

# The Culver Citizen



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## In Brief

### Student Shakespeare play is Friday

Monterey Elementary School will present its 17th annual student Shakespeare play this Friday, April 9 at 1 p.m. for a public-welcome dress rehearsal, and at 6 p.m. the same day, in the school's gymnasium. This year's play is "The Taming of the Shrew." Admission is at no cost, though there will be a freewill donation at the door. The students are in the process of deciding to which charity the proceeds will go. Those with questions may call the school at 574-542-2601.

### Sports Spectacular this Friday

Culver Community High School will host its annual Sports Spectacular from 6 to 11 p.m. Friday, April 3 at the high school gymnasium. Doors will open at 5:30. At 6 p.m., there will be a faculty versus students volleyball game. This is followed by thirteen events that test the numerous abilities of CCHS' students. At 8 p.m., the faculty will play the students in basketball. The annual dance contest will be after the basketball game, followed by a high school dance from 9 to 11 p.m. Admission to the Sports Spectacular is \$3, and the dance will be free for high school students. All proceeds go to the Culver Community Athletic Department.

### Trinity baked potato supper Friday

Trinity Lutheran will hold a baked potato supper at the train station-depot in Culver Friday, April 9. All are encouraged to dine from 4:30 to 7 p.m. This is a fund raiser to support the Culver Food Pantry and Trinity. Feel free to bring personal products (deodorant, soap, toothpaste, etc.) the evening of the dinner and those items will be delivered to the Culver Food Pantry. Hammered dulcimer music will be provided by Marcy Prochaska of the Culver area. In addition, the students representing the CAVS and the Culver Academies Service Club will be providing service at the supper. Tickets can be purchased from any Trinity member or they can be purchased at the door. Tickets are \$7 adult and \$4 child 12 and under.

### Baseball, softball signups

Culver youth baseball and

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## Easter fun

The Culver Town Park held its traditional Easter egg hunt last Saturday during which 1,000 eggs were hidden and gathered by area children. LEFT: Landon Widner, age 2, is given a hand by mom Wendy. CENTER: Maleah Schuldt, age 1, proudly displays one of her finds. RIGHT: Park Superintendent Kelly Young, left, distributes one of the hundreds of prizes given to children, in this case to Madelyne Strycker and young McKenna Strycker, age 3.

# Relay for Life 2010 hits Culver April 16

- Colts player, new highlights this year
- Organizers encourage sign-ups, beating third-year odds

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

In just over a week, Culver will revisit what has become one of its greatest recent success stories, and an event embraced by Culverites from virtually all facets of the diverse community. Relay for Life is back, and will begin at 6 p.m. Friday night, April 16, running as before through the night.

This year, points out Relay co-chair and Culver Academies senior Ian Greenberg, the earlier starting time will facilitate an earlier departure time, allowing participants to leave the Culver Academies football field at State Roads 10 and 117 – the site of the Relay – one hour earlier than in years past. Breakfast will take place at 4 a.m., says Greenberg, though food will continue "non-stop throughout the night."

This will mark the third year locally for the popular event, a fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society. Culver made waves after the 2008 debut Relay surpassed national and regional Relay expectations by tens of thousands of dollars and raised over \$100,000. That same success was repeated last year, and the fact that Culver's is one of the few Relay events to take place on a high school campus and to be organized by high school students, only added to Culver's prestige. In fact, Culver's Relay was given a national award for its efforts by the Society, singled out among thousands of event locales across the US.

Further, many locally felt the Relay's success lay not only in the financial and emotional support it gave the battle against cancer, but in its remarkable capacity to unify various sub-communities within the broader Culver community. Students, faculty, and alumni from Culver Academies worked alongside young people and adults of the town of Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee communities, among others. The value placed locally on Relay's efforts was evidenced earlier this year when Culver's Lions Club recognized the Relay for Life committee as Organization of the Year at its annual awards event.



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The survivors lap from last year's Relay for Life was one memorable part of the event.

Greenberg is aware, as those in Culver may have noticed, that there were fewer local events leading up to this year's event than in years past. He attributes that largely to this year being "a giant transformational year" for the Relay committee, as Greenberg and co-chair Maddie Balchan will graduate from Culver this June, marking the departure of the last set of students who were present for the first Relay. Thus, Greenberg and Balchan, along with third co-chair AJ Cook, have been working feverishly to ensure the event continues into the future, which means training other students to carry on the work.

Among the offerings at this year's Relay event will be, once again, a player from this year's Super Bowl-participating Indianapolis Colts football team, a professional DJ from

## Davies' 'Buhdda' is second novel in Culver trilogy

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

The sweeping beauty and old-world ambience of Culver Academies and Lake Maxinkuckee have made the area the site of several novels of fantasy and adventure of one sort or another, from Meredith Nicholson's 1906 national bestseller, "The House of a Thousand Candles" (inspired in part by the Academies campus) to Kurt Vonnegut Jr.'s "Slapstick," among others. In more recent years, *Culver Citizen* contributor Dr. John Houghton set his fantasy novel, "Rough Magicke" in a fictional version of Culver.



Richard Davies

Add to that list Richard Gwyn Davies' latest (2009) novel, "The Buddha at Culver," a sequel in fact to his 2006 fantasy novel, "Swords at Culver." Both were published by Unlimited Publishing (unlimitedpublishing.com) of Bloomington.

Adding to the mixture of mythology, folklore, and fantasy which undergirds both books is another aspect of Culver which distinguishes it from most Indiana communities its size: its diversity.

One of the new novel's central characters is an actual, ordained Buddhist nun, the Venerable Shi Wuling who for a time made regular visits to Culver. Davies says he read an arti-

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## Donkeyball fever hits Culver April 20

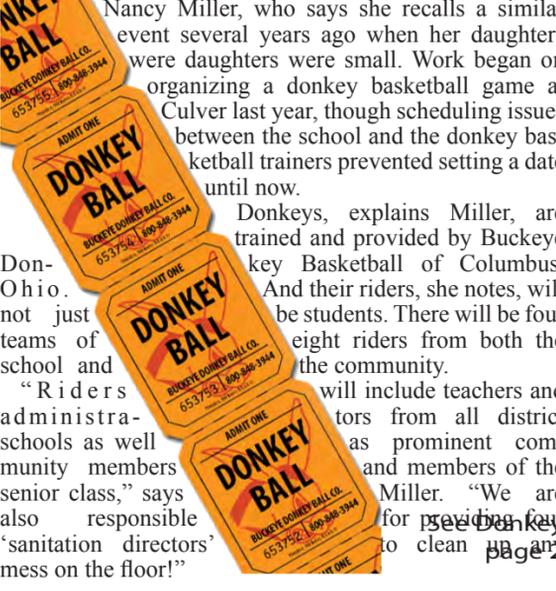
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Culverites have long seen fit to support their local basketball team, and now they'll have a chance to cheer on an even more stubborn bunch of players than usual... those of the four-legged, rather than the two-legged variety. They'll be on hand Tuesday, April 20 starting at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6 p.m.) at the Culver Community High School gymnasium for an action-packed game of donkey basketball.

The idea for such an event came from CCHS parent Nancy Miller, who says she recalls a similar event several years ago when her daughters were daughters were small. Work began on organizing a donkey basketball game at Culver last year, though scheduling issues between the school and the donkey basketball trainers prevented setting a date until now.

Donkeys, explains Miller, are trained and provided by Buckeye Key Basketball of Columbus, Ohio. And their riders, she notes, will not just be students. There will be four teams of eight riders from both the school and the community.

"Riders will include teachers and administrators from all district schools as well as prominent community members and members of the senior class," says Miller. "We are also responsible for providing 'sanitation directors' to clean up any mess on the floor!"



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## Buddha from page 1

cle featuring her in a South Bend newspaper and contacted the nun, who was staying temporarily in Mishawaka to help care for her ailing mother. Wuling, at the request of Davies and others at Culver Academies, began coming to Culver every two or three weeks to work with a now-defunct religious group on campus, Sacred Silence.

"I grew absolutely fascinated by her," recalls Davies. "She's a wonderful human being. I asked her if she could summarize the teachings of the lord Buddha. She said, 'Avoid evil, try and do good, and purify your intentions.' I said at the time, 'It doesn't get any better than that.' I mean, what else do you want?"

The inclusion of the non-fictional Wuling — using her actual name — in his very fictional novel continues a practice Davies began in his first book, which he says was inspired in part by Tim Markle, a former student he dubbed Timothy Marks in the book. In that first book, says Davies, his story played with parallels between Native American mythology and western myths along such as the Knights of the Round Table. The same synchronistic elements began to percolate, he says, with regards to Wuling's Buddhism and Native American lore.

Another real-life event from Culver inspired some aspects of the novel as well, Davies notes. Many may recall the visit to Culver Academies a few years ago of a group of Tibetan Buddhist monks, who spent days constructing an intricate sand Mandala at Eppley Auditorium, only to destroy their creation, part of an ancient Tibetan tradition. The monks also performed a concert of ancient chanting and ceremonial music at the conclusion of their Culver stay.

"After the Tibetan monks arrived, our (Academies students) were absolutely fascinated by them," Davies says. Among other questions: "How could they be great basket-

ball players and be monks?"

In the book, Davies says, his own character explains to students that the monks' meditation techniques and the accompanying concentration and dedication "make it easier to sink their shots."

Davies recalls the Mandala ceremony, whose fictional representation in the novel includes a graphic vision of the impermanence of life and youth the ceremony symbolizes, and its real-life culmination in a procession across the Culver campus with the sand — with horns blowing — to the edge of the lake.

"The students and faculty walked with the monks out to the lake," says Davies, recollecting the actual incident. "I almost laughed out loud (when we reached the lake). There was a little canoe with a man and his small dog there. The man's jaw fell open as he gazed at the sight before him!"

"The Buddha at Culver" still revolves around the two central characters from the first novel, the aforementioned Marks and fellow student Merthyn Jones, though they're joined this time around by new characters — also inspired by former students of Davies' — with fictionalized names Alex Marconi, Wyatt McTaggart, and Jessica Calvin. Jessica Calvin's name, smiles Davies, was a "hidden joke" since her real-life name is Jessica Knox. John Knox, a famous historical figure, was actually a Calvinist theologian, and Davies learned later that the real-life Jessica Knox is actually related to the theologian.

"Often I will create something in fiction," he explains, "only to discover, lo and behold, there's a real connection in life!"

One real-life Culver-area legend, Potawatomi Indian chief Pau-Koo-Shuck, is also a central figure in the story, appearing to the Marconi character and aiding him in the students' and faculty members' warfare with evil forces as the story unfolds. This novel also reintroduces two (fictional) evil Native American characters from the first book and pits them against the students and faculty, who turn to Wuling and others for spiritual and physical aid in their battles.

Other non-fictional Culver names turn up in the story as well, from longtime faculty members Bob Meek and Jacqui Irwin, to fellow fantasy novelist and former Acad-

emies faculty member John Houghton. The story is set, of course, in a true-to-life detailed Culver, and as in the first novel, a climactic battle takes place in the Academies' Bird Sanctuary, site of the long-held summertime Council Fire Indian dances of the school's Woodcraft Camp.

"The Bird Sanctuary is a place of ritual," Davies says. "Its origins are incredibly ancient. The first people who taught Indian lore here were Native Americans. The Indian dances here are what the Indians would call recreational dancing rather than religious, but all dancing has spiritual power. It's a very ancient site; I felt it was necessary to return to it."

Davies says he chose Culver as the setting for his novels largely because it's home. "If magic exists, it exists in your own home, and I think it does," he explains. "Both ordinary magic and (what fantasy writer C.S. Lewis termed) 'deeper magic.' One fantasy writer of the 1960s and early 1970s initially set his stories in Wales and they involved fantastic stuff outside our normal kin. But he became convinced that magic had to occur in the here and now. After all, C.S. Lewis starts his fantasy series at the back of a clothes cupboard!"

His first two books, says Davies, are planned as part of a trilogy, with the final novel planned to be titled, "Sufis at Culver," and based around another real-life figure, Sheikh Mbacki Sien, a Senegali teacher who spent a year instructing at Culver some years ago and who remains very active with a Sufi Muslim sect in his home country.

The Venerable Shi Wu Ling, who now lives in Australia with the Buddhist community of Chinese origin of which she's a part, was "very pleased with the (latest) book. She corrected the draft on specifics of the story. She enjoyed it."

Davies very consciously chose to root both his novels in religious traditions differing from his own Roman Catholic one for a variety of reasons, including the "deeper" one that, says Davies, "The deep spiritual truths are pointed to by every tradition."

Clearly, he hopes to convey some of those truths using the medium of the fictional novel.

"We are drawn by stories," he concludes.

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The game will include four quarters, with each team playing in two quarters.

Tickets to the event, sponsored by the Culver Community High School Athletic Boosters, are \$6 in advance or \$8 at the door (those aged five and under are free), and tickets

are available at the CCHS bookstore, First National Bank of Monterey-Culver branch, and from booster members. Concessions will be available at the game, and proceeds will be spent to provide Culver athletes with equipment and uniforms.

"We hope for a great turnout and lots of community support," says Miller.

## Relay from page 1

All-Pro DJ of Plymouth providing music, "a bunch of inflatables to make the fun zone even more attractive" donated by Extreme Sports, and hopefully the head physician from the Northwester Cancer Institute. The participating tent company for this year's Relay is donating a "giant dance floor" for the middle of the field this time around

as well.

In addition, recurring, popular events will return for 2010, from the food fair, the "Mr. Relay" contest, and a host of games and activities, to more touching aspects of Relay such as the presence luminaria (paper bagged candles in honor of a loved one lost to or fighting cancer) and the luminaria and other themed laps

such as the survivors' lap, the keynote speech from a cancer survivor, and more. There will once again be a Survivor's Dinner, held this year at the Legion Memorial Building on the Academies campus. Greenberg encourages any survivor who wishes to participate to contact him at 503-702-3001.

Money, adds Green-

berg, was another "huge concern" this year, as the US economy continues to struggle. And, while Relay 2010 has quite a few dollars to raise to reach this year's goal of \$125,000, thanks to several donors who have stepped up to the plate, the balance is presently over \$70,000.

One major boost came from last year's lead sponsor (at \$15,000 or more), Fair Oaks Dairy from Fair Oaks, Indiana. As was the case last year, the McCloskey family of Fair Oaks — whose sons are also Academies students — have lent a myriad of assistance to the event, including providing drinks, a "milk chug contest," and several fun components for participants to enjoy April 16.

Gold sponsors such as Academies alums the

Brewer (of Cornell Forge), Fellowes, Gignilliat, and Henderson families — all of whom have members who have battled cancer, notes Greenberg — stepped up as gold sponsors of \$5,000 and above.

With over 550 participants — that's 65 teams at press time — registered, Greenberg says the number of teams is "way up" this year. The majority of people, he knows, register the day of the event, though participants are encouraged to register ahead online if possible, at [www.culver.org/relay](http://www.culver.org/relay) (which is also where more information can be found) or by calling the number above.

The Relay committee is also looking for help April 16 during the day in setting up tents and more, says Greenberg, who adds

that those groups wishing to pay an extra fee for tents already set up may do so by contacting him as well.

In general, though, the committee emphasizes its encouragement to people simply to sign up, register, and volunteer.

"They say your third year (of Relay events) is always the hardest," he adds. "People lose the most interest the third year, typically, they say. So we want to prove them wrong."

In 2008, Culver's Relay team was told to expect to raise little more than \$30,000 of their \$100,000 goal.

Culver has a history of "proving them wrong."

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## St. Patrick's Day patrols lead to alcohol-related charges

During a two week period centered around the St. Patrick's Day Holiday, the Culver Police Department participated in a statewide increased traffic enforcement aimed toward drunk driving enforcement.

While four officers of the Culver Police Department worked an additional eleven hours of traffic enforcement, three people were charged with alcohol related charges.

On March 7, a vehicle was stopped for a headlamp violation. During the traffic stop, it was discovered that two occupants of the vehicle whom were nineteen years of age had been consuming alcohol.

Shawn Grounds, 19, of Kewanna, Indiana and Cole K Hinderlider, 19, of Rochester, Indiana were both summoned for Illegal Consumption of an Alcoholic Beverage.

On March 17, 2010 a vehicle was stopped for no license plate. During the course of the traffic stop the driver was found to be under the influence of alcohol.

Melvin A. Dipert, 59, of Tyner, Indiana was arrested for Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated.

## Culver's Market Basket gives back to community with crafts

Tea and craft events offered at The Market Basket and Company, 13775 State Road 17 (just south of the State Road 8 intersection) were so much fun, says Kathy Meek of the Market Basket, that plans are set for April classes. However, classes will be a bit different this month and will be "more of a crafters meet up group to get together, share ideas, give back to the community, and work on crafts," notes Meek.

Among the community service-oriented programs slated for this month is an April 20 get-together to cut quilt squares for Operation Quiet Comfort, with Jan Houin. Operation Quiet Comfort is a nonprofit endeavor which seeks, among other things, to create quilts for service men and women which are used to keep the wounded warm on long, cold flights. More information is available at operationquietcomfort.com.

The April 27 get-together will feature jewelry made by girls rescued from prostitution by the non-profit group Destiny Rescue. There will be jewelry for sale and supplies available to bead your own bracelet as well.

Other programs scheduled include making a glass paperweight on April 13.

Held each Tuesday from 1 to 3 p.m., Tuesday Tea and Crafts encourages crafters to participate, bring their own unfinished project to work on, or purchase supplies to create a craft.

For more information, contact Kathy Meek at 574-842-2145.



## Helping Culver 'go green'

LEFT: Peggy Lowry of Culver's Park N' Shop hands a recyclable grocery bag to Jim Harper during her March 11 visit to Culver's REAL Services nutrition site, where she discussed with attendees nutritional food options for Nutrition Day. Customers at the store, she said, can receive five cents off their receipt for each reusable grocery bag they bring in themselves, part of an effort to be more eco-friendly. The grocery is also stocking smaller, 100-calorie food packets, she said, and has added more exotic fruits to its offerings such as mango, papaya, star fruits, and others, all of which she noted are great for making salads, salsa, and leaner chicken-based dishes.

Lowry, who said she has worked at Park N' Shop since she was 14 years old, suggested audience members seeking to eat healthier may want to do more shopping on the "outer aisles" of the store, where fresh produce, meats, and dairy are generally located. Lowry also shared healthy recipes with her audience and noted the store recently added a scooter for in-store use for those with difficulties getting around. Tuesdays, she pointed out, are senior citizen days at the store as well.

## Anniversary - Cramer



Bert and Norma Cramer, 13492 State Road 17, Culver, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house April 17 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Culver Depot.

The couple was married April 16, 1960 at Packerton EUB Church by Rev. Ross Cook.

Their children are Lisa

(Chad) Shidler, Rochester, and Brent (Missy) Cramer, Dulap.

They also have eight grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and three step-grandchildren. Bert is retired from Cramers Floor Covering as the owner. Norma is retired from Cramers Floor Covering and Ancilla PHJC. Bert is a member of Gideon International. They attend Pretty Lake Church. They request no gifts, only memories for a scrapbook.

## Farmers market 'boot camp' offered

Market masters and vendors both can learn about regulations that could impact their operations at farmers' markets across northern Indiana this year by attending a "boot camp" co-sponsored by Indiana Farm Bureau, the Indiana Cooperative Development Center Inc., and Purdue Extension.

All of the boot camps run from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and are free. Registration, however, is required. Participants should call 317-692-7707, or visit [www.icdc.coop/food](http://www.icdc.coop/food) for more information and to register for one or more of the following locations: April 13, Indianapolis, Indiana Farm Bureau home office. Register by April 10. April 16, Jasper (Ind.) Inn. Register by April 13. April 20, Valparaiso's Strongbow Inn. Register by April 16. April 21, Columbia City, county Farm Bureau office. Register by April 19. April 23, Seymour Holiday Inn Express. Register by April 20.

## Wedding - Carlson-Day

Diana Carlson and Lt. Timothy Day were united in marriage at 4 p.m. Feb. 20, 2010 in Columbia, S.C. during a double-ring ceremony.

The bride wore a dark blue, formal gown and carried Calla Lillies.



A reception will take place with family and friends when Day is on leave, May 16, at Marmont Grill, Culver.

The bride is the daughter of Jerry and Debby Carlson, Culver. She is a 2004 graduate of Culver Community High School and attended Indiana University, Bloomington.

The groom is the son of Ray and Kim Day, Winamac. He is a 2003 graduate of Culver Community High School and attended Indiana University Bloomington.

He serves with the U.S.

Army at Fort Jackson, S.C.

## 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, April 8:** BBQ pork, bun, baked beans, mixed vegetables, pineapple, and milk.

**Friday, April 9:** Cheeseburger with pickles, baby carrots, califlower and broccoli salad, bun, cook's choice fruit, 100 percent juice, and milk.

**Monday, April 12:** Turkey Manhattan, garlic

bread, tossed salad, Italian dressing, green beans, pineapple, and milk.

**Tuesday, April 13:** Turkey Manhattan, Mashed Potatoes, beets, cook's choice dessert, sourdough bread, and milk.

**Wednesday, April 14:** Salisbury Steak w/ Gravy,

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carrots, broccoli, wheat bread and margarine, strawberries, and milk.

**Thursday, April 15:** Stuffed Green Peppers, cubed potatoes, wheat bread and margarine, fruit in season, 100 percent juice and milk.

**Friday, April 16:** Chick-

en & Noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread and margarine, tropical fruit, brownie and whipped topping, and milk.

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## Clean water starts at home

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Clean water in Lake Maxinkuckee starts at home with basic practices you or your professional lawn service can incorporate into your lawn care program. If you live anywhere in the majority of Culver or anywhere around the lake itself, you belong to the Lake Maxinkuckee watershed. North as far as Morrison Feed on S.R. 17, south into the northern part of Pulaski County, and East to roughly just past Peach Road is the broad boundary of the watershed outside of town. Anything that goes on or into the ground can eventually drain into

the lake.

Thanks to sound science, we now understand how phosphorus-containing lawn fertilizers contribute to poor water quality. Phosphorus, the middle number on the lawn fertilizer bag, is present in all living things – including soil. Too much and you upset nature's balance. Most of the soil in our area already contains adequate amounts of phosphorus for a healthy lawn, so most lawns don't need the extra foods. The middle number on your fertilizer or lawn care products should be zero unless you have a newly seeded lawn or where soil testing indicates a deficiency. You can contact the Purdue Cooperative Extension office at 574-935-8545 to get information on soil-testing procedures.



By Kathy Clark, Executive Director, Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council

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The LMEC has worked for several years to prevent the use of phosphorus containing fertilizers in our area. All of the golf courses around the lake, Mystic Hills, Maxinkuckee County Club, and the Culver Academies, including the Academies entire campus, have stopped using phosphorus containing fertilizers which makes for a great start. For personal use, Culver Hardware, as well as other stores in Plymouth and Knox, has been stocking phosphorus-free lawn fertilizer for a couple of years now. Some lawn care services like Sellers Services, use only phosphorus free fertilizers, you just need to check with your service to be sure. Your service provider should be certified for chemical applications through the Indiana State Chemist's office. If you aren't sure – simply ask them to show you their license. The certification program is not expensive, but making a mistake can be.

Phosphorus is "junk food" for algae and weeds present in the lake. One pound of phosphorus can produce 10,000 pounds of wet weeds and algae. Repeated algae blooms create "green" lakes which can cause the water to smell and produce poor water quality for fish, wildlife and humans. Some forms of blue-green algae can be toxic! Poor water quality can significantly reduce recreational use of the lake. It also reduces property values.

In the early 1970s Indiana was a pioneer in banning phosphorus in laundry detergents which led to a nation-wide ban in later years. Last June, Indiana banned phosphorus in dishwashing detergents starting this year. Some of you may have read recently that a county-wide ban against the sale or use of fertilizers containing phosphorus in Stueben County was overturned by the Office of the State Chemist who has the ultimate authority to ban substances. Now, the Indiana Wildlife Federation has begun a campaign to get legislation drafted banning phosphorus-containing lawn fertilizers state-wide. The IWF recently ap- See Water page 6

## Let it snow

It wasn't that long ago when snow covered the ground. I thought we might get at least a little more snow when the weather folks were predicting an overnight low of 19 a couple of weeks ago, but that snow never came. With highs predicted to be in the seventies last week, the last of the snow - if any remained - should be gone. I don't care too much for snow when it is falling and my opinion of it doesn't get much better when I shovel it off of the driveway, so I'm a "happy camper" now that I don't need to be concerned about snow for another 7 - 10 months. But there is a simple beauty - that approaches wonderful awe - when looking at freshly fallen snow under a full moon. And there is a sense of amazement when blinded by the snow on a sunny day.



### Pastor's Corner

By the Rev. K.C. Dehning  
Trinity Lutheran Church

(Isaiah 1:18 NKJV) What a contrast to the eyes when seen next to each other - the colors scarlet and white. It is an image which helps us to realize the magnitude of God's forgiveness. A complete change takes place when God's forgiveness cleans away the sin in our lives. Much like the world around us undergoes a visual change when covered with a blanket of snow, we too, undergo a change when God's forgiveness blankets us with Christ's righteousness. Instead of the filth of our sinfulness, God sees the purity of Christ's righteousness, not because of anything we have done, but because He has placed this righteousness upon

Isaiah writes, "Though you sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow."

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## Where in the world is the Culver Citizen?

Another of our readers has submitted a photo (BELOW) of the sophisticated, world-traveling *Culver Citizen* (never leave Culver without it!) on one of its excursions, and your, our readers, are invited to guess just where the paper has traveled to this time.

The editor encourages those traveling outside Culver to shoot similar photos of themselves or family or friends with the paper in hand at some well-known, iconic, or unusual location around the state, country, or world.

Guesses as to the location of this photo or submissions of similar photos may be emailed to citizen@culcom.net, dropped off in one of our drop boxes (located at the Culver Public Library and Culver Coffee Company), or call the editor at 574-216-0075.

## Name that Culver "citizen"

Last week's Mystery Citizen, Gary Shaffer, seems to have stumped most readers, though not due to his lack of visibility in the Culver area, where his lake services business, coaching at Culver Community High School, and other endeavors make him a well-known Culverite. Brenda Osborn was the only reader to identify him from last week's photo. She, however, wondered if her guess is fair since she's his sister!



Left: Last week's Mystery Citizen, Gary Shaffer, then and now. Right: this week's mystery citizen.

This week's Mystery Citizen is someone most every Culverite who's been here long will have run into in recent years.



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## Taking Culver with them to Florida

Jim Sawhook recently shared these photos from what has become an annual event organized by Culver's Dusty Henricks in Naples, Florida. Forty Culver residents got together in late February (with Culver Citizen in hand, as is pictured above, left, held by Sugar Keedy) at the Turtle Club in Naples and undoubtedly spent most of the gathering discussing the hot topics addressed in that week's paper.

In the photo AT LEFT, front row from left to right, are John Keedy, Sugar Keedy, and Jerry Hudson. Back row, Dave Baker, Judy Sawhook, Jackie (Walaitis) Johnson and Bill Johnson.

In the photo AT RIGHT are Henricks and Terry Brantingham, with the Gulf of Mexico in the background.

## Young Author story winner: "My life - 2034"

*Editor's note: The Citizen recently published one of two winning writings from the 2010 Marshall County Young Author's Conference, held March 11 at Culver Elementary School. Below is the second winning entry, by CES sixth grader Cheyenne Durbin.*

### "My life-2034"

By Cheyenne Durbin

Prologue: Have you ever thought about what your life would be like in fifteen years or so? There is a world where global warming caused all the glaciers to melt and flooded the land

Today is February 14, 2034. Valentines Day is finally here! My kids are so excited because they don't have to go to school. Normally they would wake up, have breakfast, put on their swimming gear, and go to school. A regular school day would be learning how to swim, do math, learn science, and study the history of the Americas. My daughter Crystal asked me why they don't study the oceans as much as the Americas. I told her that the Americas were here for millions of years but the oceans have only been



Cheyenne Durbin

here for fourteen years! My husband Kole was getting my valentine gift. My son Cameron came in and asked, "Who is your valentine mommy?"  
 "Well you daddy of course! I love him as much as I love you!"  
 "That's not fair," he said, "I thought you loved me the most!"  
 All I did was laugh. I went into the kitchen and made some delicious sandwiches for everybody. Then Kole got home. He gave me my gift. It was a diamond ring and an Angel Fish. It was beautiful. It was a reddish, pinkish color. I named it Angel. Then we gave our children their gifts. Sarah got a Sea Star, Cameron got a Box Turtle, and Crystal got a beautiful shell! Cameron put his turtle in his massive aquarium in his room. Sarah put her Sea Star in the fish tank with her corral reef col-

lection and Sea Horses. Crystal put her shell on the shelf above her bed. Then I gave Kole his gift. I gave him a small squid. He fell in love all over again, but I didn't care. I knew he would love it because that is his favorite sea creature.

Later that night we all went outside of our dome to swim. We had so much fun! Their were so many colorful fish! Crystal was able to touch many of them. She wanted to scream with excitement, but she knew if she did she would scare the fish. Later while the kids were getting ready for bed, Kole and I walked through our beautiful garden and watched the fish swim by. It is very rare to see a garden in one of the domes, but I have found a way to keep them around all season long. I really like to live under water, but there are many flaws! For example, I miss watching the snow fall on a cold winter day. The way it looks when there aren't any foot steps in it. I miss the sledding, building snowmen, and of course the snowball fights! Some nights I'll think about what it would be like to do those things with my children but they have never seen snow. Every night I'll go to sleep with those dreams locked away in my head.

## Sports briefs

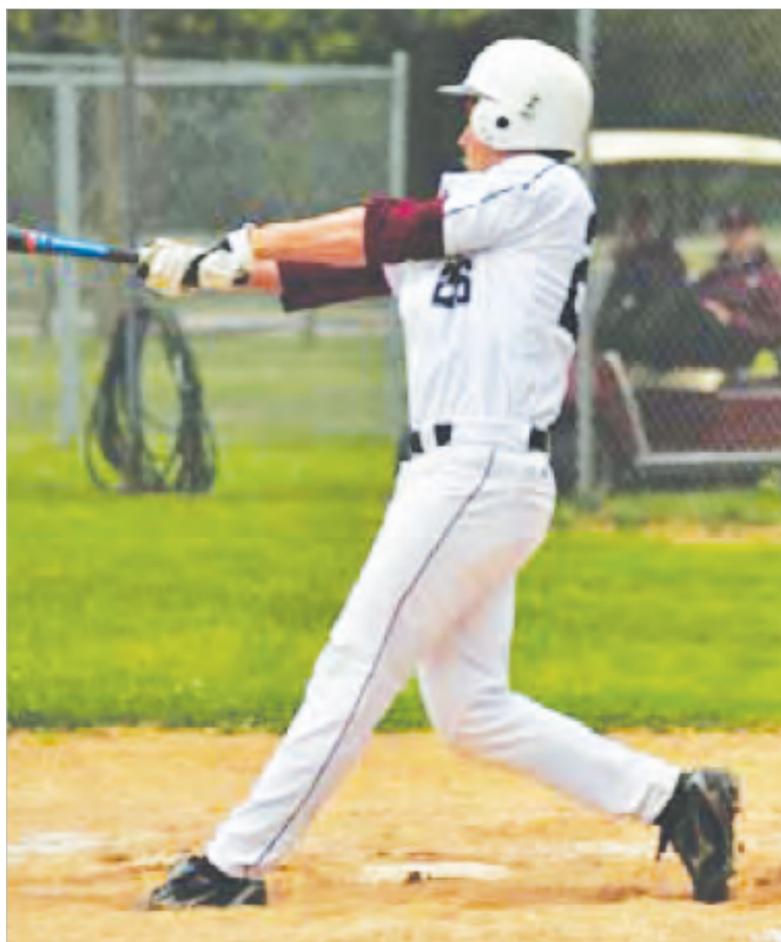
### Academies' Bartleman headed for Chicago

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RIGHT: Connor Bartleman, a senior outfielder for Culver Academies, has decided to continue his baseball career at the University of Chicago. The strong-armed right fielder is finishing his fourth varsity baseball season for the Eagles. Bartleman has quick hands, and as a mainstay in the middle of the line-up, he has been a leader at the plate. During his junior campaign, Bartleman hit .388, with a SLG of .567, an OBS of .456, and drove in 19 runs. He has hit at a .393 clip for his career.

Bartleman's exposure as a member of the 17U Indiana Prospects Baseball Club and as a participant at the Perfect Game Baseball showcases, where he was named a 2009 High School All-American and a top twenty Indiana prospect, has also contributed significantly in his development; however, it has been the work in the classroom that has enabled this unique opportunity to attend one of the world's most prestigious universities.

Kurt Christiansen, head baseball coach at the Culver Academies, says "Connor is a leader on and off the field. He leads in the classroom too. I believe his hard work as a student athlete has afforded him this special opportunity. Not only has he taken advantage of Culver and prepared himself academically, but he has improved as a baseball player by playing the best competition all summer and by competing throughout the winter in Culver's nationally recognized hockey program." Look for Bartleman to make an immediate impact for the University of Chicago Maroons in 2011. To learn more about the Culver Academies baseball program visit [www.culver.org](http://www.culver.org).



### Youth Soccer

Coach Marlo Anderson's third and fourth grade boys' soccer team shut out Plymouth 7-0 on Saturday morning. Cody Russell and Fisher Shea led Culver with two goals each. Jack Schmiedlin, Pat Schmiedlin, and Marcellus Anderson also added goals for Culver. Culver's record is 1-0 on the season.

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approached a group called the Indiana Lakes Work Group asking for their help. The ILWG is a state-wide group consisting of two state representatives and two state senators as well as about 20 people representing state environmental groups, non-profits, vendors, and at-large representatives who work, live, or play at Indiana's lakes. Local State Representative Nancy Dembowski is the Chair of this year's ILWG. After hearing about the impact of phosphorus on lakes and streams that comes from lawn fertilizers, the ILWG has decided to make investigating draft legislation in support of the state-ban during its 2010 session its number one priority.

The proposed ban on fertilizer that contains phosphorus has nothing to do with agricultural interests. Any plants that seed, flower, or fruit need phosphorus. Scott's, one of the largest makers of lawn care products, has agreed to stop production of lawn fertilizers with phosphorus. The current cost of phosphorus has risen due to huge purchases made by China and others. This has led to a rise in the cost of phosphorus. By eliminating it in their lawn products they can still provide it for agricultural products. If you use any growth product on your garden or flower beds at home, be sure to follow directions - this can avoid contamination in the lake. It is considered best by "those in the know" to only fertilize your estab-

### Pastors from page 4

us in our Baptism and through His Word.

But much like the ground comes into view when the snow begins to melt, our sinful nature quickly comes through when we turn again from God to our own desires. How important it is then, to be involved in worship each week to hear again of God's forgiving love and receive from Him, through His Word and Sacraments, the forgiveness of our sins. This forgiveness of sins was won for you by the death of our Lord, Jesus on the cross of Calvary. Recently, we heard again what some have called The Greatest Story Ever Told, the Passion of our Lord.

Last week, the season of Lent reached its climax in what is known as Holy Week and many churches had special worship services on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. As we recalled the depth of Christ's agony in the torture chamber and on the cross, we were compelled to remember that our sins brought all this upon Him and we were reminded of the depth to which our Lord traveled to win for the whole world the forgiveness of sins. Through Christ, our High Priest, we have gained free access to God, as the writer of Hebrews declares, "Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need." (Hebrews 4:16 NKJV) What happened last week makes us members of God's royal and universal priesthood, which includes all believers and only believers in Christ.

On Easter Sunday, the solemnity of Good Friday was shattered by the lights, the shouts of joy, the singing, and the return of the "Alleluia." From the darkest day of the Church Year on Good Friday, the people of God leaped to the highest festival of the Church Year on Easter Sunday and participated in the "feast of victory" with all the saints of God as we rejoiced in Christ's victory over death which is also our victory.

The contrast we witnessed last week is the contrast Isaiah spoke of and his words were fulfilled in the death and resurrection of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins, "Though your sins are like scarlet they shall be as white as snow." (Isaiah 1:18 NKJV)

Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
 He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

# EDUCATION



## Culver's Students of the Month

Culver Community Middle School students selected to be representative of Student of the Month were treated to a special breakfast Feb. 12. They were (from left): Front row, Haley Klimaszewski, Alexis Robles, Megan Deon, Colin Deon, Michael Davidge, Caleb Dehning, John White, Kody Hansen, Maeve Kline, Grace Lorenz, Evan Smith, and Adam Tompos; and back row, Samantha Howard, Angela Lewellen, Maddie Coby, Donna Zehner, Paxton Schmidt(hidden), Dylan Bennett, Nick Pritz, Jacoda Anderson, Hayes Barnes, Trevor Hopkins, Clayton Barger, Alex Anderson, Brandon Buckman, and Gunnar Schmidt.

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## Monterey BUGS students

Monterey Elementary School has announced its BUGS students

**First grade:** Chloe Baker, Ashley Burkett, Joey Collins, Aubrey Gearhart, Olivia Gilley, Kolton Hartle, Noah Risner, Reagan Sheets, Dakota Smith, Blake Thompson, Hunter Watwood, Laine Widner

**Second grade:** Colin Barkely, Jasmine Felda, Sarah Keller, Breana Poull, Amber Watts, Nikki Watts, Nathan Wood

**Third grade:** Alyssa Bailey, Charles Binion, Eyvi Binion, Ryan Bradley, Sydney Clinger, Shelby Fritch, Elizabeth Johnson, Savanna Johnson, Alyssa Kinyanjui, Naomi Mires, Mary Osborn

**Fourth grade:** Andrew Barkley, Lance Beaver, Melissa Bradley, Emily Fisher, Dalton Hartle, Jordan Hopkins, Ricardo Jurado, Rachel Kunts, Deanna Lewis, Thom Loehmer, Wyatt Loehmer, Raven Rerese, Bryce Reynolds, Kia-El Riale, Dillon Salyer, Taylor Thomas, Landon Tibbett, Blythe Weldon, Cole Weldon, Michael Wiringa

**Fifth grade:** Dawson Betinelli, Kendra Binion, Makayla Felda, Katie Garland, Taiwan Jackson, Hailey Jones, Brianna Kinyanjui, Faith Rowe, Courtney Salyer, Christopher Zehner, Jill Zehner

**Sixth grade:** Rebecca Rainey, Taylor Smith, Megan Thompson.

## Culver's Best

Culver Elementary School has announced its "Culver's Best" for February, 2010

**Kindergarten:** Dalton Powell, Spring Ye, Adrian Schouten, Phoenix Dickson, Brady Moise, Cody Winkler, Kierra Parker, Zoey Coble, Jordan Lewis-Otteman

**First Grade:** Harlyn White, Kenna Manns, Ethan Lima, Destiny Garza, Shane Stevens, Devin Hylton, Kelsey Heise, Tristin Minix, Damian Byers, Abbi Richard

**Second Grade:** Alexis Grove, Hanna Haimbaugh, Alexandra Temme, Drake Gross, Krisonica Hester, Gabe Sherman, Allan James, Makenzie Hymel, Jacob Fisher

**Third Grade:** Adrian Craig, Haley Pennington, Devin Kobold, Jacki Lindsley, Austin Danielson, Sarah Siebenhaar, Sarah Stefan

**Fourth Grade:** Emily Bradley, Logon Welsh, Nathan Clingler, Ryan Kline

**Fifth Grade:** Shawnie Clingler, Erin Bendy, Jennifer Dady, Dillon Jewell, Mandy Morrison

**Sixth Grade:** Jennah McCarthy, John Samra, Danny Flenner, Micaylah Rose, Diamond Skiles, Clare Nowalk, Jade Overmyer

## Culver Comm. Middle School honor roll

Culver Community Middle School has announced its third quarter honor roll students.

**Seventh grade, All As:** Katie Blocker, Mickella Hardy, Haley Klimaszewski, Frank Kline, Angela Lewellen, Madelyn Strycker, Megan Yeager

**A/B:** Alex Anderson, Marshall Anderson, Shelton Barger, Jerrod Betts, Madalynn Coby, Riley Dare, Michael Davidge, Kena Dulin, Paul Foersch, Alex Graham, Shelby Gross, Whitney Hopkins, Mark Mayer, Elizabeth McElroy, Dustie Pier, Brendon Pinder, Alecia Rearick, Tia Romig, A.J. Ross, Paxton Schmidt, Summer Turney, Janelle VanDePutte, Shianne Wagner, Donna Zehner.

**Eighth grade All As:** Hayes Barnes, Ashley Braasch, Shane Comiskey, Megan Deon, Maeve Kline, Stephen Paolini, Emily Shidler, Tim Wireman

**A/B:** Dylan Bennett, Denisha Brown, Nicolas Carbone, Victoria Christlieb, Donald Clark, Caleb Dehning, Trenton Elliott, Samantha Howard, Grace Lorenz, Megan Lyczak, Caleb Nash, Nick Pritz, Melissa Schalliol, Gunner Schmidt, Kayla Shaffer, Kennedy Thomas, Brittany Wilkman

## Culver Elementary honor roll

Culver Elementary School has announced its A/B honor roll for grading period 3

**Grade 1:** Braxton Roland Atkins, Matthew J Bailey, Ayden Malachi Burns, Damian Byers, Austin J Cooper, Ethan Michael Coyle, Kaydence Aileen Crane, Anthony J Czerniak, Damian R Dunn, Francis K Ellert, Makenzie Faith Handley, Joshua P Havron, Kelsey M Heise, Aubrey M Highberger, Katie M Hoffman, Rashae N Hoover, Devin Riely Hylton, Morgan J Keller, Kaleigh M Kephart, Taylor R Lewandowski, Ethan D Lima, Sarah Grace Lowry, Kenna N Manns, Tristin Mathias Minix, Ethan Wayne Moore, Abigail Nichole Neff, Jessica Renee Pietsch, Lillian E Proskey, Abigail E Richard, Wyatt M Ringer, Tyler D Rogers, Madison A Shedrow, Gracey M Sherman, Darren C Shock, Kendal S Stebbins, Shane M Stevens, Chyna Dawn Thomas, Harlyn T White, Jane D Wright

**Grade 2 :** Isabelle J Ahlenius, Kailyn Marie Ahlenius, William R Baldwin, Emily L Bendy, Kenzie Lynn Binkley, Ashley N Black, Anna R Blocker, Amanda Paige Bradley, Dakota J Clark, Aysia R Conley, Savana G Cook, Nicholas M Cornwall, Zachary A Ditmire, Trista Rae Fritter, Magdalene J Gormaly, Lily G Hayes, Gabriel M Hissong, Kagnie J Hoffman, Haley N Howard, Jadyn Elizabeth Howard, Makenzie M Hymel, Austin David Jones, Zane A Kisela, Emma E Krueger, Kamrinn L.J. Lowry, Hunter A Manns, Fiona E McLellan, Lance D Miller, Jordan J Mulvihill, Erin K Renneker, Dana T Rodgers, Lilly M Sayavongsing, Brooklyn M Sellers, Gabriel M Sherman, John P Sieber, Carter C Stevens, Alexandra R Temme, Ryan W Tompos, Owen R Valiquet, Mariah A Wilkinson, Robert Coltin Wynn, Donovan M Ziaja

**Grade 3:** Dakota Lee Bennett, Justin L Bennett, Madison P Brewer, Mackinna B Burleson, Rebecca C Christlieb, Wyatt J Coiner, Austin Charles Danielson, Brandon Ray England,

Katherine A Heim, Allison Rene Jones, Trenton M Jones, Gabrielle Jade Kegley, Nora H Kline, Devin Devon Kobold, Sarah T Luttrell, Jenna M Moise, Sarah E Morrison, Taylor M Noah, Maranda J Otteman, Allison M Pearl, Haley Jordyn Pennington, Kaysha L Redford, Kaitlyn K Renneker, Alyssa E Richard, Hunter Mn Ringer, Sara E Ringer, Samuel D Schaller, Hailey C Shipley, Tihana Stefanic, Alex R Wagner, Christian J Zakhi

**Grade 4:** Daniel L Aguilar, Emily Marie Bradley, See honor roll page 8

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## Monterey Elementary honor roll

**Grade 3, All A honor roll:** Alyssa S Kinyanjui

**A/B honor roll:** Charles E Binion, Ryan E Bradley, Sydney J Clingler, Dalton A Personette, Jebediah R. Smith

**Grade 4, A/B honor roll:** Melissa M. Bradley, Rachel M. Kunce, Bryce A. Reyn-

olds, Dillon R. Salyer, Taylor N. Thomas, Landon I Tibbett, Cole M. Weldon

**Grade 5, All A's honor roll:** Makayla A Felda, Katie E Garland, Hailey A Jones, Brianna S Kinyanjui, Jill E Zehner

**Grade 6, All A's honor roll:** Rebecca E Rainey,

Taylor E Smith, Megan R Thompson

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## Keitzer Trust scholarships available

CULVER — Application for scholarships to be awarded from the Charles B. and Lenore M. Keitzer Trust are available at the First National Bank, Monterey, and Culver Community High School, according to Claiborn M. Wamsley, president of the bank.

Community High School who have lived within a five-mile radius of Monterey for at least one year while in high school are eligible for the scholarship. One scholarship is to be awarded to a person who is a member of St. Anne's Catholic Church of Monterey and who is a full-time resident student studying

for the Priesthood of the Roman Catholic Church. One or more scholarships will be awarded to students who are graduates of Culver Community High School who are full-time students at a college or university. Charles and Lenore Keitzer were long-time residents of the Monterey

Community and Charles served as president of the First National Bank for many years. Deadline for filing applications at the First National Bank, Monterey and Culver Community High School is May 1, 2010, by 3 p.m. for both renewals and new applicants.

## Community calendar

**Thurs., April 8**  
 Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library  
 Story time, 3:30 p.m., Culver Public Library  
 Census job testing, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library  
 Kindergarten roundup, 6 p.m., Monterey Elementary School  
 Thursday Tech Time, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library  
 Knights of Columbus St. Mary of the Lake Council #13720 business mtg., 7 p.m., church rectory basement  
 Dr. Curt Bejes on heart health, 7 p.m., Culver Public Library

play ("The Taming of the Shrew"), 1 p.m. and 6 p.m., Monterey Elementary School  
 Baked potato supper for Culver food pantry and Trinity Lutheran Church, 4:30 p.m., train station-depot  
 Sports Spectacular, 6 p.m., Culver Community High School gymnasium

Free computer class, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library  
 DivorceCare, 7 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ  
 Culver Community School board mtg., 7 p.m., administration building

Knights of Columbus St. John Vianney Assembly business mtg., 7 p.m. St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church rectory basement

**Fri., April 9**  
 Computer class, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library  
 Student Shakespeare

**Sat., April 10**  
 Quilting group, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library  
 Wesley Preschool registration, 9:30 a.m., Wesley Preschool, School Street  
 Census job testing, 2 p.m., Culver Public Library

**Tues., April 13**  
 Town Council mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall

**Thurs., April 15**  
 Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library  
 Story time, 3:30 p.m., Culver Public Library  
 Census job testing, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library  
 Culver Elementary School spring concert, 6 p.m., CES gymnasium  
 Community meal, 6 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ  
 Board of Zoning Appeals mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall  
 Knights of Columbus St. Mary of the Lake Council #13720 business mtg., 7 p.m., church rectory basement

**Mon., April 12**  
 Story time, 11 a.m., Culver Public Library  
 Culver Redevelopment Commission, 4 p.m., town

**Weds., April 14**  
 Story time, 9:30 a.m., Culver Public Library  
 Genealogy mtg., 10 a.m., Culver Public Library  
 Culver history program, REAL Services, noon, Culver beach lodge  
 Hooked on Books discussion group, 3:30 p.m., Culver Public Library  
 Lions Club mtg., 6:30 p.m., train station-depot

## CES Students of the Month

Culver Elementary School has announced its Students of the Month for March.  
**Kindergarten:** Skyler Pike, Jack Madsen, Zachary Hine, Cameron Minix, Dayne Garbacik  
**First grade:** Makenzie Handley, Jessica Pietsch, Abby Neff, Hannah Branson  
**Second grade:** Drake Gross, Jadyne Howard, Zane Kise-la, Michael Moore  
**Third grade:** Allison Pearl, Gabrielle Kegley, Gabe Gomez, Nathan Riffle, Christian Zakhi  
**Fourth grade:** Sydney Parsons, Ryan Kline, Emily Bradley, Danny Cook  
**Fifth grade:** Brandon Havron, Garit Barnett, Vedrana Stefanic, Staci Jefferies, Brandon Havron, Josh Krsek, Austin Jones  
**Sixth grade:** Derek Keller, Megan Brady, Addyson Allyn

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Pierce H Ellert, Jasmynne D. Fowler,  
 Dylan C Lewandowski, Charles McCarty, Benjamin B Myers, Cara R Oquendo, Elise M Oquendo, Sydney G Pritz, Dalton E Reinhold, Reilly K Reinhold, RT Roberts, Jake S Rodgers, Raymie L Shoop, Macee Marie Strycker  
**Grade 5:** Aviana L Ahlenius, Erin E Bendy, Brenning Aaron Betts, Daniel L Blocker, Mackenna D Cavender, Jennifer L Dady, Drake Lee Garbacik, Dugan V Greer, Alexandria M Harris, Brandon P Havron, Tanner R Hoffman, Patrick D Kline, Joshua P Krsek, Matthew A Markovitz, Gomer S Minix, Jackson S Rich, Vedrana I Stefanic  
**Grade 6:** Machayla L Allen, Addyson P Allyn, Aaron M Becker, Andrea Bermudez, Daniel B Bettinelli, Courtney R Black, Hannah M Boland, Megan L Brady, Caitlyn A Cowell, Justine K Dexter, Cheyenne R Durbin, Teeno S Hite, Cecilia A Kenney, Everett J Krueger, Maria C Lindvall, Jennah D McCarthy, Margaret A McKinnis, Clare Nowalk, Kelsey A Shaffer, Cody A Valiquet, Kenneth M VanDePutte

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## Turning back the clock at Academies museum

Culver Chamber of Commerce members Margaret Dehne (far right) and Donna Baker (at Dehne's right) share a moment as Bene Montes and Barbara Winters (far left) take in the sights at the Culver Academies Museum and Gift Shop, while Rick Tompos, in the back, looks on. The Chamber held its March meeting at the museum, located at 102 South Main Street in downtown Culver, and were given a tour by curator Jeff Kenney, who shared the story of the development of the school and its relationship to the Culver community. Also discussed was the positive role the museum and gift shop is expected to have in bringing more visitors to downtown Culver and its eateries and businesses. Those in attendance also enjoyed refreshments provided by the Culver Coffee Company.

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softball (starting from age 4) sign-ups will be held Saturdays, April 10 and 17, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Culver-Union Township Public Library. All interested families are encouraged to sign up youngsters one of those days.

### Preschool registration April 10

Registration for Wesley Preschool begins Saturday, April 8, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., in the preschool room at Wesley United Methodist Church, 511 School Street.

The Preschool offer two classes: a junior class and senior class. To qualify for the junior class, your child must be three by August 1, 2010, and toilet trained. To qualify for the senior class, your child must be four by August 1, 2010. The junior class meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 to 11 a.m. at a cost of \$64 per month. The senior class meets every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:30 to 11 a.m., at a cost of \$92.00 per month. There is a registration fee of \$40, which covers supplies for the school year. Please contact Jennifer Luttrell with any questions, 574-250-3852.

### Singspiration at CBC April 18

A Singspiration will be held at Culver Bible Church Sunday, April 18 at 6 p.m. Some outside groups as well as their own talent will be bringing special music. Please join us as we worship the Lord through song, Scripture, and fellowship. Refreshments will be served following the service. And be sure to check out CBC's website at CulverBible.org for current events and more information about the church.

### Soup for Soul April 22

Culver Elementary School sixth graders' "Soup for the Soul" community meal will take place Thursday, April 22 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the CES cafeteria. The event, which raises funds for area charities, including the Culver food pantry, Marshall and Starke County Humane Societies, South Bend Center for the Homeless, and a Marshall County boy battling cancer. The \$5 donation at the door includes a hand-made soup cup or bowl (other student-made items will be available), soup with free refills, a roll, and drink (food has been donated by many local eateries). Students will handle much of the setup and cleanup. The public is invited to attend and support this worthy effort.

### Community meal at Grace April 15

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

### Hydrant flushing

The Town of Culver will be flushing fire hydrants during the week of April 12-16. During this process your water may have

a "rusty" color however it is still safe to drink. The hydrant flushing is done twice a year and is necessary to remove rust from the town's water.

### Meals on Wheels

There are currently openings of availability to local community senior citizens if they would like to take advantage of the Meals on Wheels program. Meals are delivered five days per week. Cost is \$2.25 per day. Financial aid is also available for those who need it. Meals are provided by Miller's Merry Manor and special dietary needs can be accommodated. Contact Pat Birk 574-842-3690 for more information.

### Library computer classes for April

The Culver-Union Township Public Library will start a new session of free computer classes in April. Classes will be held Monday evenings at 6 p.m. and Friday mornings at 10 a.m., and will last two hours. These are hands-on classes and the library will provide computers. If you have your own laptop computer, feel free to bring it to the classes.

Classes for April include:  
**Computers for Beginners Part I:** Friday, April 9, 10 a.m. **Computers for Beginners Part II:** Monday, April 26, 6 p.m., Friday, April 23, 10 a.m. **Internet:** Monday, April 26, 6 p.m., Friday, April 30, 10 a.m. For more information, call the Culver Library at 574-842-2941, visit our website at [www.culver.lib.in.us](http://www.culver.lib.in.us) or e-mail [abaker@culver.lib.in.us](mailto:abaker@culver.lib.in.us).

### Tour De Max

Registration is available for Tri Kappa's Tour De Max. Event is scheduled Saturday, May 15 at 7 a.m., local time. Participants can depart for a 10-, 30-, or 63 mile route starting and ending at Culver's Beach Lodge, 819 E Lake Shore Drive. Cost is \$20 before May 1 and \$25 after May 1 through the morning of the ride. Online registration this year accepts credit card payments. The registration fee include a t-shirt, rider number, SAG support and stops, as well as refreshments upon returning to the Beach Lodge. Children 12 and under ride free with an adult, but a t-shirt is not included. For more information, visit [www.tourdemax.blogspot.com](http://www.tourdemax.blogspot.com).

### Culver Tri Kappa Art Show 2010

Entry forms have been sent to community high school artists for the upcoming Culver Tri Kappa Annual Art Show at the Culver Cove. The public is welcome to visit the art show on April 23 - 25. More details to follow.

### Town wide yard sale

The Town of Culver is sponsoring a spring town-wide yard sale Friday and Saturday, April 23 and April 24 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 842-3140 beginning Monday, April 20. Residents should provide their address and the date(s) of their sale. There is no cost for the event. A map of the locations hosting a yard sale will be disbursed by noon Thursday, April 22 at the

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town hall, Culver Express, and Osborn's Mini-Mart.

### 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 Monterey Elementary attendance district will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 8 in the Monterey Elementary School cafeteria.

If a parent cannot come 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.

### Town-wide spring cleanup

The Culver community clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, May 8 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Town of Culver will provide dump-

sters for those wishing to dispose of debris from their home or yard. Hazardous chemicals and tires cannot be accepted. Please contact street department head Bob Porter ([culverstreet@townofculver.org](mailto:culverstreet@townofculver.org)) or call 574-292-3943 with questions about what will be accepted.

### Friends book sale

The Friends of the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library will hold its next book sale 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.

### Purdue Alumni Club of Marshall County

PLYMOUTH — Purdue Alumni Club of Marshall County is holding its Annual Banquet Thursday, April

8, at Christos' Banquet Center. Reservation forms were sent through e-mail. Social time begins at 6 p.m. and dinner is at 6:30 p.m.

The cost will be \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 3 to 12. All Purdue alumni and interested fans are invited however, reservations are required. Contact Ralph Booker at 574-936-3502 or e-mail him at [agbooker@embarqmail.com](mailto:agbooker@embarqmail.com) for more information or to RSVP.

### 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](mailto:citizen@culcom.net).

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