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In Brief

CCHS 'Musical' this wk

Culver Community High School's choral department will present Disney's "High School Musical" May 28 and 29, in the high school auditorium. Tickets are on sale this week (\$5 advance, \$6 at the door). Call 574-842-3391 ext. 3118 for tickets, or contact any choral student.

Choir on TV Sunday

Audiences will have a chance to see the Culver Academies choir on television Sunday, May 29, on WHME-TV 46 in South Bend at 11 a.m. Eastern time, on the "Worship for Shut-ins" show. The program will also air on DIRECTV Channel 377 at 11:30 a.m. Eastern time, or can be viewed online anytime at www.worshipforshutins.org.

The choir's appearance, in observance of Memorial Day, will include the songs, "Ain't a that Good News!" and "Deep River."

Church sale this wk

Poplar Grove United Methodist Church, located on State Road 10 just east of Culver, will hold a sale at the church May 27 and 28 (the Friday and Saturday of Memorial Day weekend) from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Available will be everything from tools, antiques, and clothing, to furniture, lawn mowers, weed eaters, electronics, and much more. The sale will be both outside on the church lawn and inside the church basement, rain or shine.

Charity Chairs due Friday

Completed chairs for the Culver Tri Kappa Chairs for Charity auction may be dropped off at the Burke residence at the corner of Academy Road and Lake Shore Drive from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, May 27 (Call Judy Sawhook if it's impossible to make it on Friday). The chairs will be delivered to local businesses where they will be on display until the auction.

The auction will be held Sunday, June 12 at the Culver Academies' Lay Dining Center with the reception beginning at 6:30 p.m. and the live auction starting at 8 p.m. Tickets are only \$20 and may be purchased from Rhonda Anderson, 574-842-2169, Judy Sawhook, 574-842-2861, or any other Tri Kappa member. Tickets will also be available at the

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Music on a misty Maxinkuckee

ABOVE: Like an image from another time and place, this scene on Lake Maxinkuckee actually derives from the recent Drums Along the Maxinkuckee living history festival held at Culver Academies. Standing with bagpipes at the ready is 13-year-old Zen Zupin of Winamac, a member of Culver Pipes and Drums, a staple of the event which included reenactors, artisans, and others representing 17th-century life.

Indy 500 centennial puts Maxinkuckee car in spotlight again

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

As the world tunes in to the 100th anniversary of the Indianapolis 500 this Sunday, once again one of the longest-standing families of Lake Maxinkuckee is also in the spotlight, even if our tranquil Northern Indiana haven is left unmentioned in all the celebration and observation of the world's most famous auto race.

On May 30, 1911, Ray Harroun drove the famous Marmon "Wasp" (owned by Howard Marmon) over the finish line to complete the first Indy 500 race.

Among other recognitions of this is the new US Postal Service's Commemorative Forever Stamp featuring the Marmon "Wasp," which went on sale this month (the Wasp was also highlighted on a stamp in 1987).

As many know by know, the Marmon family has been a staple of the Culver area summer community since 1882. Anne Greenleaf, of 1100 East Shore Drive on Lake Maxinkuckee, helps carry on the legacy of the renowned Marmon auto company which her ancestors founded.

"Of course Howard was the real engineer," recalls Anne Greenleaf, "and my grandfather (his brother) Walter was the bookkeeper and president of the company. Uncle Howard was the real designer and built the car that won the first Indianapolis 500 race... I used to be driven up here (to the lake) at 100 miles per hour by my grandfather while I slept in the back seat!"

Though the Indianapolis Motor Speedway was built in 1909, it wasn't until 1911 when the first Indianapolis 500 race was organized there. Winning driver Ray Harroun's Marmon car was nicknamed the "Wasp" because of its yellow and black color scheme, and sported the first rear-view mirror in the world. The Marmon's status, of course, only increased as a result.

As the excitement has mounted in preparation for the race's anniversary, the Marmon name has, of course, reached the

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Culver VFW Post 6919: 65 years of community service

Part 2

By Jeff Kenney, Citizen editor

Editor's note: Last week we examined the activities, contributions, and history of Culver's VFW Post 6919. This week, we take a look at the organizations under the broader banner of the Post: its Ladies and Men's Auxiliaries.

The Ladies Auxiliary

Post 6919's Ladies Auxiliary group has been in existence just a year less than the Post itself, and its contributions have enhanced the Post and the community immeasurably.

Margaret Dehne, President of the organization for the past three years (she celebrated 25 years with the Auxiliary last August), explains that the group exists for wives, daughters, granddaughters, and mothers of veterans of overseas combat (her own husband, Richard, saw in action in Korea).

Once again, the challenge in beginning to convey the immense amount of work undertaken by the Auxiliary is in finding space to describe it all, so broad and varied are the many undertakings it's engaged in, both in the past and today.

Past activities have ranged from the (now defunct) annual senior citizens' Christmas and bingo party, Girl Scout Troop support and sponsorship, and of course an ongoing participation in the activities of the Post such as Veterans and Memorial Day observances and the like.

The Auxiliary attends local government meetings to represent the organization and keep abreast of the community. Its many

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Student art displayed, awarded at annual Tri Kappa show

Culver's Tri Kappa once again held its annual student art show during Culver Academies Parents' Weekend last month. The event, held at the Culver Cove, once again displayed both three-dimensional creations as well as photography, paintings, and other two-dimensional mediums, from students at both Culver Community Middle and High Schools, and Culver Academies. This year's judges were Joyce Lyman and Sean Surrisi, said Karen Blocker of the Epsilon Nu (Culver) chapter of Tri Kappa. The "People's Choice" award is given to pieces receiving the most number of votes from members of the public who attended the show.

This year's Best of Show went to Anissa Holmes (Culver Academies), for her painting, "Walking." The People's Choice award went to Academies student Alex Van Pelt, for "Red-Haired Girl," a drawing.

Judged winners in the drawing category included "Red-Haired Girl," Alex Van Pelt (CA), first place; "Still Life," Alyssa Binion (CCHS), second place; "Dad," Justin Croy (CCHS), third place; and "Peaceful Pasture," Alyssa Binion (CCHS), fourth place.

In the painting category, "My Impression," by Nick Pritz (CCHS) took first place; "The Last Petal," Grace Lorenz (CCHS) second; "Still Life," Kacie Hermanson (CA), third; "Apple Blossom," Erin Bau (CCHS), fourth; and "Tryptich," Alyssa Weeks (CA), fifth.

In the photography category, "Bill Time," Brianna Bennett (CA) received first place; "Red Splash," Emily Rich (CA), second; "Thirsty," Stella Serne CA, third; "Yellow Dome Light," Sarah Rakich (CA), fourth; "Gated Pasture," Henry Brewer (CA), fifth; "Placed," Ruini Ma (CA), sixth.

Printmaking honorees included "Ghost Doll," Wei-Wei Huang (CA), first place; "Hills," Andi Esponda CA, second; "Tea Time," Huiwen Xiao (CA),



CITIZEN PHOTOS/JEFF KENNEY
Among winners at this year's Tri Kappa student art show were (at left) "Walking" (TOP PHOTO) by Anissa Holmes, Best in Show; and "Bill Time" by Brianna Bennett. Above: "Red Haired Girl" (TOP) by Alex Van Pelt won the People's Choice award. "Dad" (BOTTOM) by Justin Croy took third in the drawing category.



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PHOTOS SUBMITTED

A bright splash of (Culver) spring

Reader Anna Zimmerman responded to the Citizen's recent invitation to send in photos of Culver's springtime flowers with some of the beauty of the family's Washington Street home. The purple perennial flowers pictured here, she says, were planted many many years ago and bloom every spring. The tulips are added to every year by the Zimmermans, and the sunflowers are the beloved work of "Baba" (that's "Grandma" in Polish), Maria Wasyluk, Anna's Polish-born mother.

"She plants them every year and they are just magnificent against the beautiful blue sky," explains Zimmerman.

And, she adds, they've served an educational purpose as well. Teachers at an Illinois school benefited from using the flowers in their math classes, where students measured their circumference and divided the sunflower's circle into sections to learn to estimate and measure.



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community contributions -- as is the case with the Post itself and Men's Auxiliary -- are far too extensive to list in any detail, but Dehne mentions a few highlights.

"We take turn serving lunch meals at REAL Meals (for older adults)," she says. "We contribute to the food pantry. Also when the firemen or EMS purchasing equipment, we did special suppers -- and still do as a combination with the Post and Men's Auxiliary -- with the proceeds going to whichever department it was. We have helped with the Boys & Girls Club. The last couple of years we have contributed to the (Culver High School's) BPA when they go on big trips. We present a scholarship to a senior each year, with the teachers making a selection of the recipient."

"We contribute to Leifers Ford and At a state Ladies Auxiliary meeting in October, 1978, are (from left to right) Jan Sanders, then-President Bobetta Washburn (today Ruhnnow, a Culver Citizen correspondent), June Shepard, and Mary Lou Wise, who rose through the ranks of the state and national organization during that era. Blue Star flags are given to families with a member in the armed forces, she adds, to be placed in their windows. Strang herself is a "Blue Star grandma." Another ongoing tradition is that of Buddy Poppy Day, which takes place over Memorial Day weekend, and which raises funds for military families with ailing veterans, and veterans' hospitals.

"I stay in it because of the things we do in upholding the veterans," says Strang, who acted as Treasurer for the Auxiliary for so long she has a plaque saying, "Perpetual Treasurer." "And our loyalty to them, to the country, and to the Service."

The Auxiliary donates to area hospitals, serves veterans at an annual bingo party in Lafayette, and contributes to the VFW's National Home for Children.

"We do more than what people realize," she points out. The Auxiliary presently has 167 members, whose participation, of course, also fills a social role.

"We can come down here for lunch," Dehne explains. "They have a good lunch. Friday and Saturday nights they have a good supper and play bingo." The Auxiliary's many contributions were recognized in 2008 by Culver's Chamber of Commerce at its annual awards banquet, and the Auxiliary was the very first Organization of the Year named by the Lions Club in the early 1980s, she says, in what has since become an annual affair.

Longtime member and past State President of the Auxiliary (besides, of course, heading the local organization more than once) Mary Lou Wise says she keeps eye on veteran's-related happenings at the national level, and, "I write a lot of letters and email people to tell them

about these things, to be sure they're told about it. I put things in the bi-monthly newsletter...I've been editor for 41 years!"

"We've been really fortunate with our newsletter," she adds. "We've won awards at the state convention time after time. We've even been awarded nine times for best newsletter on a national level. We feel that's one way we can keep in touch with all our members."

So it would seem. Dehne notes that, when in rehabilitation last year after a car accident, she received cards and notes from all over the United States -- as did fellow longtime member Chuckie Strang -- a testament to the widespread network of communications among Auxiliary members nationally, of which the newsletter is an important part.

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Men's Auxiliary

The VFW Post 6919 Men's Auxiliary is the youngest of the Post's many organizations, both in terms of the age of its members, and its longevity as an official organization.

Member Terry Wakefield notes the national VFW once had a Father's Auxiliary for fathers of overseas serving veterans, but as members died off, a movement grew to create a broader Men's Auxiliary on a national level. Members must have a father, mother, brother, or immediate family member in overseas service, he says.

The Culver Auxiliary, which formed March 13, 2003, has brought new vitality to the Post, Wakefield says.

"This Post would be closed if not for the members and the younger crowd we bring in. We pick up the slack. The Ladies Auxiliary has more members than the Post and Men's Auxiliary put together."

In 2010, the Men's Auxiliary donated \$7,595 to local charities and causes, points out Dave McKee, current President of the Auxiliary, as he scans through a lengthy page filled with the many recipients of their giving (which



CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

Typical of the work of both the Men's and Ladies' Auxiliaries (and the Post itself) is this donation from the Men's Auxiliary to Culver's food pantry, following a benefit soup cook-off at the Post. Pictured are, from left to right, Terry Wakefield, Dave McKee (current President), , Leroy Bean of the pantry, , and Jon Schmidt.

includes, on a national level, the VFW's National Home for children). Regular recipients have included Culver Elementary School's READ program, the Culver food pantry, Marshall County Shop with a Cop, Monterey Elementary BUGS, Culver's fire department, the Culver High School After-prom, and many more.

One major fund raiser is the Friday dinners held at the Post, with the various entities housed there taking turns organizing and cooking. The Men's group handles every third Friday.

"There's a lot we do that people don't realize," he explains. From fish fries to hog roasts, soup cook-offs to Super bowl parties, there's constant efforts to raise funds for good causes.

McKee emphasizes the public is welcome to the dinners and other events, something he says many don't realize are open to all.

"And the Friday dinners have the best prices on food in town. Where else can you get a steak in Culver for 12 bucks? You can't touch our prices!"

Other activities for the Auxiliary's approximately 65 members include regular get-togethers, extensive cleaning sessions at the Post building ("These guys went and served their country overseas," says McKee of Post members; "we're here to make sure they've got a safe and fun place to relax and enjoy themselves, and serve the community"). There's also an Auxiliary-sponsored membership picnic for all the Post's groups to thank them for their membership and contributions, and more.

The Men's Auxiliary always welcomes new members, say McKee and Wakefield. Those interested are encouraged to stop by the Post and ask for an application, after which they'll be checked for eligibility.

"As a thank you for the men, we try to pick up lot of things they can't do, and help them out," adds McKee. "We just want to give back to our veterans who gave so much to us."

The VFW in Culver: a brief history - part 2

By Jeff Kenney, Citizen editor

The Ladies Auxiliary

On Sunday afternoon, March 30, 1947, 34 members were instituted into the newly-formed VFW Post 6919 Ladies Auxiliary, with Trelba Listenberger the first president, and Grace Talley vice president senior (Talley also sewed all of the original uniforms for the Auxiliary). The national President of the VFW's Ladies Auxiliary, Sally Cannon, in fact, came to Culver to install the new organization (she happened to be from Indiana). Past President Mary Lou Wise notes Virginia Baker Booker is the only living member of that charter group, though Chuckie Strang -- whose husband Ted was a charter member of the Post itself -- joined soon after the Ladies charter, in 1948.

"I met Reba Wagoner in a restaurant and she said, 'You have to join, and I did. She was a very dedicated charter member, and one of first people I knew in Culver.'"

Wise herself joined the Auxiliary in Plymouth in 1954, and after marrying husband Roger, transferred to the Culver Post in 1967. She received her 55 year pun two years ago, she adds, and Strang has her 60 year pin as well.

The first Ladies Auxiliary meetings in Culver took place upstairs in the 'Lion's Den' home of Culver's Lions Club, on the east side of Main Street above what was then the A&P grocery store. After, the group was brought into the Post building itself (Roger Wise, a Korean veteran who joined the VFW in 1958, says he's never known another Post to stay as long as Culver's has, in the same building).

"Every woman had a uniform (in the early years)," notes Mary Lou Wise, "which was very unusual. Nowadays they don't all have uniforms."

Looking back over the Ladies' records, Wise says the

Auxiliary early on did work to donate funds to Veterans' Administration hospitals, though by the Korean and Vietnam Wars, members made bags to send overseas with personal care items and the like.

From the beginning, Culver's Ladies Auxiliary has been extremely active. Efforts have ranged from the still-ongoing Friday dinners -- whose earlier proceeds might total \$20, "which was big money in those days," says Wise -- work on local student band uniforms, collecting of backpacks for students, assisting with foreign exchange students, and raising a number of funds for ambulances and equipment as Culver transitioned to an EMS service in the late 1970s and early 1980s. Of course, parades and ceremonies honoring local veterans have always been a staple of the group's work as well, among other endeavors.

Many will recall Mary Lou Wise's notable status in the regional, state, and national ranks of the VFW. In 1972-73, she was District President (which encompassed several northern Indiana counties), moving up to State President in 1983-84. She became National Director of several programs three times during the 1980s, including Legislative, in which she remains active.



PHOTO/CULVER VFW LADIES AUXILIARY

A Ladies Auxiliary members installation night in 1954. Pictured are (front row) Reba Wagoner, Ruth Overmyer, and Jeanette Geiselman. Second row: Marie Kelver (installing officer), Uretha Walker, Charlene Strang, Fern Canterbury, and Lois Tasch. Third row, Nellie Kerr, Marie Baker, Mary Morrison, Collie Hoffmeister, Grace Talley, Florence Krull, Freda Steenbergen, Mary Baker, and Joan Crum. Back row, Barbara Sanders, Mary Ann Ruhnnow, Pearl Geiselman, Margaret McGaffey, Veda Kowatch, Leta Houghton, and Aleinor Osborn.

of it, but most of the families then were veterans, and their wives and little children didn't have much money, so they came to eat Friday night, and the kids would go to sleep in the booths. You just stuck them in the car and went home. A lot of us raised our kids in the VFW...the first place they saw when came home from the hospital was the VFW!"

Telling the story

Culver's VFW Post can also boast what must surely be one of the most extensive and thorough documentations of its past of any area organization. A detailed timeline recording every appearance of the organization in the local press, each major event, Commanders and officers, and the history of various specific aspects of the Post was created with painstaking care and is lodged at the Post for reference and safekeeping. The Ladies Auxiliary documented its activities year-by-year with intricately detailed scrapbooks which in many ways tell the story of Culver as a community, and include a veritable treasure trove of local photos and information unavailable elsewhere. Those interested in delving more deeply into the organization's lengthy history will be well rewarded by a visit to the Post.

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Chamber 'Nine and wine' at Mystic Hills Friday

Golfers and those who enjoy fine wine unite, as the Culver Chamber of Commerce presents its annual "Nine and Wine" event. On Friday, May 27 at Mystic Hills Golf Club, 16880 20B Road, Culver, the Nine and Wine event will begin at 1:30 p.m. eastern for registration, 2:30 for the shotgun start, and will end in time to enjoy a glass at 6 p.m. for the wine tasting. Call the Culver Chamber office for details and reservations at 574-842-5253.

New train layout open house Tuesday

The community is invited to an open house to view The Culver Academies Museum & Gift Shop's new working model train layout Tuesday, May 31, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Present will be Academies senior Lawrence Dann-Fenwick, a Lake Forest, Ill. native, four year senior, and the current Unit Commander of Troop B, began work on the layout last November as part of his senior service project at the school.

The 4.5 by 6 foot layout is a tribute to that used by the student train club for nearly 40 years, located under the school's dining hall and overseen by band director Col. Edward Payson. While considerably smaller than the 40

by 24 foot layout, the new one incorporates several of the original buildings and train cars from the campus layout, which was dismantled and destroyed in the mid-1980s.

Visitors will have a chance to meet and greet Dann-Fenwick, as well as watch the layout in action and even try their hand at running the trains, which will be running on the layout on an ongoing basis at the museum, located at 102 South Main Street in downtown Culver.

For more information, call 574-842-8842, or visit www.culver.org/museum.



Lawrence Dann-Fenwick, above, and part of the train layout he created.

Death notice

Manchester
Gweneth E. Manchester
May 18, 2011

CULVER — Gweneth E. Manchester, 87, of Culver died May, 18, 2011 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend. She is survived by a son, Stuart (Paula) Manchester of Brook; daughters, Janet (Robert Jr.) Lyon of Dayton, Wash., and Carin (Terry) Clifton of Culver; a sister, Rita (Bob) Whitehead of Palmerston North, New Zealand; eight grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren. Visitation will be Friday, May 20, 2011 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Odom Funeral Home, Culver.

Graveside service at Maxinkuckee IOOF/Poplar Grove Cemetery will be Saturday, May 21, 2011 at 11 a.m.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Marshall County 4-H or Marshall County Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

Letters of condolence for the family may be sent via the obituary page at www.odomfuneralhome.com.

The Odom Funeral Home of Culver is in charge of arrangements.

Obituary

Brenda Gail Christensen
March 23, 1939-May, 17, 2011

WINAMAC — Brenda Gail Christensen, 72, died May 17, 2011 at 12:09 p.m. at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

She was born March 23, 1939 in Springfield, Ohio to Joseph and Ruth McDaniel Trace.

Brenda graduated from Mount Vernon High School in Mount Vernon, Ohio in 1957. She was homecoming queen in 1956. That same year she traveled to Culver for the first time. She later owned a lake home in Culver. She attended Bowling Green State University in Ohio, where she met her husband Dale. Brenda was married to Dale E. Christensen Sept. 6, 1958, in Mount Vernon, Ohio. Dale died Sept. 11, 2010.

Brenda was a homemaker in Palatine, Ill. where she raised her four children and was actively involved with community youth sports and the PTO. She and Dale relocated to Winamac in 1980. Brenda was actively involved in the Parent Advisory Community at Eastern Pulaski Schools. She was a former president of the Iris Elm Garden Club. Brenda was a member of the DAR. She had served as president of the Colonial Dames Chapter 17. An avid seamstress and quilter throughout her life, Brenda established many personal friendships and was a member of the Suzanna Circle Quilters Club.

Survivors include: daughters, Carin L. (Ed) Vittorio of Noblesville, and Tracy A. Mackintosh of Aurora, Ill.; sons, David D. Christensen of Logansport, and Steven P. (Kris) Christensen of Fairmount; 11 grandchildren; sister, Jodie Holder of Lecanto, Fla.; and brothers, Thomas Trace of Mount Vernon, Ohio, and J. Trace of Los Angeles, Calif.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dale E. Christensen and her parents.

Funeral services will be held at First Christian Church, Winamac, Friday, May 20, 2011 at 1 p.m., with Pastors Rick Abbott and Denny Wilson officiating.

Burial took place at Culver Masonic Cemetery, Culver.

Visitation was Friday, May 20, 2011 at First Christian Church.

Memorial contributions may be given to Culver Methodist Church or First Christian Church.

Frain Mortuary, Winamac, is handling arrangements.

Online condolences may be offered in the guestbook at www.frainmortuary.com.

Letter to the editor

Thanks for pantry help

The Culver Community Council of Churches is extending a "Big" thank you to the Culver community and surrounding area for your generous and consistent support of the Food Pantry. The operative word is consistent.

Culver Elementary, Middle School and High School plus the Culver Academies and various civic organization, churches and individuals have made significant donations of food products and money. Your compassion and concern for other members of the community and surrounding area is commendable.

Through your efforts we are able to open the Food Bank weekly every Tuesday.

The Culver Community Council of Churches

Obituary

Gweneth E. Manchester
May 25, 1923-May 18, 2011

CULVER — Gweneth E. Manchester, 87, of Culver, passed away at 3 a.m. May 18, 2011 at Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

She was born May 25, 1923 in Whanghari, New Zealand to Percy and Ivy (Broomfield) Smith.

July 5, 1947 she was married to Raymond Dean Manchester in Kentland. Together they raised three children.

Gweneth was a cook for the Culver School Corp. from 1977-1992, a 4-H leader for 30 years, and raised angus beef. She was a member of the American Angus Association and the Church of England.

She is survived by her children, Stuart (Paula) Manchester of Brook, Janet (Robert Jr.) Lyon of Dayton, Wash., and Carin (Terry) Clifton of Culver; sister, Rita (Bob) Whitehead of Palmerston North, New Zealand; eight grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and sister Thelma Price.

A time of visitation was held at the Odom Funeral Home, Culver, from 5 to 8 p.m. May 20, 2011. Rev. Henry Sprunger officiated graveside services at 11 a.m. May 21, 2011 at the Maxinkuckee IOOF Cemetery, Culver.

Memorials may be given to the Marshall County 4-H or Marshall County Center for Hospice and Palliative Care.

The Odom Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Community calendar

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| <p>Thurs., May 26
The Bike Barn, Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library
Thursday Tech Time, 6 p.m. Culver Public Library
Alcoholics Anonymous mtg., 6:30 p.m., Culver Public Library</p> <p>Fri., May 27
Sale, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Poplar Grove United Methodist Church
Computer class, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
Chairs for Charity drop-off day, 5 to 7 p.m. (see Brief for details)</p> <p>Sat., May 28
Culver Farmer's Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Jefferson and Ohio Streets
Sale, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Poplar Grove United Methodist Church
Quilting group, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library
"High School Musical" (CCHS student spring play), Culver Comm. High School auditorium
"Little Women" (spring student play), 7:30 p.m., Culver Academies Eppley Auditorium</p> <p>Sun., May 29
Culver Academies choir on WHME-TV, 11 a.m. (See Brief this issue)
"High School Musical" (CCHS student spring play), Culver Comm. High</p> | <p>School auditorium</p> <p>Mon., May 30
Memorial Day holiday (most public entities, schools closed)
Memorial Day observances, 11 a.m., Culver Masonic cemetery and Culver Academies</p> <p>Tues., May 31
Story time, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
Open house for Culver train layout, 6:30 p.m., Culver Academies & Gift Shop
Al-Anon mtg., 7 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ Zion fellowship hall</p> <p>Weds., June 1
Genealogy mtg., 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
A Novel Approach book/film discussion group, noon, Culver Public Library
TOPS mtg., 3:30 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ
Parks and recreation board mtg., 7 p.m., town hall</p> <p>Thurs., June 2
Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library
Alcoholics Anonymous mtg., 6:30 p.m., Culver Public Library
"Little Women" (spring student play), 7:30 p.m., Culver Academies Eppley Auditorium</p> |
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Cleaning up Culver

Once again, students from Culver Academies and Culver Community Schools banded together recently to assist with Culver's spring townwide cleanup. Pictured, from left to right, are Andrea Canacci (CGA), Rowan Farrall (CGA), Bri Treppe (CGA), A.J. McHugh (CCHS), Alex Shaffer (CCHS), Nick Pritz (CCHS), Aspen Kitchell (CCHS), Kayla Shaffer (CCHS), Rudy Schinderle (CMA), Cole Maetzold (CMA), and Pierce Cunneen (CMA).

CHS class of '61 invited to reunion

The Culver High School class of 1961 will hold its 50th alumni reunion Friday and Saturday, June 24 and 25.

Friday evening, after 4 p.m., an informal party will be hosted by Randy and Gloria Banks at 18477 S. Tamarack Rd., Culver (on the south of the lake). Please bring an appetizer. Beverage and paper goods will be supplied. Attendees are encouraged to bring class pictures if they have some to share.

On Saturday, June 25, at 6:30 p.m., dinner will be held at the Culver V.F.W.'s upper level, which has handicapped access.

Reservations for the dinner should be sent, along with a check for \$15 per person attending (and made out to the VFW), to Linda (Gibbons) Lowry at 17441 Muckshaw Rd., Argos, IN 46501 (phone 574-892-5317). Attendees are asked to please respond by June 15, says Jean Warner Banks, one of the reunion organizers.

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third place. Sculptures awarded were "Howling Dog," Crystal Rouse (CCHS), first place; "Earl," Kacie Hermanson (CA), second; "Fire Hot T," Austin Brissette, CMS, third; "Unicorn," Ashley Cox (CCHS), fourth. In the Middle School category, first place went to "Confusion" by Donna Zehfle; second to "Eye of the Beholder," Katie Blocker; and third to "Hidden Beast," by David Dare.

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If these walls could talk: 208 - 232 South 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 down-town Cul-ver, making our way south.

This week, a couple of properties on South Main Street, continuing from our last column on the current Lakeside Auto building.

Numbers here can be confusing. At today's 218 South Main Street sits Grant Munroe's Culver Lodging Realty Building. Between Lakeside Auto and the Munroe building is a shared parking lot once home to 208 South Main. Sanborn fire maps suggest a home occupied the spot between 1906 and 1937. A September, 1937 Citizen announcement noted Rebecca Jones and Helen Calhoun had purchased the dress shop of Mrs. MC Dimmick and moved to Helen's Beauty Shop, which operated out of the house on the site. In April, 1947, it was announced Mrs. William Hermann had purchased Helen's. Somewhere along the line, Bobbie Washburn Ruhnow says husband Bud had a car wash there for a time. Perhaps readers can fill in a bit more history, but suffice it to say any structure once there was demolished and replaced with the current parking lot in the years since.

The current 218 South Main building was once the site of Clifford Waite's business circa 1914. The 1938 Citizen reported he was associated with A.M. Roberts' plumbing -- and later sheet metal -- business, likely at that site.

William McClane's Home Grocery store followed (in those days, the address was 208 S. Main). The Home grocery appears to have occupied the building only between 1916 and 1920, prior to its move across the street to 113 S. Main, site of Cafe Max today (we'll get to that in a later column).

Many will remember the building in its later years as Jim Talley's electrical shop (Jim's Electric, technically), with the Talley family occupying the still-present upstairs apartment.

Later in life, I've been told (though I don't recall) it was once home to a pizza parlor, before Dr. Francis Babcock relocated his optometry business to it, moving the operation from his house across the street (today's Main Street Manor). Dr. Mark Coutts, of course, joined Dr. Babcock in 1985 before taking over the business -- Family Vision Clinic -- entirely in 1993, and moving it to its present home at 202 N. Main in 2002 (which we've already covered!). Culver Lodging took over the current 218 S. Main in 2006.

The next property south, today occupied by the Collins Building (the Collins real estate office is actually at 232 South Main), was once home to one of Culver's most iconic and unusual downtown buildings: the "horseshoe" shaped blacksmith or "tin shop" building.

As it turns out, it was much more. Going quite a ways back, Edwin Corwin's Depression-era, "One Township's Yesteryears" tells us an old pump factory "sat in front of what is now Milner's tin shop. Wooden pumps were made there. From about the location of the pump factory, a canal used to lead to the lake. A promoter came and hatched up a big idea of having a picnic or pleasure ground in there, close to the lake. But not a great deal came of it."

The 1906 Sanborn Fire Map indicates Culver's first fire department building was in that approximate location as well.

A 1938 profile of Culver blacksmith Art Fishburn says he built the building "that Jack Milner now occupies," which would be the horseshoe building, in 1904. By the 1930s, Fishburn was sadly shaking his head at the state of blacksmithing (imagine his opinion were he alive today!), but he was still hard at it and in fact was a very early member of Culver's fire department, having left the area after 1904 "to work in the oil fields of Oklahoma and California, and in a shop in South Bend before returning here."

John Milton "Jack" Milner moved to Culver on Christmas Eve, 1919, wrote the Citizen in 1938, working with Emil Siepman in the sheet metal business until 1926, after which he went into business for himself and was known locally "as a skilled craftsman." Milner died of a heart attack while ice fishing on the lake in January, 1946.

Emil Ruhnow, Sr., had purchased the horseshoe building from Milner the year Milner died, continuing in the sheet metal business. His son, best known today as "Bud" Ruhnow (Culver Citizen correspondent Bobbie Washburn Ruhnow is his wife) recalls the building being used "for a short time as a Ford garage," says Bobbie, "and there were gas pumps in front -- thus the large doors on the front. Also, briefly, there was a plumbing business located there (before John Milner), and an old friend of ours, Jack Sanders, worked there when he was a student. Bud bought the business from his dad after he worked for him after returning from World War II. Bud was a Navy veteran who served in the South Pacific."

She adds that when Bud bought the building, "they still had the wooden wagon wheels they used to manufacture in the second floor, plus the pulleys used to move them."

Ruhnow sold the building in 1988, according to Bobbie, to John Deery and Charles Edgington. Eventually, of course, the old horseshoe building was torn down.

Just south of the "tin shop" was Julius Pura's home and junkyard. A much longer article should be written about the Pura family for multiple reasons (and hopefully will be). First, he and his family were Culver's one of (or perhaps the) only prominent Jewish families, and Julius was well-known and made quite an impression on nearly everyone who knew him.

The Pura home sat on the northeast corner of Main and Marmont Streets, at 232 South Main, and many will recall his daughters Mabel and Bess living there until around 1994, long after the death of Julius (who with wife Margaret -- who died in 1936 -- had moved to Culver from South Bend around 1912).

Pura's junk yard occupied the lot behind his house and stretching approximately from Madison to Marmont Streets on the north and south borders. It played a central role in scrap drives during World War II, and Julius was named head of the junk committee, his property often serving as ground zero for junk collection during those years, for the war effort.

Name that Culver citizen'

Not surprisingly, last week's Mystery Citizen garnered a robust response from readers -- partly because he hasn't changed all that much, and partly because Ed Pinder Sr. has been such an active and beloved member of the Culver community on so many levels for so many years... really decades.

Among those who knew him and contacted us were William Taber, Don Baker, Mary Beth Harness, Dick Zimmerman, Cynthia Bonine Goss, Don Neher, Leroy Bean, Dallas Touseley, and Mel Thomas (who describes Ed as "a wonderful teacher, father, community leader, mentor, coach, chef, cook, business owner, and all round great person whom I had the pleasure to know a be coached by," sentiments most all of us can surely agree on).

Catching up on old business, Chris McNamara correctly identified Dawn Minas, just after press time last week.

This week's Mystery Citizen has also impacted generations of Culverites, and in various capacities, from the young to the young at heart, through the years.

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.

ABOVE: Last week's Mystery Citizen, Ed Pinder Sr., then and now. LEFT: this week's mystery citizen.



PHOTO/JOE AND SANDY BAUGHN

TOP PHOTO: The old blacksmith-tin shop, with its horseshoe attributes, is imprinted in many Culverites' memories.

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MIDDLE PHOTO: Clifford Waite stands outside the building today occupied by Grant Munroe's Culver Lodging Realty.

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BOTTOM PHOTO: Though the building isn't visible, seen here is a truck from Jim Talley's electric shop, which occupied the Culver Lodging site during the 1950s and part of

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Council sees long road ahead in new Town Manager search

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Members of Culver's Town Council last Tuesday agreed it may be a good while before they can replace Town Manager Michael Doss, in spite of the fact that resumes keep pouring in. In fact, said Town Clerk Casey Howard at the May 10 meeting of the Council, there were 32 resumes already in at that point, though the deadline to apply for the position, which was vacated at the end of last month by Michael Doss, isn't until May 20.

Council member Ed Pinder stressed that, based on the Council's experience in 2008 sifting through resumes, while many applicants may want a new job for various reasons, that doesn't necessarily qualify them as great Town Manager material.

"We know what we got last time," said Pinder, "and we see what's possible to have as a Town Manager. Of these 32, there may not be a person in there we want. It may take us a lot of months to find someone we want. It may be a while before we have a Town Manager."

Council member Ralph Winters agreed, adding Doss' degrees in Civil Administration gave him a depth of knowledge and experience Winters hadn't previously realized the value of.

Members agreed to "score" resumes in a spreadsheet and be prepared the first week of June for a work session to pare down the list.

A plaque will likely be placed in Culver's downtown

historic district explaining its historical significance, according to Council President Ginny Munroe and other members, to help fulfill requirements prior to instituting a downtown revitalization project funded through the Indiana Department of Transportation and awarded the town last year. Engineering firm DLZ, handling the project, has initiated a Memorandum of Understanding between Indiana's Historic Preservation office and the federal highway department, with the town of Culver and INDOT signing as well. The Council approved signing the agreement.

Bob Porter, head of Culver's Street Department, handled many points of discussion with the Council during the meeting, including an update on the replacement of curbs and gutters, and impending repaving of Ohio Street. Porter said there will be a week or two delay in the actual paving, due in part to questions of how to handle small portions of sidewalk which were not originally designated for replacement as part of a Safe Routes to School grant which will replace most sidewalks along the street.

Council member Sally Ricciardi argued it makes no sense to replace most of the sidewalk but leave small portions of the old -- in some cases deteriorating -- sidewalk unreplaced. The Council voted to allow up to \$2,500 to replace those small portions of walkway -- mostly from curbs to the main sidewalk -- along the repaved portions of Ohio Street.

Pavement was still hot recently when equipment fell on it and damaged part of a newly-paved section of South

Main Street, where water and sewer extensions had been run to the new Garden Court senior living facility in that locale, said Porter. Town attorney Jim Clevenger suggested whatever party was responsible for the accident file an insurance claim to get the section replaced.

Kevin Berger, of Easterday Construction, which is handling building of the facility, told the Citizen he investigated the incident with his personnel and the pavement damage occurred sometime after Easterday personnel and subcontractors had left the site for the day, after which damage was reported to the town.

"The barricades were in place when we left site," said Berger, "and the tracks in the pavement do not match any equipment being used on the Culver Garden Court project."

Winters praised the look and quality of the paving work.

A one-time bonus payment of \$1,000 was voted into place by Council for Porter for the many duties he's assumed in the lack of a Town Manager. Winters noted Porter's workload may increase in coming weeks as several town projects move forward, and additional funding could be examined to compensate his efforts.

The Council also discussed what -- if any -- alternates it could drop from a grant-funded sewer facility overhaul whose bid is over the planned budget, something members will continue to consider.

Marmon from page 1

spotlight again.

One prominent angle pertains to an ongoing -- if relatively minor -- debate over scoring of the race and who actually drove the most laps. Indianapolis Monthly Magazine's April edition features a lengthy article on the debate (www.indianapolismonthly.com/hoosierchannel/features/Story.aspx?ID=1404929), excerpted from a new book by Charles Leehson entitled, "Blood and Smoke: A True Tale of Mystery, Mayhem, and the Birth of the Indy 500."

In the book, Leehson details the basis for debate over the race's outcome (and suggests Howard Marmon himself was uncertain of the victory of his own vehicle), describing the laborious efforts of officials to pour over the records from the all-day race in search of certain answers. The final decision, of course, remained in Harroun's (and the Marmon Wasp's) favor. And, as Leehson points out, the indelable image of Harroun -- exhausted, shaking, grease-stained, and famished after a grueling race -- smiling in the winner's circle and announcing he'd never race again because (especially in those early days of automotive technology), "it's just too dangerous," remains powerful.

Anne Greenleaf and her family can attest to the danger of high-speed automobile activity in those heady early auto days. In many ways, it cost her father his life.

"When I was 4 months old in 1924," she told the Citizen in 2009, "my father (Franklin Marmon) had grown up and went to MIT, and he was an automotive engineer, too. He designed a new brake for the Marmon cars. Uncle Howard said, 'That young man is too cocky,' and sent him out to Pike's Peak to test the brake, which Uncle Howard knew would work. (My father) drove back and got as far as Avon, Ind.. I've always heard he hit a 'T' in the road. The car turned over and it broke his neck...that was virtually the end of the Marmon automobile company. Uncle Howard always felt guilty about that. Carl Fisher, who was with (Franklin in the accident), survived and was one of the ones who started the Indianapolis Motor Speedway."

The Marmons' Lake Maxinkuckee legacy began with the 1882 construction of the family's cottage, which remains remarkably unchanged in appearance. Anne Greenleaf's great-grandfather, Daniel W. Marmon and wife Elizabeth had lived in Richmond, Ind., where he was the first head of well-known Earlham College. The couple later moved to Indianapolis where Daniel founded the first power com-

pany in that city -- later Indianapolis Power and Light. Their children included Howard, Caroline, and Walter, and Walter's son Franklin was Anne Greenleaf's father. The family helped bring a deep appreciation of literature, arts, and culture to the Culver area.

Though the Marmon company -- which up to the late 1920s sold cars to a wealthier class of buyers -- introduced successful, lower-cost automobiles to the industry, the stock market crash of 1929 and subsequent Great Depression crippled a host of car makers of the day, the Marmon company among them.

"They were wonderful cars," said Greenleaf. "I saw a marvelous model of one at the New York branch of the Smithsonian museum (and) our oldest daughter's companion collects them now. There aren't that many of them left, of course, but they're being collected."

The story of the Marmon and Greenleaf families on Lake Maxinkuckee was presented in detail in the July 9 and 16, 2009 editions of the Culver Citizen.

Interested readers can follow the Indianapolis 500's anniversary celebration -- and other aspects of the race -- online at www.indianapolismotorspeedway.com/indy500.



Sports



CMA, Culver compete at Plymouth Sectional



PHOTO/JAMES COSTELLO

Culver Community's Jeremiah Harvey throws the shot put during the Plymouth Boys Track and Field Sectional last week. Harvey won the championship in the event.

By James Costello
Sports Editor

PLYMOUTH — Culver Military Academy's boys' track team placed second behind defending champs Plymouth Thursday night, while Culver Community was fourth and Triton was eighth at the 10-team meet. The Pilgrims won five championships in five events and led the field throughout the night as they coasted to a sixth straight sectional team title on their home turf.

Plymouth senior Derrick Lee won his second straight championship in the pole vault — where he finished out his junior season at state last year — and he clocked a 51.07 in the 400 to beat out Culver Military's Marcus Shannon in the home stretch. Lee also ran on Plymouth's winning

1600-meter relay team as the Pilgrims claimed victories in both the 4X400 and 4X100-meter relays.

The team's 1600-meter relay finish was the most dramatic of the tourney as a rough hand-off left Plymouth trailing in the final leg of the meet closer, but Sam Stevens overtook Rochester's A.J. Hudkins for the win, throwing his body over the finish line and rolling to a stop.

Culver Military won a pair of championships Thursday as newcomer Juwan Brescacin cleared 22'01" ahead of Jordan Knapp and fellow Pilgrim Brock Smith in the long jump, while Shannon recovered from his narrow loss to Lee in the 400 to win the 200 dash with a 22.96 stop.

"He came over and we chatted a little bit (after the 400)," said Culver Military head coach Michael Chastain of Shannon. "I just said 'You're really stiff.' He needed to loosen up and relax and just go out and run, and that's what he did. He looked good."

Culver Community was led by throwers Max Burgess and Jeremiah Harvey at the meet, meanwhile. Harvey placed third in the discus to advance to next week's Kokomo Regional in that event, and the heavyweight state

champion wrestler tossed a 53'03.25 in the shot put to outdistance Plymouth's Dan Samuelson by nearly four inches.

"That's kind of where we've wanted him," said Culver head coach Chad Hollenbaugh of Harvey's championship throw in the shot put. "He showed that and then went on his senior trip and had to kind of shake off the rust. He threw the 53 tonight and that qualifies him with the elite in the state, so that's real good."

"It means a lot," Harvey said. "I've put a lot into this track season, and I wanted to get some results."



PHOTO/JAMES COSTELLO

Culver Military Academy's Juwan Brescacin (17) runs the 110-meter hurdles during the Plymouth Boys Track and Field Sectional last week.

PLYMOUTH BOYS TRACK AND FIELD SECTIONAL
At Plymouth
TEAM RESULTS: 1. Plymouth 134, 2. Culver Military Academy 110, 3. Rochester 89, 4. Culver 69, 5. Manchester 54, 6. Northfield 49, 7. Tippecanoe Valley 46, 8. Triton 33, 9. Caston 27, 10. North Miami.
(Top four move on to regionals)
100: 1. Kegan McNeely (M) 11.21, 2. Vinny Nunes (Ca) 11.51, 3. Chris Goodman (R) 11.59, 4. Justin Gunter (TV) 11.79; 200: 1. Marcus Shannon (CMA) 22.96, 2. Kegan McNeely (M) 23.23, 3. Sam Stevens (P) 23.3, 4. Chris Goodman (R) 23.36; 400: 1. Derrick Lee (P) 51.07, 2. Marcus Shannon (CMA) 51.5, 3. Tyler Crum (P) 52.57, 4. Nolan Sponseller (TV) 54.04; 1600: 1. Matt Galley (N) 4:33.83, 2. Leopoldo Burquete (CMA) 4:42.85, 3. Connor Hague (CMA) 4:44.96, 4. Alex Shafer (R) 4:50.91; 3200: 1. Caleb Augustus (N) 10:06.16, 2. Brandon Kamp (R) 10:20.9, 3. Connor Hague (CMA) 10:35.69, 4. Justin Cousins (Ca) 10:39.22; 110 hurdles: 1. James Gregory (TV) 15.46, 2. Juwan Brescacin (CMA) 15.56, 3. Micah Budzinski (Cu), 4. Trae Bruce (M) 16.06; 300 hurdles: 1. James Gregory (TV) 15.46, 2. Trae Bruce (M) 42.76, 3. Brock Smnith (P) 43.49, 4. David Lee (P) 43.83; 400 relay: 1. Plymouth (Brock Smith, Michael Hartman, Jordan Knapp, Sam Stevens) 45.01, 2. Rochester 45.8, 3. Tippy Valley 46.15, 4. CMA 46.61; 1600 relay: 1. Plymouth (Tyler Crum, Derrick Lee, Jordan Knapp, Sam Stevens) 3:28.96, 2. Rochester 3:29.5, 3. Northfield 3:37.53, 4. Tippy Valley 3:38.85; 3200 relay: 1. Rochester (Evan Downs, Jeff Ferrell, Fritz Heinzmann, Brandon Kamp) 8:39.69, 2. Plymouth 8:48.26, 3. Caston 8:53.2, 4. Manchester 8:55.2; High jump: 1. Ramsen Bet-Nimrod (R) 6'02", 2. Alexander Burke (CMA) 6'01", 3. David Lee (P) 6', 4. TIE Larry Clingler (Cu) 5'10", 4. TIE Tyler Ameigh (T) 5'10", 4. TIE Sean Smith (P) 5'10"; Pole vault: 1. Derrick Lee (P) 12'06", 2. Cameron Bugno (R) 10'06", 3. John Ahlenius (Cu) 10'06", 4. Dylan Bennett (Cu) 10'06"; Long jump: 1. Juwan Brescacin (CMA) 22'01", 2. Jordan Knapp (P) 22'; 3. Brock Smith (P) 19'11"; 4. Aramonti Phillips (CMA) 19'04"; Shot put: 1. Jeremiah Harvey (Cu) 53'03.25, 2. Dan Samuelson (P) 49'04", 3. Tyler Vermillion (P) 48'03.25, 4. Max Burgess (Cu) 47'06"; Discus: 1. Brandon Kleckner (P) 147'03", 2. Jake Tutorow (T) 145'07" 3. Jeremiah Harvey (Cu) 143'07", 4. Aric Howard (M) 140'02".

Sports briefs

Girls tennis

CGA wins 7th title

Culver Girls Academy won its seventh straight girls tennis title at home Thursday, shutting out North Judson 5-0.

The Lady Eagles gave up only three games to their Bluejays opponents. They move to 12-4 on the year and now head to the South Bend St. Joseph's Regional next Tuesday.

• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 5, NORTH JUDSON 0

Championship at Culver Sectional

Singles: 1. Angelina Garcia (CGA) beat Paydin Barrett, 6-1, 6-1; 2. Ioanna Aguilar (CGA) beat Laura Bailey, 6-0, 6-0; 3. Paulino Cano (CGA) beat Rachel Ammons, 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles: 1. Jessica Simon-Sonia Shen (CGA) beat Rusana Bailey-Jordann Frasure, 6-1, 6-0; 2. Andrea Simon-Natalia Lopez-Yanez (CGA) beat Ann Chinworth-Carrigan Baxter, 6-0, 6-0.

Records: CGA 12-4, North Judson 9-7 (final).

CGA, Judson win sectional openers

Culver Girls Academy swept Knox 5-0, while North Judson beat Rochester 3-2 in the opening round of the CGA Girls Tennis Sectional Wednesday.

The host Lady Eagles won all their matches in straight sets as Andrea Simon and Natalia Lopez-Yanez put away Chelsea Collins and Kelsey Thomas 7-2 in a second set tiebreaker to clinch the sweep.

Judson won at No. 2 singles, where Laura Bailey beat Kylee Burkett 6-2, 6-1 and at both doubles positions as Bluejays No. 1 tandem Rusana Bailey and Jordann Frasure beat Myranda Glant and Lauren Daugherty 6-0, 6-4, and Ann Chinworth and Carrigan Baxter sealed the team win with a three-set victory over Maddie Lewis and Karina Smith at 2 doubles 6-1, 5-7, 7-5.

The Eagles are looking for their seventh straight title at the tilt as they play the Jays in the championship today at 5:30 p.m.

• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY SECTIONAL

At Culver

CGA 5, KNOX 0

Singles: 1. Angelina Garcia (CGA) beat Kierstynn Combs, 6-0, 6-0; 2. Ioanna Aguilar (CGA) beat Elisabeth Caudill, 6-2, 6-1; 3. Paulino Cano (CGA) beat Shelby Gilbert, 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles: 1. Jessica Simon-Sonia Shen (CGA) beat Katelyn Peters-Brittney Shannon, 6-1, 6-1; 2. Andrea Simon-Natalia Lopez-Yanez (CGA) beat Chelsea Collins-Kelsey Thomas, 6-2, 7-6 (2).

Records: CGA 11-4, Knox 14-2.

NORTH JUDSON 3, ROCHESTER 2

Singles: 1. Audrey Zeyen (R) beat Paydin Barrett, 6-4, 6-2; 2. Laura Bailey (NJ) beat Kylee Burkett, 6-2, 6-1; 3. Makayla Stockberger (R) beat Rachel Ammons, 6-1, 6-0.

Doubles: 1. Rusana Bailey-Jordann Frasure (NJ) beat Myranda Glant-Lauren Daugherty, 6-0, 6-4; 2. Ann Chinworth-Carrigan Baxter (NJ) beat Maddie Lewis-Karina Smith, 6-1, 5-7, 7-5.

Records: North Judson 8-6, Rochester 7-8.

CGA closes with win

Culver Girls Academy claimed a 4-1 victory over Warsaw at home Tuesday.

The Lady Eagles won at all positions except No. 1 singles at the meet. Jessica Simon and Sonia Shen beat Warsaw's Carlye Bishop and Lindsay Sciarra in three sets, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2 at No. 1 doubles as CGA closed the regular season at 10-4.

The Eagles play Northern State Conference champ Knox in the opening round at their home sectional today at 5:30 p.m. The winner will move on to play the winner of a North Judson-Rochester match-up in the championship Thursday.

• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 4, WARSAW 1

At Culver

SINGLES: 1. Alli Tucker (W) beat Angly Garcia 6-3, 6-4; 2. Ioanna Aguilar

(CGA) beat Sarah Hartle 6-1, 6-2; 3. Paulino Cano (CGA) beat Elise Smith 6-2, 6-2.

DOUBLES: 1. Jessica Simon-Sonia Shen (CGA) beat Carlye Bishop-Lindsay Sciarra, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2; 2. Andrea Simon-Natalia Lopez-Yanez (CGA) beat Olivia Wallin-Andi Frassetta, 6-1, 6-4.

Records: Warsaw 8-5, CGA 10-4.

Softball

Plymouth tops CGA in closer

Marissa Sullivan threw a no-hitter as the Plymouth softball team closed out the regular season with an 8-0 home win over Culver Girls Academy Friday.

The junior struck out 12 and did not allow a runner past first base until the sixth inning. The closest the Eagles came to a hit was with two outs in the seventh when Tayler Brewer's line drive appeared headed up the middle, but second baseman Lauren Kelso went to her right and stretched out to make a backhanded snag to end the game and preserve the no-hitter.

Two four-run innings gave the Lady Pilgrims all their runs for the evening. Katie Wojcik led off the second with a base hit followed by a bunt for a hit by Cassie Gaines. A one-out walk to Kelsey Hartman loaded the bases, then Wojcik scored on a groundout by Kristy Clemons for the game's first run. Gaines scored on a wild pitch with Sullivan at the plate, and Hartman and Sullivan later scored on Emilee Keilman's sharp single to left.

Plymouth tacked on four more in the sixth as Clemons led off with a walk and later scored on Kelso's infield hit and Morgan O'Neal hit a three-run homer to right-center field, bringing around Kelso and Sullivan, who had drawn her fourth walk of the game.

Wojcik had a pair of hits in the game and Kelso reached base three times, drawing a pair of walks prior to her sixth-inning hit.

• PLYMOUTH 8, CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 0

At Plymouth

CGA: 000 000 0 — 0 0 0

Plymouth: 040 004 X — 8 7 0

Marissa Sullivan (W) and Emilee Keilman; Alexis Christlieb (L) and Samantha Seibel.

HR: Morgan O'Neal (P)

Records: Plymouth 10-17.

Hostrawser lifts LaVille over Culver

Lynae Hostrawser hit the game-winning RBI single with one out in the bottom of the seventh inning as LaVille clinched an 8-7 Northern State Conference victory over visiting Culver Wednesday.

Rebecca James doubles for Culver, who slips to 0-13 in the conference.

• LAVILLE 8, CULVER 7

At Lakeville

Culver 210 040 0 - 7 8 3

LaVille 003 013 1 - 8 9 4

Candice Slater, Hannah Herbster (W, 2) and Brittany Norton; Stacy VanHorn (L) and Stephanie Elam.

HR: Herbster, Rebecca James (C).

Records: LaVille 10-12 (6-8 NSC), Culver (0-13 NSC).

CGA loses to Clay

Culver Girls Academy suffered a six-inning loss to visiting South Bend Clay 15-1.

Alexis Christlieb took the loss for the Lady Eagles.

Kalie Neizgodski homered twice for Clay, which collected 15 hits in the win.

• CLAY 15, CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 1 (6 innings)

At Culver

Clay: 100 824 — 15 15 1

CGA: 100 000 — 1 6 4

CGA wins Rochester Sectional

By James Costello
Sports Editor

ROCHESTER — Worn out in the midst of a tough work-out schedule, Waverly Neer set her own pace Tuesday.

That pace was good enough for two records at the Rochester Girls Track and Field Sectional as the Culver Girls Academy phenomenon blazed to record-breaking championship wins in both the 1600 and the 3200, registering respective times of 4:50.51 and 10:27.16. Not only were those times good enough to lap many of her competitors, they also easily broke the 5:02.35 and 10:57.81 records CGA alumnus and Indiana High School state distance legend Alex Banfich set in 2006 and 2008.

"I was never given a specific time in the 1600 or the 3200, but just to post some pretty good performances," said Neer.

"It's nice to leave a little bit of a legacy, but that's not always the goal. I want to go out feeling good about my runs. That doesn't mean I have to always hit those records, but it's certainly a nice cherry on top."

"She's gone through a very tough week of practice, and she was tired today," said CGA head track and field coach Michael Chastain. "We wanted to try to hit the 1600 nicely. Originally the weather forecast was almost no wind, and we thought oh that's great, but it was a little bit windier than we had hoped. But she still ran a crisp 1600 and came back with a smooth 3200. We didn't even talk about tempo; just get into a rhythm and try and keep it, and she stayed pretty consistent."

Neer's two individual titles helped propel CGA to the team championship, as it upended defending champ Plymouth 168.33-146.33. Triton finished four with 61 points behind Rochester, meanwhile, while Culver Community's Gwen Zehner earned top four regional-qualifying spots in both throwing events and tallied 16 points for her team.

"The girls are excited about it," said Chastain. "We knew Plymouth would be a big battle because both teams have so much depth. The girls did a pretty nice job with things up and down the line."

"We finished where I thought we'd finish," said Plymouth head coach Paul Patrick. "Our kids performed well, and Culver performed much better, and really I thought they would."

"For us to be in the running in the end, we probably had to be 20-plus with those original seedings. We saw the Culver girls run at our first indoor meet in March, they won that. We saw them at the Culver Relays the first week of April, they won that meet. We saw them at the Goshen Relays three weeks ago, they finished runner-up in that meet... They haven't done anything differently tonight than they've done all year. They just showed their strength."

While Neer's two titles helped, the Lady Eagles had no shortage of sectional champs at Tuesday's meet. CGA notched a total of seven wins at Rochester as sprinters Ashley Taylor and Anne Marie Dumas won the 100 and 200 dashes, respectively, while serving as members of the Eagles' winning 400 relay squad along with Laura Ma and Emily Rich, and freshman Amber Cowell grabbed dual titles in both hurdling events.

Plymouth won championships in the 1600 and 3200 relays, while Haley Smart finished with her third straight championship in the 400 and Meagan Fisher won both the high jump and the 800.

It was Culver's Zehner who claimed top honors in the shot with a winning throw of 38-08, 5.5 inches ahead of Plymouth's Hannah Christy. But it wasn't Zehner's farthest throw that had coach Mike Buschman as impressed as her consistency at the meet. Zehner also placed third in the discus to advance to next Tuesday's Bremen Regional there as well.

"More important than her good throws or her good finish, she didn't have a throw under 36," said the Culver coach. "Nice consistency, it's nice to see that, especially going into a week of working on stuff. It's easier to tighten things down when there's a lot more consistency there."

Melissa Bash (W) and Tess Swain; Alexis Christlieb (L) and Samantha Seibel.
HR: Kalie Neizgodski 2 (Clay).

CGA falls in 6 to Mishawaka Marian

Culver Girls Academy was dimed in six innings by visiting Mishawaka Marian, 11-1 at home Monday.

Natalie Bittles took the loss for CGA, which recorded just three hits with five errors in the loss.

• MISHAWAKA MARIAN 11, CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 1 (6 innings)

At Culver

Marian: 042 203 — 11 8 1

CGA: 100 000 — 1 3 5

Ariel Sheets (W) and Cassidy Dennin; Natalie Bittles (L), Alexis Christlieb (5)

and Christlieb, Abby Jeffers (5).

2B: Dennin (M), Nicole Hardig (M).

Baseball

CMA rallies

Culver Military plated a combined 10 runs in the fifth and sixth innings to rally back from a 7-3 deficit and defeat visiting Hammond Bishop Noll 13-7.

Bryan Espiritu was credited with the win taking over for Perley Provost in the sixth, while Drew Schroeder held Bishop Noll in the seventh.

James McGing homered and Kyle Bartelman doubled twice for CMA, while Alex Haygood also doubled for the Eagles, who move to 13-2 on the year.

CMA will play Rochester at the Class 3A Plymouth Sectional next Thursday at 5:30 p.m. followed by a match-up between Plymouth and New Prairie with the winners to face off in a

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semifinal game Monday at 1 p.m.

• CULVER MILITARY 13, HAMMOND BISHOP NOLL 7

At Culver

BN: 420 010 0 — 7 7 3

CM: 300 046 X — 13 12 2

Perley Provost, Bryan Espiritu (W, 6), Drew Schroeder (7) and James McGing; Matt Sandavol, Danny Pobereyko, Larry Crisler (L, 6) and Cody Moskovsky.

2B: Kyle Bartelman 2 (CMA), Alex Haygood (CMA), Jaylen Yarbrough (BN), Moscovsky (BN).

HR: McGing (CMA)

Records: CMA 13-2, Bishop Noll 16-9.

Culver holds off Winamac

Sam Hendrickson and Michael Salary both homered and Culver held off a late rally by Winamac for a 4-3 win at home Thursday.

The Warriors put up nine two runs in the top of the seventh to pull within one, but Kyle Vlach shut the door on them and grabbed the win in seven innings for Culver. The Cavaliers were out-hit 9-5 in the win, which pushes them to 10-13.

• CULVER 4, WINAMAC 3

At Culver

Winamac: 100 000 2 — 3 9 0

Culver: 110 110 X — 4 5 1

Kyle Vlach (W, 2-1) and A.J. Neace; J.T. Garnett (L) and Eric Sass.

HR: Sam Hendrickson (C), Michael Salary (C)

Records: Culver 10-13, Winamac 5-13.

Salary grand slam seals Argos loss

Michael Salary hit a walk-off grand slam, his second homer of the game, to seal a five-inning, 13-2 victory for the Cavaliers over Argos at Culver Thursday.

A.J. Neace tripled and Malici Shaffer doubled for the Cavaliers, who racked up 13 hits in the home win and moved to 8-13 on the year.

Argos recorded just four hits against Culver pitcher Bryce Lindvall, plating two runs in the top of the fourth to avoid the shutout in the loss.

• CULVER 13, ARGOS 2 (5 innings)

At Culver

Argos: 000 20 — 2 4 2

Culver: 031 36 — 13 13 0

Bryce Lindvall (W, 3-5) and Collin Stevens; Dom Cataldo (L), Kurt Zechiel (5) and Zach Stockman.

2B: Malici Shaffer (C), Dom Cataldo (A).

3B: A.J. Neace (C).

HR: Michael Salary 2 (C).

Record: Culver 8-13.

LaVille sweeps Culver in DH

Jason Duerring went a perfect 6 for 6 with five RBIs on the day as LaVille swept visiting Culver in a doubleheader 7-4 and 11-1.

The Lancers managed 10 hits on the day compared to nine by the Cavaliers.

Joe Vest got the win on the mound in game one, while Christ Stump took the victory in the five-inning nightcap.

LaVille moves to 10-3 in the Northern State Conference with a 13-9 overall mark, while Culver slides to 4-10 in conference play and 7-13 overall with the losses.

• LAVILLE 7-11, CULVER 4-1

At Lakeville

Game 1

Culver: 000 002 2 — 4 6 4

LaVille: 300 112 X — 7 10 3

Joe Vest (W), Dutoi (H), Chris Stump (S) and Daniel Rensberger; Collin Stevens (L, 3-3) and A.J. Neace.

2B: Kodee Kimbel (L), Jason Duerring (L).

Game 2 (5 innings)

LaVille: 130 43 — 11 10 2

Culver: 010 00 — 1 3 3

Chris Stump (W) and Daniel Rensberger; Sam Hendrickson (L, 0-1), Kyle Vlach and Collin Stevens.

2B: Rodney Bettcher (L), Herbster (L), Jason Duerring (L).

Records: LaVille 13-9 (10-3 NSC), Culver 7-13 (4-10 NSC).

Glenn sweeps Culver in NSC DH

John Glenn scored 30 runs in two games to sweep Culver in five innings in both games of a doubleheader at home Tuesday, 15-2 and 15-5.

The Falcons collected 24 hits on the day as Ross Columbia claimed the Northern State Conference win in game one, and Mark Einhorn got the victory on the mound in the nightcap.

Sean Liedtky and Jon Stewart each tripled for Glenn, while Justin Gerlowski doubled for the Falcons, who move to 10-2 in the NSC and 14-7 overall with the win.

Culver slips to 7-11 overall with a 4-8 conference mark.

• JOHN GLENN 15-15, CULVER 5-2

At Walkerton

Game 1 (5 innings)

Culver: 230 00 — 5 8 1

Glenn: 510 45 — 15 13 2

Ross Columbia (W, 4-1) and Charlie Dreessen; Kyle Vlach (L, 1-1), Sam Hissong (5) and A.J. Neace.

3B: Sean Liedtky (JG)

Game 2 (5 innings)

Glenn: 251 25 — 15 11 0

Culver: 001 01 — 2 6 4

Mark Einhorn (W, 3-2) and Charlie Dreessen, Ryan Price (4); Malici Shaffer

(L, 0-1), Sam Hissong (5) and A.J. Neace.

2B: Justin Gerlowski (JG)

3B: Jon Stewart (JG).

Records: Culver 7-11 (4-8 NSC), John Glenn 14-7 (10-2 NSC).

Big 6th lifts Triton past Culver

Triton scored 11 runs on 10 hits in the bottom of the sixth to seal a 17-6 Northern State Conference dinging of the Cavaliers at Culver Monday.

Zak Shively went 4 for 5 with three runs, three RBIs and a double while Seth Glingie went 3 for 4 with six RBIs, a double and a home run for the victorious Trojans, who move to 5-7 in conference play and 8-9 on the year.

Jordan Koontz moved to 2-3 with the win on the mound, while Bryce Lindvall fell to 3-6 with the loss on the hill for Culver.

Lindvall doubled, while Collin Stevens and Sam Hendrickson both homered for the Cavs in the loss, which drops the team to 4-6 in the NSC and 7-9 overall.

• TRITON 17, CULVER 6 (6 innings)

At Culver

Culver: 101 04 0 — 6 9 5

Triton: 031 02(11) — 17 15 0

Jordan Koontz (W, 2-3) and Marc Lindsey; Bryce Lindvall (L, 3-6), Zoe Bauer (6) and A.J. Neace, Collin Stevens (5).

2B: Lindvall(C), Marc Lindsey (T), Seth Glingie (T).

HR: Stevens (C), Sam Hendrickson (C), Zak Shively (T), Glingie (T).

Records: Triton 8-9 (5-7 NSC), Culver 7-9 (4-6 NSC).

Boys golf

CMA wins 4-way

Culver Military beat out the rest of the field of four in a meet at Mystic Hills Golf Course Tuesday.

Andrew Eiler shot a 1-over 37 to lead the Eagles, while Alex Kuesterman shot 42, and both James Kinsey and T.J. Selby turned in 44s for the Eagles.

• CULVER MILITARY 167, ST. JOSEPH'S 171, WINAMAC 185, CASTON 219

At Mystic Hills Golf Course, Par 36

CMA (167): Andrew Eiler 37, James Kinsey 44, T.J. Selby 44, Alex Kuesterman

42, Davis Payne 45.

St. Joe (171): Mitchell Pajakowski 41, Jake Radde 46, Adam Kanczuzewski

41, John Stukenborg 43, Sean Nees 46.

Winamac (185): Mitch Wolff 43, Mike Brown 51, Brandon Ball 45, Will

Kocher 47, Bryant Larkin 50.

Caston (219): Conner Martin 60, Blain Hizer 53, Boston Blackman 47, Kent

Burton 59, Luke Schroder 61.

JV score: CMA 186, St. Joe 219.

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door.

“Little Women” at Academies

The Culver Academies student production of “Little Women” will take place May 28 and June 2 and 3 at 7:30 p.m., at Culver Academies Eppley Auditorium. The free performance is open to the public.

Wakefield art at library

The Culver-Union Twp. Public Library will showcase original watercolor paintings by Culver’s Sandra Wakefield, a 1955 graduate of Culver High School. Several of Wakefield’s pieces may be seen on the upper level of the library on its art board, as well as in the fireplace and circulation desk area. The display will be available for viewing through the month of May. Those with questions may call 574-842-2941.

Taste of Culver June 18

The Culver Chamber of Commerce’s annual Taste of Culver festival returns Saturday, June 18, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Jefferson Street between Main and Ohio Streets.

This year’s Caribbean-themed event will feature many of Culver’s well-loved restaurants offerings samples of their fare at sample prices. Steel drum player Kent Arnsbarger (www.kentarnsbarger.com) will play during the event, whose proceeds benefit Chamber activities. The Chamber’s website is www.culverchamber.com.

Conservancy Dist. sewer line

The Southwest Lake Maxinkuckee Conservancy District has a new website that will track the construction of the sewer system going in from Venetian Village up to the

southern town limits. Go to www.SWLakeMaxCD.com to view timely details. This part of the project should be complete by the end of this summer. If you have questions, you can contact your area representative by calling 574-952-2963 Monday thru Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. or email SWLMCD.connect@yahoo.com anytime.

Friends raffling doll house

A hand-built doll-house, completely furnished and detailed (and valued around \$500, with over 100 hours of Friends’ work to complete it) is being raffled by the Friends of the Culver Public Library all summer. Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5. The drawing will be September 3. For tickets call Charlotte Hahn (574-842-3267), Rita Mason (842-2656), Jeanne Spaw (842-4206) or Connie Van Horn (842-2038).

Heritage Park bricks

The Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver reminds everyone that Heritage Park Remembrance Bricks are still available. They become a permanent part of beautiful Heritage Park at the corner of Main and Jefferson Streets. Or, they could act as a “welcome” brick for your yard, “family est.,” or perhaps a pet’s name and placed in a favorite place for remembrance. All brick donations to the Society are tax deductible. Bricks may be ordered from Charlotte Hahn, 574-842-3267. Order forms are also available at the Museum.

Scrapbooking at Market Basket

The Market Basket and Company, 13775 S.R. 17, Culver, will be hosting all day scrapbooking the first and third

Tuesdays of each month. Attendees can bring their own supplies, lunch, and \$5. Drinks will be furnished. For more details call Kathy Meek at 574-842-2145.

Free computer classes

Culver-Union Township Public Library’s free computer classes are held Monday evenings at 6 p.m. and Friday mornings at 10 a.m. They include: Microsoft Word (May 20); and Microsoft Excel (May 23 and 27). For more information, call the Culver Library at 574-842-2941, visit its website at www.culver.lib.in.us or email abaker@culver.lib.in.us.

Swim for Kids Sake seeks volunteers

The second annual Swim For Kids’ Sake open water swim will be held August 27. Those interested in becoming a sponsor or volunteering are encouraged to contact Mallory Mead, Race Director, at 317-997-6753 or mallory.mead@hotmail.com. The greatest area of need for volunteers is for safety and support craft and pilots. For more information, and to view results, visit the Swim For Kids’ Sake website at swimforkidssake.com.

Comm. garden volunteers needed

Upcoming planting times at Culver’s community garden include Friday, May 20 at 5:30 p.m., and Saturday, May 21 at 9 a.m., May 23 and 25 (9 a.m.), and May 26 and 27 (5 p.m.) All times are weather permitting. Volunteers are invited and encouraged to join the gardeners. Questions may be directed to Connie Richie at 574-542-4810, Barbara Quivey at 574-842-2329, or Cory Barnes at barnesc@culver.org.

CES Students of the Month

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

Kindergarten: Sidd Smith (Amy Bonine), Peter Minix (Heather Overmyer), Brent Keen (Jean Urbin), Alisa Hinds (Jana VanDePutte).

First grade: Liam Nicholson (Andrea Berndt), Hunter Sickmiller (Kelly Dickerhoff), Ayden Annis (April Jefferies).

Second grade: Abigail Johnson (Jean Ahlenius), Kytin Stout (Tina Bailey), Darren Shock (Carrie Tharp).

Third grade: Ethan Vlach (Valerie Cultice), Alexis Bajer (Jill DeSalle), Lucas Cobern (Rachel Rife).

Fourth grade: Sarah Stefan (Stephanie Alva), Haley Pennington (Leslie Shepard), Hailey Shipley (Alicia Cotner), Mackenzie Buckman (Kim Morrison), Mackenzie Buckman (Rhonda Kinney).

Fifth grade: Rachel Kunce (Gayle Kinzie), Shilo Guerra (Raeanne Stevens), Brianna Smith (Steve Young), Logon Welsh (Terri Zechiel), Sydney Pritz (Mike Elliott), Nathan Clingler (Jason Crittendon).

Sixth grade: Troy Bolds (Bryan Albright), Zackery Siebenhaar (Adam Huber), Matthew Suthard (Missy Trent), Jennifer Dady (Kris Arvelo), Sequoia Kegley (Kelly Young), Staci Jefferies (Joyce Lyman), Cora Dodge (Julie Cowen).

CES 'Culver's Best'

Culver Elementary School has announced its "Culver's Best" for April.

Kindergarten: Alejandra Chantea, Luci Overmyer, Logan Coiner

1st grade: Mary Kate Kelley, Elan Johnson, Ty Hesters, Anna Gregorash, Alyson Martin, Marquez Anderson, Alex Zehner

2nd grade: Kendal Stebbins, Abby Neff, Samantha Evans

3rd grade: Rachel Nash, Erin Renneker, Gabriel Sherman, Aysia Conley

4th grade: Shelby Blair, Jazmyn Beitler, Rebecca Christlieb

5th grade: James Fagan, Cody Rieckhoff, Dylan Griewank, Dylan Lewandowski, Logan Kephart

6th grade: Morgan Keen, Aaron James, Angie Busse

Academies student is Trig Star

LAKEVILLE — Andrea Lin is the Culver Academies Trig-Star, as named at the 2011 Trig Star competition sponsored by the St. Joseph Valley Chapter of the Indiana Society of Professional Land Surveyors. South Bend Riley, LaVille, and Culver Academies each had students take part in the math competition. Each student received a gift card for their winning score at each school and William Shank received an additional prize for posting the highest score of the three schools. A Trig-Star is a mathematics student who has demonstrated in competition that they are the most skilled among classmates in the practical application of trigonometry. The contest helps to promote careers in surveying and mapping to students at the High Schools across the country. Visit the Trig-Star website at www.trig-star.info to learn more.



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CCHS royalty

Patrice McBee is seen here being crowned Prom Queen earlier this month at the Culver Community High School prom, while King Jeremiah Harvey looks on in the background. Both seniors have made notable contributions to the school, particularly in the area of athletics (Harvey was also "crowned" state wrestling champion earlier this year, a first for the school, and McBee was an accomplished member of the girls' basketball team, which

made it all the way to the semistate finals this year).

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Soup-er support for area charities

Culver Elementary School 6th graders and teachers gathered recently to distribute funds raised at last month's "Soup for the Soul" community event, in which student-created bowls and other items were used to serve donated soup, bread, drinks, and desserts. Money raised at the third annual event was targeted this year to food pantries in the counties served by Culver Community Schools, as well as the Marshall and Starke County Humane Societies.

In addition, popular U93 radio DJs "Rob and AJ" visited the school. \$200



was presented from 'Soup' for their Child Abuse Prevention Roof Sit. Students created a "Saturday Night Live" style comedy skit parodying Rob and AJ's show, portions of which the DJs then aired on the station, says 6th grade teacher Missy Trent.

TOP PHOTO: Pictured from left, DJ Rob, students David Thompson and Brennin Betts, and DJ AJ.

AT LEFT: Representing the food pantry in Rochester were Junior Bose, Chairman, and assistant Don Abbott.

BELOW: From left, Leroy Bean of the Culver food pantry, Joan Haugh (of the Starke County Council on Aging, which coordinates the food pantry there), and students Trista Vela, Jack Rich, Mandy Morrison, and Matt Markovitz.

Some funds will also be distributed to the Center for the Homeless in South Bend, with children's-related use specified.





Kaceigh Ahlenius



Clar Baker



Nicolette Banfield



Taylor Banks



Jackie Bauer



Zoe Bauer



Blake Bennett



Rob Boyd



Zach Brewer



Scott Brown



Kevin Buckman



Max Burgess



Nicole Carnegie



Jacob Cavazos



Cassie Cline



Larry Clingler



Kaitlyn Comiskey



Ashley Cox



Cameron Curtis



Teresa Daugharty



Dennis Davis



CJ Dehning



Lakesia Green



Matt Hart



Jeremiah Harvey



Sam Hendrickson



Jessica Hominger



John Hopkins



Tyler Hughes



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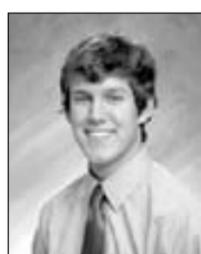
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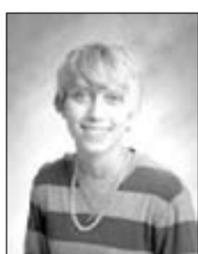
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Jessica Smith



Michael Stout



Amy Textor



Lindsey Van Horn



Kyle VanDePutte



Alison Zehner



Gwen Zehner

LOCAL CMA/CGA CLASS OF 2011



Brianna L. Bennett, daughter of Todd and Shauna Bennett of Culver, Indiana University-South Bend



Andrea R. Canacci, daughter of Ronald and Donna Canacci of Culver, English Speaking Union Scholar



Alexis R. Christlieb, daughter of Gary and Melissa Christlieb, George Washington University



Andrew V. Dobbins, son of John Dobbins of Culver, St. John's College



Jarrod H. Drake, son of Eric and Tammy Drake of Culver, Gordon College



Laura A. Freymiller, daughter of Susan Freymiller of Culver and Gary Freymiller of West Lafayette, Carleton College



Tenley A. Gillett, daughter of James and Elizabeth Gillett of Culver, Massachusetts Maritime Academy



Cassandra A. Hall, daughter of Charles Hall of Edinburgh, Ind., John Carroll University



Bethanni M. Lewis, daughter of Douglas Lewis of Monterey, and Tammara Womack of Culver, Earlham College



Robert B. McKinnis, son of Scot and Nancy McKinnis of Culver, English Speaking Union Scholar



Rebecca E. Nash, daughter of David and Lorri Nash of Culver, English Speaking Union Scholar



Riley L. Scott, daughter of Vincent and Kelly Scott of Culver, University of Southern California



Zachary W. Sheldon, son of Wayne and Brenda Sheldon of Culver, Ball State University



Kylee M. Shipley, daughter of William and Cami Shipley of Culver, Ashland University



Keaton C. Smith, son of Ryan and Jacqueline Smith of Culver, Indiana University-South Bend



Christian P. Tulungen, son of J. Johnnes and Catherine Tulungen of Culver, College of Wooster

Culver Comm. High School's top five

The top five students at Culver Community High School, Class of 2011 are (in alphabetical order): Kaceigh Ahlenius, Clarissa Baker, Jaelyn Bauer, Zoe Bauer and Cassandra (C.J.) Dehning.

Graduation exercises are Friday, June 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the school's gymnasium. Albert Hanselman, Principal, will present the class and Mr. Brad Schuldt, Superintendent, will award the diplomas.

Kaceigh Ahlenius, daughter of Peggy Ahlenius and Frank Ahlenius, was a National Honor Society member for two years and President her senior year. She was a four year member of Business Professionals of America as well as Vice President her senior year. Kaceigh was co-editor of the Caval Crier and a member of the Academic Super Bowl her junior year. She was a four year member of the Cheerleading Team achieving varsity her junior and senior year. She participated two years in Science Club and one year in Student Council. She led her class in 10th Grade as Vice President and Secretary-Treasurer in 11th Grade. Kaceigh plans to attend the University of Indianapolis and Major in Physical Therapy.

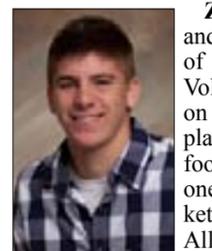
Clarissa (Clar) Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker, was a National Honor Society member for two years and secretary her senior year. She was a four year member of Business Professionals of America. Clar was actively involved with basketball, keeping stats for four years as well as manager for three years. Also, volley-

ball stats for four years. Clar will attend Indiana University in the fall.



Jaelyn Bauer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bauer, was a member of National Honor Society for two years. She was a four year member of Business Professionals of America. A member of the Academic Super Bowl her junior year. She has been the class President her junior and senior years. She played basketball her junior year. Also, in her junior and senior years she was

a member of Spanish Club, Culver Alliance for Voluntary Service (CAVS), and Culver Youth Community Organization (CYCO). Jaelyn plans to attend Purdue University in the fall and study Agriculture/Bio-Chemical Feed Engineering.



Zoe Bauer, son of Toni Manikowski and Ed Bauer, was a four year member of French Club, Culver Alliance for Voluntary Service his junior year and on the Academic Super Bowl Team. He played baseball in 9th and 10th Grade, football three years and Cross County one year. Zoe was very active in basketball all four years. He was NSC All-Conference, IBCA All State, 1,000 pitches. He was captain for three years.

Zoe plans to attend college in the fall in law enforcement. His college choice is still undecided.

Cassandra (C.J.) Dehning, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. K.C. Dehning was a member of National Honor Society for two years. She was a two year member of Student



Council as well as Vice President of her class her junior year. She was on the Academic Super Bowl Team in 9th and 10th grade and was the fine arts captain. She was a two year member of Business Professionals of America and secretary her senior year. She performed with Jazz Street choral group for three years and was a delegate two years to the Butler Vocal Jazz Festival. She was a two year member of Spanish Club and track, setting the school 3,200 m. relay record. C.J. played soccer all four years, Captain her senior year, most improved (10th) and Rookie of the Year in 9th grade. C. J. was an Ambassador the HOBY (Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership). She will be attending Indiana University in the fall.