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## In Brief

**Book release**  
**Ice cream party**  
**Saturday at CCC**

Copies of Culver author Jack Johnston's new children's book, "Ice Cream Hotel," will be available -- and Johnston available to sign them -- at a book release/ice cream party at the Culver Coffee Company on Lake Shore Drive this Saturday, June 23, from 2 to 4 p.m. Kids who drop by can receive two free ice cream cones with purchase of the book.

Learn more at the book's website, [theicecreamhotel.com](http://theicecreamhotel.com), or on its Facebook page.

**Lake Association**  
**auction and hog**  
**roast June 23**

The Lake Maxinkuckee Association will hold its annual hog roast and auction Saturday, June 23, at the Culver Marina at 6 p.m. The live auction features several spectacular items, plus there will be a silent auction and a \$500 door prize.

This is a great family evening to benefit the Culver Lake Patrol. The event is open to the public. Buy tickets at the door or from any LMA board member.

**Monterey FD Hog**  
**Ride Saturday**

Monterey Fire Department is sponsoring its second annual "Hog Ride" motorcycle event Saturday, June 23, starting at the Monterey fire station. Tickets are \$15 per person and \$10 per passenger; riders eat for \$5, and non-riders for \$10. A hog roast will include live band and activities, and proceeds go to benefit the fire department.

**Spanish class for**  
**children**

A Spanish class for children will take place Thursdays June 28 through Aug 2 at St. Mary of the Lake Church. Activities are aimed at children aged 5 to 10, but older children are welcome. Registration is \$20 for the first child, \$15 for additional sibling(s). No child turned away due to lack of money. Please call 574-274-7097 or email [parefamily@att.net](mailto:parefamily@att.net) for registration information.

**Safe Routes sidewalk**  
**work underway**

Residents are advised that construction has started on Culver's INDOT "Safe Routes to School" project, with completion planned

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## 100 years of Culver Woodcraft

This summer's community-wide observation of the centennial of Culver's Woodcraft program is underway, and the Culver area need look no further for a reason to celebrate than the legends who walked here and helped form the camp. Pictured ABOVE, RIGHT, is Boy Scout and conservation pioneer and artist Daniel Carter Beard, alongside Woodcraft campers, circa 1912. In the CENTER, renowned author, Scouting pioneer, and international personality Ernest Thompson Seton (standing) holds court at a Culver Council Fire in 1930. SEE STORY BELOW.

### Culver's Woodcraft Camp at 100

## Pioneers in national conservation, scouting crafted Culver program

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

Culver Academies has, of course, graduated famous names like Hal Holbrook, George Steinbrenner, Jonathan Winters, and numerous others of renown. Unbeknownst to many, though, Culver's pride of place has every right to swell at the mention of Daniel Carter Beard, Ernest Thompson Seton, and Robert Baden-Powell.

If there were ever a "holy trinity" of international scouting, conservation, and naturalism, the title worthily belongs to those three, whose pioneering efforts not only helped lay the groundwork for today's ecological "green" movement and National Parks system, but along the way brought into being a summer camp for boys on the shores of Lake Maxinkuckee, 100 years ago this summer.

Various factors apparently contributed to the creation of the Woodcraft camp prior to 1912, including requests from youngsters and parents for a summer experience to include younger boys than the already existing, more rugged Naval School and Summer Cavalry program could accommodate.

However, the specific direction for the camp was almost certainly inspired by Culver commandant and then-Col. L.R. Gignilliat's interactions in London with Robert Baden-Powell, in 1911.

**Baden-Powell** (1857 - 1941) boasted an impressive background in military service and authorship, having served for more than 20 years in the British Army, distinguishing himself in battle in the second Boer War in South Africa. His early military and scout training books had already been influential on young, male readers, but his 1908 "Scouting for Boys" would become the fourth bestselling book in history, some of its themes having been tested in 1907 during a camping trip often seen as the launch-point for the Boy Scout movement which would overtake the British empire in the years following.

Baden-Powell's efforts, soon internationally known, intersected smartly with those of Gignilliat, even if the latter took a more specifically military direction as exempli-

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### Special Council Fires, pageant, Lake Fest events bring centennial to all

The community-wide celebration of Culver's Woodcraft Camp centennial culminates the weekend of July 20 with the **centennial pageant** (Friday evening at 9 p.m. at the Culver Academies track and football field), as well as during the **Lake Fest parade**, when longtime Woodcraft Indian Lore director **Dick Zimmerman** will be parade marshal and 100 Council Fire dancers will perform during the parade.

A special exhibit on the famous founders of the camp, and on its history overall, is on display this summer at the **Culver Academies Museum & Gift Shop**, 102 S. Main Street in downtown Culver.

A special exhibition from the Academies' **Native American art and Scouting history** collections will be on exhibit at the **Crisp art gallery** on the Academies campus, with special public viewing dates to be

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CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

CBGC board member Jim Szymusiak, left, displays auction highlights signed jerseys from Indianapolis Colts players Peyton Manning and Andrew Luck, with auctioneer Carl Kaser at right.

## CBGC auction a shining evening for youths' brighter futures

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

The committee behind the Culver Boys & Girls Club's annual auction and dinner event is recuperating after another evening of sparkling and convivial success -- to the tune of some \$44,000 and counting raised for the club, according to committee chair Ginny Munroe.

Held Friday evening at the Culver Academies' Lay Dining Center, festively decorated for the occasion, and catered by the dining hall itself -- under the direction of Lee Wilhite and head chef Larry Surrisi -- the event was attended by some 200 area residents under the theme of "Building Brighter Futures."

Highlights included nationally acclaimed magical transformational duo Quick Change (Dania Kaseeva and David Mas), who elicited a steady stream of gasps as Kaseeva in particular flew inexplicably through some dozen outfits in the course of minutes, bringing down the house with what appeared to be a near-instant and complete change in attire behind a momentary wall of falling confetti.

A swath of items, as in the past, awaited bidders on the silent auction tables, but high-profile items received special attention at the hands of volunteer auctioneer Carl Kaser, including a Mackinac Island getaway, Kentucky Derby and Oaks Race tickets, a side of corn-fed, hormone-free beef, hundreds of dollars worth of gift certificates to Culver area venues, prime tickets to a Chicago Blackhawks hockey game, Indianapolis Colts football tickets, hand-made framed artwork by CBGC members, and surely the highlight of the auction: one of the last signed football jerseys from outgoing Indianapolis Colts player Peyton Manning, combined with a signed jersey from the Colts new first-round draft pick, Andrew Luck (Culver head of schools John Buxton and his wife Pam were lucky winners of the jerseys).

During the auction, Munroe thanked fellow committee members Carol Zeglis, Cheryl Rhodes, Leslie Sheperd, and new member Barbara Shaffer. She credited member Dianne Osborn with securing over \$25,000 worth of items from around the country, for the auctions. Munroe also lauded CBGC member Jim Szymusiak for securing or donating "hoards" of items for the live auction (the side of beef, for example, came from Szymusiak's own farm and was fed by his own hand, according to the event program). She also expressed the group's appreciation for the help of CBGC board member Alan Loehr, alumni director at the Academies, for his assistance in Academies-related matters.

Carol Zeglis shared with the audience her -- and the event committee and CBGC board's -- appreciation for the cooperation and assistance of the Buxtons, for "really great leader" Ginny Munroe as current CBGC board president and chair of the auction committee for the past six or seven

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TOP LEFT: CBGC auction committee member Carol Zeglis, left, chats with attendees (from left) Susan Elizondo, Michelle Allyn, and Ellen Freese. TOP RIGHT: Magic performing duo David Mas and Dania Kaseeva at the conclusion of their performance. LOWER LEFT: Attendees Mark Damore and Margaret Blum share a conversation. LOWER RIGHT: The Lay Dining Center was transformed by the auction committee for the Friday night event.



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## A tasty 'Taste' of Culver

Extra-warm weather didn't deter a throng of hungry festival-goers from sampling fares of some nine local eateries at the Culver Cahmber's annual Taste of Culver Festival Saturday morning and afternoon. TOP LEFT: Ryan Pinkowski, left, tries a treat from Gladie's Deli, served by Debbie Noel. TOP CENTER: Jenny (Kline) Morgan and son Will prepare to enjoy an icy treat from Culver Coffee Company barista Ashley Jones. TOP RIGHT: New to this year's event was a visit from the Bunny Bread bunny (representing Park N' Shop and "assisted" by David Rhodes), who cut a rug alongside Culver's Dick Swennumson. LEFT: John Bramfeld (right) and son Sam sample Lakehouse Grille's mini-burgers, as served by (from left) Jen and Phil Thorman and Lakehouse owner Mark Damore Jr.

## County-wide burn ban announced

MARSHALL CO. — Due to the extremely dry conditions, the Marshall County Board of Commissioners, with the support of several of the local fire chiefs, issued a disaster proclamation restricting open burning throughout the entire county Wednesday.

The fire chiefs and commissioners agree that Marshall County is immediately threatened by a natural disaster—specifically county wide drought conditions and that these conditions make the county vulnerable to widespread fire hazards. The fire chiefs and commissioners believe that implementing a burn ban on certain activities is an appropriate public safety response to the fire hazards presented by the current drought conditions.

In accordance with the emergency declaration the following activities are prohibited until further notice in Marshall County:

Open burning of any kind using conventional fuel such as wood, or other combustible material, with the exception of grills fueled by charcoal briquettes or propane (charcoal from permitted grill shall not be removed from the grills until the charcoal has been thoroughly extinguished);

The burning of debris, such as timber or vegetation, including such debris that results from building construction activities;

Campfires and other recreation fires, unless enclosed.

The burn ban will be in effect beginning at noon today and will remain in place for at least the next seven (7) days. The ban may be extended or lifted after the initial seven day time period based on an assessment of conditions at that point.

All residents of Marshall County should comply with the necessary emergency measures, and to cooperate with public officials in order to keep the communities safe.

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## Insurance is central to council discussion of accident, sidewalk

By Jeff Kenney  
Citizen editor

During last week's busy town council meeting, it happened the most-discussed topics centered on the ever-thorny matter of insurance, in relation to two recent events in town.

During the public input portion of the evening, Culver resident Kevin Berger suggested the town should ask for insurance certificates from contracted individuals before work commences. Berger noted he owns a home on Lake Shore Drive which was damaged recently when a truck accident there pulled down trees and power lines.

"Finding who will pay for that is a challenge," said Berger. "The town hired him."

Some debate ensued as to whether the driver of the truck, which belonged to Hopple Excavating of Culver, was actually engaged in contract work for the town at the time of the accident. The vehicle was returning home following unloading some sand at the town park. Audience member Patty Stallings, who sits on the park board, added she believed the work was volunteer, rather than paid.

Mike Stallings, owner of contracting firm Mirar Homes, said requiring proof of insurance, including auto liability, is "commonplace" for sub-contract hires, something affirmed by Berger, himself owner of Easterday Construction. Berger said if the driver -- who was not insured at the time of the accident -- was unable to pay for the damages, the damaged party "would be coming after me for damages. I would get sued for that."

Berger added certificates should be on file and up to date on all town contractors, something town clerk Karen Heim said is now in the works.

New Culver town manager David Schoeff, attending his first council meeting, said the town is working with town attorney Jim Clevenger and the town's insurance company, but "it will require some patience, unfortunately."

Insurance culpability was center of discussion on an un-

related incident, that of apparent vandalism to a recently-completed sidewalk on School Street, between the Culver Comm. Schools administration building and Miller's Merry Manor nursing home.

The sidewalk, laid recently by Bachman Concrete, was scarred by a bicycle tire imprint of some 70 feet in length, some of it approximately a half-inch in depth.

The paving was a joint venture between the Culver Redevelopment Committee and Miller's, in hopes residents and their families could travel more safely from the nursing home along the street.

Grant Munroe, of the CRC, said committee members are struggling to come to a consensus.

"Our insurance won't pay," he explained. "I think we should look into (Bachman's) insurance."

He also noted Miller's is reluctant to pay their share for a damaged sidewalk, and some had debated whether proper measures were taken to protect the sidewalk before the concrete set, though it was barricaded at both ends.

Council member Ed Pinder, noting the matter was discussed at the last meeting, said the tire marks wouldn't have any impact on a wheelchair traveling on the sidewalk.

Schoeff suggested the town may have to work with the contractor if replacement of the sidewalk is a priority.

"It's frustrating," he conceded, "especially if you're the CRC or Miller's putting money in it. On the other hand, there's nothing structurally wrong with it, so what do you hang your hat on?"

Council member Ginny Munroe suggested a group con-

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### 50th anniversary - Master

Karl (Bud) Master Jr. and Rose Ann Fox Master will celebrate their 50th anniversary June 23, 2012.

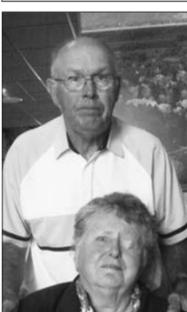
They were married by Rev. Thomas Fox, brother of the bride, at St. Anne's Church in Monterey June 23, 1962.

They have two sons, Chad (Melinda) of Argos and Barry (Kirsten) of Culver and one daughter Lisa (George) Rough of Walkerton. They also have nine grandchildren, and one step-granddaughter.

Bud and Rose have lived at 6059 E. Main St. in Monterey since 1962. Both are enjoying retirement.

The couple welcomes cards at P.O. Box 42, Monterey, IN 46960.

### 50th anniversary - Neher



Truman (Junior) and Gloria (Towne) Neher of Culver will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married in the United Methodist Church of Burton on June 24, 1962.

They have two children, Debbie (Paul) Prater and their son Caleb, of Gilead, Ind.; and Don (Anna) Neher of

Culver, and their children

Tarah (Dave) Shook of Oregon, and Justin Neher of Plymouth. Truman has worked at Mystic Hills Golf Course since it's opening. They will be honored at a small open house at the home of their son in Culver.

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### Death notice

Lewis

**Judith E. Lewis**  
**June 15, 2012**

MONTEREY — Judith E. "Judy" Lewis, 67, of Monterey died June 15, 2012 at 2:18 p.m. at her residence.

She is survived by her husband, Loren W. Lewis of Monterey; sons, Brian E. (Bray) Lewis of Monterey, Gary L. (Tobi) Lewis of Columbus; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; sister, Myrna (Carl) Eby, Argos; and brother, Charles "Chuck" (Judy) Lewis, Logansport.

Visitation was from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 20, 2012 at Frain Mortuary, 305 E. Main St., Winamac. Funeral services will be held at Frain Mortuary, Thursday, June 21, 2012 at 11 a.m. Burial will take place at Riverside Memorial Cemetery, Monterey.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association.

Online condolences may be offered in the guestbook [www.frainmortuary.com](http://www.frainmortuary.com).

### REAL Meals menu

To share a meal at REAL Meals, call Ruth Walker at the nutrition site (the Culver beach lodge) before 11 a.m. the day before for reservations, at 574-842-8878. A donation is suggested for each meal.

**Thurs., June 21:** Pulled pork, yellow kaiser bun, macaroni and cheese, zucchini and tomatoes, pears, and milk.

**Fri., June 22:** Taco salad: meat, lettuce, salsa, shredded cheese, corn chips, ranch dressing, black bean and corn salad, hot cinnamon apples, and milk.

**Mon., June 25:** Smoked sausage and bun, sauteed peppers, potato wedges, cauliflower, mixed fruit, milk.

**Tues., June 26:** Oven fried chicken, mashed sweet potatoes, green beans, buttermilk bread and margarine, apple-sauce, milk.

**Weds., June 27:** Chili mac, shredded cheddar, Italian bread, pea salad, birthday treat, milk.

**Thurs., June 29:** Pork loin, broccoli, black eyed peas, cornbread and margarine, cherry ambrosia, milk.

**Fri., June 30:** Sub sandwich: turkey and ham, lettuce, tomato, cheese, mayo, carrot coin salad, cobbler, milk.

## Welcome back, CHS class of '62!

This Friday, members of the Culver High School class of 1962 will gather to celebrate their 50th year reunion, in the gymnasium which once served as their own (today it's the Culver Elementary gym).

In the pages of the Culver Citizen, then principal Kenneth Cole reviewed highlights of the students' final year, including the addition of two new school buses, the introduction of natural gas to the school building, new equipment in several departments, the coming retirement of teachers M.R. Robinson and Arthur Alexander, the addition of a four-year French program, and the inclusion of CHS students in arts-related convocations at Culver Military Academy. The school also experienced the blending of the former North Bend school with its own student body, noted Cole.

The Citizen also printed a letter from John H. Moxley Triangle Travel Service of Chicago, praising CHS' seniors as "by far the finest group that I handled this year," on its senior trip to New York City. "They were just a wonderful group of girls and boys," wrote Moxley to CHS faculty member Ruth Shanks.

Also in the pages of the Citizen's weekly "School Bell" Culver schools newsletter, the May 18 prom, with its "Moon River" theme, was reviewed, as was the after-prom at the Plymouth Country Club.

For Prom night, the gym was decorated in blue and silver crepe paper with a wishing well in the center of the room and the stage transformed into a park along a river, with the riverboat "Moon River" and a moon in the background. Larry Miller, junior class president, welcomed guests, and Tom Boswell, senior class president, answered.

Carol Overmyer sang the theme song, "Moon River," accompanied by Sherrill Edgington on the piano. Everyone danced until midnight to the music of Bob Howe and his band.

"The day after Prom," continued the "School Bell," "many of the braves and maidens ventured to Turkey Run and Riverview, and it proved to be very enjoyable for all. Just ask Carmen Gretter and Bob Dickson, Larry Miller and Charlene Lucas, Tom Boswell and Sheryl Hoh man, or Phil Gretter and Donna Rogers. Right kids?"

Seniors including George Baker and Tom Boswell also took a swim in Lake Maxinkuckee in mid-April, teased the paper, and senior Ron Leffert was accidentally separated from the class at the New York City subway during the senior trip. "Also," adds the School Bell, "we heard that Pat Hicks, Sue Ruhnnow, and Eloise Tanner went into Tiffany's pretending to be wealthy career girls, but after trying on expensive jewelry for a while without buying anything, the clerk finally got wise."

The class of '62's Baccalaureate was held May 20 with Chaplain Allen Bray delivering the sermon, and on May 25, 50 class members took part in Commencement exercises, with Rev. Joseph Lenk, pastor of St. Mary's of the Lake Catholic Church giving the invocation, the Richard Hambrock-directed CHS band playing the the traditional processional and National Anthem, with a selection sung by a choral ensemble.

Using the theme, "The Worlds of Tomorrow," talks were given by John Benedict (co-salutatorian with Marizetta Robinson), Thomas Boswell, Linda Kose, and valedictorian Margo Overmyer.

Township Trustee Eugene G. Benedict presented diplomas, and Rev. Kendall Sands, pastor of the Culver Methodist Church, pronounced the benediction.

Another "School Bell" feature was a futuristic look at the class of '62, ten years later.

"The Lutz and Lutz Testing Company has been testing screw drivers relentlessly, while the famous Thomas chefs have been making pizza," quipped the paper. "Carol Heiser and her Heiser Hustlers have been polishing their instruments, with Lana "ham" Berger at the piano, Ofelia Briones on the harmonica, Ron Leffert on the drums, and Chris Hand in the tuba. (We think she fell in while polishing it!)"

"Barbara Williams, star of the 'Tall Man,' just arrived in her black limousine which is driven by her chauffeur, Phillip Gretter, who just won the safe driving award of the year. Here comes Don Miller, star of the 'Sing Along with Don' show...accompanied by two of his sponsor's models, Julia Furnas and Mimi Fisher."

Other highlights included "the new principal of Culver High School, George Herr," "Chuck Reed, editor of 'Playboy' magazine...proposing a toast to Tom Boswell for his recent (promotion) to bat boy for the Milwaukee Braves," Mike Overmyer as "professional Santa Claus," "Pat Weston, world famous photographer, taking a picture of Miss Brand X of 1972, Susan Ruhnnow, and Miss France, Mary Jane Guise." John Benedict was predicted as unable to remove his feet from the space capsule to explore the moon (which might be the fault of Sandra Boetsma, it was speculated). "They are sending Marizetta Robinson up to help get him out."

## Name that Culver 'citizen'

As is obvious from the photos below, last week's Mystery Citizen, Jennifer (Johnston) Luttrell, has't changed all that much since her teen years. So it's no shock that several readers recognized her, including Kristen Counts, Kay Tusing, Jill Neidlinger, Caitlin Schrimsher, Vilma Van Horn, Julie Bess, Mary Tousley,



LEFT: Last week's Mystery Citizen, Jennifer Luttrell, then and now. ABOVE: This week's Mystery Citizen.

Free parking for all! Catching up on some older business, reader Barbara

Winters correctly identified Mystery Citizen Mike Overmyer.

This week's Mystery Citizen is most commonly seen in Culver in connection with one local business, though he's a lifelong resident of the general area.

Guesses may be emailed to [culvercitizen@gmail.com](mailto:culvercitizen@gmail.com) or call the editor at 574-216-0075.



AT RIGHT: Familiar CHS class of '62 faces: clockwise from left, class vice president Mike Overmyer, principal Kenneth Cole, office secretary Ruth Warner, and Tom Boswell, class president.



The Culver Citizen wishes all CHS reunion attendees a wonderful event and weekend.

## What about my adult children?

Many of you know that my oldest daughter, Tana, is getting married this month. Tana has been living on her own for some time, beginning when she enrolled as a freshman at St. Paul Lutheran High School in Concordia, Missouri, a residential (boarding) school of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. While living on her own though, she has still been a member of my immediate family. Oh, she'll still be part of the family after she is married, but certainly not as she was because she will begin a new family with her husband, Will. In fact, over the past five years, that shift has been taking place as she began to date Will and their relationship grew to where it is today.

At the same time that our family relationship with Tana changes, my daughter, C.J. has also "moved out" by enrolling in college and is also developing a stronger relationship with her boyfriend. My son, Caleb, continues to mature also and is beginning the process of selecting a college to attend. Soon, he will be "moving out" on his own as well.

All of this change with my children brings to mind what Saint Paul wrote to the Ephesians: Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. (Ephesians 6:4) I pray that



### Pastor's Corner

By Rev. K.C. Dehning  
Trinity Lutheran Church

I have been faithful in this responsibility as I have brought my children to Holy Baptism, seen to their instruction in the faith, brought them to the Lord's house to receive Holy Communion. I have tried to give a faithful example to my children as they grew. I pray that my children will remain connected to the Body of Christ, the Church. I believe no higher compliment can be given to a father than the one my own father received when one of my uncles said, "Even though separated by great distance, I know where my brother's children are on Sunday morning; they are in church." I will be blessed if someone can say that of me someday.

I'm certain that every Christian parent, young or old, recognizes that they want their children to believe the Gospel, be baptized, and be connected to the Body of Christ, the Church. But, what happens when that isn't the case. What happens when adult children have either left the Christian faith entirely or the Christian faith is no longer a meaningful part of their lives? What can parents, and especially fathers, say or do to bring them back to Christ?

It's a tough question. There are no simple or stock answers that will fix things, that is for certain. But here are a few ideas to get a faith-related conversation started:

DO love your children continuously. Hold them up in prayer, give them your affection, and help them in any way you can. They are your children. Be their parents. Your actions will speak louder than words.

DON'T be afraid. I know, that's hard. There is a lot at stake. But Christ promises that He will never leave nor forsake His children. If God can raise Jesus from the dead, then surely he can change the hearts of His wayward children here on earth!



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DON'T try to argue them back to the Church. Chances are that their falling away from Christ and the Church was the result of years worth of work and attack on Satan's part. It isn't so simple as a piece of information is missing. So engaging in an argument will probably just cause a fight and won't actually get anywhere.

SHOW them how important this is to you. It is easy to want to avoid talk about Christ and the Church because it might get awkward, or heated. But if it is important to you, and they love you, they will want to listen to what you have to say. This might mean bringing it up in different ways. Write a letter, send an email. What about a baptismal anniversary card?

OFFER to help with transportation or other barriers, especially if there are grandchildren involved. While it may not be everything, demonstrating that you are willing to sacrifice in order to keep them connected, well, it will make a difference.

INVITE them to attend church with you on a day other than Christmas, Easter, Mother's Day, or Father's Day. When they do accept that invitation and worship with you, follow that up with a special event such as a picnic in the park, going to a movie, sitting down and talking about old photographs and sharing memories. While that is happening, tell them why worshipping on Sunday mornings is important to you and encourage them to return to regular worship.

I know that this isn't magical and that it is very hard. But God is merciful, and He wants your children in worship as much as you do! In the words of St. Paul, ...let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. (Galatians 6:9)



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years, and each of the other committee members, whom she dubbed "the sensational six."

CBGC unit director Cory Monnier told the audience club members spent around 4,000 hours at the club during the month of May alone.

"Where would they be if not for the Culver Boys & Girls Club?" he asked, adding many might be unsupervised and not with the caring adults of the club staff and volunteers. "This would not be possible if not for the people in this room."

Munroe, speaking to the *Citizen*, concurs.

"Because we had a generous benefactor underwrite the expenses of the event, every dollar we raised goes directly to the club and the kids. These funds allow us to provide

our youth with homework help, fun activities, and field trips to places like the Ft. Wayne Museum and the Indianapolis Kids Museum."

Forty-seven percent of the CBGC's annual revenue comes from its annual auction, as well as other volunteer giving. The club, which has over 350 members (mostly from kindergarten through 6th grade), is currently operating its daily summer program, open from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

"Simply put," adds Munroe, "the people in this community are the ones building brighter futures for the kids. That's an amazing statement about the community we live in. Truly, Culver is unique in how the people living here give back. Our club is just one of the many organizations

that raise funds for their causes. We are grateful that these same organizations contribute to us and we are grateful that this community prioritizes its kids. I can't imagine living anywhere else when I take a step back from all the work, planning, and details that go into an event like this. When you step back from it, you see just what it means to live in a special place. It makes all the work you put into an event like this worth it.

"Thank you, Culver, for helping us build brighter futures," she concludes.

The CBGC may be reached at 574-25-0103. More information on club membership, programs, and giving and volunteer opportunities is available online at [www.bgcculver.org](http://www.bgcculver.org).

## Enlarged Culver ropes course helps teach new ways of acting, learning, being

By Rachel Meade

If you've ventured into the Culver Academies' Bird Sanctuary this spring, you may have noticed that the high ropes course has undergone quite a transformation over the winter. The new course, constructed over 240 hours by Woodcraft and Ropes Course Director Sonny Adkins, is about six times bigger than the previous one— with two levels and 18 elements, including two zipline exits.

Culver's ropes course is used by Woodcraft Camp, Family Camp, and Upper Camp in the summer, and by Culver Academies students, as well as by outside school and sports groups in the fall and spring. The program, first begun in the 1999, includes many of the industry's standard low and high elements.

Unlike the high ropes course and the 50-foot climbing tower, Culver's low ropes elements do not require harnesses, ropes, or other safety gear. Rather, these structures challenge groups to work together to accomplish a goal. In addition to constructing the high ropes course, Adkins also added several new low ropes elements in the Bird Sanctuary this year.

Adkins, who has spent over 20 years working in the camping and ropes course industries, explained, "Ropes course is a combination of opportunities that are presented to teams or collective groups that have a common goal."

In the process, he added, participants "learn about themselves, take risks, grow personally, grow within the relationship with the team. It's about discovery. It's about challenge."

The new high ropes course is an obstacle course located on two levels 20 and 45 feet up in the air. Participants are attached to a cable located just above their heads as they travel throughout the course. The newly expanded course allows for a group with as many as 15 or 20 people to all travel through the course at the same time, finally exiting the off of either of two ziplines. Although the ropes course offers an exciting and exhilarating personal challenge, Adkins notes that it serves a broader purpose within any challenge course program.

"There's a misconception that it's just a bunch of obstacles really high up that scare the crap out of you," said Adkins. "I think the facilitator makes the experiences. All the elements— the walls, the low ropes— those are all tools to help the facilitator."

According to Adkins, teambuilding and ropes course challenges further Culver's own philosophy.

"I think the ropes course philosophy takes the Culver philosophy a step further," said Adkins. "Culver talks about developing leaders through programs and ropes course teaches them how."

However, Adkins added that the ropes course philosophy does diverge from Culver's in certain ways, such as in the way it defines leadership.

"I don't think everyone can be a leader in the way Culver defines it— out front...I think there are different kinds of leaders, ...like being a follower, serving others, that's leadership."



PHOTO/RACHEL MEADE  
Ropes Course Director Sonny Adkins and ropes course summer staff navigate the new course.

Adkins added that he does not consider himself a leader.

"I'm somebody who helps people position themselves for discovery and successful opportunities. I don't know if that's leadership. I like to feel more a part of the team."

Adkins said his facilitation style has changed over the years as he's gained experience in how teambuilding programs really work. "We have this expectation that groups go back into their day to day lives and are changed forever," he explained, adding that the reality is different— most people inevitably return to their own routines.

Yet, he added, "I do think there'll be pieces of their experiences that will surface at random times throughout the year. It also depends on the program. If you work with a school for three days you have a better chance that that experience will be retained."

Adkins recalled one memorable ropes course experience with a group of at-risk youth: "It was a three-day program, so we were able to do a lot of work with them. By the end of this session these kids didn't want to leave. The processing piece was very deep, things were surfacing; it brought people to tears."

Processing, which typically occurs at the end of a teambuilding or ropes course activity, is a discussion led by ropes facilitators wherein participants are encouraged to reflect upon their experiences on the course, and to connect their learning with their outside lives.

At Woodcraft and Upper Camp, explained Adkins, the ropes course program teaches "more ways to learn about certain life skills, like listening and leadership."

Adkins added that these same skills that make for a successful group experience on the course are necessary in all parts of life, but that it's harder to apply them in the outside world: "Even things that I practice as a facilitator, sometimes I forget to apply as a person— listening skills, accountability."

"When you teach a way of acting, a way of learning, a way of being, and you can see how that could positively effect your current environment, it could drive you crazy sometimes," he said. "Or if you facilitate a group where you work, a lot of times what happens is, they just go back into the rut. It's very difficult to facilitate your own team members."

Adkins is excited at the opportunities the new ropes course will open up, both for summer campers and outside groups.

"I can't just build something like this and not have it available," said Adkins, explaining that he'd like to make market the course and make it more available to outside groups this coming fall. It's never been advertised in the past—with groups set up through word of mouth instead. In previous years, school groups have come for overnights from as far as Indianapolis and Chicago, while local groups such as Culver Boys and Girls Club, and the Culver, Plymouth, and Bremen schools have also used the course.

## Junior, Family, and Halloween camps part of additions by Woodcraft & ropes director Adkins



Sonny Adkins

In addition to managing and maintaining the ropes course year-round, Adkins also directs the Woodcraft Summer Camp, along with several other camps he has added since coming to Culver 6 years ago. Among these is Junior Woodcraft Camp, a five-day introductory camping experience for 7 to 9 year olds.

"It's exceeded expectations," said Adkins, noting that former junior campers have filled the waiting lists for the youngest campers at six-week camp. "It's just an organic amazing experience."

In 2008, Adkins replaced Specialty Camp with Family Camp, which had operated from 1967 to 1988.

"That's been amazing— families just having fun, experiencing all the things that woodcrafters do."

Like Junior Camp, Family Camp acts as a feeder to six-week camp, while at the same time providing an affordable family vacation. During Family Camp, which operates in two one-week sessions following six-week camp, families live together in cabins and move between activity areas such as skiing, ropes course, archery, trap shooting, and arts and crafts. In the evenings, adults and children are entertained with a variety of social events, including cruises on the Ledbetter and a family carnival.

Also in 2008, Adkins added an overnight Halloween Camp, complete with pumpkin carving, costume party, and a haunted hayride. Because counselors volunteer to work the camp, the program is very affordable, at just \$50.

"Halloween camp was a way to invite the community," explained Adkins, noting that it is almost entirely composed of Marshall County kids.

"If you're a parent and you work your kids come for free." This year's Halloween Camp will take place on the third weekend in October.



PHOTO/RACHEL MEADE  
The two rope bridges on the new course allow participants to clip into the course from the ground, allowing for a faster and safer ropes course experience.

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for July 31. Work will commence at School Street and moving south to Ohio, ending at the intersection of Main and Davis Streets. Streets and/or sidewalks may be temporarily inaccessible during this time. Questions may be directed to Culver's town hall at 574-842-3140.

### MCJFL sign-up dates

Culver's Marshall County Youth Football League youth football sign-ups will take place June 23 (9 a.m. to noon). Please sign up at the open garage doors on the west side of the Culver Community High School. Note: players must be 7 years old by July 31 and weigh at least 45 pounds.

### Crazy for Horses

#### Book Club June 26

CUTPL's Margaret Carter will host the new book club, "Crazy for Horses" Tuesday, June 26 at noon. Michael Korda's "Horse People" is this month's selection. It is a story of a lifetime love affair with horses, and of the bonds that have linked humans with horses for more than ten-thousand years.

This program is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Margaret Carter at 574-842-2941 or visit our website at [www.culver.lib.in.us](http://www.culver.lib.in.us).

### Miss Max sign-ups

#### June 27

Sign-ups for this year's Lake Fest Miss Maxinkuckee pageant will be held Wednesday, June 27, at the Culver beach lodge in the town park. Sign-ups for Princess (ages 4 through 6) and Little Miss (ages 7 through 10) start at 7 p.m., and for Junior Miss (ages 11 through 14) and Miss Max (ages 15 through 18) are at 8 p.m.

For more information call Susie Norwich, 574-298-5970; Jean E. Overmyer, 317-513-5216; or Chelsea Bramfeld, 740-994-8611. The Miss Max pageant will be held at the west pavilion in the Culver town park on Lake Fest kickoff night, Friday, July 20 at 6 p.m.

### Lake Max Challenge

#### paddleboarding June 30

Culver will host Indiana's first-ever World Paddle Board Association sanctioned Stand Up Paddleboard (SUP) race Saturday, June 30 via the the Lake Max Challenge. The Lake Max Challenge will start at the beach lodge at Culver's town park, 819 E. Lake Shore Drive. Parking and launching will be off the east end of the town beach. Learn more or register at [lakemaxchallenge.com](http://lakemaxchallenge.com) and [facebook.com/lakemaxchallenge](http://facebook.com/lakemaxchallenge). Or contact 574.889.0022.

### Lake Patrol golf outing July 6

A golf outing to benefit the Lake Maxinkuckee Association Lake Patrol will be held Friday, July 6 at Mystic Hills Golf Club. Registration and range balls are at 1 p.m. Florida scramble starts at 2 p.m.; awards following at the Mystic Hills Club House. The event is open to the public. Individuals and teams are needed and welcome. Email [lakedir@culcom.net](mailto:lakedir@culcom.net) to register and with questions.

### Lake Max canoe-kayak 'poker run'

Lake Maxinkuckee Environmental Council and the Lake Maxinkuckee Association -- in conjunction with Culver's 2012 Lake Fest Committee -- will sponsor a Canoe, Kayak & SUP Poker Run on Lake Maxinkuckee Friday, July 20 from 5 to 8 p.m. Participants pick up playing cards along routes and return to the launch area by 7:45. Those with the best poker hand will win first prize. Learn more at [culverlakefest.com](http://culverlakefest.com).

### CCSC summer food

### program

Culver Community Schools' Summer Food Service Program for Children (SFSP) provides free meals for children 18 years of age and younger and people with disabilities regardless of age who participate in special education programs. All other adults may purchase a lunch for \$3 and/or breakfast for \$1.50. Call Carin Clifton at 574-842-3391 ext. 3113 with questions. Locations include Culver High School, Culver Elementary School, former Monterey Elementary School, Aubbeenaubee Township Community Building, Ora Gospel Chapel Church, Culver Public Library.

### Farmer's Market is open

Culver's Farmer's Market has opened, at the corner of Jefferson and Ohio Streets near downtown Culver. Every Saturday, vendors will be selling items from 9 a.m. to noon.

### MCJFL seeks donations

The Marshall County Junior Football League's Culver branch is looking to the community to help purchase jerseys, buy awards, and secure game officials. This year's goal is \$7,500. Gold sponsorships are \$300, silver \$275, and bronze \$150. Sponsors' names will be featured on jerseys and the team banner at games. Make checks payable to MCJFL-Culver and please send by August 1 to Stephanie Schaller, 4060 S. State Road 23, Knox, IN,

46534.

### Remembrance bricks

The Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver is accepting orders for Heritage Park Remembrance Bricks at Heritage Park, corner of Main and Jefferson Streets in Culver. Individuals may also order the bricks for their homes. All brick donations to the Society are tax deductible. Bricks may be ordered from Charlotte Hahn, 574-842-3267.

### Kiwanis raffle tickets available

Tickets are available for the Culver Kiwanis Club's annual raffle to benefit local charities. Prizes include \$35,000 towards the choice of a vehicle from Oliver Ford Lincoln of Plymouth, or \$25,000 cash. Tickets are \$20 each or three for \$50, and are available at Osborne's Mini-Mart and Park N' Shop in Culver, or from members of Culver Kiwanis Club. Drawing will be held July 21 after Lake Fest fireworks in Culver's town park. Inquiries may be directed to [culverkiwanis@gmail.com](mailto:culverkiwanis@gmail.com) or 317-363-6681.

### CCHS cheer coach sought

Culver Community High School is seeking a head cheer coach for the 2012-13 school year. Interested applicants should direct all inquiries to Andy Thomas, Athletic Director, Culver Community High School, [thomasa@culver.k12.in.us](mailto:thomasa@culver.k12.in.us), 574-842-3391.



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## More than 70 cited during Culver 'Click It or Ticket'

Culver Police officers issued more than 70 seat belt citations alone during the state's annual Click It or Ticket mobilization, conducted May 18 through June 3.

In all, the agency also issued more than 100 citations and warnings for traffic related offenses such as speeding and license violations.

"Click It or Ticket" is an annual enforcement effort supported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. In Indiana, more than 260 state and local law enforcement agencies participate in the mobilization, through grants administered by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute's Traffic Safety division.

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fied at Culver. Gignilliat was clearly impressed by what he saw of Baden-Powell in 1911, and it seems likely the genesis of the Woodcraft camp grew out of the two men's interactions.

By November of that year, Gignilliat had drafted a letter to American scouting co-founder Beard, outlining his plans for the camp, and in February, 1912, Baden-Powell had made Culver one of the few schools he visited in the course of his tenure in the United States (West Point was the only other).

While here, Baden-Powell reviewed Culver's battalion and took in an exhibition of rough riding, then addressing the cadet corps on "Scouting in Peace and War."

"I have seen the cadets of all nationalities at their work and I must say that you beat the lot," the General said of Culver's boys. The Vedette of March, 1912 reported he "was escorted past the lines while the cannon boomed the salute of 15 guns.

"When the entire body wigwagged the Boy Scout motto, 'Be Prepared,'" continued the Vedette, "an appreciative smile broke on the grizzled face of the veteran Scout and he led the enthusiastic applause."

Baden-Powell returned the favor eight years later: in 1920, Col. Gignilliat was designated Chairman of the delegation of 300 Americans attending the International Scouting Jamboree in London.

Of the three architects of Scouting, Baden-Powell had the least interaction with the Woodcraft camp proper; there's no evidence he ever actually laid eyes on the camp, or returned to Culver at all post-1912. His influence, however, had been enormous.

So too was that of his American counterpart, "Uncle Dan" Beard.

It's not surprising that Beard, and in a somewhat different vein, Ernest Thompson Seton, should find themselves in positions of great influence in the Scouting movement simultaneous to Baden-Powell. To a large extent, the movement was a response to increased urbanization in America, and a growing fear that youth would become too "soft" and lose sight of important lessons taught in nature, should the tide not be stemmed. Former President Teddy Roosevelt was already established as a major advocate of conservation -- another central ethos pervading Scout leaders' work -- and espoused parallel views on the value of disciplined training, outdoor skills, and patriotism in the lives of boys in particular.

A Feb., 1912 Vedette article -- likely inspired by Baden-Powell's visit -- by Culver cadet Marcus Goldman sums up some of the thinking: "We have begun to realize the deteriorating effect...of nervous hurry and excitement in every phase of the world's life...modern man has grown almost deaf to the call of the forest and the streams and the 'warm brown earth.'

"Almost simultaneously Sir Robert Baden-Powell in England and Dan Beard, Ernest Thompson Seton and others in this country, perceiving the great need of outdoor exercise and knowledge of nature among boys, established clubs to promote interest in life outdoors...we scarcely realize the magnitude of this movement."

**Beard** (1850 – 1941) was already an established author and illustrator prior to his Scouting involvement, having decorated several of Mark Twain's books and countless others. He founded the Scouts-like Sons of Daniel Boone in 1905. When W.D. Boyce founded the Boys Scouts of America five years later, he enlisted Beard (as well as Seton), who would become one of the BSA's first National Scout Commissioners (a post he held for the next 30 years), besides assisting in the founding of the Camp Fire Girls and editing Boys' Life magazine.

Beard received a letter at his Flushing, Long Island home dated Nov. 6, 1911, from Col. L.R. Gignilliat, CMA Superintendent.

"...For several years," wrote Gignilliat, "we have thought of adding to our summer schools a department for younger boys to constitute a separate organization from our naval and cavalry schools, the youngsters to be instructed in woodcraft and other things, which would appeal strongly to their age and would be appropriate to the season.

"Through the generosity of the Culver family the institution here is splendidly equipped. It is located on one of the most beautiful of our middle western lakes. The school grounds include some three hundred acres with abundant opportunity for interesting outdoor life.

"If the proposition (to spend the summer at Culver heading the camp) appeals to you, I would like to suggest that you come to the Academy at our expense and look over the ground. At the same time we will be glad to have you talk to the cadets of our winter school."

Beard, of course, did visit Culver and was evidently impressed enough to make it his summer home the following year, as he helped launch the Woodcraft camp as its first director.

The Library of Congress, as it turns out, holds an extensive collection from Beard's estate, including hundreds of pages of Culver-related correspondence, which make fascinating reading portraying the genesis of the camp as we know it. As early as the very first summer, for example, Beard -- who seems to be given a great degree of leeway in most aspects of the camp, from curriculum to locations -- had already instituted the first Woodcraft council fires, which by 1913 were a Saturday night tradition, even if early manifestations focused more on Scouting competitions and games, than today's Indian lore-centered perfor-

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announced.

The Academies will also hold a number of events for its alumni and campers on campus that weekend.

Zimmerman has announced some of the most beloved, oft-requested, and historically significant performances of the popular **Council Fire** are slated for Saturday nights this summer, to which the public is invited, including a dramatization of the story of Culver area Potawatomi chiefs.

## Summer carillon series begins this Saturday

John Gouwens, carillonneur of the Culver Academies, will present the first in the summer series of recitals on the 51-bell Gillett & Johnston carillon in the tower of the Memorial Chapel Saturday, June 23, at 4p.m. Recitals will cover six Saturdays (all 4 p.m.), with an all-American recital on June 30, and further recitals on July 7, 14, 21, and 28. The July 21 and 28 recitals will be played by visiting summer carillonneur Matthew Gender. John Gouwens will play all of the others.

Saturday's program will include works by Handel, Olivia Margaret Ontko, Gary White, Jacques Maassen, Dave Grusin, and Gouwens's own "Fantasy No. 3."

Additional carillon recitals will be presented Sept. 1, and Oct. 6 also, as well as an organ recital Sunday, Sept. 23, at 4 p.m., played by Yun Kyong Kim, from Dayton, Ohio.

mances.

Beard interestingly notes, in an Oct. 5, 1912 letter, that Culver is the first school in the world to add woodcraft to its curriculum.

By Dec., 1914, Beard was discussing with the Superintendent the importance of a suitable place for the council ring, and in two letters that month he details the type of wood and manner of construction to give the site a fittingly "picturesque" feel, emphasizing the importance of "the woodsy atmosphere" so important psychologically for the boys.

"Some attention paid to the primitive effect in the furniture," Beard concludes, "will add immensely to the picturesqueness and romance of the effect."

Interestingly, of all the famous names associated with the camp's early years, Ernest Thompson Seton has the earliest connection to Culver proper. In August, 1910, the Culver Citizen reported Seton was on the south side of Lake Maxinkuckee, talking with 40 Scouts camping there. He was also the latest of the three to return here, visiting the camp as late as 1930, 16 years before his death.

**Seton** (1860 – 1946), a Scots-Canadian later naturalized as a U.S. citizen, is credited among other things with pioneering modern animal fiction writing, starting in the late 1800s. Also a noted wildlife artist, he incorporated an array of Native American lore into his Boy Scouts-esque Woodcraft Indians organization, which launched in 1902. His book, "The Birch Bark Role of the Woodcraft Indians" impressed Baden-Powell, and Seton would have a major role in the formation of the Boy Scouts of America, whose Chief Scout he became from 1910 to 1915. To a large extent, the BSA combined Seton's and Beard's prior boys' organizations, and Seton is credited with much of the early Native American influence on the BSA.

Seton's name has remained more prominent than the other Culver Woodcraft pioneers. A late 1970s Japanese anime television series, "Seton's Wild Animals," based loosely on his books, anthropomorphized woodland creatures for children, and Walt Disney immortalized his works through the movies "The Legend of Lobo" in 1962, and "King of the Grizzlies" in 1970. A fascinating 2008 documentary on PBS' "Nature" series, "The Wolf that Changed America," chronicled Seton's earlier hunt for a cattle-killing wolf, arguing it was Seton's sympathy for the nobility of the animal he killed which led directly to his involvement in the conservation and National Parks movements, laying the groundwork for ecological trends of today (his 1898 book, "Wild Animals I Have Known," chronicles the wolf hunt).

This spring, in fact, the Seton Institute of the New Mexico History Museum is chronicling his impact on that movement through an exhibit dubbed "Wild at Heart."

"Seton is a godfather to today's environmental movement," wrote New Mexico art historian David L. Witt of the Academy for the Love of Learning, "as important to the early development of wildlife conservation as John Muir is to wilderness preservation."

"Seton Week" was declared in July, 1921, as Culver's Woodcraft camp played host to the by-then legendary naturalist. Seton demonstrated Indian dance, wild animal calls, and generally held court, much to the delight of the campers, many of whom had long read his stories. In July, 1930, much buzz again was generated when Seton returned for another week, this time even bringing about a decorative overhaul of the headquarters building to incorporate much more of an "Indian" motif.

Baden-Powell, Beard, and Seton weren't the only nationally renowned naturalists to take leadership roles in the Woodcraft Camp. A list of "required reading" for Woodcrafters in the 1930 Woodcrafter newspaper lists their books, but also those by Culver "Woodcraft chief, with his immortal true stories" **Dillon Wallace**, whose works included "The Lure of the Labrador Wild," "The Labrador Trail," "and many books for boys, chiefly tales of the Northland."

Popular adventure novelist **Kirk Monroe** ("another Woodcraft chief") was recommended for his "many books for boys about Indians, midshipmen...pirates, gold rush, the North." Camp Indian lore instructor Ralph Hubbard's "American Indian Craft" also made the list.

Internationally known ecologist, ornithologist, and angler **William Vogt** (1903 - 1968) was a huge hit with campers during a 1930 summertime visit. He returned to Culver that September to begin his initial design of the bird sanctuary, which he completed in 1931. At the time, "Smiling Bill" was a renowned nature lecturer and author-artist, though he would gain international fame for his 1948 book, "The Road to Survival" and what would prove to be rather alarmist activities pertinent to population control and the future of civilization.

To be sure, differences exist between those who helped shape the culture, design, and content of Culver's Woodcraft camp, and those carrying on what is largely their legacy in this age of all things "green" and increasingly eco-friendly. Today's Scouting and National Parks movements may also look a bit different than those rugged days of Beard, Seton, and the rest. But Woodcrafters past and present may be inspired knowing they have some worthy shoes to fill.

"Uncle Dan" would doubtless approve.

*A slightly altered form of this article appeared in the spring, 2012 edition of the Culver Alumni magazine.*

**June 30:** "The Passing of White Dog" (how a religious leader passes on his heritage)

**July 7:** "Nanibojou" (the puppet show: how dance came to the Indians)

**July 14:** "Pilgrimage to Lake Maxinkuckee" (the three principal tribes in the Culver area)

**July 20:** "Totem of the Beaver" (the centennial pageant -- to be held on the Academies football field, a special Friday night performance starting at 9:15 p.m. with awards

In the event of bad weather, the tower will be open to the public during the recital (which would be indicated on signs near the south doors). Admission is free, and a tour and demonstration of the instrument will be offered following the performance. Learn more:

faculty.culver.org/gouwenj/Next%20Performance.asp  
faculty.culver.org/gouwenj/Recordings.asp



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## Winters scholarship awarded

Lyndsey Fisher Wagers (ABOVE, RIGHT) was awarded the Ralph E. Winters Scholarship at the Pulaski County Community Foundation's 2012 Scholar Recognition Banquet June 12. Wagers is a 2008 Culver Community High School graduate and is currently a junior at St. Elizabeth's School of Nursing in Lafayette, Ind., working toward becoming a Nurse Practitioner. The Ralph E. Winters Scholarship is a renewable scholarship awarded annually to a graduate of Culver Community High School who has completed at least one year of college majoring in a technical field. Continuing support goes to Isaac Berg, Sarah Drang, and Jacob Sheridan. Ralph Winters is pictured ABOVE, LEFT.

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versation take place about the matter.

In response to a query from Munroe, attorney Clevenger said it may be worth examining "errors and omissions" insurance to see if any of the approximately \$400,000 in lost revenue to the town following a typographical error in advertising, could be recouped.

Munroe initially asked if the state might be willing to give the funds to the town, but Clevenger noted that, since a lower than intended tax rate was advertised, the state simply never collected the hoped-for amount from Culver residents, and had nowhere from which to draw the missing funds.

Clevenger said it's possible the insurance company could go after the person who made the typo, however, should the company pay, something Munroe said the council didn't want.

Council approved \$4,000 to sponsor eight new recruits to Culver's EMS, whom EMS director Chuck Dilts said have come forward following advertising for new volunteers of late.

Sponsoring them as EMTs, Dilts said, would entail their signing a one-year agreement to serve the town as EMTs or else reimbursement of the money.

Dilts also presented quotes to repair the sidewalk approach to the back door of the EMS garage, work approved last year by the council.

Council president Sally Ricciardi said a storm drain pipe under the sidewalk should be moved as part of the work, or the damage will reoccur. She noted the previous drain was brand new when she built the original wall there.

Munroe suggested the second-highest bidder, Bachman Concrete, be awarded the job (at \$1,850), since the town had "major issues" with the lowest bidder, Moores Concrete, on a previous project. Council approved the Bachman bid, with a \$200 addendum to replace the drain pipe.

Council member Lynn Overmyer voted in approval, but suggested more local contractors be given a chance to bid on such projects.

In other actions, the council agreed to revert \$1,600 in leftover funds from a recent sidewalk project, back into the town's sidewalk sharing program. \$300 will be added to the amount to accommodate the next resident in line to receive funds via the program, which splits the cost of replacing residents' dilapidated sidewalks on a first-come, first-served basis.

Council also approved an additional \$6,000 for handheld meter readers, added after a request for the first \$6,000 from town utilities manager Bob Porter at the previous meeting. Also approved was up to \$18,500 for removal, repair, and replacement of two high-service water pumps for the town; \$2,201.40 for testing and general maintenance of the town's generators; and authorization for Schoeff to sign monthly reports for the state of Indiana, pertinent to Culver's sewer system.

Fire chief Mike Grover said his department would have a work weekend to repair and clean up the older part of the fire station, not spending over \$1,000.

Town marshal Wayne Bean said purchase of a radar gun for the department's truck is forthcoming, and council approved up to \$2,500 for new body armor for up to four Culver officers.

Approved was up to \$8,000 for clerk Heim to hire accounting firm Umbaugh and Associates to help her with the town's budget.

In introducing himself to the audience, town manager Schoeff expressed thanks for the welcome he received from the community. He said a local representative from the Indiana Office of Rural and Community Affairs would meet with Schoeff and other town officials to discuss potential funding for future projects.

followed by the show. The story tells about how the ideals of our Indian heritage were transferred to Woodcraft. It's suggested the audience arrive at 9 p.m.)

**July 28:** "The Little White Beaver Saga" (combines three short shows into one: how Little White Beaver is of service to his tribe)

All Council Fires start at 9 p.m. Parking is available at the lot near the intersection of State Roads 10 and 117, or adjacent to Culver Academies' tennis complex.



PHOTO PROVIDED

Scotty Van Hawk, right, addresses Culver Elementary 3rd graders at the school recently.

## Pro racer visits Culver Elementary, local businesses distribute helmets

Third grade students at Culver Elementary School welcomed special guest, professional motorcycle racer Scotty Van Hawk. His racing team, Four Feathers Racing (4FR), continued its support of a program supplying bicycle helmets to every student, according to 3rd grade teacher Valerie Cultice. Van Hawk also teaches the importance of always wearing proper safety gear. Students were taught the science behind safety as the engineer-turned-racer explained exactly how helmets work to prevent serious head injuries.

"This program is close to all of us at 4FR," he said, "as we have always incorporated our children's hel-

met safety program into every season in hopes of making an impression and convincing kids to wear their helmets."

"The biggest obstacle," he added, "is the 'cool' factor in wearing helmets for the kids. By teaching them that all professionals wear them and showing our great Arai helmets, we leave a lasting impression that they take with them in the coming summer vacation."

All students were given a special edition 4FR Toyota/Lucas Oil poster to remind them of the event and to wear their helmets.

And once again, students were presented with free bicycle helmets, ordered at a discount by Dr. Bardwell of Marshall County Pedi-

atrics, and paid for with donations from Culver Elementary's P.T.O., Ride On Bicycles (Chris Chambers), and Bottom Line Training (Shaina Lampton). Chambers visited the school to help fit the students with helmets.

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## Culver Elementary honor roll

Culver Elementary School has announced its A-B honor roll.

**1st grade:** Elizabeth M Bell-Howard, Elizabeth D Binion, Baleigh Grace Binkley, Jason A Cadle, Hailey Victoria Carluccio, Alejandra Eleana Chantea, Payton Edward Robert Chumley, Kylee Marie Cole, Tessa Marie Conroy, Connor Michael Craig, Ava Claire Czerniak, Chloe Lauren Danti, Kendrick Cole Ditmire, Shawn Thomas Donley, Alix Rayleigh Dunn, Cabot Severns Ellert, Harmonnee Angel Nevaeh Ewald, Owen Edward Falk, Trenton Wayne Fritter, Alison Nicole Grothaus, Cassidy L Heise, Mason Thomas Herbert, Alisa Jo Hinds, Gabriella Starr Hopkins, Collin Pierce Hunnicutt, Kaitlyn Joann Kanschhat, Ethan Paul Keller, Kali Brynne Kidd, Abbigail Grace Kisela, Lily Rayne Kozubik, Benjamin Lee, Ashton E. Macedonio, Marissa A Milam, Abigail Mia Nufer, Lucile Jean Overmyer, Addison Elizabeth Pohl, Joseph Thomas Rehka, Benton Sayavongsing, Ches Michael Schrimsher, Aydan Skyy Shaffer, Shane Owen Shuman, Kaitlyn Anne Stacy, Jelena Stefanic, Hailey Olivia Thamm, Linda Sue Thamm, Rylan Ronald Voter.

**2nd grade:** Miguel Alvarez, Marquez Donovan Anderson, Mackenzie Michelle Banks, Savannah Marie Barnes, Chyanne Rose Beaver, Virgil Eyvind Binion, Bryce Allen Campbell, Zoey Louise Coble, Mason M Cormican, Kennedy Rose Creviston, Sydney Sue Denham, Austin

Lee Dilts, Alexis Michelle Duncan, Tucker Ryan Fisher, Alexzandria Thor Forest, Kordelia Fulton, Dayne Kennedy Garbacik, Adam Lee Garza, Christian Ezekiel Gearhart, Anna Katherine Gregorash, Sophia Luna Heath, Emily Heim, Savannah Grace Hissong, Shaelyn Alexis Keen, Mary Katherine Kelley, Paige Lilliann Lancaster, Samuel Lawrence Luttrell, Alyson Paige Martin, Dylan James McKee, William Thomas Nicholson, Kathleen Rose Perkins, Jordan Mary Porter, Elizabeth Ann Pugh, Alina Emily Rehka, Cole Austin Rieckhoff, Gavin Matthew Salyer, Kaydin Jovee Sayavongsing, Adrian Owen Schouten, Triniti Katyra-Maree Smith, Natalie Mechelle Stevens, Hunter J Taylor, Blake A Thompson, Sergio Villegas, Cody Daniel Winkler, McKenzie Melissa Sue Wireman, Spring Ye, Alex James Zehner.

**3rd grade:** Makenzie Faith Argiris, Blake Wayne Baugh, Ashley L Burkett, Damian Byers, Mia Patricia Conroy, Ethan Michael Coyle, Anthony J Czerniak, Damian R Dunn, Francis K Ellert, Olivia A Gilley, Joshua P Havron, Katie M Hoffman, Abigail RayAnne Johnson, Morgan J Keller, Kaleigh M Kephart, Ethan D Lima, Sarah Grace Lowry, Ethan Wayne Moore, Jessica Renee Pietsch, Lillian E Proskey, Wyatt M Ringer, Noah R Risner, Madison A Shedrow, Reagan D Sheets, Darren C Shock, Kendal S Stebbins, Shane M Stevens, Chyna Dawn Thomas.

**4th grade:** Isabelle J Ahlenius, Emily L Bendy, Kenzie Lynn Binkley, Ashley N Black, Anna R Blocker, Dakota Jack Clark, Aysia R Conley, Zachary A Ditmire, Jasmine E Felda, Trista Rae Fritter, Lily G Hayes, Kagnie J Hoffman, Austin David Jones, Zane A Kisela, Hunter A Manns, Noah Riley Parsons, Kimberly Perez, Erin K Renneker, Dana T Rodgers, Lilly M Sayavongsing, Gabriel M Sherman, John P Sieber, Carter C Stevens, Alexandra R Temme, Ryan W Tompos, Owen R Valiquet, Donavan M Ziaja.

**5th grade:** Kennedy Lynn Ash, Charles W Ault, Alyssa M. Bailey, Nichole Marie Cook, Brandon Ray England, Lillian Elizabeth Gregorash, Katherine A Heim, Allison Rene Jones, Alyssa S Kinyanjui, Nora H Kline, Sarah T Luttrell, Sarah E Morrison, Taylor M Noah, Austin B Otteman, Maranda J Otteman, Kaitlyn K Renneker, Hunter Mn Ringer, Tihana Stefanic, Christian J Zakhi.

**6th grade:** Alex Ted Santistevan Cole, Maija Lynn Santistevan Cole, Rachael Lynn England, Jasmyne D. Fowler, Collin Kenneth Knowlton, Rachel Marie Kunce, Dylan C Lewandowski, Tracey R Lindvall, Benjamin B Myers, Dylan Pitera, Sydney G Pritz, Lindsey R Proskey, Reilly K Reinhold, Cody J Rieckhoff, RT Roberts, Jake S Rodgers, Dillon R. Salyer, Raymie L Shoop, Ethan P Shuman, Hayley Alexis Wilkinson.

## Culver Comm. Middle School honor roll

Culver Community Middle School has announced its honor roll for semester 2 and quarter 4.

### Semester 2:

**A honor roll, grade 7:** Brennin Betts, Brandon Havron, Hailey Jones, Morgan Keen, Joshua Krsek.

**A honor roll, grade 8:** Megan Brady, Justine Dexter, Jennah McCarthy, Margaret McKinnis, Clare Nowalk.

**A/B honor roll, grade 7:** Aviana Ahlenius, Erin Bendy, Makayla Felda, Drake Garbacik, Alexandria Harris, Brianna Kinyanjui, Cheyanne Powers, Elanna Reavill-O'Toole, Jack Rich, Josie Ross, Sierra Salerni, Vedrana Ste-

fanic.

**A/B honor roll, grade 8:** Aaron Becker, Daniel Bettinelli, Courtney Black, Carlie Bradley, Shannon Deery, Cheyanne Durbin, Renae Johnson, Madeline Justis, Cecilia Kenney, Hunter Kephart, Maria Lindvall, Anne Nowalk, Brianna Overmyer, Rebecca Rainey, Kelsey Shaffer, Cody Valiquet.

### Quarter 4:

**A honor roll, grade 7:** Brennin Betts, Brandon Havron, Hailey Jones, Morgan Keen, Joshua Krsek, Sierra Salerni.

**A honor roll, grade 8:** Justine Dexter, Cheyanne Durbin, Maria Lindvall, Jennah McCarthy, Margaret

McKinnis, Clare Nowalk.

**A/B honor roll, grade 8:** Machayla Allen, Addyson Allyn, Aaron Becker, Daniel Bettinelli, Courtney Black, Megan Brady, Shannon Deery, Lindsay Emery, Tom Faulkner, Madeline Justis, Everett Krueger, Anne Nowalk, Brianna Overmyer, Rebecca Rainey, Kelsey Shaffer, Abby Surrisi, Cody Valiquet.

**A/B honor roll, grade 7:** Aviana Ahlenius, Erin Bendy, Makayla Felda, Alexandria Harris, Brianna Kinyanjui, Elanna Reavill-O'Toole, Jack Rich, Courtney Salyer, Vedrana Stefanic.