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## In Brief

### Tree lighting, caroling Friday

Culver's annual town-wide Christmas tree lighting and caroling (with Santa Claus visit) will take place this Friday, December 3, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., at the Christmas tree in the Town Park train station-depot area. Hot drinks and refreshments will be provided inside the depot, and community caroling will follow the lighting ceremony. Culver's Knights of Columbus and the Culver Youth Community Organization (with students from Culver Comm. High School and Culver Academies, who will collect donations for Culver's Make-A-Wish children) are sponsors.

### VFW soup cook-off Dec. 5

Culver's VFW #6919 Men's Auxiliary will hold a soup cook-off Sunday, December 5, from 1 to 4 p.m. \$5 buys all the soup you can eat. All community organizations are encouraged to participate. All monies received will be donated to the Culver Food Pantry. Doors are open to the public for this event, which takes place at 108 E. Washington Street in Culver.

### Donations sought for Christmas baskets

Anyone wishing to donate funds or adopt a local family in need for this year's Christmas basket distribution in the Culver area is encouraged to contact Union Township Trustee Marlene Mahler at 574-952-0345. Culver Community Schools and Culver Academies students are assisting with making up the baskets, and Culver-Union Township Fire and EMS volunteers will help deliver them December 12.

Culver's Cub Scout Pack 290 will sell Christmas trees at St. Mary of the Lake church in Culver December 4 from 1 to 5

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COUNTDOWN

## It's Christmastime in Culver

ABOVE: Well before the day after Thanksgiving, Culver residents got a chance to preview the new holiday decorations made possible by Culver's Town Council, which contracted with a Jonesboro, Indiana decorating company to spread festivity and cheer in the town's shopping districts this year (several local organizations have helped offset the cost of the endeavor). The season will start with much merriment this Friday with the annual tree lighting and caroling event at the depot.

## Council's vote adds 'teeth' to noise ordinance

'Cat ordinance' discussed, delayed

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

Culver's Town Council last week moved forward with several actions, though members opted to delay the much-discussed, so-called "cat ordinance."

Following a public hearing, ordinance 2010-009 passed on third reading, altering and strengthening an existing law concerning noise problems, the source of much discussion and complaint from residents over recent months. Language in the ordinance specifying decibel levels or feet from a noise source were removed, according to Town Manager Michael Doss, who added language concerning warnings and citations was "cleaned up" as well.

The changes were intended to give local police more leeway and opportunity to cite individuals or establishments whose noise levels cause complaints from area residents. Council member Ginny Munroe said the Council left some specifics up to the investigating officer, though she said the ordinance states a given individual or establishment may be fined four times for noise-related offenses within a 24-hour period. The fine has also increased, said Council President Sally Ricciardi, from \$15 or \$20 to \$100 per citation.

Audience member Janet Halling, who detailed her family's frustrations with noise levels at an establishment in her neighborhood, thanked the Council for the change.

Also discussed in public hearing was ordinance 2010-010, intended to encourage responsible pet ownership and growing specifically from resident complaints about stray cats.

Audience member Mark Noll noted his family likes cats, but said in his neighborhood the animals intrude in other yards and leave droppings.

"We don't want to take anything from anyone who needs companionship," he added, "but anything that can be done (by the Council about the cat population) will be appreciated."

Also in attendance was Culver veterinarian Georgette Samuelson, who said the proliferation of cats "will fade away over a period of time" if the animals are spayed and neutered. The proposed ordinance, approved on second but not third reading by the Council, penalizes residents for feeding or otherwise sheltering strays without taking full responsibility for their care. At the previous Council meeting, it was discussed that the ordinance could shift its focus to spaying and neutering stray cats.

Audience member Mark Damore, who said his wife Becky has worked for several years to spay, neuter, and find homes for Culver's feral cats, said he intends to work towards a local fund to facilitate residents bringing the cats to Samuelson for a reduced-rate spaying or neutering.

"I was collecting \$18,000 for fireworks in this town for one night," said Damore. "I can't take care of the animals?"

Another audience member noted she and Becky Damore have worked with a resident in her neighborhood of late and have so far spayed or neutered 10 cats. She said the resident caring for neighborhood strays has -- along with others in the neighborhood -- donated money towards the effort.

Halling suggested increasing education among Culver residents, many of whom she said may not realize the problems feral cats can cause and the importance of spaying and neutering.

"I would be interested in looking at what other municipalities are doing," said Munroe. "We have to do something; I don't

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## Reversion of lake-dedicated funds raises local, statewide controversy

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

Concern has been growing in the Culver area, as well as other Indiana lake communities, over the diversion of funds raised from Indiana boat fees and designated specifically for use in projects related to the health of Hoosier lakes. The fee, established by state legislature in 1989, is a \$5 per-boat fee charged to each boat owner created for the Lake Enhancement program, whose projects are coordinated by local

sub-divisions of the state Department of Natural Resources. This endeavor, known now as Lake and River Enhancement program (LARE), was expanded in 2003 via an increased fee to be divided three ways: lake projects such as wetland construction and watershed land work; dredging of sediments, invasive plant study and treatment, and animal control; and payment for local lake patrols under the Conservation Officers Marine Fund via local sheriff's

departments.

According to an article by Pete Hippensteel, vice president of technical affairs for the Steuben County Lake Council, first published in the Fort Wayne Journal Gazette and reprinted in the Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council's most recent newsletter, "Indiana code (IC 6-6-11-12.5) states that these funds are not to be reverted to the general fund... the idea that a specific tax was to be used for specific uses was very instrumen-

tal in obtaining support of both boat owners and state legislators, for both the 1989 Lake Enhancement program, and the 2003 expanded LARE program."

According to Hippensteel, some \$3,700,000 in revenue has been generated by LARE funds each year over the past six years.

However, the state budget agency this past July reported \$2,415,121 from the Lake Enhancement fund and \$1,415,530 from the Conservation Officers Marine fund has been re-

verted to the state's general fund for the current budget year. Further, says Hippensteel, the use of \$1,700,000 of the 2010 LARE budget has been suspended indefinitely, in spite of officially stated uses for the fees collected from Indiana boaters.

Hippensteel says LARE monies in the past have had a major impact on Hoosier waterways "to implement best management practices on farmland in the water-

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## Trone lauded for Culver service at lengthy BZA meeting

Staff Report

In the event there is no Board of Zoning Appeals meeting in December, the board members took the opportunity at the end of November's meeting to thank chairman, Pete Trone for his years' of service to Culver.



Pete Trone

After 34 years of service on Culver's planning and zoning boards, Trone has declined to be reappointed after his current term ends December 31. Trone first served on Culver's plan commission in the 1960's, and after a break of a few years, he again agreed to serve on the planning and zoning boards. He is currently serving as chairman of the Board of Zoning Appeals, a position he has held for many years.

BZA members noted his thorough knowledge of Culver's ordinance and his vast historical knowledge of the development of lake residences through the years.

If the November BZA meeting was Trone's final act as chairman, it was one of the more lengthy meetings of the board. There were four hearings for variances and one continuance from August to consider.

The variance for Suzanne Scott, 290 S. Shore Drive, was first introduced in July by attorney James Easterday, who asked for a variance to build a new 4,000 sq. ft. home maintaining the current setback of 3.5 feet on the east side of the property and extending to within 50 feet of South Shore. The ordinance requirement is a 10 foot setback for side yards and an 85 foot setback from a county highway.

The request was met with a great deal of dissent from neighbors in the South Shore area. The petition was continued until August when Easterday introduced information from the Marshall County Highway Department, that South Shore is not considered a "county highway" so the 85 foot restriction did not apply. He also noted at this time, that the front yard setback was reduced and the only variance needed was on the east side. The petition was again continued when it was apparent that board members and neighbors were still concerned about the proximity of the new residence to the Main residence on the east side.

New information was introduced by Mike Stallings, Mirar Development, Inc., who presented a new layout for the home that would increase the east side yard setback to 6'6 feet at the nearest point and 8'0 feet to the front of the home. Trone read letters in support of the project and also, letters objecting. Michael W. Reed, attorney representing Rodney and Lora Mail, 310 S. Shore Drive, presented a petition

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## Talking (and singing) turkey at CES

Culver Elementary School third graders (from left) Rachel Nash, Allan James, and Britney Young impersonate Thanksgiving turkeys at the school's annual fall music program, which included songs of various holidays of the season, concluding with a salute to America's veterans.

CES music teacher Kim Morrison coordinated and directed the program.

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shed, dredge sediments from lakes, control the spread of invasive aquatic plants, construct wetlands, and select priority areas within the watersheds for treatment.”

He adds the number of requests for lake-related environmental projects more than doubles annually, “and now...these valuable programs that focus on preventing water quality problems have now lost at least one year’s revenue and appears to be losing nearly another one-half year of funding if the suspension continues.”

Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council Director Kathy Clark shares Hippensteel’s concern. She attended a November 18 meeting of lthe Indiana Lakes Management Work Group, which includes representatives of IDEM, IDNR, Soil and Water Conservation, and representation of lake groups such as property owners and environmental organizations. The group is overseen by Indiana’s Natural Resources Study Committee , comprised of senators and legislators which handles “everything from mining to history,” she says, whose August meeting she attended.

One priority of the work group is examining how the group’s work ties in with the state economy.

“Our lake,” says Clark of Maxinkuckee, “really makes our economy. The town and the school (Culver Academies) probably wouldn’t be here without it. Certainly it contributes to Marshall County and the state with property taxes and sales taxes. In summer, it’s all resort-driven. If the water quality drops, all that property value (on Lake Maxinkuckee) will drop.”

Presented at the meeting was a study by Greg Biber-

dorf, LARE Program Manager from the IDNR’s Division of Fish and Wildlife, which indicated that in surrounding Midwestern states, water quality of lakes directly paralleled property values and related monies. A 2006 study in Ohio, for example, found among other things that, “increasing the water clarity (in lakes) by two meters was the dollar equivalent to having that house in a better school district” and the price of the home increased between four and five percent.

A foul-smelling, toxic, blue-green algal scum which killed thousands of fish earlier this year on Grand Lake St. Mary’s in Ohio caused the usual 700,000 visitors to the lake to “virtually end” this year, and resulted in a \$150 million loss to lake-related businesses this summer, according to Biberdorf’s report. The Ohio DNR had to refund \$172,930 in dock rental fees, and the short-term cleanup of the lake cost around \$10 million, while the long-range cleanup likely will total around \$100 million (water from that lake, incidentally, flows into Indiana’s Wabash River).

Clark says she was “rather taken aback” to learn that Indiana is one of the few -- if not the only -- Midwestern state not to have studied the economic impact of its lakes, either through the DNR or the state tourism bureau. Indiana’s Department of Tourism, she says, only tracks economic impact related to state parks, not the state’s rivers and lakes.

“Our community is based on the tax dollars that come into it,” she adds of Culver. “Sales tax from restaurants and shops, and tax dollars; I would think that would be



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## Last chance for old, new chance for recent displays

A display of Hoosier cartoonists highlighted in the Indiana Historical Society’s traveling exhibition, “Indiana Cartoons and Cartoonists,” (examined by museum director Marizetta Kenney, ABOVE, RIGHT) will leave the Center for Culver History museum and research center December 8, though the Center has several recently-added exhibits already available. These include an exhibit on the State Exchange Bank in Culver, (ABOVE, LEFT) featuring several rare artifacts, and a display of local railroad memorabilia from Mike Bradley, as well as a new addition on Culver’s historic boats and steamboats. Kenney, along with staff member Steve Metzger and volunteer Sherrill Fujimurra, helped coordinate and create the displays. The Center is in the lower level of Culver-Union Twp. Public Library, and is open Thursday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

something somebody would like to track.”

“We’re hoping we can make legislators understand that water quality is something more important than something pretty to look at,” Clark explains. “(In Culver), in addition to our summer and school trade, we have three or four major bass tournaments that occur on our lake, and we’re adding more all the time. That’s money to restaurants and gas stations and marinas. So it’s really important we try to get this (LARE) money back.”

Clark says two “very strong schools of thought” dominate those critical of the diversion of the LARE funds.

“You stop collecting this fee until it’s used for lakes again,” Clark says in describing one school of thought. “It was never meant to be a tax and now it’s being treated as such because the governor has told the budget committee to put it in the general fund...it says on (the boat) license it’s for LARE, which means it’s for water.

Clark described the second perspective as, “Just give it back to LARE, stop taking it for the general fund! The LARE program has done so much good – it took so long to get watercraft owners to back it, I’d hate to see it simply go away, it would be too hard to get it back.

“Its key that everyone contact their state legislators about this, even if you own property where there is no lake,” she emphasizes. “Did you know that only 10 percent of the counties across our state actually have freshwater public lakes? It seems the legislators in the other counties don’t have a full understanding of the economic impact of clean, healthy lakes in Indiana. We have to make the legislators understand.”

The state of Indiana, she concludes, “needs to protect the quality of its lakes and rivers; that’s key. It’s key from an economic standpoint, certainly in a town like ours, which is resort-based.”

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# Schricker will be ‘on track’ in Culver with release party Saturday

by Joel Thomas

“I come from Indiana,” Plymouth’s George Schricker declares early in *Back on Track*, his 9th and most recently released collection of songs. Throughout the album’s music and even including the gorgeous cover art designed by local talent Amanda Jo Williams, Schricker proudly presents his native state as a central focus and inspiration.

Of course, the word “central” evokes groans from Schricker and other Hoosiers who share the state’s time zone confusion, an issue the songwriter playfully lampoons on the album’s opening cut, “Losing Track of Time.” His beleaguered character ambles through stories of late appointments and family frustrations over ramshackle country rock highlighted by Steve DeFord’s driving piano and an easy-going singalong chorus. Catchy choruses and colorful characters lead the listener around the state in other songs, from a child’s giddy fun at Kendallville’s “Apple Fest” to the breathlessly Wikipedic “Crown of Franklin County,” a visitor’s guide to Brookville. The singer takes on a contemplative tone in “Yellow River Song” as he explores the emotional connections we build with our local landscape over time.



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George Schricker will celebrate the release of his new CD, “Back on Track,” this weekend in Culver.

that and “Bio-Blitz” for two Hoosier organizations that, like him, hope to conserve Indiana’s natural beauty and inspire songwriters for years to come.

## CD release party at Culver Coffee this weekend

George Schricker will perform songs from *Back on Track* and his earlier albums at two CD Release Party events, including at the Culver Coffee Company this **Saturday, December 4 from 6 to 8 p.m.** (with Liza Woolever).

Another release party is slated for Center News & Books in downtown Plymouth on December 3 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. (with special guests Gene Ley and Liza Woolever).

ana, as well, and Schricker’s fine guest musicians drench these songs in atmosphere. “While In Darkness There Is Light” recounts the Australian adventures of young men the 1970s, their exhilaration and grief accentuated by Liza Woolever’s emotive fiddle. The dark ballad “Monster,” made complete by Gene Ley’s haunting guitar tones, draws on a story of small town mayhem.

Later, Schricker takes off the storyteller mask for “Crack in the Wall,” a song full of dizzying imagery he uses to describe what he calls “renewing events in our lives” that help people “find creative solutions when falling into ruts of sadness, pessimism, or dark existential loneliness.”

Creativity, he says, can help us face the challenge of living amongst problems often brought on by “our own stupidity.” He addresses one such issue with playful abandon on the “Pig Time Dance,” a song detailing health dangers related to factory farming – sung with Schricker in full character as a pig, complete with earnest oinks. He wrote both



## A Culver Christmas 2010

During the month of December, the Citizen seeks to list all public holiday-related events in this space. If your organization or entity is planning such an event, please contact the editor at 574-216-0075 or citizen@culcom.net to be included in this listing.

**Town-wide Christmas tree lighting and caroling** (with Santa Claus visit; Knights of Columbus and Culver Youth Community Organization sponsor), Friday, Dec. 3, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Town Park train station-depot

**St. Nicholas After-School Party** including a visit from St. Nick, St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church, Monday, Dec. 6, 4 p.m.

**Maxinkuckee Singers Christmas Spectacular**, Grace United Church of Christ in Culver, Wednesday, Dec. 8, 7:30 p.m. (call 574-546-4230 for more info).

**A Leahy Family Christmas**, Thursday, December 9, 7:30 p.m., Eppley Auditorium on Culver Academies campus (www.leahymusic.com).

**Children’s Christmas party** (Culver Fire Department, VFW, and Lions Club) featuring a free movie at the Uptown Cinema followed by a visit with Santa Claus at the fire station, Saturday, Dec. 11, starting 1 p.m.

**Christmas Vespers service**, Culver Academies Memorial Chapel, Sunday, Dec. 12, 5:30 p.m. (music starting at 5 p.m.)

**Children’s Nativity pageant**, St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church, Friday, Dec. 17, 5:30 p.m.

## Last chance to give to Cafe Max Humane Society drive

Culver’s Café Max is once again sponsoring its annual "Thanksgiving for the Homeless" drive, in which contributions of supplies and money benefit the Marshall County Humane Society. For each dollar contributed, donors receive a chance to win a \$50 gift certificate to the restaurant.

The shelter wish list includes monetary contributions, used towels and blankets, stamps, stamped post cards, bleach, laundry detergent, clay cat litter (non-scoopable), paper towels, heavy duty 33-gal. garbage bags, cat toys, brand-name kitten and puppy food, AAA batteries for pagers.

Café Max is open Sunday through Wednesday, 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 6 a.m. to 9 p.m., and will accept donations during these hours. The Café is located at 113 S. Main St. in Culver and may be reached at 574-842-2511. The raffle and supply drive will end December 5.

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in opposition to the request and reiterated his original objection to the project and advised that he was not convinced that South Shore was not a county highway and that an exemption from the 85’ requirement was appropriate.

After discussion with the audience, Trone moved to the findings of fact necessary for the board’s final decision. After it was apparent that three of the five members voted no to one or more findings of fact, the petition was again continued at the request of Easterday.

The remaining four variances were approved without remonstrance and included James Story, 430 Vandalia, to add two bedrooms and sitting room on the second floor, Arthur & Judith Frigo to add a second story over an attached garage, Judith Ricciardi, a variance for east front yard setback of 20 feet from 25 feet to build a new home on Wabash St., and Alan and Wendy Loehr, to replace a flat roof with a pitched roof over a bedroom.

The monthly meeting of the Plan Commission was brief. The board members agreed to proceed with zoning of the newly annexed areas south of Culver. The three parcels which include a small subdivision for proposed Garden Court are presently zoned S-1/R-1. The zoning will recommend two parcels be zoned just R-1 and the parcel containing the Garden Court sub division will be zoned R-2. The zoning hearing will be scheduled for January, 2011 as there will be no plan commission meeting in December.

## Community calendar

<b>Thurs., Dec. 2</b> Bobbie Osborn (Osborn Seed), Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library	ty, 4 p.m., St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church Computer class, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library	cussion group, 3:30 p.m., Culver Public Library TOPS mtg., 5:30 p.m., Grace church
<b>Fri., Dec. 3</b> Culver tree lighting and caroling, 5:30 p.m., train station-depot	<b>Tues., Dec. 7</b> Story time, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library Culver Chamber of Commerce annual awards dinner, 6:30 p.m., Cafe Max	Blogging workshop, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library Lions Club mtg., 6:30 p.m., depot-train station Maxinkuckee Singers Christmas show, 7:30 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ
<b>Sat., Dec. 4</b> Cookie Walk, 9 a.m., Wesley United Methodist Church, School Street Quilting group, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library Dance Vision performance, 7:30 p.m., Culver Academies Eppley Auditorium	OA, AA meeting (open), 6:30 p.m., Culver Public Library	<b>Thurs., Dec. 9</b> Culver Boys & Girls Club, Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library Leahy Family Christmas concert, 7:30 p.m., Culver Academies Eppley Auditorium
<b>Sun., Dec. 5</b> Dance Vision performance, 2:30 p.m., Culver Academies Eppley Auditorium VFW soup cook-off, 1 p.m., Culver VFW Post 6919	<b>Weds., Dec. 8</b> Genealogy mtg., 10 a.m., Culver Public Library Culver history program, REAL Meals, noon, Culver beach lodge Hooked on Books discussion group, 3:30 p.m., Culver Public Library	
<b>Mon., Dec. 6</b> Friends of the Culver Public Library mtg., 1 p.m., Culver Public Library St. Nick after-school party		

## REAL Services menu

To share a meal at REAL Meals, call Ruth Walker at the nutrition site (the Culver beach lodge) before 11 a.m. the day before for reservations, at 574-842-8878. A donation is suggested for each meal.	garine, cake, and milk.	onions, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable blend, fruit cup, dinner roll, pecan pie, and milk.
<b>Thurs., Dec. 2:</b> Biscuit and gravy sausage, scrambled eggs, cubed breakfast potatoes, orange or orange juice, and milk.	<b>Mon., Dec. 6:</b> Pepper Steak, stewed tomatoes, scalloped potatoes, dinner roll, fruit cocktail, and milk.	<b>Thurs., Dec. 9:</b> Chili, baked potato and sour cream, oyster crackers, cottage cheese, Mandarin oranges, and milk.
<b>Fri., Dec. 3:</b> White fish, tartar sauce, roasted sweet potatoes, Capri vegetable blend, dinner roll and mar-	<b>Tues., Dec. 7:</b> Bone In Ham ith horseradish sauce, peas and pearl onions, scalloped potatoes, homemade applesauce, dinner roll and margarine, cheescake, and milk.	<b>Fri., Dec. 10:</b> Stuffed green pepper, mashed potatoes, green beans, wheat roll, fruit cup, cookie, and milk.
	<b>Weds., Dec. 8:</b> Liver and	
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Your Target Heart Rate is the Key to Fitness  
On average, the adult heart beats 104,000 times and a child’s heart beats around 150,000 times per day.

## Heartbeats and Footprints

By DANA NEER



Oh so clearly I remember my very first collegiate cross country practice in the mid 80’s. Upon arrival to campus and quickly immersing myself into the new culture, I enjoyed being introduced to my teammates. We all attentively listened to the details of our training for the day – a twelve mile threshold run at pace. Our coach specifically stated what pace that should be for his young harriers, each of us directed to keep our heart rates between 170 – 175 beats per minute. He had a certain target in mind and we were to adhere to it. Blame it on our youthful enthusiasm and competitive spirits, because we heeded not our wise coaches instructions, but instead gaited out at near race pace speed knowing full well the impossibility of maintaining for the entire distance. While running, I constantly heard my high school coach’s voice in my mind and his famous words, “Know the reason for the workout, know the right pace for the workout.” Fortunately his advice stuck as I slowed down, maintaining my speed to the finish. I was learning a valuable lesson, one that would assist me in my personal training and coaching for many years. That lesson: training at a specific heart rate is the key to fitness.

How hard do you have to exercise to become fit? Answer, hard enough to maintain your heartbeat within your target heart rate zone for the duration of 30 minutes, at least four times per week. A person’s target heart rate is a percentage of the maximum heart rate. A person’s maximum heart rate is the age subtracted from 220.

Maximum Heart Rate = 220 – Age  
Thus, the maximum heart rate for a 45 year old is 175 (220 minus 45 equals 175). For moderate-intensity physical activity (walking, jogging, slow biking) a person’s target heart rate should be 50% - 75% of their maximum heart rate. Therefore, a 45 year old should maintain a target heart rate between 82 and 120 beats per minute.

Target Heart Rate = Maximum Heart Rate x 0.5% to 0.75%

For vigorous-intensity activity (running, swimming, elliptical, fast biking) the figure is 75% - 85%. A rate between 135 and 150 beats per minute would be the target heart rate for the same 45 year old.

Target Heart Rate = Maximum Heart Rate x 0.75% to 0.85%

You can check whether you are exercising within the heart rate zone by stopping your exercise briefly to take your pulse. Take a 10-second count of the heart beats, then multiply by 6 to obtain your rate per minute. Or, if you do not want to stop exercising remember this rule: If you can carry on a conversation while exercising, you aren’t working hard enough. If you have to stop and catch your breath, you may be working too hard. Pace yourself and aim for the lowest part of the target zone first and gradually build to the higher levels during the first few months.

The figures below may help you find your target heart rate zone. These are averages so use them as general guidelines.

Target HR zone	Maximum HR
Age 50% – 85%	100%
20 yrs 100 – 170 bpm	200 bpm
30 yrs 95 – 165 bpm	190 bpm
40 yrs 90 – 155 bpm	180 bpm
50 yrs 85 – 145 bpm	170 bpm
60 yrs 80 – 135 bpm	160 bpm
70 yrs 75 – 130 bpm	150 bpm

Cardio vascular exercise is any type of physical activity that causes the heart to beat faster and lungs to breathe harder. If your heart is exercised regularly it becomes strong. Regular cardio training makes the heart and lungs work harder, causing them to become more efficient in delivering oxygen-rich blood through the body. As a result, the heart muscles become more powerful and able to cope with every day tasks and extensive physical exertion.

*Dana Neer serves as Wellness Coordinator and Counselor at The Culver Academies. He can be contacted at Neerd@Culver.org.*



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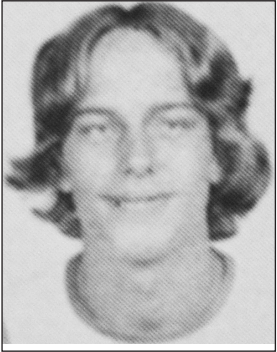
## Where in the world is the Culver Citizen?

Once again a reader has sent in a photo (LEFT) demonstrating the far reach of our local newspaper’s travels. Pictured here is the Citizen on a recent excursion -- can any of you identify the spot? Those readers who do will win the honor of a potentially career-advancing mention of their name in this very column next week.

Your editor encourages similar photos (except shot elsewhere) from other readers with the foresight to bring the *Citizen* on their travels. Such photos, or identification of this location, may be sent to the editor at citizen@culcom.net, or dropped off in our drop-box (located alternately in the upper level of the Culver Public Library), or call 574-216-0075 for other arrangements.

### Name that Culver ‘citizen’

Last week’s Mystery Citizen, Marizetta Kenney, has a long history with Culver, including having served for several years as its Clerk Treasurer. More recently, she’s been visible as the day-to-day manager of the Center for Culver History museum and re-



Left: Last week’s Mystery Citizen, Marizetta Kenney, then and now Right: this week’s mystery citizen.



search center in the Culver Public Library (and yes, she’s also the editor’s mother!).

Charlotte Hahn, Barb Jones, Linda Kose Hall, and Marilyn Kelly recognized her from the photo of just a few years back.

This week’s Mystery Citizen is another Culverite visible in several local organizations, though may be most often seen in connection with one particularly important one.

Guesses 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.

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# Sports



## Stevens steps up in Cavs’ win over West Central

By Dee Grenert  
Staff Writer

CULVER — Culver Community’s Collin Stevens selected a perfect time to unveil his offensive capabilities.

With Culver senior standout Zoe Bauer’s open glances at a minimum, Stevens connected for 12 of his 15 points during the second half to help the Cavs to a 52-46 boys basketball win over visiting West Central at John R. Nelson Gymnasium Saturday.

“Collin Stevens was the difference in the ball game in the second half,” Culver head coach Kyle Elliott said. “Collin Stevens stepped up his offensive play, and he played a great game defensively. He played a great floor game at both ends.”

Stevens, a 5-foot-8 sophomore guard, mixed up his attack, scoring off right-handed drives to the bucket and stopping and popping from the baseline. His driving basket with 1:16 left in the third frame put the Cavs up 31-26, just moments af-

ter the Trojans sliced Culver’s lead to three — the narrowest margin of the entire second half.

Stevens also notched Culver’s first basket — a bank shot from the left wing with 5:25 to go in the opening quarter — which put the Cavs up for good.

“Collin shied away from shooting against Rochester in the first game of the season,” Elliott said. “He has a lot of offensive skills, and we told him he had to be more aggressive. He had a great summer where he looked to do those things; not just dribble penetration, but the 3 and jump shots. He was very hesitant against Rochester. To see him come out and play completely different tonight was good to see. He was an offensive option that (West Central) wasn’t expecting.”

Meanwhile, Bauer, honored prior to the tip-off for reaching the 1,000-point plateau during last season’s sectional, scored 10 of his hard-earned game-high 16 points in the contest’s fi-



PHOTO/DEANNA L. GRENER  
Culver's Zoe Bauer fights for a loose ball during a game at West Central last week.

nal 6:19. A 6-for-8 showing from the charity stripe over a concluding 1:07 that crept along at a snail’s pace buoyed his totals and put the Cavs up by 11 points on three separate occasions. He also yanked down five rebounds and dished out three assists.

Even so, Bauer never quite looked comfortable. With Zach Miller and Jake Smidler taking turns shadowing him, the Culver sniper finished 5 of 16 from

the field, including 0 for 6 from 3-point range.

“We had two kids — Zach Miller and Jake Smidler — that did a good job keeping (Bauer) from getting clean looks,” West Central head coach Bryan Heimlich said. “The problem is (Culver) had other kids who stepped up. They had a couple of putbacks and Stevens had a great game. We couldn’t find anybody to stop him.”

Senior guard AJ Neace contributed six points, four

assists, and four key steals for the Cavs.

“AJ, offensively, hasn’t put up a lot of points in our first two games, but his defense tonight made a difference,” Elliott said. “AJ did a nice job faceguarding (West Central leading scorer Alex) Chrzan in our man-to-man.”

Also for the Cavs, 6-3 senior reserve Scotty Brown sparked a 6-0 mini-run midway through the first quarter with a couple of cuts to the hole for layups off feeds from Neace and Bauer.

“Scotty Brown came in and gave us very good minutes,” Elliott said. “He’s a very athletic young man who runs the floor well, and got behind the defense a couple times, scored, and gave us energy in the post. He’s new to our program — he’s a transfer from South Central — and we’ve thrown a lot at him to try to learn.”

Defensively, Culver’s man-to-man, with a 2-3 zone mixed in during the second half, forced 17 turn-

overs. More importantly, the Cavs converted those West Central miscues into 25 points, including a couple of breakaways in the final frame.

Culver hosts Lacrosse Friday.

• CULVER COMMUNITY 52, WEST CENTRAL 46  
At Culver  
Score by quarters  
West Central: 7 15 28 46  
Culver: 10 23 33 52  
WEST CENTRAL (46): Zach Miller 1 0-0 2, Jake Smidler 3 1-1 7, Joel Kruger 3 0-0 6, Aaron Heims 2 1-2 5, Evan Kruger 4 1-2 10, Alex Chrzan 4 0-0 8, Dylan Laposi 0 0-0 0, Dalton Powell 0 4-4 4, Spencer Dobson 2 0-0 4, Rusty Disinger 0 0-0 0. TOTALS: 19 7-9 46.  
CULVER COMMUNITY (52): AJ Neace 2 2-3 6, Scotty Brown 2 1-2 5, Kyle Vlach 0 0-0, Collin Stevens 7 1-2 15, Zoe Bauer 5 6-8 16, Patrick McBee 2 0-2 4, Larry Clingler 3 0-0 6. TOTALS: 21 10-17 52.  
3-point goals: West Central 1 (E. Kruger), Culver none; Turnovers: West Central 17, Culver 7; Rebounds: West Central 30 (Miller, Smidler 6), Culver 17 (Bauer 5); Assists: West Central 9 (Smidler 3), Culver 9 (Neace 4); Steals: West Central 1, Culver 6 (Neace 4); Fouls (fouled out): West Central 17 (none), Culver 14 (Clingler); Records: West Central 0-2, Culver 1-1.  
JV score: West Central 48, Culver 37

## Cavs post win over Argos

By Dee Grenert  
Staff Writer

CULVER — Good luck stopping Culver Community senior Gwen Zehner in the post.

Or classmate Patrice McBee on the baseline. Or Whitney Sanders in the open court.

The Culver trio — backed by key moments from point guard Nicole Carnegie and swing Alison Zehner — sparked a 20-2 third-quarter run that boosted the veteran Cavs past a hard-charging young Argos squad and its 10-for-19 mark from 3-point range, 70-64 in girls basketball action Tuesday at John R. Nelson Gymnasium.

“We want to take high-percentage shots,” Culver head coach Tony Scheub, whose team hit 12 of 13 from the field in the third quarter and 61 percent for the evening, said. “We want to get Gwen and Patrice the ball in the post until someone stops us.”

Gwen Zehner, a 6-foot-1 dominating workhorse, finished 14 of 18 from the field — all from inside 5 feet — en route to a game-high 29 points and nine rebounds before fouling out with 1:27 left in the game. And when the Dragons attempted a double or triple team, she either muscled her way through on the blocks or hit a teammate cutting from the weak side.

“(Gwen Zehner) is a tough player,” Argos head coach Nick Medich, whose team fell behind 11-0 to start the game, said. “We wanted to keep going at her to try to get her in foul trouble. We talked in practice that we wanted

a lot of help-side defense and double teams. In the first quarter I think we were shocked at just how good she is.”

The 6-3 Inspector Gadget-armed McBee tacked on 15 points, hitting 7-of-8 attempts from the field, and ripped down six rebounds, the last on a missed Argos free throw that effectively sewed up the Culver win. Her cutting layup from the right block off a feed from Gwen Zehner gave the Cavs a 41-40 lead at the 3:40 mark of the third frame.

“Patrice McBee played a great game,” Scheub said. “She seemed to get every big rebound. I think she played 31 minutes, and there were times I saw that she was dead tired but I had to leave her in. She really came through for us.”

Meanwhile, Sanders, another senior, battled through foul trouble for 11 points and three steals. Her two steals and layups during a minute span in the third quarter put the Cavs, who trailed 35-29 at halftime, up 51-42 with 41 seconds left in the third frame.

“(Sanders) is a good defensive player,” Scheub said. “She’s so fast, so strong, and she can get the steal and finish. That brought us back more than our pressbreaker, just the energy that she gave us in the third quarter.”

Also for Culver, Alison Zehner sank four crucial free throws in the game’s concluding 11 seconds, and Carnegie dished out 10 assists, six of those to Gwen Zehner against Argos’ second-half pressure.

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“Alison hit some big free throws,” Scheub said. “(Argos) really shot the lights out. Credit them for not packing it in, and coming back and taking the lead at halftime.”

Despite the outcome, the Dragons supplied Culver with plenty of nervous moments down the stretch. Argos trailed 64-52 with 2:50 left in the game, but then strung together a 14-2 streak, capped off by a Carly McCay triple to cut the Dragons’ deficit to two, 66-64, with 15 seconds left in the game.

Argos then sent Alison Zehner to the line with 11 seconds to play. She nailed both shots and rattled in another pair with 6 seconds to go to polish off the win.

For the Dragons, senior forward Latisha Shepherd hit four treys as part of a team-high 17-point night.

Culver hosts North White Saturday. Argos heads to Morgan Township Dec. 2.

• CULVER COMMUNITY 70, ARGOS 64  
At Culver  
Score by quarters  
Argos: 12 35 42 64  
Culver: 16 29 53 70  
ARGOS (64): Jami Patterson 4 1-3 11, Alex Zechiel 2 4-5 8, Karlee Van Der Weele 2 0-0 5, Latisha Shepherd 5 3-4 17, Shelby Sanders 1 0-0 3, Carly McCoy 2 3-4 9, Emily Alcorn 0 0-0 0, Madeline Williams 1 0-1 2, Kayla Prochno 3 3-4 9. TOTALS: 20 14-21 64.  
CULVER (70): Nicole Carnegie 2 2-3 6, Ali Overmyer 0 0-0 0, Patrice McBee 7 1-2 15, Whitney Sanders 5 1-1 11, Alison Zehner 2 4-4 9, Kayla Shaffer 0 0-0 0, Shakkira Harris 0 0-1 0, Gwen Zehner 14 1-2 29, Abby James 0 0-0 0. TOTALS: 30 9-13 70.  
3-point goals: Argos 10 (Shepherd 4, Patterson 2, McCay 2, Van Der Weele, Sanders); Turnovers: Argos 19, Culver 21; Rebounds: Argos 21 (Zechiel 5), Culver 29 (G. Zehner 9), Assists: Argos 9 (Patterson 5), Culver 19 (Carnegie 10); Steals: Argos 8 (Patterson, Shepherd, McCay 2), Culver 9 (A. Zehner, Sanders 3); Fouls (fouled out): Argos 17 (Van Der Weele), Culver 21 (Sanders, G. Zehner); Records: Argos 2-3, Culver 4-0.  
See Cavs page 7  
JV Score: Argos 30, Culver 28.

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Sports briefs

**Girls basketball**  
**Culver routs Blazers**  
Senior forward Gwen Zehner scored a game-high 21 points to lead Culver as the Lady Cavaliers routed the Blazers at Michigan City Marquette Nov. 18, 52-16.  
Patrice McBee scored

seven points and Nicole Carnegie put up six points for Culver, which converted at a 41 percent rate from the field as nine Cavs got on the board in the win.  
Culver stays perfect at 3-0 with the victory.  
• CULVER 52, MICHIGAN CITY MARQUETTE 16  
At Michigan City

**Cavs trip up Winamac**  
Patrice McBee scored 14 points to lead Culver Community to a 53-42 girls basketball win over visiting Winamac at John R. Nelson Gymnasium Nov. 16.  
Guard Whitney Sanders chipped in 11 points for the Cavs’ balanced attack.

Winamac was led by Sarah Redweik’s 15 points in the loss.  
• CULVER COMMUNITY 53, WINAMAC 42  
At Culver  
**Culver Girls Academy tops Glenn**  
Culver Girls Academy used a big third quarter to pull away from John Glenn

60-41 in basketball action at The Aerie Nov. 16.  
Sophomore Andrijana Cvitkovic scored 17 points to lead the Eagles, followed by 11 points from teammate Kylee Shipley.  
Senior Jacy Borlik tossed in a game-high 21 points for the Falcons. Glenn’s Cayla Ochs cracked double figures with 10 points.  
• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 60

**Youth basketball**  
**Riverside 6th beats Culver**  
Riverside’s sixth grade boys basketball team moved to a perfect 4-0 start with a 43-23 victory over Culver on November 15.

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p.m., and December 5 from 8 a.m. to noon. Trees are provided courtesy of Monterey Pines and will cost \$25 each. Proceeds go to fund camping and other activities for Cub Scout Pack 290 of Culver.

Wesley Cookie Walk Dec. 4

Wesley United Methodist Church, 511 School St., Culver, will have a “Cookie Walk” Dec. 4 from 9 a.m. to noon. Shoppers can walk along several tables and choose the cookies of their choice. Containers will be provided. Decorative cookie tins will be available for purchase. The congregational members of the church make the wide variety of cookies and sweets and treats. Cookies can be purchased separately for a cost of \$6 a pound.

Dancevision Dec. 4, 5

Culver Academies will offer its Dancevision performance Saturday, December 4 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, December 5 at 2:30 p.m., in the Eppley Auditorium on the Academies campus. The free program includes student-performed ballet and modern dances, and this performance will feature dances from “The Nutcracker,” which will be particularly appropriate for younger audiences. The public is welcome to attend.

Friends will meet Dec. 6

The Friends of the Culver-Union Township Public Library will hold their next

monthly meeting Monday, December 6, at 1 p.m. at the library.

Members, or those interested in joining the organization, are welcome to attend. Book donations for the Friends may be left at the main desk in the library. Questions may be directed to Charlotte Hahn, 574-842-3267.

Benefit dinner for Kirkland Dec. 11

A benefit will take place for former Culver Community Schools cafeteria worker Shari Kirkland, who has been diagnosed with terminal cancer, Saturday, December 11, from 4 to 8 p.m.

The event will be an all-you-can-eat chicken and noodle dinner at the Culver Community High School Cafeteria. Cost for adults is \$8, children 12 and under \$5; children 6 and under are free. Carry-outs are available. All proceeds will go to the family

Children’s Christmas party Dec. 11

Culver’s VFW Post 6919 and Culver’s Lions Club are once again teaming up with the Culver-Union Twp. Volunteer Fire Department for the annual children’s Christmas movie and party, scheduled for Saturday, December 11, with the movie -- at the Uptown Cinema on Lake Shore Drive -- starting at 1 p.m. Following the free movie (title to be announced), children may visit with Santa Claus across State Street at the Culver fire station

Christmas Vespers Dec. 12

Culver Academies annual Christmas Vespers service will take place Sunday, December 12 at 5:30 p.m. (music begins at 5 p.m.), at the Memorial Chapel on the Academies campus. Traditional Christmas readings, prayer, a homily, and performances by the school’s choir, brass, winds, strings, organ, and carillon will make up the service. All are welcome.

Donations sought for ‘Coaches vs. Cancer’

Local Culver Girls Academy senior Alexis Christlieb is seeking donations towards “Coaches vs. Cancer,” a fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society as part of the CGA basketball game on January 15, 2011, at 7:30 p.m. Local sponsors and donors are sought to purchase a Wall of Hope Donation card, or make a donation of their choice, by contacting Christlieb via 574-842-7032 or at Alexis Christlieb, 1300 Academy Road, Culver, IN 46511.

Leaf pickup info

The town of Culver reminds residents during this leaf pick-up season to please leave raked leaves in their yards and not in the streets (to avoid repeated problems with clogged storm sewers). It should also be noted that street crews work from one end of town to the other and repeat as necessary, so if your leaves have not been picked

up, they will be as crews return to your area. A tarp may be used, if deemed necessary, to prevent raked leaves from blowing away in the meantime. Leaf pickup will continue this season until pickup is completed as long as possible into the season. Residents are also reminded to make separate piles for leaves and brush. Brush pickup in Culver takes place during the third week of each month only.

Library board changes meeting date

The Culver-Union Township Public Library board will meet on Thursday, December 16 at 7 p.m., rather than the following week as would be normally scheduled. The meeting will take place in the large meeting room of the library.

Culver Make-A-Wish donations accepted

Donations are welcome for two Culver area children fighting serious illnesses and hoping their wishes will come true for trips to Disney World in early 2010. Donors are encouraged to give up through January, 2011 by contacting Make-A-Wish volunteer Tina Stacy through the Culver Community High School, at 574-842-3391.

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# Culver author will sign new book here Dec. 11

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

A Culver-based author’s children’s book is set to hit the stands this month, and he’s hitting a few area venues to sign copies.

Douglas A. Ziesemer, who lives with his wife along the banks of the Tippecanoe River, has penned “Kenzie’s Big Question,” a children’s book (and Ziesemer’s first) which will officially be released December 28 by Christian publishing house Tate Publishing of Mustang, Oklahoma. Ziesemer will be in Culver Saturday, December 11 at Cafe Max on Main Street from 1 to 3 p.m. to sign early copies of the book, which will be available for purchase. For those unable to make it on the 11th, he’ll be signing December 4 at the Hole in the Wall Coffee Bar, 728 Main Street in Rochester, from 10 a.m. to noon.

The easiest way for readers to order a copy is to visit [kenziesadventures.com](http://kenziesadventures.com) and follow the instructions there (they’ll also learn more about Ziesemer and Kenzie herself).

The book is planned to be the first in a series about “Kenzie,” a young child inspired by Ziesemer’s granddaughter Mackenzie. The books, aimed at younger children, are mean to be read aloud, he says, “thus offering the opportunity for a few moments of quality time during our often too-busy lives. I have also tried to make them interesting to the point that children will want to read them as they learn to read. I believe a good children’s book should hold a child’s attention, be fun for them to listen to or read, and encourage them to use their imaginations. Children’s books should also be fun and interesting for the adults reading them. Hopefully, my stories will also provide a little something special for both children and adults to reflect upon after the books are laid down.”

Douglas Ziesemer grew up on a family farm, he says, in northeastern Illinois, the last generation to attend a one-room grade school in his county. A graduate of the Uni-

versity of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana campus (he holds a B.S. in Forestry), Ziesemer spent three years in the Army and is a Viet Nam veteran. He worked thirty-three years for the City of Chicago as a City Forester and eventually as a solid waste division manager.

“I have always wanted to be a writer,” he explains. “Everybody has dreams; mine was to have a book published someday. Through the years, I would occasionally attempt to write. My life was just too full of other things, I guess, and I couldn’t get anything decent started. In my wildest dreams, I never once thought that I would ever write children’s books.”

However, following his 2004 retirement, Ziesemer decided to retire to this area (his brother lives in Rochester), which he says reminds him of his rural childhood. He and his wife moved here in 2005, and he began writing “a non-fiction book about the future of America.

“After several months, I only had a few pages written. As I often did, one evening I said a little prayer to help me make progress on that book. Surprisingly, within less than an hour, the basic concept of ‘Kenzie’s Big Question’ was in my head. A few hours later, the first draft was on paper. Within a year, I have finished four manuscripts, nearly finished another and have one more started. I have also written a number of other assorted, short pieces. And I thought I had retired!”

The second book in the series, he says, will be “Kenzie and the Dinosaurs,” which goes into production in January and should be available online in July or August. He’s been offered contracts for two more books as well. Ziesemer notes Tate Publishing ([tatepublishing.com](http://tatepublishing.com)) also offers a free e-book download via a code inside the back cover of each copy of the book, and, he adds, accompanying coloring books will be available soon.



## CES Students of the Month, best

Culver Elementary School has announced its Students of the Month for October.

**Kindergarten:** Tessa Conroy (teacher: Amy Bonine), Cabot Ellert (Heather Overmyer), Benjamin Lee (Jean Urbin), Baleigh Binkley (Jana VanDePutte), Haylie Rizor (Kris Arvelo), Sidd Smith (Terri Zechiel)

**First grade:** Mackenzie Banks (Andrea Berndt), Dylan McKee (Kelly Dick-erhoff), Lizzie Pugh (April Jefferies)

**Second grade:** Jane Wright (Jean Ahlenius), Blake Baugh (Tina Bailey), Josh Havron (Carrie Tharp), Madison Shedrow (Mike Elliott), Trinity Wil-lis (Kinney)

**Third grade:** Aysia Con-ley (Valerie Cultice), Jordan Mulvihill (Jill DeSal-le), Trista Fritter (Rachel Rife), Ja’Caysia Macon (Kelly Young), John Sieber (Joyce Lyman)

**Fourth grade:** Corey Jefferies (Stephanie Alva), Kate Heim (Leslie Shepa-rd), Trenton Jones (Alicia Cotner)

**Fifth grade:** Marcellus Anderson (Gayle Kinzie), Jordan Schrimsher (Rae-anne Stevens), Angel Moore (Steve Young), Rylee Lautt (Kim Morris-son)

**Sixth grade:** Mandy Morrison (Bryan Albright), Allie Harris (Adam Hu-ber), Jeffrey Littleton (Mis-sy Trent), Kaitlyn Manns

(Jason Crittendon).

### Culver's Best

Culver Elementary School has announced its Culver’s Best for October.

**Kindergarten:** Alix Dunn, Rylee Clingler, Chloee Danti, Elizabeth Bell-Howard, Trenton Frit-ter, Kaylee Hamilton

**1st grade:** Marquez An-der-son, Liam Nicholson, Cody Winkler, Kaydin Sayavongsing, Emily Jef-feries, Kathleen Perkins

**2nd grade:** Matthew Bailey, Madison Shedrow, Ethan Moore, Rebecca Minix, Jacob Graham, AJ Czerniak, Ethan Lima, Ethan Coyle

**3rd grade:** Brook-lyn Sellers, Lance Mill-er, Dana Rodgers, Anna Blocker, Austin Jones, Kaitlyn Nickerson, Karina Figueroa, Kaitlyn Nicker-son, Lucas Cobern, Owen Valiquet, Ethan Vlach

**4th grade:** Jazmyn Be-itle, Sky Sickmiller, Gina Fuzey, Sarah Luttrell,

**5th grade:** Makayla San-chez, Alex West, Rachel England, Jordan Schrim-sher, Mackenzie Barnhart, Thomas Young, Aleck-sander McBee, Payton Lowry, Dylan Griewank, Shilo Guerra, Caleb Sheri-dan, Reilly Reinhold, An-gel Moore

**6th grade:** Betse Ellert, Cheyanne Powers, Allie Harris, Paige Heath, Mat-thew Markovitz.

## Council from page 1

know if this ordinance will solve a whole lot.”

Following the close of the public hearing, Munroe said Doss will look into trap-and-release programs for strays in other communities, and the Council voted unanimously to postpone passing the ordinance for the time being.

A third public hearing formalized additional appropriations of already-approved funds for an extension of Cul-ver’s EMS garage, for which the town of Culver will con-tribute \$10,000, and Union Township the same amount.

As Ricciardi explained, the project will add a bunk room with two bedrooms -- one for male and one for female EMS members -- for nights when overnight stays are necessary. EMS Director Chuck Dilts said the project is waiting for approval from the state and drawings from an architect volunteering his time. The Council approved the appropriations.

Culver Fire Chief Mike Grover told the Council his department received 30 portable, 800 MHz radios through a matching grant along with other county departments; equipment for the fire trucks is forthcoming, as is training to use the new equipment, said Grover.

The Council approved Grover’s request for 20 new fire helmets which include front LED lights and blue rear lights “very visible through smoke,” at \$239 each plus \$39 each for a name plate on each helmet.

Also approved was his request for a thermal imaging camera to replace the department’s existing camera, which is now more than 20 years old according to Grover. He praised the improved quality of the new camera and its zoom function, noting the old camera allowed pinpointing

the location of a boat or person via heat sensing from half-way across Lake Maxinkuckee. The camera is priced at \$11,268; Town Clerk Casey Howard said the department has the funds in its budget for the purchases.

Also Council-approved was the purchase of a police car for Culver’s department for 2011, as requested by Police Chief Wayne Bean. Bean said he plans to purchase a Dodge vehicle, which should have a higher resale value, has a better warranty, and fits in with the department’s other Dodge vehicles.

The Council also green-lighted Bean’s request for per-mission for Culver officers to take part in a grant-funded, county-wide Operation Pullover task force, which would allow off-duty officers to work out of town in conjunc-tion with other county agencies to reduce the number of drunk drivers in Marshall County. Bean noted the hours would be sporadic rather than weekly, and added the town’s only cost would be in gasoline and vehicle maintenance. He said the project may bring extra of-ficers to the Culver area for similar patrols during peak times here.

Doss, during his Town Manager’s report, request-ed and had approved an \$1,831.10 bill for repair of Culver’s leaf vacuum

truck. Council also approved extensions of additional time for part-time, seasonal help at Doss’ request. Repair of a sewer pump was approved at \$6,028 as well.

Doss acknowledged Culver’s Lions Club, VFW Post, and Culver Storage for financial contributions towards the town’s recently-installed Christmas lights.

Town attorney Jim Clevenger told Council members he’s drafted an interlocal agreement between various enti-ties planning to replace the outlet culvert at Lake Max-inkuckee’s west shore, noting the project will probably be held up until autumn of 2011. The project also is awaiting permit approval from the state of Indiana.

The Council scheduled a work session on employee salaries and executive session on a letter received from an employee, both for November 30 at 4 p.m.

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