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In Brief

Candidate's night tonight

Culver's VFW Post 6919 Ladies Auxiliary is sponsoring a "Candidates' Night" Wednesday, October 17, at 7 p.m., at the Post home at 108 E. Washington St. The public is welcome and handicapped can enter the upstairs in the alley adjacent to the Post, which is a no smoking facility.

The moderator will call the names from the ballot for Union Twp., and Senatorial and U.S. Representative candidates have been notified of the event. All candidates for local, township, county, and other offices affecting this district are welcome to participate.

Events at REAL Meals

Culver's REAL Meals for older adults will host several special events and speakers in the coming weeks, including bingo with Miller's Assisted Living Thurs., Oct. 18, Elizabeth's Garden Weds., Oct. 24, and Leroy Bean on the Culver food pantry Wed., Oct. 31. Every month on the second Weds. of the month, Jeff Kenney presents a program on local history. 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.

Family movie night

All are invited to attend Family Movie Night in the Fellowship Hall of Wesley United Methodist Church (511 School St., Culver) Friday, October 19, at 7 p.m. Please enter through the main, front entrance of the church, and head down the stairs. This will be a time of fellowship as we watch "Up." Everyone is welcome to attend! Feel free to wear pajamas, bring a blanket and pillow (to sit on the floor), and prepare to have a good time.

There will be free popcorn, lemonade, and water. Those with questions, please contact Pastor Jacob at jacob@culverumc.com.

\$1 per bag book-sale Saturday

The Friends of the Culver-Union Township Public Library will have a book sale Saturday, October 20, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the lower level of the library. This is their last book sale of 2012. Fill any size bag for just \$1. Book donations are always welcome and

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Yellow River fun

ABOVE: Yellow River Farms, just west of Culver on S.R. 8, has become a destination for local fall fun. UPPER LEFT: Rose Ann Eichelberg and daughter, Gina Scherf in the farm store, which they operate with assistance from other family members. Also pictured are views of Yellow River Farms, which adds new fall activities to its offerings each autumn.

Several local youngsters snag their first (or some of their first) pumpkins at Yellow River, including (UPPER CENTER) little Emmett Bennett, (UPPER RIGHT) Steven and Shelby Pugh, son and daughter of Josh and Suzanne Pugh, and (LOWER CENTER) young Bentley Thomas Van Horn. SEE STORY BELOW.

Downtown work halted amid council, Culverites flock to fall fun at Yellow River Farms

Work set to resume in halted downtown project

As of press time, work was scheduled to resume Tuesday on Culver's downtown revitalization project, which was stalled due to engineering problems last week (see town council article this page). Town manager Dave Schoeff, utilities manager Bob Porter, and some representatives of Culver's town council and Redevelopment Committee, met last Wednesday with the contractor to discuss various solutions to curb height problems.

According to Schoeff, town officials met Friday with the vice president of DLZ Engineers, which is handling the project, "to discuss our displeasures in the project. We had a good and productive discussion about our options and the shortfalls of the project."

"The town's goal is to minimize as much of the inconvenience to the merchants and community as possible," he added. "We, the town, are not happy about the delay and are taking great strides to rectify the situation and get people working again."

The town of Culver released a statement Monday explaining a meeting with contracting company Reith-

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By Jeff Kenney
 Citizen editor

At a September meeting of Culver's town council, councilman Bill Githens suggested "hiccups" were inevitable in any construction project, though he was referring specifically to the downtown revitalization project currently underway on Main Street in Culver. At the most recent, Oct. 10, meeting, several council members suggested a greater gastrointestinal malady might be an apt term for the situation described by Culver utilities manager Bob Porter.

"If the contractor builds it as drawn," said Porter of the streetscaping work, "there will be one-inch curb exposure in some areas of downtown."

The revitalization project, grant funded through the Indiana Department of Transportation, will replace sidewalks, curbs, and gutters -- besides enhancing other aspects of the public space -- in the blocks of Main Street between Washington and Madison. Work began a few weeks prior, but Porter noted crews had been sent home earlier in the day on the 10th. Porter, town manager Dave Schoeff, and council members had expressed frustration at the previous council meeting due to the manner in which Culver's portion of the grant matching costs were reported, with a second, higher amount coming in several weeks after the initial amount was reported by the engineering firm handling the project, DLZ.

At the Oct. 10 meeting, Porter told the council a meeting was scheduled for the following day to determine who will be responsible for fixing the error. A meeting was also scheduled for later in the week with DLZ's "upper management," noted Schoeff, to discuss "this and other matters we talked about. We hope to get some answers."

Porter explained the way the engineering plans were submitted, curbs in the two-block area fluctuate widely, even in some spots dipping into negative numbers of inches.

"We knew there was a possibility of (curbs) dropping to 4.5 inches in certain spots," he added, "but we never knew the severity of it."

Schoeff called the matter a "major error," adding the town may need to work with its attorney, Jim Clevenger, on the matter "in the very near future."

Clevenger agreed to attend the later meeting with DLZ, and it was agreed that Ralph Winters, representing the Culver Redevelopment Committee, which helped fund the

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Culver businesspeople don pajamas for Reinhold, ALS

By Jeff Kenney
 Citizen editor

If Culverites find themselves attended to by pajama-clad neighbors in stores or restaurants this Friday, there's a very important method to their apparent madness.

The Culver Chamber of Commerce is encouraging local businesses not only to accept donations for the ALS Association of Indiana, and to allow employees to pay a donation "fee" to wear pajamas to work for the day on Friday.

The endeavor is a community-wide extension of an effort launched last year by now then-6th grader Reilly Reinhold, of Culver, to raise money to fight the disease which claimed the life of her father, Rob Reinhold, earlier this year.

As part of a service project in her 6th grade class, Reilly was given the green light by Culver Elementary School principal Chuck Kitchell to allow students to make a donation to the ALS Association, in exchange for permission to

wear pajamas to school for the day. The effort raised \$1,500 for an appreciative ALS Association.

ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis), long known as Lou Gehrig's Disease, is a degenerative muscle disorder which eventually claims the lives of its victims. Rob Reinhold, much to the dismay of his wife Rhonda and family, was diagnosed with the illness at just 41 years old.

As word spread of Reilly's CES effort, the com-

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This autumn, as has been the case for years now, Culver area families by the score will head a few miles west to Yellow River Farms, at 8535 East State Road 8. Fall pumpkins are easy enough to find just about anywhere fresh produce is sold, but a full fall family experience like that at Yellow River is unique to the area.

As every student at Wesley Preschool in Culver for at least the past decade -- among many other Culverites -- knows, the farm not only boasts pumpkin patches which would make Linus' Great Pumpkin proud, but a fun hay maze, constructed of several layers of straw bales into a tunnel configuration whose darkness inexplicably fails to frighten most youngsters.

The hay maze, and those beloved hayrides out to the "up-pick" pumpkin patch, began about 18 years ago, say Rose Ann Eichelberg and daughter Gina Scherf, whose family has farmed the land there for over 100 years.

With the 2006 passing of Wayne Eichelberg, who helped found the operation, the family began to expand the autumn offerings, first to include a corn maze with "In memory of Wayne" cut into the corn to be visible from above. That corn maze continues (and it's tougher than ever this year, they note, though diligent participants who answer all nine quiz questions scattered throughout are eligible to win a \$100 gift certificate to Five Star Grocery in Knox), but it also launched a trend of adding a new attraction each October.

These have included an 80-foot "tube slide," uber-popular with kids, a shelled corn bin (think old fashioned sandbox, but filled with corn!), a kiddie train made of brightly-decorated barrels, a tunnel for tots, tube swing, and tire swing.

Not so new are the ever-popular assortment of fenced animals, including miniature donkeys, miniature horses, goats, ducks, rabbits, peacocks, cats, chickens, and "Teddy," the llama. This year's addition may be as much fun for the goats as visiting children who enjoy watching it: a "goat walk," an elaborate board walkway ramping high above the goats' pen, on which they can play up and down.

The Eichelbergs -- along with Gina and her husband Bill -- opened Yellow River Farms in the summer of 1990. Initially, it was just a small table set up in the front yard. Then as now, the farm typically opened in May with sweet corn sales (corn and green beans are the main crops grown in the family fields). They outgrew the table and moved the operation into the family's garage (close to the family home, which was first occupied in 1904). Once that was outgrown, they moved into the present store, the more than century-old barn Rose's grandfather built.

"He used to keep cows in here!" she says, surveying the store's array of offerings, from 50-pound bags of onions and potatoes for the winter, to squash and apples, Indian corn, gourds, apple cider, candies, and painted pumpkins. That's in addition to the pie pumpkins, and of course jack-o-lantern pumpkins, which are available for purchase in the store for those uninterested in the hayride and pumpkin patch experience.

There are also caramel apples. "By the end of October, I will have made probably 600 caramel apples," laughs Gina. "By then, I hate apples and I hate caramel!"

More recently, the family has added an adjacent concession stand where families can purchase hot dogs, brats, popcorn, pizza, hot pretzels, funnel cakes, and chili.

"It helps people stay longer, that we've got food here," Gina points out.

Through the spring and

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project, would also be in attendance.

"Bob (Porter) should be commended for keeping his cool," added Schoeff, in reference to frustrations with the curb discrepancies.

The council also held a public hearing regarding the 2013 town of Culver budget, which town clerk Karen Heim noted is \$1,847,913, and increase of \$27,573, of 1.5 percent, over the 2012 budget. Among the amounts included were the clerk's budget, at \$311,914 (which Heim noted includes funds covering the past few years of Culver's tree commission, previously unbudgeted but paid out, at approximately \$15,000); police budget at \$373,874; fire at \$179,450; and EMS at \$315,325. The budget is scheduled for adoption October 23.

Schoeff, during his town manager's report, explained he and Githens attended an IACT (Indiana Association of Cities and Towns) conference the previous week, which Schoeff said was "very informative." Both he and Githens expressed enthusiasm at the opportunities for Culver via the Indiana Downtown program, which can work in conjunction with Indiana Main Street, with which Culver is already involved. Githens said Valparaiso's mayor -- a

Culver Academies summer schools graduate -- described excellent results from that city's use of both programs, and would be willing to visit Culver to speak about it.

Town marshal Wayne Bean told the council one of Culver's police cars had to have a head gasket replaced recently, at \$1,530. He also said the department was awarded \$2,300 in equipment by way of Indiana's Judicial Tech and Automation Committee, which will upgrade software, scanners, and printers for police computers.

Culver-Union Twp. EMS head Bob Cooper Jr. noted his department is wearing special uniforms through October, with pink ribbons on the back, in support of breast cancer prevention and cure.

The council agreed to waive half the water fees, or around \$767, accrued by Evil Czech Brewery at Main and Davis Streets, due to an unnoticed leak in the restaurant's ice maker. Utilities manager Porter explained that management assumed high water usage was due to the brewery operation, not the restaurant, and so failed to catch a leak in the ice maker, whose runoff is piped to the ground outside, rather than

Culver's sanitary sewers. Heim said the total \$1534.55 in water charges was derived from three months' worth of leaking.

Also approved, on first reading only, was Heim's request to establish a gift fund for channeling money for projects such as the town clock proposed for installation at Main and Jefferson Streets in the near future.

Revisited was the topic of the NIPSCO natural gas plant at Academy Road and Lake Shore Drive, which council member Ginny Munroe cited as an eyesore for those first entering the town.

"It's the first place you stop in town," said Munroe. "They finally mowed it after the weeds got as tall as me."

Porter said he has not yet heard back from a NIPSCO representative he contacted about the matter two to three weeks prior. Munroe suggested authorizing town attorney Clevenger, or a council member, to speak with the company if no follow-up takes place before the next council meeting.

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munity rallied around the family, raising more than \$30,000 in a benefit early this year. It was Reilly's idea to take what had been a school-wide effort to a larger scale, and she did so through the Culver Chamber of Commerce, at whose monthly meeting she spoke earlier this month.

"After Reilly addressed the Chamber and we all recalled what a great way the community rallied behind the benefit for Rob Reinhold last year," says Chamber president Dawn Brockey, "we were inspired to help her encourage local businesses to take a day and spread awareness about this disease.

"We felt it was a way the local businesses, employees, and customers, if they choose, could support a cause that seemed to really bring the community together last year," Brockey adds.

For those who don't make it to a participating business Friday night, donations may also be made to the ALS Association via their website, at webin.alsa.org.

Lions fruit sales underway

The Culver Lions Club's annual fruit sale is underway and includes Florida naval oranges, red grapefruit, Florida juice oranges, Florida tangelos, and sunburst tangerines. Also available this year are a wide variety of gift boxes

which may include apples, oranges, pears, tangerines, grapefruit, tangelos and pineapple. To view the gift boxes or to order online, go to www.FreshFruitOrder.org/culverlionsclubfruit-sale. or call any Culver Lions member, or Susan Eli-

zondo at 260-571-0452.

Order deadline is Nov. 14. Delivery is Dec. 7 at the Culver Lions train station. Packaged gift items will be mailed directly to the recipient. View the Culver Lions Club online at www.culverlions.net.

Dine out for United Way

You can dine out this week and help a good cause in Marshall County. Area restaurants are donating a portion of their weekly sales toward the United Way of Marshall County 2012 campaign. Volunteers across the county are raising funds this fall to support 22 United Way agencies and programs; the goal this year is \$475,000. Through Saturday, October 20, restaurants have pledged one percent of their weekly sales toward the United Way campaign, including Culver's Café Max, Culver Coffee Company, and Subway, as well as several restaurants outside Culver.

"The support of so many business owners across Marshall County is tremendous and the number of restaurants that are participating this year is a great example of the caring and generous spirit of this community," said Linda Yoder, United Way Executive Director.



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Letter to the editor

Culver football memories

The story in the Sept. 20 *Culver Citizen* about the CMA football Eagles ending Lafayette Central Catholic's 48-game winning streak, and coach Andy Dorrel receiving the Colts/NFL Coach of the Week award, for some reason brought up my top memory of Culver football.

The 1936 team not only was unbeaten but unscored upon until just prior to halftime of the season's final game when a CMA pass in the flat was intercepted and run for a touchdown. The totals for the season were something like Culver 250 points, Opponents 6.

I believe it was Russ Oliver's first year as coach and he allowed the faculty "brats" (I was 9 years old) to go with the team into the Riding Hall at halftime. Fitch Walmer, who in 1948 was an end for the Maroons (team nickname in those days) and now is a retired attorney, and I witnessed the captain of the team, 300-pound Hal Roach Jr., sitting on the floor crying because they had been scored upon. Roach was the son of the Hollywood mogul who produced the Laurel and Hardy movies and the Our Gang comedies.

By the way, Fitch Walmer in his active days was an attorney for Bud Selig, the commissioner of Major League Baseball.

Thinking of this led to my top memory of Culver High School sports, the 1944 hoopsters led by junior Ralph Pederson (unbeaten until the final game of the Semi-State) which missed going to the State Finals by one point in a loss to LaPorte. But that's a story for another day.

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Culverites on the ballot Nov. 6

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

Few have likely failed to notice the U.S. presidential race this election season, but there are a handful of less publicized contests in the local and regional political arena of potential interest to Culver voters Nov. 6.

Compared to last fall, there are few completely local positions on the ballot, but Culver's school board elections are an exception. For the At Large A position is Ken VanDePutte of Culver, while Jim Wentzel of Leiters Ford represents District 1 - Aubbeenaubee Township. Two candidates are listed for District 2 - Union Township: Edward Behnke and Mark Maes, both of Culver. David Cooper of Culver represents District 5 - Town of Culver.

Several Culver residents are running for county offices, including Republican Debbie VanDeMark of Culver, running unopposed for county treasurer; Republican William Cleavenger of Culver, running unopposed for county coroner; and Republican Kevin Overmyer of Culver, running unopposed for county commissioner, District 3.

Also running unopposed for the office of state senator for Culver's District 18 is Randall Head, a Republican. Republican Timothy Harman is running unopposed for state representative of District 17. Squaring off for U.S. representative, 2nd District, are Republican Jackie Walorski, Democrat Brendan Mullen, and Libertarian Joseph Ruiz.

At the state level, one office gaining much attention in light of statewide education changes of late, is that of superintendent of public instruction, currently held by Republican Tony Bennett. He is opposed this election by Democrat Glenda Ritz.

For the governor's office, Republican Mike Pence, Democrat John Gregg, and Libertarian Rupert Boneham will vie.

Culver voters are reminded that the local polling place has changed from the Culver Public Library to the train station - depot on Lake Shore Drive.

Barkada Quartet here Oct. 26

The Barkada Quartet will bring a youthful enthusiasm and musical conviction to its repertoire Friday, Oct. 26 at the Culver Academies' Legion Memorial Building Heritage Room for a free performance open to the public.

As the Grand Prize and Gold Medal winner of the 2012 Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition, the quartet is appearing here as part of the Fischhoff Grand Prize Winner's Tour. Members of the quartet study at the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music. The Fischhoff Association is delighted to be collaborating with Culver Academies by bringing the nation's finest young chamber music ensembles to the Culver Academies each year.



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CBGC Member of the Month

Five year old Austin Hinsey was named Culver Boys & Girls Club's September Member of the Month. According to unit director Cory Monnier, Austin was chosen for her outstanding behavior and achievement in the Club's programs.



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Sign of the times

LEFT: Culver's longstanding local home for medical care actually became a part of the St. Joseph health network last year, but this stately sign designating it as such is a more recent addition to the landscape at Lake Shore Drive and Academy Road, where longtime Doctors Michael Deery and Warren Reiss continue to practice as before.

Downtown clock fundraising halfway there

The fund-raising goal towards Culver's new Main Street clock is at the halfway mark, according to Verl Shaffer, coordinator of the effort. He notes any size checks will be accepted. The total cost of the clock -- which will be installed in conjunction with the downtown revitalization project at the corner of Main and Jefferson Streets, is approximately \$8,000. A planter for the clock to stand on will be ready before spring, Shaffer notes.

The Culver Redevelopment Committee underwrote the pre-order of the clock, and donations are being accepted to offset those funds. Checks may be made out to The Town of Culver and sent to: Verl Shaffer, 1140 South Street, Culver, IN, 46511.

Library news

Free software discussion

The Culver-Union Twp. Public Library's monthly Thursday Tech Time for October will take place October 18 at 6 p.m. This month's discussion will center on free software. Find out about some of the most useful free software: everything from games to audio/video editing, office programs and more. Free software will be compared with its paid equivalents.

Sessions are held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. All sessions are free and open to the public. Thursday Tech Time is an open discussion group for anyone interested in computers and technology. Come and talk, share, listen and ask questions!

For more information, call the Culver Library at 574-842-2941, visit our website at www.culver.lib.in.us or e-mail abaker@culver.lib.in.us. The library's street address is 107 N. Main St.

Einstein at "A Novel Approach"

"A Novel Approach," the book/film club at the Culver Union-Township Public Library, will feature "IQ Think Love" Wednesday, November 7, at noon in the library's large meeting room located downstairs at the library.

The book is "Who Was Albert Einstein?" by Jeff Bralier (juvenile). The film is "IQ Think Love," starring Meg Ryan, Walter Matthau and Tim Robbins. Can Einstein be a matchmaker for his niece? Can his three buddies be a lot of help? Can a mechanic become a math genius with tutoring? Enjoy the fun when these questions are answered.

Copies of the selection are available for checkout and may be reserved by contacting the library at 574-842-2941. Patrons are encouraged to bring their lunch to eat while they enjoy the movie and the discussion afterwards.

Sci-fi Book Club

The library's monthly Science Fiction Book Club meets Saturday, October 20 at 1:30 p.m. to discuss, "Something Wicked This Way Comes," by Ray Bradbury. The club was initiated congruent with the dedication of the Rita Lawson Sci-fi and Fantasy collection at the library. All are welcome to this free event.

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Reily and DLZ representatives led to "the major obstacle with streetscape project (being) resolved."

Weather permitting, it was noted, Reith-Reily hoped to begin pouring concrete curbs Wednesday and sidewalks the following Monday, October 22.

"We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience that this short delay has caused," added the statement.

The things we keep

Some friends of mine own a small storage facility. Every once in a while, they have a garage sale to dispose of the things people have left behind. My friends have opened abandoned units to find taxidermic deer heads, family pictures — including wedding pictures (usually stored along with divorce papers), loose change, clothes, furniture, televisions, mattresses, tools, cassette tapes and CDs, half-empty bottles of shampoo, Christmas decorations, and even food.



HOOSIER HABITAT: EASY WAYS TO LIVE GREEN
BY MARIANNE PETERS

Stuff overload seems to be a widespread problem. According to the Self Storage Association, 83 percent of all the counties in the U. S. have at least one storage facility. The association, which lobbies for the self-storage industry, lists some other enlightening facts on its Web site:

- There are 49,940 self-storage facilities in the U. S. By contrast, there are just 12,000 facilities in Europe, Asia, Australia, Canada, Latin America, South America and Japan combined.
- Total rental space for self-storage in the U. S. is now 2.3 billion square feet. That is approximately equal to 78 square miles or an area more than 3 times the size of Manhattan Island in New York City.
- One in 10 U. S. households (10.8 million of the 113.3 million households in this country) currently rent a self-storage unit — a 65 percent increase in the last 15 years.
- The self-storage industry built its first billion square feet in about 25 years; it built its second billion square feet in about 8 years.

And in case you're wondering, the association reports that the self-storage industry raked in \$22 billion last year.

When our family downsized, I spent more than a year de-cluttering. It was painful to let so much go, especially because I felt so ashamed that I had purchased it in the first place. The question is: how do I keep from letting stuff pile up again?

My habits have to change.
Bad habit: I used to shop because I was bored, lonely, or tempted by some product. New habit: Stop using shopping as entertainment for myself or my family, especially my daughters. By the way, according to one poll, 80 percent of today's teens identify shopping as one of their "hobbies or activities."

Bad habit: Buying a new hammer because I can't find the old hammer. New habit: Establishing a place for everything, reusing and repurposing what I have, borrowing more and buying less. Clutter has inspired any number of new reality shows and all women's consumer magazines have articles on getting organized. But an organized house is not the goal. Sharing and being good stewards of our God-given belongings is the goal, because so many of our brothers and sisters have so little.

Bad habit: I don't always distinguish between a "need" and a "want." When I was single and earning about \$12,000 a year, I could easily distinguish between needs (rent and food) and wants (new clothes). New habit: Now in comfortable midlife, I'm realizing that love, relationships and service to others is what truly satisfies.

Case in point: My kids went through their belongings as we prepared to move and saved very little. I was horrified at their lack of nostalgia — what about these toys they had to have? To my surprise, rather than the stuffed animals, Barbies, and action figures, they wanted to keep the books I read aloud to them when they were children.

Things are just things. It's people who matter.
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Heading out of town to some spooky spots

Another Halloween is approaching, and as I've shared in this column in years past, I have some great memories of Halloween's past in Culver, primarily centered around many a kid's cherished Trick-or-Treating. I was never one for the more recent, truly dark, macabre, or gruesome manifestations of the Eve of All Saints Day (as our ancestors would have regarded it), and let me say at the outset of this column that I've also never spent much time traipsing around looking for haunted spots.



View from Main Street

By Jeff Kenney
Editor

However, the newspaper business can throw some interesting stories one's way, and many of us enjoy the occasional local ghost story -- and the more seemingly authentic, the better.

In Octobers past, I've written of certainly the best-known local ghost story, that of Pau-Koo-Shuck, the Potawatomi chief whose spirit is said to haunt Long Point and the shores of Lake Maxinkuckee. Then there's the alleged ghost haunting the Culver Cove (supposedly that of a young boy killed at the old ice house which preceded the Cove by several decades). Possibly my personal favorite I wrote about a couple of years ago: Dead Man's College, located in Fulton County not far south and east of Culver.

I expect it's my favorite not because I actually think the ghosts of young children ask you play with them out there at midnight -- or whatever. This is, instead, a case of fact being stranger than fiction, since not only are there several children's graves among those at the family plot around which the road actually makes a "Y," but someone decided, in the 19th century, to build a one-room school house set back a few yards from those graves. Best of all, someone decided to dub that school (which wasn't a college at all, but like most one-room rurals, a primary and secondary school), "Dead Man's College" -- and not just in October, but year-round! How such a name ever received approval from any governing body with a say-so, may say more about the world of rural Indiana in the 19th century than it does anything else, but approved it was -- that was its official name.

Try as I might, I couldn't really pin down any solid (if you will) local ghost stories to add to the roster this year. Instead, I decided to turn to the source of my initial discovery of Dead Man's College: the reliable old internet and its collection of "weird Indiana" places.

To be fair, the Culver Public Library actually has a pretty nifty book on such weird places in Indiana, but the net, like the urban legends which give birth, and perpetuate, these tales, has that folkloric quality that never insists on accuracy or credible sources -- sort of like all those political forwards and Facebook posts going around this time of year, except I expect there's more accuracy in the ghost stories than the outlandish political claims!

Here, then, are some highlights within reasonable driving distance of Culver-Marshall County. My guess is that reading about them is possibly about as entertaining, or more, as going there. Dead Man's College is an exception since there's actually a school building there today, and graves, and it actually was called...well, you get the idea. But most of these places are bridges and fields and places where buildings once sat. I have to think they're not too thrilling to visit, but if you know different, let me know.

Probably the best-known haunted spot closest to Culver was the old Hayloft restaurant just west of Plymouth. Of course, it burned to the ground -- which could be said to affirm the legend a bit -- and I've heard of no suggestions of any hauntings where it sat, since then.

Not much further west, in Donaldson, there's a minor legend surrounding Ancilla College and the adjacent convent. "Many people" have supposedly seen sisters (nuns) walking in the basement tunnels beneath, and these apparitions do the usual ghostly walking through walls (maybe they can also get through long lines at the BMV, who knows). I find this one a head-scratcher since I've been to the place many, many times, and my recent web search is the first I've heard of any of it. On the contrary, I find the convent grounds a spiritually beneficial place, but of course anything remotely "old" has to have at least one spooky tale associated, doesn't it?

Then there's Bremen, which is rife with spooky legends

surrounding the Little Egypt cemetery. There primarily concern nighttime ghostly apparitions, although there's also a bit about a girl screaming in the woods nearby and headlights following you around the graveyard -- you know, the usual stuff. The cemetery is on 5A and Hawthorn Roads.

While in moonlit Bremen, you can stop off at "Troll Bridge," just down the road from Little Egypt. You're instructed to park just off the bridge and see what shows up and chases you, etc. At least one website even warns of serious psychological damage if you try this, so of course the Culver Citizen absolves itself of all potential liability and so on and so forth.

Another new one on me pertains to a cemetery located between the small Fulton County towns of Fulton and Kewanee, which is said to be guarded by the ghosts of a man and wife buried there. There's also a small laundry list of bad things alleged to have happened there, though I'd bet the newspaper reports are pretty hard to track down.

North Judson has "Dogface Bridge," where at midnight (of course!) you can hear a woman screaming and a dog howling.

Rochester actually has several of these sorts of legends, including one on a road familiar to Leiters Ford area folks, Olson Road. I'd heard, as a teenager, the tale of the old slaughterhouse on that road said to appear and disappear at random. Once again, the historian in me is working to resist the urge to suggest that a scan of actual records of the area would show whether or not a real slaughterhouse ever actually graced Olson Road...but the beauty of history for many of us is that it's assumed there must be so many things we can never prove or disprove, in the past -- which is often a mistaken assumption. But I apologize...I'm ruining the Halloween mood here!

Certainly the best-known Rochester area haunted spot is Prill School, supposedly the domain of a "Sister Sarah," visible on full moon nights next to the tree there, but only in your rearview mirror. There's also a claim that if you write questions on a piece of paper for her and leave them at night, you can return in the day and find answers written. One question I'd write would have to do with why she would arbitrarily be visible in a rearview mirror. Would it work with a makeup compact? How about a pan lid or something? I'd be tempted to ask her difficult trigonometry or philosophical questions...or be a real smart alec and ask if her refrigerator's running. She must have some sense of humor, surely!

While visiting Rochester, you could stop by Earl's Tree Cemetery and make a recording of your voice, which will then supposedly play back with a whispery voice on it... you have to listen VERY closely, by the way. VERY closely, I'm sure.

Quite possibly the most famous Indiana ghost story, and one not too far from home, is that of Chesterton's Diana Of The Dunes.

This is another interesting one, to me, since it's steeped in a truth slightly more intriguing (though tragic) than the legend itself. What is today's Dunes State Park -- worth a visit any time of year -- was, circa 1915, largely uninhabited. The whole thing centers around the real-life Alice Marble Gray, educated daughter of an influential Chicago couple and a bit of an eccentric and a hermit (which must mean she wants to haunt things in her after life, right?).

Alice appears to have just wanted to enjoy the rustic beauty of the land, reading books and walking the area in peace and solitude for several years (she earned the nickname "Diana" because fisherman and others visiting the area occasionally caught glimpses of her and found her beautiful and mysterious). Sadly, she married an abusive man who had been accused of murder prior to Alice's own death in 1925, apparently at his hands. The two had two daughters, though what became of them appears to be a mystery. Her ghost, it's said, has been seen in the dunes by a number of people over the years.

If you're into this sort of thing, you might also Google the true tale of the Belle Gunness murders (and of course the more legendary hauntings) in LaPorte, if you're not already familiar. But I've gone on long enough as it is.

These are, of course, just a few of the many allegedly spooky places in Indiana, and again I make no claim whatsoever -- See Spooky page 8

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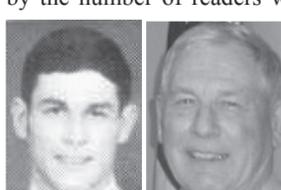
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Name that Culver 'citizen'

Our Mystery Citizen from last week, Ned Davis, a local Culver High School grad, was long associated with the Culver Community School board, among other endeavors. He's also a just a well-known local face, as is evidenced by the number of readers who correctly identified him.



LEFT: Last week's Mystery clude: Jack Citizen, Ned Houghton, Davis, then and Anna Nennow. RIGHT: This week's Mystery Citizen. Lutz Wagner, Steve

Bair, Cynthia Bonine Goss, Sandra Kelso, Leslie Davis Fisher, Judi Currens, Carin Clifton, Tom Miracle, and Elisha Davis Porterfield.

This week's Mystery Citizen has, like his father, been associated with a particular local institution much of his life, and continues to be today.

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Cavs survive LaVille, turnovers

By Dee Grenert
Staff Writer
CULVER — Culver Community and LaVille both tested positive for raging cases of fumbleitis Friday.

Fortunately for the host Cavs, they put up enough offense prior to contracting the dread disease to pick up a 21-7 Northern State Conference football win over the Lancers on Senior Night.



PHOTO/ALAN HALL

Culver Community's Bradley Beaver runs ahead of LaVille's Jared Snyder in the schools' regular-season closer last Friday.

Culver crossed the goal line in three of its first four possessions, ultimately overcoming four turnovers — three of those deep inside LaVille turf.

"I thought our kids did a pretty good job; I thought (LaVille's) kids did a good job," Culver head coach Andy Thomas said. "It wasn't pretty. I thought our kids fought pretty hard and fortunately came out with a win."

"LaVille's defense did a good job," he added. "They were mixing up their fronts on every play. It makes it hard for the offensive line to get into a rhythm."

That ever-changing LaVille rotation held Culver scoreless in the second half.

Culver senior running back Tucker Schultz plunged into the end zone twice from 1 yard — once

off left tackle with 8:06 left in the first frame, the second off the right side to put the Cavs up 14-7 with 8:27 to play in the first half. He finished with a game-high 74 rushing yards in 19 attempts.

Senior wideout Micah Budzinski put his 6-foot-6 frame to good use with a 12-yard touchdown pass from sophomore quarterback Preston Hansel to give Culver a 21-7 lead with 24.8 seconds left before the intermission, and hauled in an interception on a deep pass late in the fourth quarter.

Hansel, in his second start in place of injured four-year starter Collin Stevens, also completed a two-point conversion pass to senior Bradley Beaver.

"(Hansel) got better this

week," Thomas said. "He did a better job throwing the ball."

Meanwhile, LaVille matched the Cavs with four turnovers of its own, but compounded matters by adding three more fumbles to the trio it lost.

The Lancers claimed a brief lead late in the first frame. Sophomore quarterback Mitchell Henry connected with freshman Alex Steinke for an 18-yard pickup on fourth and 4 from the Culver 26. Four plays later, senior running back Josh Dudeck barreled in from 1 yard, and with Jordan Smith's extra point, grabbed a 7-6 lead with 2:35 left in the opening stanza.

Culver responded immediately with a 12-play, 68-yard journey capped off by the second of Schultz's touchdowns. The Cavs exploited the edges during the drive with quick hits to Budzinski and pitches to the outside.

"We wanted to try to get the ball to the wideouts quickly," Thomas said. "We were able to do that and that opened up some things on the inside."

For Culver, Nick Pritz, Matt Hurford, and John Ahlenius all recovered fumbles.

Both teams hit the road in opening-round sectional action next week. Culver heads to West Central, while LaVille travels to North Miami.

• CULVER COMMUNITY 21, LaVILLE 7
At Culver

Special Senior Night for CMA

Kyle Hilliard
Correspondent
CULVER — It was a special Senior Night in Culver as the Eagles dominated the Fairfield Falcons early and held on to a 40-24 win.

On the opening possession Culver held Fairfield to a three and out and on only its second play on offense, senior Aramonti Phillips raced down the field for an 82-yard touch-



PHOTO PROVIDED

Culver Military's Joel Tinney runs the ball during the Eagles' regular season-closer last Friday.

down run to put the Eagles up 6-0. CMA converted an onside kick to only have penalties stall their drive. Pierre Byrne stopped Fairfield's drive with an interception on a deep pass down the sideline saving a touchdown. The Eagles took over on their own 8 drove the length of the field and senior Joel Tinney scored on a direct snap on 4th and goal at the 1-inch line. Tinney would follow that up with an interception of his own on Fairfield's next possession to put the Eagles in scoring position. Quarterback Hayes Barnes would score from 2 yards out on a quarterback keeper to put CMA up 20-0.

On the next kickoff, the Falcon's Brett Baumgartner returned the kickoff for a touchdown to make the score 20-7. Fairfield failed on an attempted onside kick which gave CMA great field position at their own 40. They drove down the field mostly behind the rugged running of Phillips who scored from 16 yards out after being hit twice in the backfield. Pierre Byrne added a touchdown run of his own with 38 seconds left to go in the half to make the score 34-7 at the half.

Culver received the kickoff to start the second half and Joel Tinney raced past everyone as he took it to the house. With the score

now 40-7, after the failed PAT, the Eagles owned a comfortable lead. From then on a lot of the younger Eagles received some quality playing time, which according to Coach Andy Dorrel is a special gift from the seniors on their night.

"Giving the young kids a chance to play on senior night is very special," Dorrel said. "We always talk about the program and for our older kids to earn the right for the younger kids to get in the game was very exciting. We see a little passing of the torch tonight with the older guys taking care of the young kids they push around in practice during the week."

Fairfield would score a couple of touchdowns and a field goal in the second half, but the effort wasn't enough to overcome the huge deficit. The Eagles were too much too early for a strong Fairfield team to match up with even though they fought hard to get back in the game. The Eagles finish the regular season with a record of 7-2 and will travel to John Glenn next week to open sectionals.

• CULVER MILITARY 40, FAIRFIELD 24
at Culver

Eagles advance at CC regional

By James Costello
Sports Editor
CULVER — Plymouth runner Miranda Hacha's 44th place result pushed Plymouth's girls over the top in a tiebreaker with NorthWestern, and the team earned its third straight semistate berth with a fifth-place finish at the Culver Academies Cross Country Regional Saturday.

While Eastern's girls took five of the top 10 individual spots to win the team meet with a score of 28, Warsaw's girl placed second with a score of 42 in the Lady Tigers' first year after realigning into the Culver regional. Rochester

finished third with a 77, and the host Lady Eagles also earned a ticket out to semistate with a 124 score.

Culver Girls Academy got a lift from Eden Brackenbury in the number four spot as the junior finished 32nd after sitting out at sectional, while Olivia Martinez and Hannah Bugeln finished 20th and 21st, respectively, Sarah Jamieson was 23rd, and Stephanie Ma placed 35th.

"Our one and two didn't perform that well today, but they still ran OK. Eden Brackenbury, this may have been her first race back all season," said Culver Academies coach Michael Chas-

tain. "She's been injured, and we went ahead and gave it a shot today, and it helped definitely. Kennedy Thompson and Stephanie Ma again ran pretty solid again today. We'd like to see them step it up for semistate, but we'll see. But I was pretty pleased."

Like their girls counterparts, Culver's boys got a big lift from a runner who sat out sectional, and the Eagles also made the cut out in fourth with a 128 score. Warsaw went one-two-three to easily win the team meet with a 21, Rochester was second with 68 points, Western was third

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PHOTO/JAN GARRISON, CULVER ACADEMIES COMMUNICATIONS

Culver Academies seniors Mason Quinn (right), Alex Fayemi, Tristan Van de Velde, and Aramonti Phillips (right) pose with Paquii Kelly and CMA coach Andy Dorrell after presenting their donation to the Kelly Cares Foundation, which fights breast cancer. The seniors conducted a "Pink Out" senior service project to raise funds. The Fairfield Falcons also made a \$1,000 donation to the foundation. Kelly is the wife of Notre Dame football coach Brian Kelly and a two-time cancer survivor.

Eagles donate to Kelly Cares Foundation

By Kyle Hillard
Correspondent
CULVER — Those who at Friday night's CMA football game against Fairfield would have noticed all of the pink in the stands and on the field, another reason why the game was so special. For CMA's senior service project, the students raised money to be donated to the Kelly Cares Foundation, a breast cancer awareness foundation that is co-founded by Paquii Kelly, wife of Notre Dame football coach Brian

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Bible Trivia

By William Conway

1. Is the book of Beelzebub in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Matthew 12, when an evil spirit returns to a person, how many companions does it bring with it? 2, 3, 7 16
3. Who called the city of Nineveh the mistress of witchcraft? Ahab, Nahum, Lucifer, Peter
4. From 1 Samuel 16, what king of Israel was tormented by an evil spirit? Solomon, David, Elah, Saul
5. What queen of Israel practiced witchcraft? Rachel, Delilah, Jezebel, Deborah
6. What mark of the beast and number comes from Revelation 13? 7, 333, 490, 666

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) 3; 3) Nahum; 4) Saul; 5) Jezebel; 6) 666

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Burguete repeats as CMA champion

By James Costello
Sports Editor

CULVER — It isn't just skill and talent that wins championships; sometimes it takes a little luck too.

Culver Military Academy's Leopoldo Burguete didn't run his best race Tuesday, but it was still good enough for the individual championship as the Eagles senior gutted out some lower back and hip issues to clock a 16:29.6 and repeat as the CMA Boys Cross Country Sectional champion.

Warsaw had the luxury of sitting out number one runner Ellis Coon and still cruising to a dominant team championship with 27 points in the Tigers' first year at the sectional, so Coon wasn't around to push Burguete.

Manchester's Matthew Fahs-Brown hung on Burguete's heels for the first 4K and surged ahead with around 500 meters to go. But if Burguete wasn't feeling at his best, Fahs-Brown felt worse, and when the Squires' number one became ill in the homestretch of the race, Burguete passed him by to break the tape and defend his 2011 sectional championship on his home course.

"I overtook him after the 500-meter mark. I started digging in. I saw him stopping; I think he puked, and I got him, and it was my second chance so I had to take it," said Burguete, affectionately known as Polo to coaches and teammates. "I got lucky this time. I wasn't feeling very well... but I just put everything I had in."

"This race was very strange," Burguete continued. "Warsaw is new to the sectional, and I was very intimidated because they have very tough runners, some which are a lot stronger than me. In the first kilometer I was just waiting for them to come up and to go off with them. I just kept waiting and waiting, and I didn't want to look back so I just started going with the Manchester kid, started pushing through, got in front of him. It definitely feels good to win, but it was a lucky win so I'm not satisfied with it."

"It looked like (Burguete) was starting to pull away a little bit at the 4K, and then I could see his form was not looking that great out around the football stadium and Matthew caught him right there and put on a big surge with about 500 meters to go and passed Polo," said Culver Academies head cross country coach Michael Chastain. "Then round at the turn there by the flag poles with about 400 to go (Fahs-Brown) started having some issues and throwing up. He slowed to almost a stop and Polo went around him and the other kid from Warsaw (Robert) Murphy was moving nicely too. Polo was struggling a little bit today; he looked very, very good on Saturday, but he's been having some issues with his hip and back for awhile. Today about halfway through the race it really started tightening up."

Burguete's individual championship gave the CMA team a big boost, and the Eagles wound up third in the team standings with 88 points ahead of Triton's 122 and

Plymouth's 135 as all three teams earned berths at this Saturday's CMA Regional.

Landrum Neer finished 14th for the hosts, Harris Allen was 20th, Brennan Hussey placed 24th, and Steven Muthart's 29th-place result completed the Eagles' team score and clinched third place behind Warsaw's dominant showing and Rochester's runner-up score of 53 as the hosts sat out number two runner Wes Hibbard and number five Paul Westman in anticipation of advancing to Saturday's team meet.

"Landrum had a nice race today," said Chastain. "He had a nice breakthrough race on Saturday up in Michigan and he looked good again today. There's still a lot more there, and we're hoping on Saturday we see a little bit more from him."

"We didn't have a good race from Harris Allen, and we didn't run our number two and number five guys today; they've had some sickness and some injuries," Chastain continued. "As far as I know they'll be back and ready to go on Saturday, so hopefully we'll look a little bit stronger as a team on Saturday."

While CMA got a pair of top 15 finishes from Burguete and Neer, both Plymouth and Triton used pack mentalities to earn top five regional advancement spots at Tuesday's meet.

Culver Community finished eighth with 216 points after putting up an incomplete score with only four runners last year. Dylan Bennett finished 32nd, Mark Lehman was 39th, Timmy Wireman placed 42nd, Justin Brown was 47th, and John Brown finished 57th as the Cavaliers beat out Caston by two points.

Culver Girls Academy stayed alive for its home regional Saturday with a 76-point score for fourth place behind the Pilgrims.

Like Plymouth, the Lady Eagles benefitted from a trio of top 15 finishes as Olivia Martinez beat Warsaw's Emma Hayward by less than a second for eighth place in 20:43, Hannah Buggeln was 10th in 20:46, and Sarah Jamieson entered the chute 10 seconds behind her in 12th place. Stephanie Ma stepped up to finish 22nd, and Kennedy Thompson was 27th to round out CGA's team score.

"Our top three and especially our top two did not look nearly as good as they did (last) Saturday, so we're hoping that come Saturday they'll be ready to race," said Chastain. "Sarah had a decent race today... I was very pleased with Stephanie Ma. Stephanie has been our number seven or eight all season, and she's been stepping it up some and she had a little bit better performance today."

Culver Community had a pair of runners at the CGA tourney but was unable to put up a full team score. Tori Shank finished 20th in 21:46, and Tatum Schultz was 30th in 22:44 for the Lady Cavs.

• CULVER ACADEMIES SECTIONAL
At Culver

Kelly from page 5

Kelly and breast cancer survivor, who was in attendance at the game. A few of the players from each team presented her with a check to help the foundation and spread awareness in a joint effort.

In speaking with Paqui Kelly you see it's not so much about the money as it is the message.

"What makes this so special is that these young adults are getting involved and are spreading the word of breast cancer awareness," Kelly said. "If we can get everyone doing it and keep getting those checkups, we can pretty much eliminate this. It's just exciting that these kids are so involved to get that out there. It used to be, we don't talk about that, but it's that involvement and that openness about health in itself and what a difference it can make in the diagnosis of a patient. It's huge."

Aramonti Phillips, one of the players who presented the check and escorted Kelly for the coin toss, was very excited about the opportunity to meet her and see what she was really about.

"I felt so much energy from the crowd," he said. "Everyone was excited. I love Mrs. Kelly. I got to talk to her and meet her. She loved the senior project. She wasn't looking for the cash that we were donating. She was looking for everybody being happy. Everybody raising support for the cause. That's what I loved about her." It was a special night for everyone, and not just for the game that was being played.

Eagles from page 5



PHOTO/JAMES COSTELLO
Culver Military's Wes Hibbard runs at the CMA Regional Saturday.

with an 87 score, and Carroll earned the last semistate berth with a 146 behind CMA.

"(Hibbard) had been sick for awhile, and he raced today and that helped a lot," said Chastain. "Landrum Neer was injured today, and he didn't run very well so it was good to have somebody else in there. Polo ran a solid race, he ran pretty smooth most of the way and didn't go out crazy. I was very pleased with Harris Allen as our number

three man." Triton's boys finished ninth with a 217 to avoid last place for the first time in the Trojans' past five trips to regional.

Plymouth's boys closed out the year in 10th meanwhile, as Levi Schuler finished 35h, Mason Reed was 44th, Clay Corsbie placed 53rd. Brandon Brashere was 71st, and Andrew Miller was 72nd.

Triton's girls closed out their season in the ninth spot with a 254.

Sports briefs

Volleyball

CGA loses to sectional foe St. Joe - Culver Girls Academy lost a four-game match with defending Sectional 19 champion St. Joseph on the road Wednesday, 22-25, 25-12, 25-18, 25-21. Katy Bjornson recorded 19 kills, and Abby Jeffers finished with 18. Jeffers also recorded 14 digs, while Bjornson had nine. Paige Baldacci recorded 52

assists, Sarah Boland served up a pair of aces, and Jamie Madison finished with 11 digs and three blocks in the loss.
• ST. JOSEPH 3, CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY

CGA earns 20th win vs Argos - CGA moved to 20 wins on the year with a three-game win over visiting Argos Tuesday, 25-8, 25-20, 25-7.

• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 3,
ARGOS 0 (25-8, 25-20, 25-7)
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The Deadly Threat of a Nuclear-Armed Iran

What can the world, what can the USA, what can Israel do about it?

Iran's president, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, has declared publicly – not once, but repeatedly – that Israel must be “wiped off the map.” That effort, the destruction of Israel, seems to be the main goal of Iranian policy. When Iranian missiles are paraded through the streets of Tehran, the destination “to Jerusalem” is clearly stenciled on them.

What are the facts?

A death wish for Israel. Ahmadinejad and the ayatollah who is the “supreme leader” have publicly stated that one or two nuclear bombs would obliterate Israel, but that, through it would cause devastating damage and millions of casualties, Iran would survive Israel's retaliatory attack. Iran is a huge country, with about 60 million inhabitants, so they are probably correct. And who can doubt that those religious fanatics would not hesitate to allow the destruction of much of their country and to sacrifice a third or even one-half of their population in order to eliminate the hated Jewish state. When our country was entangled with the Soviet Union in the bitter 40-year long “cold war,” with both sides having sufficient nuclear weapons to destroy the opponent's country and its people, things were kept in place by MAD – Mutually Assured Destruction. However “evil” the leaders of the Soviet Union (the “Red Empire”) may have been, there was one great consolation and assurance: They were not crazy. But the Iranians and other Muslims are crazies, as we understand the concept. Because they take instructions directly from Allah, who tells them to kill the Jews and other infidels, whatever the cost.

Israel has no problem with Iran. They share no borders and have no territorial disputes. In fact, they face common Arab enemies and should be natural allies, as they indeed were under the Shah. Iran's death wish for Israel is based entirely on religious fanaticism. In contrast even to the intractable North Koreans, the determination of the Iranians is unchangeable. It cannot be changed by persuasion, by diplomacy, by sanctions or by threats.

Once Iran is in possession of nuclear weapons, it will not only be a deadly danger to Israel, but to all of the Middle East and to virtually all of Europe. The flow of oil from the Middle East, the lifeblood of the industrialized world, would be totally under its control and so would be the economies of a 1 nations of the world, very much including the United States.

What is to be done? In 1967, then prime minister of Israel Menachem Begin, being aware of Iraq's nuclear ambitions and knowing realization of those ambitions, decided that its nuclear reactor at Osirak had to be destroyed. The IAF

(Israeli Air Force) accomplished that in a daring and unprecedented raid. Iraq's nuclear capability was eliminated in one stroke, never to rise up again. Israel had done the world an enormous service. Had it not been for Israel's decisive action, the Iraqi conquest of Kuwait and, without question, also of Saudi Arabia and its enormous oil fields, and, for that matter, of Iran, could not have been prevented. Saddam Hussein would have been the ruler of the world.

The solution to the deadly threat that Iran poses to the world is obvious. Of course, diplomacy and persuasion, threats and promises, sticks and carrots – every possible means short of military action – should be used until it becomes clear even to the most obtuse that nothing can deter Iran from its chosen path of becoming a nuclear power and to dominate the Middle East.

There is reason to believe that the people of Iran, especially the young people, oppose the oppressive and theocratic regime of their country and are hostile to the mullahs who control everything. But the government has the tools of power firmly in its hands. It controls the instruments of coercion – it can kill people and it controls the oil money. While it would be most desirable and in the interest of the world to be able to prevent an overthrow of the Iranian regime, that is an unrealistic and unattainable prospect.

Regrettably, there is only one solution to the terrible dilemma confronting the world, the unacceptable danger of a nuclear-armed Iran. The better, the destruction and the 80 million dead of World War II could have been prevented at several times during the Nazi regime. But the Allied powers, under the leadership of Britain's prime minister Neville Chamberlain, opted for appeasement and for “peace in our time.” We cannot afford to make that same mis-again. The world must give Iran an ultimatum: Desist immediately from the development of nuclear weapons; if you do not, we shall destroy the facilities that produce them. There still is a window of opportunity to do that. That window may close very soon. But who would do the job? The United States would be the obvious choice. But if the United States were in accord, Israel could do it, just as it did the job in 1980 in destroying Iraq's nuclear potential once and for all.

An attack on the Iranian nuclear installations would fall under the heading of “anticipatory self-defense,” recognized and sanctioned by international law and by common sense. Nobody really knows for sure how far Iran is from reaching its goal – six months, six years? The experts disagree. But if Iran is not stopped now, it may well be too late not very long from now.

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Blessed buddies

A number of four-legged friends were on hand Oct. 6 in Heritage Park in downtown Culver for a pet blessing ceremony, a joint effort between St. Elizabeth's Episcopal and St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Churches in Culver, in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi -- known for his love of animals and nature -- Oct. 4.

AT LEFT, Fr. Tom Haynes of St. Elizabeth's (right) blesses Kib Brady's (left) German Shepherd, while AT RIGHT, Fr. Tad Balinda of St. Mary's (left) blesses a poodle belonging to Jim and Patti Hendricks (right).

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may be dropped off at the library circulation desk.

Oktoberfest at CCC

The Culver Coffee Company at 630 E. Lake Shore Drive will revive its annual Oktoberfest event Saturday, October 20, from 6 p.m. to midnight. Included will be live music from Greenfire and Acoustically Speaking, a beer garden, brats, smoked chicken, wine, fire pits, and more. Must be 21 with valid ID.

Spooky full moon history paddle Oct 28

An autumn full moon paddle and bonfire on Lake Maxinkuckee will take place, free of charge, Sunday, Oct. 28, starting at 7 p.m., on the Culver town beach. A limited number of canoes and kayaks will be made available by the Culver Academies, free of charge, on a first-come, first-served basis. Otherwise, anyone wishing to participate is asked to bring their own non-motorized craft. Refreshments will be provided by the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver. A local, historical will be told by Jeff Kenney of the AHS, and attendees will take a short paddle from the site to Long Point and back. To sign up for the event, reserve a canoe, or to ask questions, contact Kenney at jeffpkenny@yahoo.com, or Academies Wellness Director Dana Neer at Dana.Neer@culver.org, or 574-842-8353.

Tyler art exhibit opens Oct. 28

Highlights from the single largest collection of art Culver Academies has received will be exhibited for the public starting Sunday, Oct. 28, from 1 to 4 p.m. The Herbert F. Tyler Bequest, will occupy the gallery space at the Crisp Visual Arts Center on the Culver Academies campus from now through March, 2013, with an assortment of dates planned for public exhibition. The gallery is located on Academy Road, west of Logansport Gate.

Children's Halloween party Oct. 29

The Culver Lions will host the annual Culver community children's Halloween party Monday, October 29 from 6 to 8 p.m., in the Culver Elementary School gym. Categories for costume judging include: infant through 3, ages 4 and 5, ages 6 and 7, ages 8 and 9, ages 10 and up. Cash prizes for the top three places in each group. Judging is from 6 to 6:30; costume awards from 6:30 to 7; and games at 7. Games, prizes, and treat bags for all (costumes not required).

Community meal at St. Mary's Oct. 30

St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church's monthly community meal will take place Tuesday, October 30. On the 30th day of each month, a community meal will be provided for anyone interested in attending. St. Mary of the Lake is located at 124 College Avenue in Culver. Questions may be directed to 574-842-2522.

Trick-or-Treat times

The town of Culver's trick-or-treat hours will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Wed., Oct. 31. Monterey hours are from 5:30 to 7 p.m., also Wed., Oct. 31.

Trick-or-Treat at Miller's

As in years past, Miller's Merry Manor nursing home, at 730 School Street in Culver, will host Halloween trick-or-treating during the hour prior to the town of Culver's trick-or-treating. Treats will be provided from 4 to 5 p.m., throughout the nursing home building.

"Christmas in Culver" Nov. 2-4

"Christmas in Culver" will once again take place the weekend of Nov. 2 through 4, with Culver merchants open

with special sales and offerings 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday. The "By the Lake" holiday bazaar will also take place Sat. from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the depot - train station on Lak Shore Drive. The Mystic Hills holiday bazaar will take place at Mystic Hills golf course the same day and time.

Free carriage rides will be available during "Christmas in Culver," which encourages shoppers from Culver and beyond to shop locally and support Culver area entities.

Boy Scout wreaths available

Boy Scout Troop 229 is now holding its fall Christmas wreath fundraiser. The last wreath order will be placed Nov. 2, and wreaths may be ordered online via bsa229.net, or via Ruth Dilts in Culver. Several Culver youth are part of Troop 229, which proceeds go to support.

Free computer classes

Culver-Union Township Public Library computer classes are held Monday evenings at 6 p.m. and Friday mornings at 10 a.m., and last two hours. Classes include: Intro to Social Media (Oct. 19), and Searching the Web (Oct. 22 and 26). For more information, call the Culver Library at 574-842-2941, go to www.culver.lib.in.us or e-mail abaker@culver.lib.in.us.

Duff, student art at CCC

Paintings by Culver's Anne Duff -- former Fine Arts instructor and chair at the Culver Academies -- will be on exhibit at the Culver Coffee Company at 634 Lake Shore Drive, through mid-November. The exhibition will be joined by works by Academies seniors Jordan Berger and Cord Martin, winners of the Marty and Julie Clapper summer grant, which underwrote the two studying photography last summer.

Lincoln exhibit, events at Huffington Library

The national traveling exhibit "Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War" will take place through Nov. 16 at the Culver Academies' Huffington Library. The exhibit is free; hours for the public are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sundays from noon to 7 p.m.

Three special programs are scheduled in the Presentation Room of the Huffington Library. Nicole Etcheson (Ph.D., Alexander M. Bracken Professor of History at Ball State University) will present: "Swift, Zealous, Radical or Tardy, Cold, Indifferent? Abraham Lincoln as The

Great Emancipator," Oct. 25 at 7 p.m.; "Lincoln's Constitution & Civil War: A pivotal point in becoming a world power," with Samuel Graber, Ph.D. in American Studies from the University of Iowa, Nov. 6, 7 p.m.; The Academies championship Quiz Bowl team will take on a team of Academies' faculty/staff in a friendly competition focused on Lincoln, his presidency and the Civil War. Nov. 11, 2 to 3 p.m.

Local polling place changed; absentee voting underway

The Culver-Union Twp. polling location has moved from the Culver Public Library to the train station-depot on Lake Shore Drive. Absentee voting for Marshall County in the coming election is underway in the county clerk's office from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. The Clerk's office will also be open for voting on Saturday October 27 and Saturday November 3 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The absentee voting travel board will begin on Thursday October 25 if you expect to be confined by illness, are caring for a confined person at a private residence or are a voter with disabilities who believes your polling place is not accessible. If you meet those qualifications and would like to vote by travel board call the Clerk's office at 574-935-8713. Voter information is available at http://www.co.marshall.in.us/

TOPS meets Wednesdays

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets at the Culver Grace United Church of Christ, 307 Plymouth St., Culver Wednesday at 3 p.m. Weigh in is from 3 to 3:30 p.m. meeting is 3:30 to 4 p.m. Use the main door to the east and go downstairs.

Downtown work underway

Construction has begun on Main Street in downtown Culver, which will consist of removal and installation of sidewalks, lighting, signage and landscaping, and is expected to last until approximately December 23. The town of Culver has asked residents to be attentive while traveling in the area as construction equipment and crews may be maneuvering in and out of traffic at times. Access to all the businesses and buildings in the area will be maintained with minimal interruption. Only when the contractor is working directly in front of the door will there be any interruptions and that should only be for a short time. Those with questions or concerns may call town hall at 574-842-3140.

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