

Easter egg hunt

Culver's annual Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by the Culver Park and Recreation Department, will take place Saturday, April 16 at 10 a.m. The rain date will be Saturday, April 23 at 10 a.m. The ages for the hunt are 2 through 4th grade. All participants should bring a bag for their eggs and priz-

Monterey Shakespeare

Friday

The Monterey Elementary School annual Shakespeare play will be held Friday, April 15 at 6:30 p.m. The dress rehearsal will be at approximately 12:45 p.m. the same day. The play this year will be "The Comedy of Errors." The class has decided that the free-will donation this year will be given to the Make-a-Wish Foundation. All are invited to attend the

Baseball-softball

signups

Culver baseball and softball sign-ups will be held Saturday, April 16 from 1 to 3 p.m, Wednesday, April 20, from 5 to 7 p.m., and Saturday, April 30, 9 to 11 a.m., at the Culver Public Library. Forms may also be returned to the school, addressed Attention: Lisa Moise, or mailed to Lisa Moise, 7598 Pine Trail Court, Culver, IN 46511.

VFW Friday dinner

tomorrow

Culver's VFW Post #6919 Men's Auxiliary will hold its Friday dinner tomorrow, April 15, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the Post, 108 E. Washington St. in Culver. Half-slab ribs will be available (\$9) or full slab (\$17), all-you-can-eat fish for \$8 or 1/4-pound hamburger for \$2. Doors are open to the public. Come on down and join us for a great meal.

Community meal at

Grace tonight

Grace United Church of Christ will hold its monthly community meal on Thursday, April 14 at 6 p.m., in the basement of the church. Please note the altered date from the usual meal date of the 15th of each month. All are invited to this free, ecumenical event whose purpose is to share a friendly meal in a welcoming, community atmosphere.

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ABOVE, LEFT: Ground was broken last Friday for Culver's new Garden Court senior living center on South Main Street. Pictured from left, are Beth Barrett (representing Congressman Joe Donnely), Culver Town Council members Ralph Winters and Ed Pinder, Garden Court board President Ronald Liechty, Town Clerk Casey Howard, Council President Ginny Munroe, and Kevin Berger of Easterday Construction, which will construct the facility.

Breaking new ground for Culver Honoring life-changing teachers

ABOVE, RIGHT: Culver Community High School students (seated) and teachers they chose to honor as the most influential of their academic careers (standing behind them) at the Culver Chamber of Commerce-Kiwanis Club annual banquet include (front row, from left to right) student CJ Dehning and teacher Mike Buschman, Jaclyn Bauer and teacher Pam Craft, Zoe Bauer and Kyle Elliott, Clarissa Baker and Vickie Benner, Nicolette Banfield and Brenda Sheldon. Back row, student Kyle VanDePutte and teacher John Browder, Blake Bennett and Chris Stevens, Kaceigh Ahlenius and Theresa Hammond, Colton Measels and Peggy Arguette, Mark Maes and Tina Stacy. SEE STORY BELOW.

Top students celebrate teachers' impact

Annual Chamber-Kiwanis banquet lauds top 10 seniors, teachers

By Jeff Kenney

The Culver Chamber of Commerce and Kiwanis Club's annual Top Ten awards banquet marked its 19th year in gala fashion last Tuesday evening at the Pretty Lake United Methodist Church banquet center. As in years past, the top ten graduating seniors from Culver Community High School were not only recognized themselves, but given an opportunity to laud the teachers most influential on their scholastic careers and success, alongside a veritable feast prepared by the ladies of the church.

Noting the event was one of his favorite evenings of the year, CCHS Principal Albert Hanselman also recognized the parents of the students, besides thanking event coordinator (and CCHS teacher) Donna Schwartz and the school's office staff.

Bennett honors Stevens

ears, and "it's paid off."

Student Blake Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bennett, took the podium first. A participant in the school's Business Professionals of America (BPA), CAVS service club, cross country, soccer, and track program, Bennett plans to attend the Purdue School of Technology in South Bend and major in Engineering.

Bennett described his honored teacher, Spanish instructor Chris Stevens, as "always. encouraging to me to get me to do better, not just in his class...but in every class I've had." He said he's taken Stevens' advice to work harder to live up to his potential in recent

During his remarks, Stevens described Blake as working "smarter, not harder.

"He's always been very respectful and even tempered," Stevens continued, noting Bennett often earned 'A's without taking his book home and predicting success for him in his college career.

VanDePutte honors Browder

Kyle VanDePutte, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken VanDePutte, participated at the school in band, basketball, and golf, and was a Boys' State delegate who plans to attend Indiana University South Bend and major in Business.

Honoring math teacher John Browder, whom he said he had in 7th grade and for whom he was a Teacher's Assistant as a junior, VanDePutte said Browder "influenced me to be more responsible and take pride in my work. Mr. Browder quickly shows you there are consequences for your actions,

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Culver Relay for Life tomorrow night

A closer look at activities, schedule

Culver's fourth annual, all-night Relay for Life to fight cancer will launch this Friday, April 15 at Culver Academies' track and football field. The student-organized event includes a host of activities and entertainment, continuing through the night to the conclusion of the event Saturday morning, all aimed at raising funds for the American Cancer Society's ongoing fight against cancer.

Two-time cancer survivor Paqui Kelly, the wife of Notre Dame football coach Brian Kelly, shared her story as part of the school's kick-off, on campus Wednesday afternoon.

Kelly's breast cancer was diagnosed in June 2003 and led to her first surgery. She underwent a double mastectomy in the spring of 2008. The experience prompted the Kellys to establish Kelly Cares Foundation, a non-profit charity that supports organizations, initiatives, and programs that closely align with the goals and values of the Kelly family in the areas of health, education, and community, according to the foundation's website (kellycaresfoundation.org).

Brian Kelly serves as chairman of the organization and Paqui Kelly is the vice president and co-founder. Upon taking the Notre Dame position in late 2009, the Foundation showed its support for Notre Dame's mission and goals by presenting the school with a \$250,000 gift.

As in years past, the Academies' Relay will include an as vet unnamed Indianapolis Colts football player as a special guest. New this year will be a fireworks show after dusk provided by Mad Bomber Fireworks Productions.

The schedule for the evening is as follows:

5:30 p.m. Survivor dinner **6 p.m.** Registration begins

7 p.m. Opening ceremony

7:30 p.m. Opening survivor lap - Relay begins

8 p.m. Relay's Got Talent Round 1

Community choir, drill team, bagpipes, Jerry Howard's

8:45 p.m. Jello eating contest **9 p.m.** Fight Back Ceremony 9:30 p.m. Relay's Got Talent

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Police urge attentiveness after vehicle thefts

Culver police are once again reminding residents to be wary of their vehicles' security following a rash of thefts in recent weeks from parked cars, as well as the theft of one vehicle itself.

Culver Chief of Police Wayne Bean notes the thefts were not the results of break-ins, but perpetrators entering unlocked cars. Most thefts, he notes, were stereos, though one vehicle had a laptop stolen.

"I know its Culver," says Bean, referring to the low crime rate in the community, "But people should still lock their cars. People are getting outside more, with the weather changing. Sometimes you only leave (your vehicle) a second, and somebody could steal from it.

Additionally, Bean also reminds residents to avoid potential scams. Most in this area are telephone and emailbased fraud rather than door-to-door, he notes, but there's an ongoing concern for residents not to fall victim to money-making schemes.

"If it looks too good to be true, it probably is," he explains, urging residents with any questions about the legitimacy of an email or phone call they've received, to contact the local police at 574-842-2525.

Area group looking for lake input

By Rusty Nixon, Correspondent

PLYMOUTH — A group of local residents concerned with the lakes of Marshall Coun-

ty are seeking to make a difference with a new group devoted to those lakes. The newly-formed Marshall County Lakes Council will seek public input and participation from other area residents as they hold a public meeting April 30 at 10 a.m. in the Plymouth Public Library to explore the foundation of a permanent Lakes Council for Marshall County. The group is an offshoot of activities of Leadership Marshall County, and is modeled after a similar association in Steuben County. Bill Schmidt of that association will be speaking at the first meeting.

'Many different people involved in the environmental health of their lakes have thought of doing this same thing over the years," said Kathy Clark of the Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council. "Forming a larger group to go after the limited funding available for such things as weed control, dredging eroded soils or investigation various con-

taminates that can affect the health of those who ply in or near the water — makes sense." The group has representatives from many of Marshall County's 17 lakes including Larry Emmons and Kimberly Caudill from the Culver Academies, Justin Miller of North Central Co-op, Clark, Joe Skelton of Lake of the Woods, Ken Buckley and Patti Wright of Myers and Pretty Lakes — with the special assistance of Sister Mary Baird of Ancilla

College. The group will also focus on the county waterways such as the Yellow River. The group is not just for those who live on a lake. Those who enjoy lake recreation or just visiting local lakes are encouraged to take part. Coloring books, information and other materials will be available at the meeting that will consist of See Lakes page 9 a short presentation followed by small break out sessions to allow

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whether good or bad."

VanDePutte also explained Browder taught both his parents, uncles on each side, and both of his own siblings. "I was scared after all the stories I heard (about him)! But if you do your work his way and are on time, you'll be alright. The lessons he taught me in 7trh grade went a long way towards making me a successful student."

For his part, Browder congratulated VanDePutte and his family, describing the senior as a hard worker.

"I see him at every basketball game working for Mr. Elliott and Mr. Berendt, and every day at the middle school doing chores. I see him every Saturday at Park N Shop, and he says 'Hi,' and goes about his work...with your work ethic, you'll do just fine."

Maes honors Stacy

Senior Mark Maes, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Maes, took part in the Academic Super Bowl, National Junior Honor Society, band, BPA, was a Boys' State delegate, part of Cavalcade, a cheerleader and member of the chorus, class officer, part of the CYCO service group, a member of the French and Science Clubs, and played basketball, baseball, soccer, and ran track. He plans to attend Ball State University and major in Business and Communications.

Noting he's been heavily involved in Student Council all four years of his high school career, Maes said his honored teacher, English instructor Tina Stacy, "has taught me more than I'll ever remember."

As Vice President his junior year and then President his senior of the Council, Maes said Stacy helped him develop leadership and people skills, and to realize "there are some things I can't control, some things I need to delegate, and some things just need to be dropped."

Maes described leading the Make-A-Wish fundraisers of the past two years, organizing homecoming parades, taking part in gift-buying and a Christmas party for Culver's two Make-A-Wish children, a semester on the year-book staff, and other activities, praising the life lessons Stacy imparted during these endeavors.

"I'd love nothing more than to take credit for this outstanding young man," said Stacy, "but all I can do is thank him for letting me be part of his life for a time..Mark is truly one of greatest kids I know.

"I've not seen a more kind and compassionate kid who works for others and asks nothing in return."

Measels honors Arquette

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Brian Hammond, Colton Measels has been part of CCHS' Art Club, band, BPA, Caval Crier, CAVS Club, drama and fencing clubs, a class officer, Student Council, and has run in cross country and track. He plans to attend Ball State with an undecided major.

Measels said he's had CCHS teacher Peggy Arquette for "an array of things," including various classes and interactions with her as a coach.

"She keeps you entertained," he said. "As a coach for track -- although she was the girls' track coach -- she was there for everyone, cheering everyone on and saying we did a good job."

Measels complimented Arquette's demeanor, which he said was uncomplaining and smiling even as she had to become "a nurse" for her ill husband. "She's always happy and smiling, and nice and sincere to everyone who walks past her."

ast her."

Arquette told the audience one of the most rewarding

things she's experienced is "knowing I made a difference in someone's life -- it's like winning the lottery (and) it helps you get through the bad times in life."

She described Measels as an active student with "true grit," adding he's held a job for years and possesses a caring character.

"He's respectful and helpful to the less fortunate...He lost his father in 5th grade. Today your father would be very proud of your many accomplishments and the man you've become. I know he's watching," she said.

Banfield honors Sheldon

Nicolette Banfield, daughter of Brett Banfield and the late Christina Diaz, kept busy as part of BPA, Cavalcade, CAVS Club, CCYC, drama, science, and Spanish clubs, as a Girls' State delegate and track runner. She's headed for Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis as a Psychology major, and chose to honor CCHS guidance counselor Brenda Sheldon, whose office Banfield said "became a safe haven from the stress" of preparing for tests and the challenges of her senior year.

"She was quick to offer a big hug or a joke. I lost my mother in 2005 (and Sheldon) was there to support me at school. I would call her my pillar of strength, but pillars are hard and cold, and that's not right!"

Banfield also thanked her father and sisters for their inspiration and advice.

Sheldon, who said if she had a daughter she'd like her to be like Banfield, described the student as "smart, energetic, pretty and full of life.

"I see her interact on a regular basis with all the different groups (at school, and she) seems to be in her comfort zone...and that's kind of rare. Her enthusiasm is contagious."

Ahlenius honors Hammond

Also taking the podium was Kaceigh Ahlenius, daughter of Frank and Peggy Ahlenius, and a member of the National and Junior Honor Societies, Academic Super Bowl, a cheerleader, Caval Crier staffer, class officer, and member of the French and science clubs bound for the University of Indianapolis to study Exercise Science.

Ahlenius said she got to know her honored teacher, Theresa Hammond during summer meetings for the school's Ignition program, and decided to become the science teacher's Teaching Assistant as a result.

"I look forward to her class daily (and) because of her passion for biology, I developed a new interest. All the lessons will really help me with my biology classes next year (at college)."

Hammond joked the unique spelling of Ahlenius' first name "led to her being unique.

"I enjoyed having her in class," continued Hammond. "She's very smart and asks very good questions."

Hammond presented Ahlenius with a "prize box" full of items, resembling the prize box she has in her classroom, adding, "Tonight you've given me an even bigger prize."

Bauer honors Elliott

The son of Tim Bauer and Mrs. Tony Manikowski, senior Zoe Bauer has played basketball, baseball, and football, and been involved in the Academic Super Bowl, CAVS Club, and French Club. He plans to major in Com-

munications at an as-yet undecided college. Bauer chose to honor CCHS teacher and coach Kyle Elliott, whom he said he knew going back to Elliott's t-ball coaching days when Bauer was four years old.

"Whenever I had an issue in my life at school or at home...I would go to him to seek his advice," recalled Bauer. "I always knew I'd get his honest opinion. Many times he called me into his office to let me know I could be doing better."

Bauer added Elliott's positive demeanor and thankfulness for each day gave him cause to seriously consider "how lucky I am" and helped him understand how to "live a happy life."

"Nobody worked harder than Zoe Bauer when preparing for a game," Elliott said. "Our basketball team, with the guidance of Zoe, worked extremely hard to get where we are. He didn't become the school's all-time scoring leader without preparation (during) summer, all those hours outside of school, (and) late evenings."

Elliott praised Bauer's efforts to analyze and improve his playing on the court, and noted he holds the record for playing more games (90) than any student in the history of the school. Having players like Bauer, added Elliott, "makes coaching awfully easy."

Baker honors Benner

Clarissa Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker, has been a member of National and Junior Honor Societies, BPA, art club, and played basketball and volleyball; she plans attending Indiana University in Bloomington with an undecided major.

Baker praised the "humorous stories (and) playful, witty personality" of her chosen teacher, English instructor Vickie Benner, whom Baker said she greatly admires.

"All in all she's a terrific teacher and an admirable person...I will miss her immensely at college," Baker added.

Praising Baker's attributes, Benner said she "really got to know" her last year when Benner's Humanities class collected money for Haiti, a project for which Baker took the reins, designing and distributing collection containers, working ball games, and organizing student competitions. As Benner's Teaching Assistant, "she never lets me down," added Benner. "I saw her at a social event on a Saturday night, and I joked that I had brought some papers for her to check. I think she was actually willing to do that until I told her I was just kidding!"

Handing Baker a bag full of office supplies, Benner joked she planned to send Teaching Assistant work for Baker at college.

Bauer honors Craft

Jaclyn Bauer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bauer, took part in National and Junior Honor Societies while at the school, in addition to Academic Super Bowl, CAVS Club, BPA, CYCO, served as a class officer, was part of Spanish club and the basketball team. She plans to major in Animal Science and Bio Tech at Purdue University in Lafayette this fall, and chose to honor Monterey Elementary 5th grade teacher Pam Craft. Bauer described the challenge of being "the new girl" in 5th grade after transferring from Catholic school in Monterey, a situation which she said Craft made "one of the best changes in my life."

"She opened my eyes to my ability," Bauer contin-



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Community farewell Saturday for Rev. Keating

Grace United Church of Christ and the Culver community will bid Grace Pastor Robin Keating a fond farewell Saturday afternoon, April 16, at 3 p.m., at the church, 307 N. Plymouth Street in Culver.

Rev. Keating, whose tenure at Grace began over four years ago, will leave just after Easter to serve a UCC church in North

During Keating's pastorate here, Grace



initiated such projects as its monthly community meal and community garden.

of Christ in Plymouth.

The public is invited to the reception, which will include a special surprise for

Culver Scouts seek community's support in Liberty Tour

Three Culver area Boy Scouts have been working hard towards a life-changing experience, and they're hoping the community will support them in their efforts.

Jack Campbell (son of Mr. amd Mrs. Jack Campbell II), Alan and Austin Dilts (sons of Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Dilts), and Jeremy Penrod (son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Penrod) have been working hard to raise funds to take part in the Boy Scouts of America's Liberty Tour of historic sites pertinent to American

history in the Boston, From left, Jeremy Penrod, Jack Campbell, Austin and Alan Dilts says 11-year old Austin, a 2nd New York, and Philadel- will tour historic American landmarks this summer via a Boy Class Boy Scout in the Troop, phia areas this summer, Scouts program. through endeavors such as VFW fish frys, Port-a-Pit chicken barbecues, a Knights of Columbus breakfast; and selling Christmas wreathes

since last year in hopes of raising the \$550 each boy must pay towards the total \$700 cost of the trip (the remainder is paid by the boys' Scout Troop number 229 of Winamac. "The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to pre-

pare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes," says Ruth Dilts, an Assistant Scoutmaster with Troop 229, "by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and the Scout Law...the purpose of the trip is to expand our Scouts' knowledge, learning, and life experiences. (It's) also to build well-rounded individuals and

Starting in 2009, Keating began a shared

pastoral ministry with First United Church

leaders (who) follow Scout Oath and Law."

With the exception of one night aboard the USS New Jersey, the Scouts and accompanying adults will sleep in church basements each night along the way, says Dilts, in an effort to make the most of available

"In keeping with the Scout Law," notes Dilts, "a Scout is thrifty and works to pay his own

One upcoming fund-raiser is a Port-a-Pit barbecue chicken sale on Saturday, April 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Napa parking lot on US 35 North in Winamac (one-half a chicken is

\$5).
"We need to earn money,"

-14 Austin a 2nd CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY "by raking yards, helping out at events, mowing yards, picking

up sticks, small paint jobs and much, much more.

He encourages those needing jobs done to call his mother, Ruth, at 574-216-5041, or 574-842-4432, and leave a

Those wishing to donate funds towards the effort may do so at the above numbers (checks should be payable to Boy Scout Troop 229). The Troop may be found online at www.bsa229.net.

ued, "and the opportunity to look ahead. Ever since 5th

grade, I have always taken my studies seriously. Look-

ing into my future, I will have a lot of 'new girl' feelings

at Purdue, but with the life lessons I took away from her

classroom, I will have the ability and power to reach my

Craft noted several of the teachers honored during the

"When you have great teachers like Mrs. Arquette, Mr.

'Some days I feel like the work I do is never rewarded...

Browder, Mike Schwartz, and Mrs. Benner," explained

but (Jackie Bauer) made me feel like I won the lottery!

She was the kindhearted kid you wish every student to be,

Death notice

Johnson

Todd E. Johnson **April 9, 2011**

CULVER — Todd E. Johnson, 47, of Culver, died Saturday, April 9, 2011, at 3:52 a.m. at Saint Joseph Hospital He is survived by his mother, Alice Johnson of Plym-

outh; sister, Renea (Terry) Beldon of Plymouth; brother, Robbin Johnson of Culver; and three nephews. Visitation took place from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, April 14 at Van Gilder Funeral Home, 300 W. Madison St., Plym-

A private graveside service was held at New Oakhill

Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials may be given to Pretty Lake Trinity United Methodist Church, P.O. Box #266, Plymouth, IN, 46563.

Condolences may be made to the family via the funeral home's website at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

Town items

Water problem info sought from residents

The town of Culver is soliciting response from towns-

people who have experienced water problems pertaining to water pressure, dead-end lines, water filtering or drink-The town, says Town Manager Michael Doss, is applying for a grant through IOCRA (the Indiana Office of Com-

munity and Rural Affairs) to fund an analysis of Culver's water system and treatment plant, with long-range hopes of major improvements to both. Information about problems experienced may be in the form of letters sent to the Town Hall (200 E. Washington

St., Culver, IN 46511) or by calling 574-8423140. Information must be received by April 30.

Ohio Street work begins this week

In conjunction with repaying on Ohio Street in Culver, curbs and gutters will be torn out from the area of Culver Elementary School to Davis Street beginning April 11, according to Town Manager Michael Doss.

Residents' patience is appreciated as portions of the strees will closed in coming weeks while work is done. Actual paving of the street is expected to take place in mid-May, says Doss.

Community calendar

Thurs., April 14 Kiwanis Club mtg., noon,

Culver Public Library Spring storytime, 11:30

.m., Culver Public Library Community meal, 6 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ

Fri., April 15

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

Student Shakespeare play 'The Comedy of Errors'), 12:45 p.m., Monterey Elementary School

VFW Men's Auxiliary meal, 5:30 to 8 p.m., VFW

Relay for Life, 7 p.m. (Opening Ceremony), Culver Academies football field/track

Sat., April 16

Quilting group, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library Easter egg hunt, 10:30 .m., town park

Mon., April 18

Knitting group, 10 .m.and 5 p.m., Culver ublic Library Computer class, 6 p.m.,

Culver Public Library

Tues., April 19 Story time, 10 a.m. Culver Public Library

to 3 p.m., Market Basket & Co., SR 17. OA, AA meeting (open)

Tuesday tea and crafts, 1

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

6:30 p.m., town hall

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

Al-Anon mtg., 7 p.m. Grace United Church of Dehning honors Buschman Christ Zion fellowship hall

Weds., April 20

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

TOPS mtg., 3:30 p.m. Grace United Church of

Social Media for Beginners, 6 p.m., Culver

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Board of Zoning Appeals mtg., 6:30 p.m., town hall

She was a go-getter and an all around great girl to have

Craft, "you want to be a good role model.

evening had been her own.

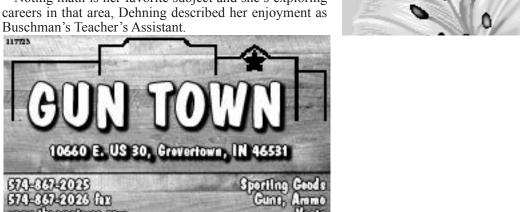
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The daughter of Pastor KC and Mrs. Dehning, student Cassandra ("CJ") Dehning was part of National Honor Society, Academic Super Bowl, Student Council, BPA, the soccer team, and was a Hobie ambassador, and she plans to attend Indiana University at Bloomington with an un-

Thanking her parents for raising her the way they did, Dehning said her chosen teacher, Mike Buschman, "has been more of an inspiration than he probably knows."

She described his advice to her while training during her sophomore year to eliminate "can't" from her vocabulary and believe she could do it. She also was part of Buschman's math classes over the past three years, and told the audience she often returned to her desk having answered her own questions due to his convincing her she has the power to do so.

Noting math is her favorite subject and she's exploring careers in that area, Dehning described her enjoyment as



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He described seeking the five best words to describe her, and elaborated on those he chose: intelligent, capable,

"The life lessons (he taught me) will stay with me

Thanking Dehning for the honor, Buschman described

her as "the kind of student you hope walks through the

independent, clutch ("the person who will come up with the key idea at the key moment to break the project wide open"), and "the best word for her: relentless."

"As a mathematician," he added, "I understand math better because I've been in the room with her for the last three years...she tolerates nothing but excellence."

The most accomplished class

through college and beyond," she added.

In summing up the evening, Hanselman noted, "We live in a cynical society. People will tell you what's wrong with today's youth.'

He continued by noting he's been involved with the school since 1980, and this year's is "the most accomplished class to have graduated from Culver Community High School.'

The students have served on missions, he said, been champions, raised "tens of thousands of dollars for children with life-threatening illnesses," raised money to fight cancer "and will walk all night in two weeks" (at Relay for Life to do so).

"This is the best I have to offer. For a society that doesn't think there's much good going on today, come see me.'



April 24 - Brunch

Enjoy a delightful brunch beginning April 24. Our Summer Sunday dinner hours are back.

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OPINION / HISTORY

If these walls could talk: 120 S. Main

We continue our series of semi-regular journeys through Culver's past as we look at the lives of historic buildings in the Culver area. For now, we're strolling down Main Street's east side in downtown Culver, making our way

If many of the downtown commercial buildings we've looked at in this column to date have presented a dizzying maze of businesses seemimgly hopping in and out of alternating storefronts, 120 South Main Street boasts a refreshing breath of fresh air. In fact, I'm hard-pressed to think of any one business within the town which has remained



ABOVE: A view of the hardware under the O.T. Goss name, circa 1910-1920. Note the second story on the building. BELOW: The Goss hardware in 1919.

the same business -- albiet with a few, and then only a handful of, different owners -- for as long as Culver's hardware store.

It's not always been Culver's only hardware, and it wasn't the first (possibly the first sat at the northwest corner of Jefferson and Main Streets, at the site of today's First Farmer's Bank and Trust, but we'll get to that corner another day), but it's been the only one for more decades than most of us can recall. And of course, one of the charming aspects of the hardware is how unchanged it feels in many ways, right down to the tile in the floor.

The first name attached to it, quite early on, was that of John F. Wiess. The Culver Citizen, in a 1938 profile of O.T. Goss, said he began his association with the hardware on January 10, 1906, as a partner of Charles Replogle. At the end of one year, Replogle had passed away, and Goss, born and raised in Bremen and having worked for a

Culver's hardware store

time in the hardware business in South Bend, became sole proprieter.

Goss had the store for most of the first half of the 20th century, and his was a household name during those decades in the Culver community. The Citizen credited him with helping bring about "many of the changes that have kept Culver abreast of the times." Besides serving on the school and town boards, he also helped oversee the creation of a municipal "water works system" in Culver, serving for some time on the water works board as well. He later became Vice President of the hugely successful State Exchange Bank in Culver.

Those wishing to stroll a bit more to tie in loose historical ends, may wish to take a close look at the plaque outside today's Odom funeral home, which was given an historical award by the county historical society as the "Goss The hardware interior in May, 1910. house," as it was for years prior to becoming the Bonine funeral home in the 1960s.

According to his late son Bill, Paul Snyder bought the hardware store from Goss around 1944. Son Bill took it over around 1963, he told me in a 2007 interview, the same year Bill -- who died last year -- sold it to Dave Beggs, making for a remarkably short list of owners of the longstanding business.

The cash register Bill used right up into 2008 is so lodged in the minds of locals, it's become almost a legend. It was some months after my interview with Bill that fall, when I stum-

bled across an historical reference in the Culver Citizen to the purchase of a new National cash register in the June 3, 1909 edition, dating back to the days when the store was dubbed, the Culver Cash Hardware. "It will do everything about the business except collect the bills



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Free? Really?

Pastor's

By Rev. K.C. Dehning

Trinity Lutheran Church

Corner

Recently two commercials caught my attention. The first was on TV and it showed someone in a store looking at bicycles. The sales person shows the customer a bicycle and says it's the best one in the whole store and today it is free. The customer can hardly believe it. "Free? Really?" "No," the salesperson

replies. "We can't give away our best bikes.'

The second commercial was on the radio and similar to the first. In this commercial you hear a customer talking to a salesperson about the type of camera he would like. The salesman tells him that they are having a special on a top-

of-the-line camera. They are giving it away for free. Once again, the customer is amazed until the salesperson says, 'No, they can't just give away their best product.

Both commercials are about a company that will prepare your taxes for free. Of course, they will only prepare your taxes for free if you qualify for the simple federal form. So, they won't prepare everyone's taxes for free.

Many people scoff at the idea of receiving something for free. They might say something like, "There's no such thing as a free lunch." They might even say that even if you receive a gift it really isn't free because you have to accept it, or you have to open it. To that way of thinking

If I place a gift under a Christmas tree with someone's name on it, or if I place a gift on a table at someone's birth-

day party or at a wedding reception, the gift now belongs to the individual. Opening the gift, does not make them the owner of the gift. They open it because it belongs to them. Accepting the gift does not mean it belongs to them. Even if they do not accept it, it still belongs to them because it is a gift that was given to them. If the person to whom the gift is given does not accept the gift, or does not open the gift, it still

belongs to them. They just don't have the benefit of using the gift.

The same is true of faith and the forgiveness of sins. God's Word teaches us, ""For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." (John 3:16-17) God sent Jesus into the world to save the entire world. This salvation is given to all people as a free gift. "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9) If we think there is something we need to do in order to be saved; if we think to be saved we must accept Jesus, or we need to believe, we ignore what God's Word says about faith being a gift and we make our salvation incumbent on something we do, a work we must perform. Then our salvation is no longer a gift. "Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due." (Romans 4:4)

God's Word is clear. Everyone in the world is a sinner and none of us deserves to have forgiveness or eternal life. Yet, both are given to us as a gift from God, "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. (Romans 3:23-25)

I don't know if there is a free lunch, but thanks be to God that our salvation is given to us freely for the sake of Jesus.



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rent," boasted the paper of that high-tech machine, which has since been replaced by a computer system (the faithful old register, with which Bill was still quite ably ringing up customers three years ago, resides with the Snyder family today, I'm told).

"When dad bought this," recalled Bill in '07, "the store was only on the north side of the building, so it was half of what it is today. The south side was all storage. There were things like horse rope there, things we didn't use much anymore.

"Before 1909, when Goss came, there were ladders all along the walls. The back room was an office, but we sold some stock out of it too."

In the mid-1940s, a raging upstairs fire brought about another change.

"It was quite a fire," Bill remembered, pointing to a small snapshot of the fire he used to keep in the store. "I was in church and came out, and someone said, 'the hardware's on fire!' I came over and watched the fire all day.' As a trestament to the abilities of Culver's fire depart-

ment at the time, the fire didn't destroy the entire building. The upstairs apartment was no more, but the ground level building, then as now, continued on undaunted.

In the 1960s, the laundromat, across the alley to the east of the hardware, was added to the Snyder business complex, though that's a story for another day.

Since the Beggs' purchase of the hardware, which added to their Main Street Manor bed and breakfast across the street to the southwest (which we'll examine more closely in a few weeks), Dave Beggs has expanded and rearranged the store and its offerings, but it's certainly retained its primary features, and still looks, feels, and yes -- even smells -- like that Culver hardware of old...like when we were children

Bill Snyder's comment to me nearly four years ago now holds true for the Culver Pro Hardware today: "You have to keep working, be nice to people and try to helpople. Most people like it and are glad we're here.

Name that Culver'citizen'

The response to our 'Mystery Citizen' game has continued to grow lately, especially with the addition of The Culver Citizen's Facebook followers (visit us at facebook. com/culvercitizen). Last week's Mystery Citizen, for example, drew a host of correct responders. She was Lynn Overmyer, who of course today is visible in her role with husband Lance (and other family members) at Overmyer Soft Water at Plymouth and Jefferson Streets. She's also serving on Town Council, though she's served on boards and been active in Culver's civic life for decades. Readers might be interested to know our "then" photo of Lynn was taken from the Citizen article reporting on her wedding,

> and featured her in full bride's regalia.

Readers who recognized her included Phyllis Cox, Kay Tusing, Judy Sawhook, Cynthia Goss, Amy (Overmyer) Jessen, Barb Quivey, Phyllis Lindvall, Roger Beauchamp, Debbie Noel, Anna Neher, Trent Bennett, Marsha Banning, Jeanette Geiselman, Sue Roth. Jim and Barb Jones, Cindy Carter, June McDonald, Betty Voreis

This week's Mystery Citizen has also been active in Culver on several levels. Members

of his family has also been active both in Culver's civic and commercial life as well. Guesses may be emailed

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.



ABOVE: Last week's Mystery Citizen, Lynn Overmyer, then and now. LEFT: this week's mystery

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CBGC Member of the Month

RIGHT: Shane Shuman, a kindergartener at Culver Elementary School was named the Culver Boys & Girls Club member of the month for February. The Boys & Girls Club gives this award out monthly to the member who best exemplifies the values of respect, responsibility, and honesty, according to CBGC Unit Supervisor Cory Monnier.

Arrest report

• Coley Henderson, 22, Culver, was arrested April 10 by the Culver Police Department for failure to appear and probation violation.

• Cody T. Deery, 19, Culver, was arrested April 11 by the PPD for theft-under \$100,000 value.

Sports Spectacular results

Following are detailed results from Culver Community High School's Sports Spectacular April 1.

The senior class took first place overall with a score of 137. Juniors followed with 96, followed by sophomores

(71), 7th grade (57), freshmen (20), and 8th grade (17). In individual games, seniors took first in the sack race, basketball shoot, and tug-of-war, and also led in tickets

sold, attendance, and posters.

The junior class came in first in the wheelbarrow race. cracb walk relay, ping pong roll, egg carry, and dry land

The sophomore class led the way in the scooter race, jump rope race, tricycle race, and adult tricycle race.

The 8th grade won the take-it-all-off relay.

Sports briefs

Baseball

Culver splits at Lacrosse

Zoe Bauer got his first win on the mound as Culver split a doubleheader at Lacrosse Saturday.

Culver racked up eight runs during the second through

fifth innings as Bauer and the Cavaliers took the win in

Culver jumped off to a 2-1 lead in the second game before a three-run third put the home team on top for good as the Cavs fell 4-2.

Culver moves to 3-1 on the season.

CULVER 8-2, LACROSSE 5-4

At LaCrosse

Culver: 022 310 0 — 8 9 4

LaCrosse: 010 020 2 — 5 8 4

Zoe Bauer (W, 1-0), Collin Stevens (7) and A.J. Neace; Jimmy Rippe (L) and Sam Culver

2B: Gorrell (L).

Culver: 110 000 0 — 2 6 1

LaCrosse: 103 000 X — 4 6 1

Dyjack (W) and Culver; Scotty Brown (L, 0-1) and Neace. 2B: Sam Hendrickson (C), Brian Nelson ©, Dyjack (L).

Records: Culver 3-1, LaCrosse 5-3.

Culver stays perfect

Collin Stevens had two hits and pitched a complete three-hitter for Culver in a 2-1 win over Caston on the road Thursday.

The Cavaliers stay unbeaten at 2-0 with the win. CULVER 2, CASTON 1 At Fulton

Culver: 001 010 0 — 2 5 3 Caston: 000 001 0 — 1 3 3

Collin Stevens (W, 1-0) and A.J. Neace; Michael Smith (L)

Records: Culver 2-0; Caston 1-1.

Culver wins opener

Culver scored three runs in the bottom of the sixth for a 4-2 comeback win over North Judson in the Cavaliers' season-opening game at home Wednesday.

Sam Hendrickson and Zoe Bauer recorded two doubles apiece, while A.J. Neace and Nick Pritz each doubled as well as the Cavs out-hit Judson 8-2.

Bryce Lindvall took the win on the mound. CULVER COMMUNITY 4, NORTH JUDSON 2

At Culver

North Judson: 002 000 0 — 2 2 1

Culver: 001 003 X — 4 8 1

Bryce Lindvall (W) and A.J. Neace; Steven Bailey (L)

2B: Dylan Thompson (NJ), Sam Hendrickson 2 (C), Zoe Bauer 2 (C), Neace (C), Nick Pritz (C).

3B: Andrew Frasure (NJ). Records: Culver 1-0, North Judson 1-3

Girls track

Neer sets record as CGA wins relays

Culver Girls Academy won the meet with 122 points, while Plymouth finished second with 113 at the Culver Academies Relays Saturday.

> CGA won five events at the home meet as Kylee Shipley, Kaycee Hermanson, Eden Brackenbury and Waverly Neer won the 4 X 1600-yard relay, while Ashley Taylor, Jasmine Solola, Ana Sofia Gonzalez and Amber Cowell won the 400 shuttle hurdles, and the team of Taylor, Emily Rich, Laura Ma, Anne Marie Dumas won the 400 relay. Neer set a new meet record in the 1500 with a dominant 4:37.9, while Solola claimed top honors in the triple jump.

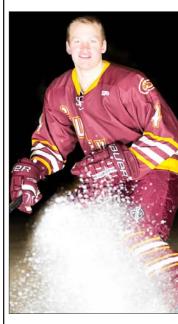
Plymouth won the sprint medley and 1600 relays, while Hannah Christy finished first in the both the shot and the discus. **CGA RELAYS**

At Culver Team scores: Culver Girls Academy

122, Plymouth 113, Marion 88, LaPorte 73, Hobart 47, Logansport 47, Michigan City Marquette 1.

4 x 1600 relay: 1, Culver Girls Academy (Kylee Shipley, Kaycee Hermanson, Eden Brackenbury, Waverly Neer) 22:52.8 (MEET RECORD). 2, Plymouth 25:26.9. 3, Marion 25:54.9; 4 x 100 shuttle hurdles: 1, Culver Girls Academy (Ashley Taylor, Jasmine Solola, Ana Sofia Gonzalez, Amber Cowell) 1:12.8. 2. Plymouth 1:14.2. 3. LaPorte 1:15.2.; Distance medley (1200-400-800-1600) relay: 1, Marion (Amanda Wolfe, Darrien Randle, Ali Burritt, Lila Persinger) 13:44.9. 2, Culver Girls Academy LaPorte

Kucera signs with Ice Dogs



Luke Kucera of Twin Lakes, Indiana, a Culver Academies senior, recently tendered with the Fairbanks Ice Dogs of the North American Hockey League. Kucera was a defenseman on the Culver Prep hockey team.

He recently shared, "I am excited to play Junior Hockey for Fairbanks. They are a quality organization and I love the outdoors, so living in Alaska is going to be great!"

He plans to play D1 college hockey and major in engineering after completing Junior Hockey. In addition, he has received academic scholarships to

the following universities; the Clarkson University Aeronautical Engineering Department, the Michigan Tech Engineering Mechanics Department, and the Rochester Institute of Technology Biomedical Engineering program. Kucera is currently the Co-President of the Culver

Community Council, and he is the Culver Academies Representative of B.E.A.M., a youth community service organization. In 2010 he was the Captain of "Shifting Winds," the winning team in the Miclot Business Plan Competition for the Ron Rubin School for the Entrepreneur at Culver Academies. He is also the Founder and President of the American Indian Club at Culver, and a CMA leader having achieved the rank of Executive Officer in Company C. In closing, Kucera said, "Culver is a great place to in-

vent and reinvent yourself, you just have to keep going for it. I am grateful for the opportunities Culver has given me, and I look forward to giving back some day.

Plymouth 14:27.6.; Sprint medley (100-100-200-400) relay: 1, Plymouth (Tracy Longanecker, Emmelyn Brant, Haley Smart, Meagan Fisher) 1:56.0. 2, Culver Girls Academy 1:56.2. 3, Marion 1:57.9.; 4 x 400 relay: 1, Plymouth (Emmelyn Brant, Haley Smart, Danica Cureton, Meagan Fisher) 4:24.3. 2, Culver Girls Academy 4:36.4. 3, Marion 4:45.5.; 4 x 100 relay: 1, Culver Girls Academy (Ashley Taylor, Emily Rich, Laura Ma, Anne Marie Dumas) 51.8. 2, LaPorte 53.2. 3, Marion 54.5. 4, Plymouth 54.6.; 1500: 1, Waverly Neer (CGA) 4:37.9 (MEET RECORD). 2, Celena Guerrero

(Hob) 4:55.9. 3, Elena Lancioni (LP) 5:16.6. 5, Emily Walden (Ply) 5:41.0. 100: 1, Darrian Randle (Mar) 12.8. 2, Ashley Taylor (CGA) 12.9. 3, Jenice O'Neal (LP) 13.3. 5, Tracy Longanecker (Ply) 14.3.; 4 x 200: 1, Marion (Milikah Moore, Desarae Lashore, Sasha Artis, Darrian Randle) 1:50.6. 2, LaPorte 1:54.7. 3, Plymouth 1:55.3. 4, Culver Girls Academy 1:55.6.; 4 x 800: 1, Hobart (Alycia Corral, Mindy Whidden, Sarah Jackson, Celena Guerrero) 10:35.6. 2, Culver Girls Academy 10:35.7. 3, Marion 10:51.1. 4, Plymouth 11:23.5.; High jump: 1, Sasha Artis (Mar) 5-0. 2, Kiley Victor (Log) 4-10. 3, Meagan Fisher (Ply) 4-8. 4, Kenzie Ungar (CGA) 4-8. 5, Carly Baker (Ply) 4-8. Long jump: 1, Milikah Moore (Mar) 16-2. 2, Alycia Corral (Hob) 15-1 1/2. 3 Hannah Christy (Ply) 14-9. 5, Carly Baker (Ply) 14-4.; Shot put: 1, Hannah Christy (Ply) 36-11 ¾. 2, Leah Heckaman (CGA) 36-4. 3, Samantha Kain (Log) 32-11 ½. 4, Eberle Miller (CGA) 32-10 ¼.; Discus: 1, Hannah Christy (Ply) 101-2. 2, Leah Heckaman (CGA) 91-5. 3, Brittany Gantz (Ply) 91-3.; Polé vault: 1, Courtni Fryer (LP) 9-6. 2, Jenny Corgan (Hob) 8-0. 3, Megan Nibert (LP) 8-0. 4, Tie between Jamie Jagnecki (Ply) and Sharon Chen (CGA) 7-0. 6, Henrietta Conrad (CGA) 7-0.; Triple jump: 1, Jasmine Solola (CGA) 32-7. 2, Alycia Corral (Hob) 32-6 1/2. 3, Hannah Christy (Ply) 30-5. 4, Carly Baker (Ply) 28-11.

Boys track

Plymouth takes 3rd at Academies relays

Plymouth placed third with a score of 78 1/2 behind winner Marion and runner-up Hobart, while the young host Eagles placed fifth at the Culver Military Academy Relays Saturday.

 CMA RELAYS At Culver

Team scores: Marion 116, Hobart 96, Plymouth 78-1/2, LaPorte 76, Culver Military Academy 43-1/2, Concord 42, Logansport 34, Michigan City

4 x 1600 relay: 1, LaPorte (Morgan Dearing, Jonathan Didion, Kevin Hucksted, Anthony Didion) 19:19.10. 2, Hobart 19:35.8. 3, Concord 19:55.6. 4, Culver Military 19:59.1. 5, Plymouth 20:02.0.; 4 x 110 Shuttle Hurdles: 1, Marion (Devanté Mayo, Thomas Reason, Jonathan Decker, Dionte Morrell) 1:03.2. 2, Plymouth 1:07.8. 3, Logansport 1:12.6.; Distance medley (1200-400-800-1600) relay: 1, LaPorte (Josh Hojnacki, Skyler Coburn, Stuart West, Mitch Hubner) 10:31.1 (MEET RECORD). 2, Logansport 11:10.1. 3, Hobart 11:12.1. 4, Marion 11:30.1. 5, Plymouth 12:04.5. 6, Culver Military 12:05.4. Sprint medley (100-100-200-400) relay: 1, Marion (Phillip Walker, Devante Mayo, Marcus Marble, Terry Riley) 1:36.1. 2, Plymouth 1:37.9. 3, Culver Military 1:38.9.; 4 x 400 relay: 1, Concord (Grant Bass, Keenan Burnett, Steve Mulroy, Will Mulroy) 3:31.5. 2, LaPorte 3:33.4. 3, Hobart 3:33.8. 4, Marion 3:39.0. 5, Plymouth 3:49.4.; 4 x 100 relay: 1, Marion (Phillip Walker, Marcus Marble, Devante Mayo, Terry Riley) 44.0. 2, LaPorte 44.1. 3, Culver Military 45.4. 4, Plymouth 45.8.; 1500: 1, Kyle Overway (Logan) 4:27.3. 2, 2, Anthony Didion (LP) 4:28.1. 3, Zach Spain (H) 4:30.0. 4, Cortez Neuman (Mar) 4:31.7. 5, Leopoldo Burguete (CMA) 4:34.6. 6, Santiago Ibarra (P) 4:36.5.; 100: 1, Marcus Marble (Mar) 11.0. 2, Payton McCoy (LP) 11.0. 3, Marcus Shannon (CMA) 11.5. 4, Will Mulroy (Con) 11.6. 5, Jarvis McMillan (Hob) 11.6. 6, Sam Stevens (Ply) 11.7.; 4 x 200: 1, Marion (Phillip Walker, Terry Riley, Cedric Bell, Marcus Marble) 1:31.5 (MEET RECORD). 2, Concord 1:34.0. 3, Culver Military 1:35.3. 4, Logansport 1:37.7. 5, Plymouth 1:42.7. 4 x 800: 1, LaPorte (Josh Hojnacki, Stuart West, David Duffin, Mitch Hubner) 8:14.1. (MEET RECORD). 2, Concord 8:41.2. 3, Hobart 8:42.3. 4, Marion 8:43.5. 6, Plymouth 9:04.3; High jump: 1, Matt Stewart (Hob) 6-3. 2, Alex Burke (CMA) 6-1, 3, Thomas Reason (Mar) 6-1, 5, Tie between Sean Smith (P) and Stephen Galloway (LP) 5-8.; Long jump: 1, Terry Riley (Mar) 20-0 1/2. 2, Dionte Morrell (Mar) 19-4. 3, Brandon Ciolli (Marquette) 19-0 1/2. 4, Tristan Van deVelde (CMA) 18-10. 5, Jordan Knapp (Ply) 18-6.; Shot put: 1, Jeremy Koselke (Hob) 52-6 3/4. 2, Tyler Vermillion (Ply) 44-7. 3, Dan Samuelson (Ply) 43-4 ¼; Discus: 1, Jeremy Koselke (Hob) 148-7. 2, Brandon Klecker (Ply) 144-3. 3, Austin Epple (LP) 127-7. 4, Dan Samuelson (Ply) 125-

4.; Pole vault: 1, Derrick Lee (Ply) 14-0. 2, Ryan McGuire (Hob) 13-6. 3, Kyle

Reid (Hob) 12-0.; 6, Tie between Sam Hojnacki (LP) and Caleb Nash (CMA)

10-0. Triple jump: 1, Dionte Morrell (Mar) 40-5. 2, Thomas Rason (Mar) 39-1

1/2. 3, Jordan Knapp (Ply) 35-3 1/2. 5, Sean Smith (Ply) 34-3. 6,





LOCAL

Garden court breaks ground on South Main

Years of effort paid off last when Culver's Garden Court senior living facility broke ground on South Main Street, in a ceremony attended by members of the Garden Court board of directors, as well

Council and a representative of



During his remarks at the ceremony, the Rev. Ron Liechty, President of the Garden Court board of directors, told those gathered that Culver's is the 12th Garden Court in the area (most, though not all, are in Marshall County), and that Garden Courts now total 320 apartments. The projects are funded through the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, he said, adding the Garden Court board plans next to file paperwork to construct a facility in Nappannee.

Liechty said he's been scouting land for a Culver Garden Court for 15 years, and thanked Wade and Claudia McGee, who made their land -- just west of South Main Street, and South of Davis -- available for the project.

"The Garden Court board wants to make these facilities something we'd live in," said Liechty, "or we would put our parents or grandparents in. We (try to build) quality housing for seniors.'

Beth Barrett, representing Congreeman Donnelly, said the Congressman supports the Garden Court projects, where she said "seniors can have a place to call home.

County is leading the way with Garden Court," she added. "It's not common for a rural community to have facilities such as these. Congratulations again...this is a great project."

"Marshall

Culver Town Council President Ginny Munroe thanked Liechty

as well as Kevin Berger, whose Easterday Construction is handling construction of the project. She also thanked Town Manager Michael Doss and Town Clerk Casey Howard, as well as the Garden Court board of directors. "The town was...thrilled that Mr. McGee was willing to

make this land available," she noted. "Many of the citizens are excited. This is a huge need in our community, and it's been a very smooth process."

Liechty, introducing Berger, said Culver's would be Easterday's 7th Garden Court.

"I'm pleased to do one in my home town," Berger said. "I've been trying to find property here in Culver for a Garden Court (for some time). I'm excited to have one here." Berger said the company has 12 months to complete the

project, though he hopes it's done within 10 months of

Starting this week, Town Manager Doss noted, Main Street in front of the project (in the area of Tampa Street) will be closed during the day for about a week, as water and sewer are run to the project site.

Monterey BUGS

Monterey Elementary School has announced its "BUGS" students (Bringing Up Grades Soon) for the third

1st grade: Virgil "Doc" Binion, Alexzandria Forest, Ella Gearhart, Jenna Loehmer, Courtney Tawney, Mason Cormican, Christian "Zeke" Gearhart, Ryan Gregor, Jiovanni Jurado, Jalen King, Brady Moise, Carmela Penicaro, Matthew Schaller, Ryan Sheets, Hunter Taylor, Blake Thompson, Jacob Wilson, Grace Wood, Auston Zehner

2nd grade: Reagan Sheets, Aubrev Gearhart, Skye Allen, Hunter Watwood, Kelsey Heise, Braxton Lenker, Makeggar Napier, Chloe Baker, Ashley Burkett, Joey Collins, Olivia Gillev

3rd grade: Breann Milam, Breanna Poull, C.J. Cormican, Nikki Watts, Amber Watts, Jasmine Felda, Shayden May, Sarah Keller, Alysa Penicaro, Carmen Cook

4th grade: Brooklyn Minix, Gavin Minix, Chloe Caldwell, Sam Schaller, Ally Jones, Jenna Moise, Naomi Mires, Elizabeth Johnson, Jesse Plunkett, Eyvi Binion, Nic Watwood, Shelby Fritch, Olivia Weaver, Alyssa Kinyanjui, Colton Minix, Mary Osborn, Brooke May, Alyssa Bailey, Sydney Clinger, Charles Binion, Savanna Johnson

5th grade: Landon Tibbett, Andrew Barkley, Taylor Thomas, Lance Beaver, Emily Fisher, Deanna Lewis, Luke Schaller, Dillon Salyer

6th grade: Hailey Jones, Austin Jones, Makayla Felda, Joe Rivera, Chis Zehner, Dawson Bettinelli, Jesse Lamberson, Melvin Trahan, Nate Carnegie, Katie Garland, Brianna Kinyanjui, Jill Zehner

Monterey honor roll

Monterey Elementary School has announced its honor roll students for the third nine weeks.

1st grade

All A honor roll: Virgil Binion, Alexzandria Forest, Ella Gearhart, Jenna Grace Ai Ju Loehmer, Courtney Tawney

A/B honor roll: Mason Cormican, Christian "Zeke" Gearhart, Ryan Gregor, Jiovanni Jurado, Jalen King, Brady Moise, Carmela Penicaro, Matthew Schaller, Ryan Sheets, Hunter Taylor, Blake Thompson, Jacob Wilson, Grace Wood, Auston Zehner.

3rd grade

All A honor roll: Sarah Keller

A/B honor roll: Breann Milam, Nikki Watts, Amber Watts, Jasmine Felda, Shayden May, Alysa Penicaro 4th Grade

se, Alyssa Kinyanjui 5th grade A/B honor roll: Landon Tibbett, Taylor Thomas, Luke

A/B honor roll: Allison Jones, Sam Schaller, Jenna Moi-

Schaller

A honor roll: Hailey Jones, Brianna Kinyanjui A/B honor roll: Makayla Felda, Katie Garland, Chis Zehner, Jill Zehner

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Friends book sale April 29-30

The Friends of the Culver Public Library will hold their book sale Friday, Aprl 29 and Saturday, April 30, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the library, 107 N. Main Street in downtown Culver. All are welcome, and proceeds support various library endeavors.

Tri Kappa art show April 30 wkd.

Culver Tri Kappa has announced its 9th annual Student Art Show April 30 through May 1, 2011 at the Culver Cove ballroom.

The show is open to any student from the Culver Community High School, Middle School and Culver Academies.

Judged categories include drawing, painting, photography, printmaking, three-dimensional and middle school. Visitors may vote for their favorite artist and exhibit in the People's Choice category.

The public is invited to visit during the following hours: Saturday, April 30, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Sunday, May 1, from noon to 3 p.m.

90 cards for Walker's

Ruth Walker, longtime site director for Culver's REAL Meals, will celebrate her 90th birthday April 24. In lieu of a party, assistant director Jeanette Geiselman hopes to coordinate at least 90 birthday cards for Mrs. Walker. The community is encouraged to send cards to the REAL Services Nutrition Site, 819 Lake Shore Drive, Culver, IN 46511.

Farmers' Market

opens in May

The Culver Farmers' Market, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, will open from May 14 through October 8, each Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon. Located at the corner of Jefferson and Ohio Streets, across from CVS, the market features fresh produce, plants, fresh flowers, herbs, local honey and sorghum, eggs, meat, processed jams, salsa and pickles, baked goods, and an assortment of handmade

Chairs for Charity artists sought

Anyone can create a chair to be auctioned at this year's June 12 Culver Tri Kappa "Chairs for Charity" event. Drop off chairs from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, May 27, at 922 Lakeshore Drive (the corner of Lakeshore and Academy Road). The chairs will then be on "parade" at Culver businesses until the event. As always, businesses are encouraged to submit chairs that promote themselves, their products or services. The event will be held in the Culver Academies' Dining Hall beginning at 6:30 p.m. For more information please email chairs@deadlinedriven com, call Rhonda Anderson at 574-842-2169, or Chairs chairman, Judy Sawhook at 574-842-2861.

computer Free classes at CUTPL

Culver-Union Township Public Library's free computer classes in April take place Monday evenings at 6 p.m. and Friday mornings at 10 a.m., each lasting two hours. Classes include Computers for Beginners Part II (April 15), Internet (April 18 and 22), and E-Mail (April 25 and 29). For more information, call the Culver Library at 574-842-2941, visit our website at www.culver.lib.in.us or e-mail abaker@culver.lib.

Town wide yard sale

The Town of Culver is sponsoring a spring townwide yard sale Friday and Saturday, April 29 and 30 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Anyone interested in participat-

ing should contact the town hall between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. at 574-842-3140. 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 at the town hall, Culver Express, and Osborn's Mini-Mart.

Sidewalk **Applications**

The Town of Culver is currently accepting applications for our 2011 Sidewalk and Curb Program. Applications as well as updated sidewalk specifications may be picked up at the Town Hall, 200 E Washington Street, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or the Town website at www.townofculver.org. Please know that a permit is needed and an inspection will need to take place prior to the project and after completion. This program is a first come first serve basis. The deadline to receive applications is June 30, 2011. Please inquire within for more information, 574-842-3140.

Kiwanis-Collins-Marina bass tournament May 7

The Culver Kiwanis-Collins & Co.-Marina team charity bass tournament on Lake Maxinkuckee will take place Saturday, May 7. Entry fee is \$70 per team if the entry is received by April 15 (\$80 per team if paid the day of the tournament). Tournament hours are from legal sunrise (6:30 a.m.) to 2:30 p.m. Weighin and release of fish will begin at 2:30 at the Culver Marina. Cash prizes will be awarded after the weigh-in. Those with questions may email volkerts@msn.com

or call 574-842-4566 and leave a message.

Support local team in ALF walk

Culver's Schrimsher family and friends will take part in the "Liver Life Walk" in Indianapolis May 14 to help raise money for the American Liver Foundation (ALF). Those wishing to make a donation may visit www.liverfoundation. org/walk, or a check may be sent, payable to the American Liver Foundation, to: Caitlin Schrimsher, 1003 South Street, Culver, IN 46511.



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CES 'Culver's Best'

Culver Elementary School's Culver's Best for February Kindergarten: Rylan Voter, Shawn Donley, Abby Sullivan, Lexi Krikava, Maegan Pearl, Craig Beadin-Boyd

1st grade: Cole Rieckhoff, Timothy Young, Nico Barton, Natalie Stevens, Haley Wieringa, Dalton Powell, Lizzy Pugh, Adrian Schouten

2nd grade: Mikyla Wagoner, Kassandra Jones, Damian Dunn, Damian Byers, Abby Neff, Ethan Coyle

3rd grade: Brittnee Spicer, Alexis Bajer, Romero Ward,

4th grade: Taylor Guzzo, Sky Sickmiller, Bailey Howard, Kennedy Ash, Michael Crum, Hailey Shipley, Brandon England, Christian Zakhi

5th grade: Jarrod Shepherd, Nathan Clingler, Rachel Kunce, Makayla Sanchez, Paige Good, Alexis Wilson, Charles McCarty, Thomas Young, Ginny Wood, Alex West, Logan Welsh, Sierra Craig, James Fagan, Jordan

6th grade: Jennifer Dady, Mackenna Cavender, Donovan Smith, Cora Dodge

Culver Community Middle School honor roll

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

Grade 7

A honor roll: Aaron Becker, Megan Brady, Cheyenne Durbin, Madeline Justis, Jennah McCarthy, Margaret McKinnis, Clare Nowalk

A/B honor roll: Addyson Allyn, Ellen Bowman, Caitlyn Cowell, Shannon Deery, Justine Dexter, Lindsay Emery, Tom Faulkner, Danny Flenner, Teeno Hite, Renae Johnson, Mariah Jones, Cecilia Kenney, Maria Lindvall, Anne Nowalk, Rebecca Rainey, Tatyana Romero, Kelsey Shaffer, Cody Valiquet

A honor roll: Mickella Hardy, Haley Klimaszewski, Angela Lewellen, Dustie Pier, Tatum Schultz, Madelyn

Strycker, Megan Yeager

A/B honor roll: Kyle Bennett, Katie Blocker, Michael Davidge, Paul Foersch, Kailey Heise, Trevor Hopkins, Romig, Emmalee Shepherd, Summer Turney, Janele VanDePutte, Shianne Wagner, Donna Zehner

CES Students of the month

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

Kindergarten: Abby Kisela (Amy Bonine, teacher), Jimmy Johnson (Heather Overmyer), Ethan Keller (Jean Urbin), Owen Falk (Janna VanDePutte), Shawn Donley

1st grade: Zachary Hine (Andrea Berndt), Cheyenne Lindsley (Kelli Dickerhoff), Sam Luttrell (April Jefferies),

Dalton Powell (Teri Zechiel) 2nd grade: Alexxa Howard (Jean Ahlenius), Ayden Burns (Tina Bailey), Wyatt Ringer (Carrie Tharp), Leah

Minix (Kelly Young)
3rd grade Austin grade: Austin Jones (Valerie Cultice), Brooklyn

Sellers (Jill DeSalle), Emily Bendy (Rachel Rife), Drake Gross (Kim Morrison)

4th grade: Nora Kline (Stephanie Alva), Sara Ringer (Leslie Shepard), Shawn Bell (Alicia Cotner)

5th grade: Pierce Ellert (Gayle Kinzie), Rachel England (Raeanne Stevens), Cherakie Thomas (Steve Young), Danny Cook (Kris Arvelo), Dylan Lewandowski (Jason Crittendon)

6th grade: Alyssa Conley (Bryan Albright), Gabrielle McCarty (Adam Huber), Troy Bolds (Missy Trent), Patrick Kline (Mike Elliott), Josie Ross (Joyce Lyman), Alyssa Conley (Julie Cowen)

CES honor roll

Culver Elementary School has announced its honor roll for the third grading period.

1st grade: Marquez Donovan Anderson, Mackenzie Michelle Banks, Nico Mary-Madeline Barton, Mariah Nicole Bell-Howard, Bryce Allen Campbell, Charles John Carrillo, Zoev Louise Coble, Lane Conner Coby, Kennedy Rose Creviston, Matthew Paul Davis, Sydney Sue Denham, Austin Lee Dilts, Tucker Ryan Fisher, Kordelia Fulton, Dayne Kennedy Garbacik, Adam Lee Garza, Anna Katherine Gregorash, William Thomas Gregory, Sophia Luna Heath, Emily Heim, Tydameion M Hesters, Savannah Grace Hissong, Emily C Jefferies, Elan Theodore Johnson, Keynan Patrick Jones, Shaelyn Alexis Keen, Mary Katherine Kelley, Paige Lilliann Lancaster, Samuel Lawrence Luttrell, Alyson Paige Martin, Dylan James McKee, Shianne E Moss, William Thomas Nicholson, Kierra McKenzie Parker, Kathleen Rose Perkins, Jordan Mary Porter, Dalton Riley Powell, Elizabeth Ann Pugh, Alina Emily Rehka, Cole Austin Rieckhoff, Gavin Matthew Salyer, Kaydin Jovee Sayavongsing, Adrian Owen Schouten, Hunter Steven Sickmiller, Cameron Ford Skiles, Triniti K Smith, Natalie Mechelle Stevens, Sergio Jesus Tapia, Haley Morgan Wieringa, Spring Ye, Timothy Oliver Young, Alex James Zehner

2nd grade: Braxton Rolland Atkins, Blake Wayne Baugh, Damian Byers, Makaila Elizabeth Caudill, Mia Patricia Conroy, Austin J Cooper, Ethan Michael Coyle, Anthony J Czerniak, Damian R Dunn, Francis K Ellert, Makenzie Faith Handley, Joshua P Havron, Aubrey M Highberger, Katie M Hoffman, Morgan J Keller, Kaleigh Whitney Hopkins, Frank Kline, Brendon Pinder, Tia M Kephart, Taylor R Lewandowski, Ethan D Lima, Sarah Grace Lowry, Abigail Nichole Neff, Jessica Renee Pietsch, Lillian E Proskey, Abigail E Richard, Tyler D Rogers, Trayden S Schrimsher, Madison A Shedrow, Darren C Shock, Kendal S Stebbins, Shane M Stevens, Chyna Dawn

Thomas, Tyler James Coday

3rd grade: Isabelle J Ahlenius, Kacie Marie Atkins, Emily L Bendy, Kenzie Lynn Binkley, Anna R Blocker, Aysia R Conley, Savana G Cook, Nicholas M Cornwall, Grant W Dexter, Zachary A Ditmire, Trista Rae Fritter, Hanna K Haimbaugh, Lily G Hayes, Gabriel M Hissong, Kagnie J Hoffman, Haley N Howard, Austin David Jones, Emma E Krueger, Oliver Ryan Lampton-Adkins, Jordan J Mulvihill,

Rachel E Nash, Noah Riley Parsons, Dana T Rodgers, Lilly M Sayavongsing, Brooklyn M Sellers, Gabriel M Sherman, Carter C Stevens, Alexandra R Temme, Ryan W

Tompos, Owen R Valiquet,

4th grade: Kennedy Lynn Ash, Jazmyn J Beitler, Jermiah V Brady, Madison P Brewer, Rebecca C Christlieb, Wyatt J Coiner, Brandon Ray England, Lillian Elizabeth Gregorash, Katherine A Heim, Bailey C Howard, Trenton M Jones, Gabrielle Jade Kegley, Nora H Kline, Sarah T Luttrell, Sarah E Morrison, Taylor M Noah, Maranda J Otteman, Kaitlyn K Renneker, Hunter Mn Ringer, Sara E Ringer, Hailey C Shipley, Tihana Stefanic, Alex R Wagner, Christian J Zakhi, Noah Michael Baugh

5th grade: Emily Marie Bradley, Alex Ted Santistevan Cole, Pierce H Ellert, Jasmynne D. Fowler, Malachi L Griffith, Dylan C Lewandowski, Tracey R Lindvall, Charles McCarty, Angel Marie Moore, Benjamin B Myers, Dylan Pitera, Sydney G Pritz, Lindsey R Proskey, Reilly K Reinhold, Cody J Rieckhoff, RT Roberts, Jake S Rodgers, Cody R Russell, Raymie L Shoop, Macee Marie

6th grade: Erin E Bendy, Brennin Aaron Betts, Alyssa M Conley, Drake Lee Garbacik, Alexandria M Harris, Brandon P Havron, Tanner R Hoffman, Morgan Tiara Keen, Patrick D Kline, Joshua P Krsek, Matthew A Markovitz, Amanda G Morrison, Jackson S Rich, Vedrana I Stefanic, Jordan A Wynn



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Wind farms discussed at Lions

Nextera Energy Resources, LLC was the featured program at the Culver Lions Club last month. The company is a multifaceted energy company in North America with heavy emphasis on wind, natural gas, and nuclear, according to Don Freese of the Lions. At the same time, they have investments in other energy sources such as solar, hydro, and oil.

The speaker for the evening was Paul Dockery, a Project Manager and 2006 graduate of Notre Dame. Dockery's emphasis was on the energy being generated and developed by the company via wind turbines. He said Nextera Energy is the largest generator of

wind energy in North America.

Joining Dockery was Richard
Macheca (Land Services) and Mary Wells (Media Relations), who interacted with the Lion members and answered questions.

Nextera Energy is currently evaluating the development of wind projects in the state of Indiana, specifically in Marshall and Fulton Counties.

Pictured, from left to right, are Sally Flora, Program Director for Culver Lions, Paul Dockery, Project Manager for Nextera, Mary Wells, Nextera Media Relations, and Richard Macheca, Land Services for Nextera.

Lakes from page 1-



PHOTO/MAGGIE NIXON From left: Joe Skelton, Kathy Clark, Sr. Mary Baird and Patty Wright look over a map of Marshall County lakes. Clark is the director of the Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council.

those in attendance to put together input for the group to use as they continue to evolve. Interested citizens will be asked for their input on ways the council can promote education, cooperation, and communication about the rich opportunities offered by lakes in the

Relay from page 1-

Culver Choir, Dancevision, Bethanni Lewis Band

10:05 p.m. Luminaria ceremony

10:30 p.m. Water balloon toss

10:50 p.m. TAPS

11:15 p.m. Mr. Relay pageant 12 a.m. Flag football

12:30 a.m. Hoola hoop contest

1 a.m. Egg carrying contest

Ultimate frisbee

1:45 a.m. Whipped cream races

2 a.m. Relay's Got Talent round 3

Patience Durbin, Aidan Kim/Blake Toth, Robbie McKinnis, Kley Reynolds, Trent Sanders, Mrs. Weirich, Win-

3 a.m. Obstacle race

3:30 a.m. Frozen t-shirt contest

4 a.m. Limbo

4:30 a.m. Step team.

5 a.m. Dance party

5:45 a.m. Closing ceremony

6 a.m. Clean up

The Academies' Relay For Life is a community event with participation representing the school, the town and Marshall County. Sixty teams have signed up to participate to raise money, awareness, honor victims and their families, and to support cancer survivors.

Fair Oaks Farm in Demotte, Ind., is once again the event sponsor. Fair Oaks is owned and operated by Culver parents Michael and Sue McCloskey.

Donations to the Academies' Relay For Life may be made online at www.Culver.org/relay.

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Hair scare

RIGHT: Wesley Preschool, located at the Wesley United Methodist Church on School Street, recently observed children's author Dr. Seuss' birthday with its annual "Crazy Hair" day — which, as evidenced by this photo, included both teachers and students. Members of the junior class pictured here with their teachers include (front row, left to right): Preston Jessen, Jack Christiansen, Ryan Gormaly, Lauren Gerber, Nora Johnston, Ben Blessman, Eliza Loehr, Sophie Blessman, Brennan Campbell, Jack Rodgers. Back row: Alexis Roberts, Avery Garland, Jennifer Luttrell (teacher), Grant Doss, Jill Gavlick (teacher), Madison Collins, Karsen Hoffman, Makenna Strycker, and Shelly Schrimscher (teacher).



CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY



Coffee anyone?

LEFT: Wesley Preschool students played with coffee beans and helped make (and eat) pizza and other goodies during a recent visit to the Culver Coffee Company on Lake Shore Drive.

Students helped add cheese and other topics, and observed methods of cooking pizzas at the shop.

Pictured here, assisted by CCC owner Dawn Brockey, are senior class members (clockwise from left front row) Tom Kelley, Lexie Myers, David Hite, Dash Barton, Jake Conroy, Connor Moon, Adam Walton and Maggie Kelley (partly obscured: Maria Saunders).

Lake Patrol, LMEC awarded monies via MCCF Vonnegut fund

PLYMOUTH —The Grants Committee of the Marshall County Community Foundation awarded the first round of grants for the year 2011 during a news conference held April 7.

The Ralph C. Vonnegut Jr. Fund was established to pro-

vide funding for environmental, educational or recreational projects directly related to Lake Maxinkuckee. Ralph C. Vonnegut Jr. Fund applications are due February 1 each year.

Three grants totaling \$9,926 from the Fund were awarded to the following two organizations in the Culver/Lake Maxinkuckee

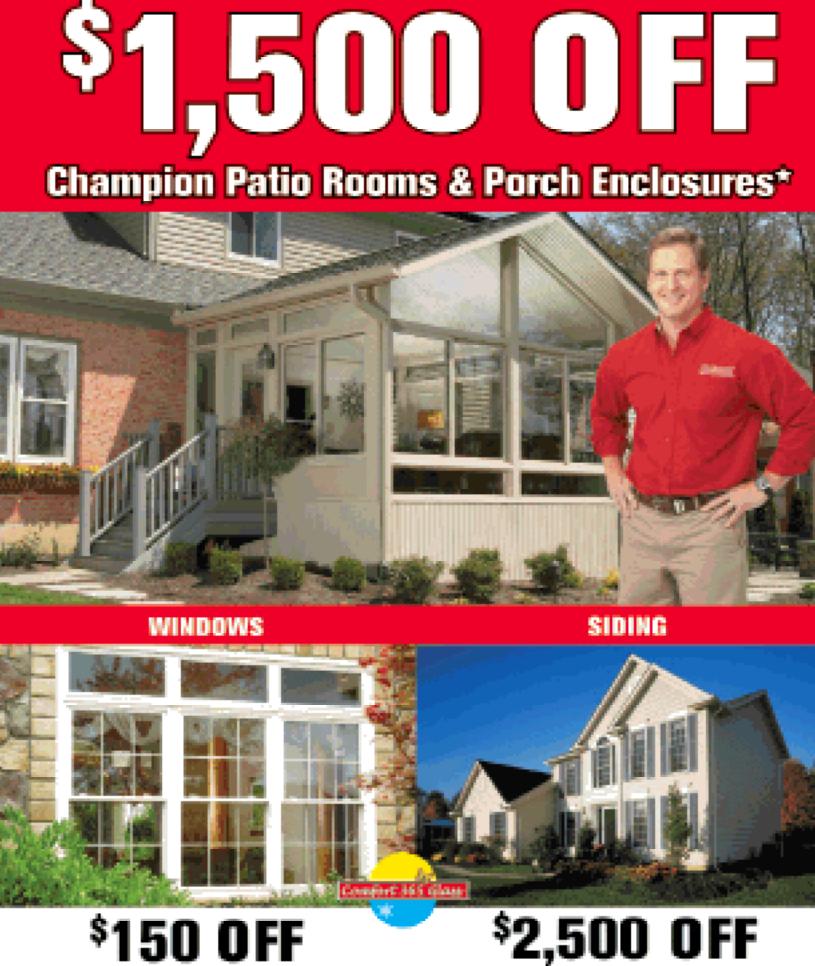
The Lake Maxinkuckee Association Lake Patrol, to purchase a computer (\$1,926.44).

The Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council, to update water tests conducted around the lake (\$4,000), and to hire a firm to map all plant beds within Lake Maxinkuckee for an aquatic plant management plan (\$4,000).

Grant committee members include James Erwin, chair of Plymouth; Kay Finlay of Culver; Kurt Garner of Plymouth; Kevin Hickman of Bremen; Tammy Houin of Plymouth; Patti Kitch of Bourbon; Carolyn Kline of Culver; Louise Mason of Bourbon; Robert Pickell of Plymouth; Sarah Smith of Plymouth; Susan Wagner of Plymouth; and

Jim Weirick of Culver. Sylvia Bieghler of Plymouth; Dean Byers of Plymouth; and Susie Reinholt of Plymouth serve as advisors to the committee. Grant applications and additional information may be obtained by calling the Marshall County Community Foundation at 574-935-5159 or visiting its website at www. marshallcountycf.org

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