular-season finish and will benefit from a bye at the Class 2A Boone Grove Sectional, as the Cavaliers (8-12) take on the winner Tuesday's North Judson-Hebron contest Friday at 7 p.m.

"We're in the bye. Boone Grove would be the favorite, obviously a home situation, and then North Judson would be the other with the season they've had," said Culver head coach Kyle Elliott. "We're excited about the draw. We've obviously got a bye so that puts us into the semifinal right off the bat. And it gives us another good look at tournament time to see the teams we'll be playing."

The defending sectional-champion Bluejays (14-6) of

North Judson look for another good showing in the tournament this season, although either Judson or Hebron (10-10) would present similar problems for Culver.

'Defensively, chances are it's going to be North Judson but either team is going to be a lot bigger than we are," said Elliott. "We had a South Central game with Jake Kitchell, and the (Eric) Baum boy, big kids, and we've competed against New Prairie. We've seen some bigger kids, but I think that'll help us. I think our post defense is going to have to get cleaned up. We're going to have to work on a little bit of the footwork down on post defense, and then the ball control... the last three games we've done better than we have in awhile, but I think our turnovers and ball control is a very big thing that we'll be stressing in the week of preparation.

Fifth annual 'One Book, One Town' featured at library

By Lyn Ward Correspondent

PLYMOUTH — Friends of the Plymouth Library is sponsoring the fifth annual "One Book, One Town." This year it will sponsored in conjunction with the Marshall County Book Club during its regular meeting on Mon-

It is a community-wide reading project that encourages all residents to read the same book at the same time and then

discuss it with their friends and family.

Selections from past gatherings have included "To Kill a Mockingbird," "The Secret Life of Bees," "A Thousand Splendid Suns" and "Three Cups of Tea." This year, "The Help," the #1 New York Times Best Seller by first-time author Kathryn Stockett, has been chosen.

Set in Jackson, Miss., opening in 1962, "The Help" is an intriguing piece of historical fiction — the tale of three extremely different women — bound together by a shared dissatisfaction with life in the 1960s — who decide to take drastic measures in the hopes of permanently changing their town (and times) for the better.

To learn more, go to www.kathrynstockett.com.

Local book clubs are encouraged to get on board and join the stimulating discussion led by former Plymouth High

Bauer from page 6-School English teacher Anna Liechty who now consults regularly. She enjoys historical fiction and is penning her 20-05, Jesse Glingle 12-45, Ben Hueni 00-00, Justin Nick 40-09, Tyler own novel based on the Huckleberry Queen.

For the fourth year, she will lead a stimulating discussion beginning at 6 p.m. in the Laramore Room/B of the Culver 10 (Neace 3), Bremen 8 (Nick 2, Carpenter 2); Steals: Culver 5 (Bauer library. Light refreshments mirroring the timeframe of the 3), Bremen 8 (Hueni 2, Pfeiffer 2, Nick 2); Turnovers: Culver 13, Bremen book will be served. Books are available at City News and Books in Plymouth at a 20 percent discount as well as the library. Those who have read it are encouraged to share JV score: Bremen 42, Culver 20. with their friends and come on board.

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Sports briefs

Girls hockey Eagles rout St. Louis 7-0

Seven different Lady Eagles scored goals as Culver Girls Academy routed the visiting St. Louis Jr. Blues 7-0.

CGA outshot their guests 51-3 at the game. Shaw-Lesperance, Corinne Henning, Shelby Saponari and Courtney Zotos each recorded a goal and an assist, and Hannah Smith recorded three assists in the win.

Mackenzie Bruch recorded three saves in goal for the shutout at the Academies.

 CULVER ACADEMY 7, ST. LOUIS JR. BLUES 0 PHOTO/PAUL PARÉ At Culver First Period

> Lesperance (Hannah Smith, Corinne Henning) 14:14. Second Period CGA – Henning (Smith)

CGA – Maggie Sizemore (Alex Kreuser) 9:56. - Courtney Zotos - Paluch (Zotos

10:58.

Saponari

Shots on goal: CGA 51, St. Louis 3. Saves: St. Bruch Katelyn Cutshall 0).

Hockey Lubben preserves 3-3 tie for **Culver Military**

Jacob Lubben recorded 29 saves for the Eagles, salvaging a 3-3 tie with Lake

Forest Academy in a hock-

ey game at home. Scott Snyder scored a goal with an assist and a dual assist, while Blake Saylor recorded an assist

and a dual assist for Cul-

ver. Max Terhar and Aus-

tin Carlson also scored for CMA, which moves to 16-13-3 on the season. CULVER MILITARY (Prep) 3, LAKE FOREST ACADEMY 3 At Culver

First Period LFA - Darcy Geenway (unassisted) 4:43.

CMA - Scott Snyder (Blake Saylor) 17:42 CMA - Max Terhar (Snyder, Saylor) 13:35. Greenway (Connor Berto) LFA -

Third Period

CMA - Austin Carlson (Connor Bartelman) LFA – Berto (Greenway) 0:51.

Shots on goal: Culver Military Military (Jacob Lubben) 29, Lake Forest (Andrew Masterson) 22. Penalty Minutes: Culver Military 10, Lake Forest 2. Records: CMA 16-13-6, LFA 42-4-3.

CMA rallies past Cleveland Barons

Culver Military fought back from a 3-1 deficit to earn a 5-3 victory over Cleveland Barons.

Ryan Barry scored a pair of goals, while Zach Merrick had a goal and an assist for the Eagles in the win. CULVER MILITARY (U16) **CLEVELAND BARONS 3**

CMA - Ryan Barry (Austin Carroll) 7:17 Second Period

CB - Nenadal (Majka) 14:19. CB - Nugent (Gerard, Gruenhagen) CB – McQuinn (Majka) 5:02. CMA - Oliver Janzen (Tyler Ledford,

James McQuinn) 3:10. Third Period CMA - Kyle Plageman (Ledford, Blake Toth) 16:59.

CMA – Barry (Zach Merrick) 15:43. CMA – Merrick (Don Nagle) 2:39. Shots on goal: CMA 25, Cleveland 21. Saves: CMA (Forin Vierkant) 18, Cleveland (Okicki) 20.

Argos from page 6-

CULVER (41): AJ Neace 5 0-0 10, Collin Stevens 2 0-2 6, Zoe Bauer 5 2-4 14, Micah Budzinski 0 1-2 1, Larry Clingler 4 0-0 8, Kyle Pugh 0 2-2 2, Nick Peterson 0 0-0 0, Kyle Vlach 0 0-0 0. TOTALS: 16 5-10 41. ARGOS (43): Scott Sanders 3 7-9 13, Matt Hollar 1 0-0 3, Justin Dunfee 2 2-2 7, Sam Edmonds 4 0-0 8, Jeremy Weirick 5 1-3 12, Derek Rex 0 0-0 0, Nick Kepler 0 0-0 0. TOTALS: 15 10-13 43.

3-point goals: Culver 5 (Bauer 2.

Stevens 2, Neace), Argos 3 (Hollar, Dunfee); Weirick, Culver 9, Argos 13; Rebounds: Culver 16 (Budzinski 9), Argos 13 (Sanders 6); Assists: Culver 7 (Stevens 3), Argos 8 (Dunfee 5); Steals: Culver 5 (Neace, Stevens 2), Argos 4 (Weirick 3); Fouls (fouled out): Culver 18 (Neace), Argos 14 Argos 11-8.

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CES announces

'Culver's Best'

Culver Elementary School announces its

Kindergarten: Gavin Salyer, Spring Ye, Zachary Hine, Timothy Young, Zoey Coble,

First grade: Jessica Pietsch, Tyler Rogers, Joshua Stefan, Matthew Bailey, Fritz Ellert, Rebecca Minix, Aubrey Highberger, Ethan

Second grade: Haley Howard, John Sieber, Michael Moore, Austin Jones, Jadyn Howard, Owen Valiquet, Jordan Mulvihill, Oliver

Third grade: Christian Zakhi, Sam Schaller, Nora Kline, Marcella Cooper, Kate Renneker, Alex Wagner, Sarah Luttrell, Abby Gregory Fourth grade: John Young, Lucas Vela,

Fifth grade: Scott Jones, Megan Bau, Paige

Sixth grade: Andea Bermudez, Machayla Allen, Jennah McCarthy, Cecilia Ken-

ney, Jade Overmyer, Anne Nowalk, Everett

Pinder makes Dean's

List

Culver Community High School gradu-

ate and Lilly Scholar Myles Pinder has been placed on the Dean's List at Butler University in Indianapolis. Earning a Grade Point Aver-

age of 3.961 for the fall, 2009 semester placed Pinder in the top 20 percent of students in the

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at the school, where he began attending classes the same semester. Pinder is the son of Ed Jr. and

Sydney Parsons, Dylan Lewandowski

Thompson, Cotey Miller, Allie Harris

Heath, Russell Temme, Collin Retschlag, Daniel Blocker, Aviana Ahlenius, David

Culver's Best" for January, 2010.

Tucker Fisher, Alina Rehka

Coyle

Adkins-Lampton

Krueger, Derek Keller

Peggy Pinder of Culver.

EDUCATION



CBGC Power Hour winners

William Baldwin (second grade), Hunter Ringer (third grade), Trista Fritter (second grade), Wyatt Ringer (first grade), A.J. Cooper (first grade), and Kaleigh Kephart (first grade). Not pictured: Čhristian Zakhi (third grade) and Trenton Jones (third grade) Power Hour is a program the Culver Boys & Girls Club offers to help children with homework. When a child does his or her homework and has it checked and corrected, if needed, the Boys & Girls Club records it and the top ten winners receive a prize at the end of each month. Every child has an opportunity to participate in this program with their own homework, worksheets provided, or educational computer programs.

Pictured from left to right are the Culver Boys & Girls Club's February Power Hour winners: Kate Renneker (third grade), Taylor Noah (third grade),

The Culver Boys & Girls Club is located in the Culver Elementary School and runs daily from 3 to 6:50 p.m. The cost of the program is \$25 for the year. There are scholarships available for those who qualify. Any questions or concerns can be directed to 574-250-0103.



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Strycker serves as page

Culver Community Middle School seventh grader Madelyn Strycker (at left) recently served as an Indiana House Page during the 2010 session of the Indiana General Assembly, under State Representative Nancy Dembowski (at right). As a page, students 13 years and older spend the day gaining a greater understanding about state government and how laws are made.

Paging is a valuable experience in which students take a backstage tour of the Statehouse and work alongside legislative assistants and nterns. On session days, pages experience how a bill becomes a law as they watch legislators on the House floor debate issues. On committee days, the students witness where a bill receives first consideration and watch

The Indiana House Page Program is an exce

Culver blood drive marks national Red **Cross Month**

March is national Red Cross Month, a designation first proclaimed in 1943 by Franklin D. Roosevelt and continued since that time. To mark the anniversary of neighbors giving selflessly to help others, Red Cross is hosting blood drives in Plymouth and Culver. All donors at the following locations will receive a coupon from Dunkin Donuts for one free

The Plymouth Knights of Columbus Hall, 901 E. Jefferson St., will be the site of the March 4 blood drive from 11:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

Donors may also go to the Fleet Gymnasium at Culver Military Academy, 1300 Academy Road, Culver, Friday, March 5, from

10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Donors at this site will receive a t-shirt.

To donate blood, volunteers should schedule an appointment at one of the locations above by calling toll-free (800) RED CROSS, or visit the Web site at www.redcrossblood.org. You must be at least 17 years old, or 16 with parental permission in some states, meet weight and height requirements, and be in general good health. Please take your Red Cross blood donor card or other form of positive ID when you arrive to donate.

Ralph E. Winters Scholarship applications available

Applications for the Ralph E. Winters Scholarship are now available online through the Pulaski County Community Foundation's Web site at www.pulaskionline.org. The scholarship is for qualified Culver Community High School graduates who will successfully complete their freshman year of college and will be enrolling in their sophomore year this fall. Nontraditional students are also eligible and encouraged to apply.

Recipients must be full-time students at an accredited Indiana institution of higher learning in a technical program such as: Engineering, Pharmacy, Mathematics, Science, Nursing, Agriculture or a technical certificate program. Annual awards will be approximately \$1,500 per year. The scholarship may be renewed for a maximum of four years.

Deadline to submit applications is April 14. For more information contact the Community Foundation at 574-946-0906.

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hearings where the public submits input.

lent way for students to become more familiar with the lawmaking process by meeting their State Representative and witnessing how laws are made firsthand. It is a valuable experience that comes highly recommend ed. Please feel free to call 317-232-9621 with further questions.

Council moves forward with trash contract language, rezoning

By Jeff Kenney Citizen editor

Culver's Town Council last week breezed through several actions in another short wintertime meeting

Among matters discussed by members at the February 23 meeting was a follow-up to the previous meeting's discussion as to whether the Council should appoint liaisons to attend meetings of boards and committees to which it appoints some members. Council member Ed Pinder expressed disagreement with such a notion, noting the Council itself made the initial appointments, and "if we did that, we must feel they (appointees) know what they're doing. We don't want to look over their shoulder."

Council member Ginny Munroe said she wasn't advocating a liaison from the Council but more awareness of what's going on so Council members don't "get blindsided" by happenings with other boards in Culver. "I often feel like we don't get much communication from some of the sub-committees. I do know people are busy -- I get

Noting she's attended meetings of other boards and committee, Council President Sally Ricciardi said she feels they "generally do an excellent job, definitely for what they're paid!"

Munroe brought up the example of controversy last year regarding Culver's Parks and Recreations board, adding the then-president of that board had refused to meet with the Council at the time to update members on the situation. Town Manager Michael Doss told the Council he's the

liaison between the Council and its various sub-committees and other boards in town, and will attend meetings and report back to Council.

In other discussion, the Council scheduled a work session for March 3 at 4 p.m. to hash through the specifics of language on a contract for proposed town-wide trash service, for which bids are currently being accepted. Several Council members also suggested the rate for town-wide trash service be added as an addendum to the actual ordinance, to allow for easier altering of the rate when the trash contract is renewed every several years.

The Council held a public hearing to amend the zoning map for 222 N. Ohio Street in Culver, the building formerly known as the Culver Community Schools administration building. A petition to re-zone the building as a commercial property had already been approved by Culver's Plan Commission, who then forwarded the matter to the Town Council. The Culver Academies purchased the building last year, and it was discussed that the Academies also intends to renovate it to take care of some of the problems which led to the Community Schools vacating it, which some audience members said included mold and asbestos removal.

The Council approved \$2,011 to renew the Culver-Union Township EMS' service contract to have its lifepacks checked for functionality and other maintenance, something done several times per year. Doss will speak with other town departments – most notably fire – about similar maintenance of their own life-packs.

Town Manager Doss, during his report, said he's received proposals from several engineering firms for a revitalization project for downtown Culver, for which grant money was awarded the town last year. Doss

said he needs to go over the proposals using Indiana Department of Transportation guidelines and hopes to begin the design phase of the project after March. The Council approved, at Doss' recommendation, \$25,724 for Zehner and Sons Excavating to remove and dispose of sludge at Culver's wastewater plant. Also approved was Culver's joining Indiana Main Street, which costs the town nothing but which Doss said will allow Culver access to technical assistance and possible funding for improvements in the town's downtown façade.

A contractor specializing in sidewalk repairs for Indiana's post offices contacted the town within 48 hours after a letter was sent to Culver's post office regarding the deteriorated condition of the sidewalk in front of its Jefferson Street building, according to Doss. The Town Manager added he was assured the sidewalk replacement would receive funding as well as the adjoining curb; he hopes the project will commence when the weather breaks.

The town also continues to accept bids for town-owned property on East Jefferson Street, Doss said, which will be opened at the Council's March 9 meeting.

Town Clerk Casey Howard reported work has begun with Stallings Consulting on networking of town computers in addition to a new server being ordered, which Stallings will install. The Council approved \$2,770 for a new laptop computer and accompanying software for Howard's use, with her present desktop machine slated to go to Assistant Clerk Kay Davis.

Culverites's business nominated for Green award



Andrea Cook.

cluding:

Culver resident and Plymouth-based Midas Center owner Andrea Cook has been selected as a finalist in the Indiana Green Business Awards for the Green Entrepre-

"It is an honor," said Cook, "to be chosen as a finalist for this category as a small business owner in Plymouth who uses business savvy and skill to help build the brands that make our world a better place.'

With a passion for eco-friendly living both in the home and at the office, Cook's company's strong portfolio of green clients along with the office décor of repurposed creative furnishings, shows she's moving in the right direction with her dedication to taking "green

Cook invites those interested to check out the next several posts on The Midas Center's blog at themidascenter.blogspot.com to uncover some unique actions that support the Green Business Award nomination in-

- why they recommend the hosting service that supports The Midas Center's web site,

- when she first realized that green endeavors were important to her and

- what makes the paint on her office walls so special,

- who has inspired her and encourages her to make the green decisions every day. Also, readers can learn more about Cook's green clients, including Culver United Methodist Church's Thrift Store, Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council, Earth-

works, Recycle Depot, and others. "It is a privilege to work with these clients," says Cook, "and to collectively work towards building awareness for earth-friendly living and improve the use of our resources."

Culver police, others announce Nixle implementation

PLYMOUTH — The Culver Police Department and several other Marshall County emergency agencies are proud to announce the availability of a new service to distribute information to the citizens of Marshall County.

Nixle.com is a secured Web site service for municipal agencies to release information to the public. Citizens interested in receiving information released on Nixle.com may choose to receive the information in the form of a text message on their cell phone, an e-mail message or may read it on the Nixle.com Web page. Citizens will need to sign up for the service by simply going to www.nixle.com and following the prompts on the

Citizens can specify the level of importance of the messages they want to receive from the Nixle.com system. These messages can range from important alerts to general community information. Some examples of messages that may be sent are evacuation notices, missing persons, water boil notices, traffic hazards, neighborhood watch information, hazardous weather information, or general safety notices. Citizens may choose to receive notices for multiple locations including their home, work or other places they may frequent.

Among other agencies offering information via Nixle are the Marshall County Sheriff's Office, Marshall County EMA, Argos Police Department, Bourbon Police Department, Bremen Police Department, Bremen Fire Department, Bremen EMS, Bremen Town Utilities, LaPaz Fire Department, LaPaz Police Department and Plymouth Police

The participating agencies encourage all residents to take the opportunity to sign up for this service. While Nixle.com does not charge for this service, standard text messages rages may still apply. Contact your cell phone carrier for more information on text messaging charges.

For further information contact any of the participating agencies.

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snowy friend

Eleni Kurtis, 4, gives her snowman a hug outside her home in Culver. Despite the chill remaining in the air, the season for snowman-making may finally be winding down in Culver, as temperatures slowly crept upwards in recent days.

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