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In Brief

Culver Community Choirs in Concert

A Choral Holiday Show is slated for Thursday, Dec. 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the Culver Comm. High School auditorium. The concert will feature Cavalier Sound 7th and 8th Editions and Jazz Street. The event is free and open to the public.

Leaf pickup ends Friday

The 2012 Town of Culver leaf pickup program will end Friday, Dec. 14. If you have any leaves left to collect, please place them in the tree lawn between the curb and sidewalk. If you do not have a tree lawn, you can either put them at the home side of the sidewalk or at the edge of the street, in the absence of a curb, tree lawn or sidewalk. The Town will not pick up leaves for the rest of the season after the 14th. Those with questions or concerns, please contact Town Hall at 574-842-3140.

Community meal at Grace Dec. 15

Grace United Church of Christ will hold its monthly community meal on Saturday, Dec. 15 at 6 p.m. All are invited to this free, ecumenical event whose purpose is to share a friendly meal in a welcoming, community atmosphere. The meals are held on the 15th day of each month in the basement of the church.

New computer classes at CUTPL

Culver-Union Township Public Library's computer classes for December will be held on Mondays at 6 p.m. and Fridays at 10 a.m., and will last two hours. Computer classes are free and open to the public.

Sessions include: Intro to Social Networking (Dec. 14); Computer Security (Dec. 17 and 21). 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.

Upcoming at REAL Meals

Culver's REAL Services, which meets weekdays at the beach lodge on Lake Shore Drive, will feature Bingo with Miller's Assisted Living Wed., Dec. 19; and its annual Christmas party Friday, Dec. 21, with a special meal, music by Culver Pipes and Drums bagpiping corps (starting at 11:30), and a visit from Santa starting at 12:30. The

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Chamber honors Munroe, Sellers, Culver firemen

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

The Culver Chamber of Commerce packed the Lakehouse Grille on Lake Shore Drive with its annual awards banquet, which as in years past honored three individuals or organizations in the Culver area.

Named Volunteer of the Year was Ginny Bess Munroe, whom Brockey described as a local graduate of Culver Girls Academy who received her bachelors of art degree in English from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and master's degree in English from the University of Notre Dame. Munroe worked at Macmillan Publishing and then Pearson Publishing (in Indianapolis) as a development editor, managing editor, and production director, said Brockey. She has owned her own company, Deadline Driven Publishing, since 2001, and edits consumer books, higher education books, and online college courses.

"Ginny's volunteering runs deep throughout this community," said Brockey, noting Munroe serves on Culver's town council and Second Century Committee, a subcommittee of the Chamber of Commerce, besides being a member of Kiwanis and Tri Kappa since 2006. She also currently chairs the Culver Boys & Girls Club board, whose board she's served on since 2005. She also recently joined the Marshall County Community Foundation as a board member and is a founding member of LIFT (Leading Inspirational Friendship Together), which helps women in the Culver area through mentoring, some financial aid, and all of the resources they as a group of women can bring to an individual.

"Ginny has been an inspiration to many throughout this community as she is truly a leader by example," said Brockey. "She is not only kind, giving, and involved, but also fair. She is the person you want to serve on your committee or board, and know that she will give 110 percent and follow through."

Munroe, in accepting the award, thanked not only the Chamber and the community as a whole, but her parents, sisters, and husband Grant, who she said she drafts "into everything I do."

"They're my volunteers of the year," she said, adding that husband Grant especially assists and is "always working behind the scenes. I love you, Grant!"

Tony Sellers of Sellers Services was named Business Person of the Year. Brockey explained Sellers had been a union laborer taking night school classes to study landscaping prior to 1998, when he acquired four small lawns to tend, from a friend of his fathers. The next 13 years, she said, were "a flurry of activity and growth" which saw sales revenue increases of 25 percent in some years. Sellers Services hit the \$1 million mark in 2008, after just 10 years in business, and the company now employs up to 20 people during the peak summer season and provides services to close to 300 clients.

Sellers Services was also featured in Green Industry Pro Magazine and gives back thousands of dollars to the community by maintaining little league diamonds free of charge, Town of Culver entrance signs, planting trees for the elementary school, teaching in the Junior Achievement program, and donating to Boys and Girls Club. Sellers himself serves on the Chamber board and will be president for the next two years, starting Jan. 1.

"Tony Sellers has been an active, vital member of this community since his return in 1998," Brockey said, "and there is no doubt he knows what it takes to take a business to the next level, including a hands-on approach with his business that allows him to cultivate respect from his employees, customers, and community."

"I personally know the next two years the Chamber will flourish under his presidency."

Sellers, accepting the award, said the presidency will be "a tough role to fill, to take over for Dawn."

He thanked the company's clients as well as his father and sister, and particularly his children.

"They're the backbone. I don't get the opportunity to thank them very often. If not for them, I wouldn't be where I am."

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PHOTO/PAUL PARÉ

Gearing up for the Inaugural

Culver Academies' Black Horse Troop and Equestriennes don't often hit the streets of Culver, but Culverites saw them Dec. 2 on Academy Road as part of their preparations for a hoped-for invitation to the Presidential Inaugural in Washington, D.C., in January. According to director of instruction Mark Waller, "all of the students and horses performed well" as did the cleanup crew -- no small feat with 83 participants to contend with!

Shootings ruled murder-suicide, community remembers deceased

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor



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Hundreds of purple balloons fly above Wesley United Methodist Church in Culver, launched by friends of Culver Comm. High School student Stephen Suthard, who was shot to death Nov. 28. Shannon Shepherd, parent of classmate Emmalee Shepherd, organized the launch.

Culver police announced findings last week following a Dec. 4 autopsy, concerning the shooting deaths Nov. 28 of 44 year old Michael Price and 16 year old Stephen Suthard, who died at a home on Madison Street.

According to a release by Culver police, "Investigation at the scene, as well as autopsies conducted on Tuesday, December 4, have determined that Suthard died of multiple gunshot wounds as a result of actions by Michael Price, who then took his own life and died of a single self-inflicted gunshot wound."

On November 28 at approximately 10:41 p.m., police say a call was placed to the Marshall County Sheriff's Dispatch Center requesting Culver Police and Culver EMS respond to the address of 419 West Madison Street, Culver, in regards to two male subjects found unresponsive for an unknown situation.

Culver officers discovered the two male subjects deceased inside the residence with what was initially suspected as gunshot wounds. The residence was secured inside and outside by the Culver Police Department with the assistance of the Marshall County Sheriff's Department.

Anyone having information relating to this case is urged to contact the Culver Police See Remember page 2

Culver Wings relocates alongside other new businesses on SR 10

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor



CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

John Zehner at the counter of the new Culver Wings restaurant on State Road 10.

Culver residents have likely noticed the large "Culver Pizza" sign on State Road 10 at the former site of the Ten Spot restaurant and bar. They may or may not have realized the new restaurant there is, first of all, not exactly a "new" restaurant at all, and secondly, now open (as of last Wednesday) for business.

After months of preparation, Culver Wings -- formerly of 115 E. Jefferson Street in the downtown area -- has moved to the site, though developer John Zehner says the Jefferson Street restaurant will stay where it is, likely to reopen in the summertime as a sort of "Culver Wings South."

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Culver Christmas roundup

A calendar of local holiday-related events

Through the month of December, *The Culver Citizen* will break out all holiday-related events into this special space for readers' convenience.

Nativity pageant rehearsal Dec. 15. Rehearsals for St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church's annual Nativity Pageant will take place Sat., Dec. 15, from 9 to 10 a.m. All children of the community are invited to participate. The pageant will take place Fri., Dec. 21 at 5:30 p.m., with a potluck dinner following (meat and drinks provided).

Maxinkuckee Singers Christmas shows. The Maxinkuckee Singers will perform their annual Christmas concert at various sites. All shows will begin at 7:30 p.m. (6:30 CST in Knox) and there is no admission charge. Shows include: Dec. 13 at First United Church of Christ in Plymouth; Dec. 17 at Knox United Methodist Church in Knox.

Christmas card making at CUTPL: Sat., Dec. 14. Culver-Union Township Public Library will have a Christmas card making class Fri., Dec. 14 at 10 a.m. There is a \$5 materials fee for three cards and preregistration is required so materials can be provided. This program is open to the public. Call 574-842-2941 or email cgood@culver.lib.in.us for more information.

Children's Christmas party: Sat., Dec. 15. The an-

nual Culver community children's Christmas party will take place Saturday, Dec. 15 at the Culver Comm. High School. Doors open at 9:30 a.m. for a Christmas-themed movie for children at 10. Following, Santa will arrive to visit with the children. The front doors of the high school will be the entrance. The event is free and open to the public.

Santa at the Library: Sat., Dec. 15: Cookies and story time with Santa by the fireplace at the Culver Public Library, at 10:30 a.m.

Christmas open house at CUTPL: Sat., Dec. 15. Culver Public Library will host a Christmas open house from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sat., Dec. 15. Marlena Whitworth of Plymouth will sing and play piano from noon to 1, and Marizetta Kenney will play piano from 1 to 3. Cookies and punch will be served. This program is free and open to the public.

Monterey New Years Eve party: Dec. 31. A spaghetti dinner to benefit the Monterey Days festival in Monterey will take place New Years Eve from 7 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., at the American Legion Post in Monterey. Adults are \$8 and kids (5 to 11) \$5; under 5 are free. Kool Aid and coffee available (anything else would be BYOB). Music provided.

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ABOVE: Culver's Chamber of Commerce held its annual awards banquet last Tuesday, where members feted Volunteer of the Year Ginny Munroe (with outgoing Chamber president Dawn Brockey, LEFT), the Culver-Union Twp. Volunteer Fire Department, as represented by chief Mike Grover (CENTER), and Business Person of the Year Tony Sellers (RIGHT).

"It's a great community," he added. "I grew up here and it's great to get to give back."

The Culver Union Township Volunteer Fire Department was the recipient of the Chamber's Lifetime Achievement award.

Established in 1903 as a bucket brigade with only 14 men and some buckets, the department currently serves all the residents of Culver and Union Township, as well as the surrounding areas, in the event mutual aid is needed. Today there are six trucks, two boats, and one hovercraft at the department's disposal, and 21 volunteer members, ranging in age from 18, to "70-something," are on the force.

Brockey listed "only a few" of the many community endeavors local firemen volunteer for, including the annual Fireman's Festival, Halloween Haunted House, and golf outings.

"This organization's dedication, compassion -- not to

mention alertness in the middle of the night -- has made it an easily agreed-upon choice to be the recipient of this year's Lifetime Achievement award," Brockey concluded, "for 110 years of outstanding, vital, and valuable incredibly valuable service to this community."

Thanking the Chamber for the award, Grover said Culver is fortunate to "have a great group of guys (on the department); they're very dedicated (and) try to help with community service as much as we can. We like to help people, and we're proud of what we do. I'm proud of this group of guys."

In closing the event, Brockey said the Chamber "takes a lot of pride in trying to cultivate great relationships. We appreciate and notice what people do."

She also said she enjoyed being Chamber president for the past two years, and discussed some of the "exciting things" coming up in 2013, including a hoped-for ice fishing tournament in February and a follow-up to this year's



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Culver Bible Church rekindles memories

Past and present members of Culver Bible Church gathered on a Sunday afternoon last month to reflect on the more than 50 years the church has existed. It's also been 35 years since Pastor Dan Huhn and wife Kathie came to the church. In addition to a luncheon provided by church members, an array of photos and memorabilia was on display from the decades since Joe Boetsma first conceived of the church in 1951.

A detailed Power Point presentation took attendees through the years of the church in photo and information as well. Pictured at TOP, Elizabeth and Harold Beal of Kokomo, foreground, speak to the Huhns.

In the LOWER PHOTO, past member Al Jenkinson (standing), shares memories with his wife Judy next to him and daughter Kathy and her husband in the pew front of him. Seated right, front is Jason Keiser, and in the background are Tabi Smith (right) and Ben Smith.

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Culver Comm. High School students Emmalee Shepherd and Devin Ehlinger with a blanket in honor of Stephen Suthard, which they plan to give to his family.

Department at 574-842-2525 or 574-842-3613.

The Culver Police Department was assisted by the Culver EMS, Marshall County Sheriff's Department, Indiana State Police and Marshall County Coroner.

In the days following news of the incident, students at Culver Comm. High School in particular have continued to find ways to honor one of their own in the form of various tributes to Suthard.

One of these was the brainchild of Suthard's friend, Braxton Stiles, who came up with the idea of selling purple (Suthard's favorite color) t-shirts and sweatshirts in Suthard's memory, sold at the Wesley United Methodist Church Thursday and Friday afternoons, with proceeds to go to Suthard's family.

The shirts, which say, "God has you in his keeping but we have you in our hearts" on the front and, "Stephen Suthard, 10/27/96-11/28/12 - Forever Remembered," on the back, are \$12 (t-shirts) and \$18 (sweatshirts). Those interested in purchasing either or both may call Sonja at 765-585-9075.

Other tributes included a blanket with Suthard's likeness, to be given to his family, created by Emmalee Shepherd and Devin Ehlinger and Shepherd's mother, Shannon, and a balloon launch during the viewing for Suthard at Wesley church, Friday afternoon.

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Obituary

Stephen Michael Suthard

Oct. 27, 1996-Nov. 28, 2012

CULVER — Stephen Michael Suthard, 16, of Culver, passed away Nov. 28, 2012.

He was born in La Porte Oct. 27, 1996 to Stephen and Jennifer (Kraus) Suthard. Stephen attended Culver High School, where he was in the 10th grade, he enjoyed wrestling and was number one on his wrestling team in Michigan City his eighth grade year and first in regional of the state of Indiana, 2010.

Stephen loved to play sports, excelled in wrestling and enjoyed hanging out with friends and family. He loved spending time hunting with his parents and shot his very first buck this year. He enjoyed teaching his brother everything he knew about wrestling, Stephen was a great hearted young man who enjoyed making others smile. Stephen was a wonderful big brother and cousin, he enjoyed spending time playing football, basketball and video games. He enjoyed keeping everyone on their toes, he was a very strong willed young man with a great personality. He truly was a big brother to many.

Stephen is survived by his parents Jennifer and Stephen; his brother Matthew, of Culver. Also survived by his grandparents Laura (Tibbs) and George Korepanow, Randall and Tina Gould of La Porte and his great-grandparents Sam and Donna Tibbs, aunt Nelle and cousins Taylor, McKenzie and Evelyn Albertson also of La Porte; aunt Sarah Suthard and cousins Pete, Hannah, and Aiden. He is preceded in death by his grandmother Geri and grandfather Michael Suthard. He will be greatly missed by all of his family and friends.

Services were held at Wesley United Methodist Church, 511 School St., Culver Friday Dec. 7 from 3 p.m. till 7 p.m. Everyone knows Stevie loved purple so the family asked that everyone wear it to show their love and support.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Suthard family.

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

Birth- Quimby

Martin Lamar Quimby and Ranna Jo Quimby of Rochester announce the birth of a son born Nov. 12, 2012 at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. Elijah Lamar Quimby weighed 7 pounds and 12 1/2 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

He was welcomed home by siblings Timmy Anderson, 10, and Ana Anderson, 8.

Paternal grandparents are MaLeta and Bart DeWitt, and Ernie and Bert Quimby. Maternal great-grandparent is Marjorie Scheffer of Monterey. Paternal great-grandparent is Robert Bauman of Argos.



Death notice

Price

Michael D. Price
Nov. 28, 2012

CULVER — Michael DeShannon Price, 44, died Wednesday, Nov. 28, 2012 at his residence in Culver.

He is survived by his wife, Stephani; and his parents, David L. and Judith M Wilson Price.

Visitation was Saturday, Dec. 8, 2012 from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan Street, Plymouth.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, 2012, in the funeral home.

Burial was in Tyner Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to his family, through the funeral home.

Online condolences may be left at www.johnson-danielson.com

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Kneebone ordination in Culver is historic event

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

November 25 saw what may be an unprecedented event at Grace United Church of Christ in Culver: the ordination of its pastor to the status of minister -- which means church members can call her "Reverend" AnnMarie Kneebone now.

Kneebone began her time at both Grace and First United Church of Christ in Plymouth (the two churches are "yoked," or share a pastor) in June, 2011 as an interim pastor. She says in the UCC tradition, a potential pastor attends seminary and then takes on the status of a "person in discernment" with the Northwest Indiana Association of the Indiana-Kentucky Conference of the UCC, through the recommendation of a local church, which in Kneebone's case was the First Congregational UCC Church in Elkhart.

Then, she says, the candidate spends a few years in discernment, during which "it's all about covenant: creating relationships and accountability, as well as the fact that each church is autonomous. That, coupled with a commitment to accountability and covenant is what keeps us strong."

Kneebone developed relationships in the Association with various governing committees, primarily the Committee on Ministry, writing a paper and going before an ecclesiastical council where she was asked a number of questions, theoretical, theological, and practical.

"There's a lot of getting to know you through that process, to see if you're a qualified candidate for ordination,"



PHOTO PROVIDED
Rev. AnnMarie Kneebone, left, during her ordination at Grace United Church of Christ in Culver, with Rev. Dr. Eva Buthy (center) and, representing Grace at the event, Dan Adams of Culver.

she notes.

She was then voted to be ordained, pending a call to a specific church, which can be initiated in a variety of ways.

Grace and First United Churches were actively looking for a minister while Kneebone was acting as interim, and followed up on a few potentials, really making a connection.

"The churches (Grace and First United) here felt a connection to me in a way they felt was important enough that they contacted the council and asked if I could be a candidate," she says. "Because of our unique situation of our being yoked, the conference said they would shift my title from interim pastor to designated pastor...you're not saying, 'Yes, I'm committed to being here,' but I'm more than interim."

That was in July, and Kneebone was asked if she felt God was calling her towards those churches, something she says was initially unexpected for her.

Kneebone's ecclesiastical council was held at First UCC in Plymouth. On Decision Sunday in October, the vote took place regarding her status: at Grace in Culver just after she'd left for First UCC in Plymouth that Sunday morning, and at First UCC after she'd finished the service there.

"I got to take a walk (while they voted)," she laughs.

Culver's Grace congregants headed to Plymouth where the two churches shared vote counting tasks (and lunch, whose preparation was also shared by both churches' members).

The results of that vote, of course, culminated on Sunday, Nov. 25 with Kneebone's ordination, which she felt should appropriately be at Grace, since the events leading up to it took place at First UCC.

Technically, two major events took place that day: not only Kneebone's ordination, but also her installation to both individual church bodies. While both Grace UCC and First UCC have been the sites of ministerial installations in the past, Kneebone doesn't believe actual ordinations have taken place at either.

During ordination, the Northwest Association ordains the minister, says Kneebone, though the Committee on Ministry is also a part of the ordination, and each entity has a representative. Plymouth's own Rev. Ron Leichty -- as pastor emeritus at First UCC and a past interim pastor at Grace -- did an exhortation during both the ordination and installation. Representatives of both churches, as well as clergy from other area churches, also participated.

"That's a lot of what the UCC is about," says Kneebone, "is participation and collaboration, as well as accountability and covenant. So having all those people represent those different groups is a representation of our polity and focus."

There were also many special people to Kneebone in attendance Nov. 25, including the person who first encouraged her to attend seminary (who journeyed here from the suburbs of Chicago), Kneebone's best friend since first grade, her 85 year old father, her brother and sister-in-law and their children, and others.

"So the intensity of that ceremony was high because of all the input from everybody's life into mine," she explains, "which culminated in this recognition of being called by God, and they were witnesses."

"The process of being ordained is like many other processes: you have things that show your aptitude and abilities. But then the witnesses there that day (of ordination) from the actual committees I talked to, to those longtime friends and mentors, and having both churches come together at one site and be witnesses too, and say together, 'We agree we want you to become our pastor.'

"The church was pretty full that day," she acknowledges.

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., Dec. 13: Country fried steak and white gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, bran muffin, fruit cup, birthday treat, milk.

Friday, Dec. 14: Salmon burger, bun, and tartar sauce, mixed vegetables, salad and dressing, dessert, milk.

Monday, Dec. 17: Meatloaf, peas, baby bakers, sour cream, bread and margarine, peaches, milk. **Tuesday, Dec. 18:** Chicken breast, rice pilaf, seasoned cabbage, roll and margarine, tropical fruit, milk.

Wednesday, Dec. 19: BBQ pork, kaiser bun, mixed vegetables, sweet potatoes, pineapple, milk.

Thursday, Dec. 20: Turkey Manhattan, mashed potatoes, cauliflower, bread, fruit cup, milk.

Friday, Dec. 21: Roast beef and gravy, red skin garlic mashers, Brussell sprouts, roll, dessert, milk

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A clarification and other news

At the outset, I'd like to rectify some misinformation in my column in last week's paper, on this page.

Culver Comm. High School principal Albert Hanselman contacted me to clarify that, at no point following news of the shooting death of CCHS student Stephen Suthard, were news media representatives allowed inside the building. In discussing the matter here last week, I mistakenly assumed TV reporters from South Bend stations had been inside the building since: 1) I saw their vehicles parked in the high school lot, and 2) I saw a couple of students interviewed on the air.

All of which just goes to show the importance of those of us reporting the news making sure to get our facts straight and not assume anything.

Albert reports that, instead, if a media representative "buzzed" the (always locked) doors of the school, either Albert himself, stepped outside to discuss the matter, or a card with contact info was sent out to them.

For the record, Albert was just "setting the record straight," rather than expressing upset over the error, so that's appreciated, and I reiterate last week's appreciative comments as to how the school handled the aftermath of the situation, in informing students and parents, making clergy and counselors available to students, and informing of the prayer vigil held the night after the shooting. I'll also reiterate my positive comments as to many of the



View from Main Street

By Jeff Kenney
Editor

students' finding positive ways to channel their grief and dismay, such as tributes to Stephen Suthard and fund-raisers for the family.

In completely unrelated news, readers may be interested to know a new antiques business, Flea Market Chic, has been added to the offerings at Elizabeth's Garden on Plymouth Street. The work of Jenifer Foxworthy, the shop had its opening day -- complete with giveaways and treats -- Wednesday, Dec. 12, after most of you will have received this paper, though you may still have time to stop by before the 7 p.m. closing!

Work on the downtown revitalization concluded last week with the addition of soil to the planters at the downtown intersections, which this coming spring will be populated with flowers. There are some other hoped-for enhancements town manager Dave Schoeff is looking into, and of course the streets in that area will be repaved this spring as well.

In addition, the town's holiday decorations are up. That, combined with the usual assortment of Christmas concerts, open houses, the Academies' Vespers service, and of course last Friday's tree lighting event, means the holidays are upon us, as impossible as it might seem. Perhaps we'll even see some snow to replace the fog of the past few weeks, which has caused delays and even a full day's cancellation, at Culver Comm. Schools...though whether said snow is a good or bad thing will depend on the reader's tastes!

Wings from page 1

The former Ten Spot building has been renovated and divided into five suites (four are occupied -- two each by Wings and Thermal Graphics, in the south end of the building), while a second, standalone building to the east will house a new daycare operation called Max's Playhouse (more on that in a moment).

That "Culver Pizza" sign will soon be replaced with a "Culver Wings" one, though pizza will be a specialty of the house, along with sandwiches and, of course, wings. There's also a liquor license at the location for those who'd like a drink.

"Culver Wings had lot of success with (Culver) Academies students and families," says Zehner. "We were just going to do pizza, but the wings were a hit, and the new building has better access to the Academy."

Zehner notes the downtown Wings locale closed in the wintertime, but with a different type of visibility, he plans for the new spot to be open year-round.

The new Culver Wings will continue to deliver and offer carry-out, but the bright, comfortable new dining area -- adorned with vintage images of the Culver area -- also has an additional "overflow" room which could easily accommodate busfuls on their way to or from a sporting event, business groups or local clubs, or any group of 50 to 100 people.

The new Wings, Zehner notes, "won't really be a grille," but a more traditional pizza place, perhaps hearkening back for some Culverites to popular, hometown venues of years past.

During the winter, he notes Culver Wings will be open seven nights per week with weekend lunch hours planned for Friday through Sunday hours. These will likely expand to daily lunch and dinner hours in the summer.

Wings will also be enhancing its offerings very soon by way of a mobile app, says Zehner, while online ordering is already available for fastest service through the restaurant's website at culverwings.com. Wings' phone number is 574-842-4291.

New daycare slated for spring

Another new addition to John Zehner's State Road 10 business complex will be Max's Playhouse (as in Lake Maxinkuckee), a daycare slated to open this May at 18561 State Road 10, the standalone building adjacent to the new Culver Wings.

This according to Brandy Pohl, a Culver Community

High School grad (and frequent substitute teacher in the school system of late) who returned to the area in recent years. She says she and her husband noticed people "scurrying around in the summer (because there's) no stable place for childcare then, and drop-in childcare is also important."

Pohl also felt, with the proliferation of seasonal and tourist visitors to the area, some might want to have "an adult day" by way of a safe place to leave their children.

Last February, Pohl journeyed to Indianapolis to begin training with the result that Max's Playhouse will be one of -- if not the only -- fully licensed childcare center of daycare in Marshall County. While a number of in-home and church-sponsored daycare centers exist in the county, says Pohl, licensed daycares must meet Americans with Disabilities Act standards, have a curriculum, separate children by age groups, and be licensed in a commercial building, among other stricter guidelines.

The new daycare, she says, will accommodate 6 weeks to 36 month old children in one area, and 3 to 6 year olds in another. Children will play in a fenced-in outdoor area of 1,000 square feet, behind the daycare as well. And Max's Playhouse, she adds, will be "Montessori-inspired" (referring to the Montessori educational approach), though not formally Montessori in curriculum. The daycare can take up to eight infants (though only three at a time) and 24 preschoolers, and hours will be Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Renovation, Pohl explains, should begin this week on the interior of the building.

"It's nice to have this area (on State Road 10) revitalized," she adds. "It's nice to have things out here again."

Pohl encourages parents interested in the daycare to contact her at any time, via email at brandypohl@gmail.com.

Thermal Graphics already in place

A far less visible tenant in the new Culver Wings building is Thermal Graphics, a wholesale laminating supply company which relocated here a year ago from the Cincinnati area, according to company president Kevin Kelly and his wife, vice president Elizabeth Kelly.

Obviously there's isn't the sort of business most Culverites will "drop in" to utilize, but the Kellys, who run the business on their own and are in "semi-retirement," are thoroughly enjoying the quiet beauty of Culver life.

Name that Culver 'citizen'

It was really no surprise that last week's Mystery Citizen garnered an avalanche of responses. First, she hasn't changed very much since this photo (from a 1970s Culver Comm. junior high yearbook) was taken. Second, generations of Culverites fondly remember her gentle care as school nurse, her performances in the Maxinkuckee Players and Singers, her volunteering in many capacities -- church, organi-



zations, and the community at large -- in Culver, and more. She's

Sharon Coffey, and the long list of those who recognized her would probably have been longer if everyone called or wrote. Those who did, and who may park for free under the nifty Christmas decorations in Culver's downtown, include:

Kay Tusing, J Jeffrey Havron, Carin Clifton, Connie Deery, Lora Pinder, Tabitha Kreischer, Yvonne Hopple, Pam Baker, Kristine Eisenhour, Theresa Burns, Michael Rouse, Todd Deery, Judi Burns, Vicki Lutz Wagner, Hilary Sopata, Sandy Dunfee, Ken VanDePutte, Jeanette Geiselman, Cynthia Bonine Goss, Sandra Kelso, Justin Croy, Monica Hyland Lindsley, Debbie Hyland Noel, June MacDonald, Betty Voreis, Dallas Tousley, and Judy Patton.

Note that, in her "now" photo, Sharon is dressed in style for the "Dancing with the Stars" fundraiser a few years back.

This week's Mystery Citizen is a familiar face in Culver since childhood, and has been -- along with her family -- for most of her life. She also comes from a longtime, well-known local family and is presently employed at a well-known local institution.

Guesses may be emailed to culvercitizen@gmail.com or call the editor at 574-216-0075.



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Cvitkovic powers Lady Eagles past Cavaliers in crosstown rivalry game

By Dee Grenert
Staff Writer

CULVER — Culver Girls Academy leading scorer Andrijana Cvitkovic recorded just a single solitary basket in the opening nine minutes Wednesday.

The rest of the contest told an entirely different tale.

The 6-foot-3 senior post scored 22 of her game-high 24 points over the final three quarters, and also grabbed six rebounds, swatted four shots, and swiped three steals to lead the Eagles to a 54-43 girls basketball win over cross-town rival Culver Community at John R. Nelson Gymnasium.

“I think (Cvitkovic) was at ease tonight,” CGA head coach Gary Christlieb said. “For probably the first time this year she did a great job of letting the game come to her. She picked spots, picked shots and set other people up. The rest of the kids did a nice job finding her and running the offense through her. Maybe we’re starting to figure some things out.”

Cvitkovic worked the high and low post, moved well without the ball, screened, and also showcased her ample passing skills. Her bucket right before halftime put CGA up 25-23, a lead it never relinquished.

“(Cvitkovic) is a good player,” Culver head coach Gina Hierlmeier said. “We talked about how we had to stop her and try to stay in front of her. In the first half we did a



CITIZEN PHOTO/PAUL PARÉ
Culver Girls Academy's Alle Baker dribbles against Culver Community's Shakkira Harris during a crosstown rivalry game at John R. Nelson Gymnasium last week.

pretty good job, but in the second half we lost her a few times, and she was able to do some things in transition.

“We missed shots; some of those are shots we’ve struggled to get to fall all year,” she added. “Other times we’d drive and we adjusted the shot versus going up strong, because (Cvitkovic) was there.”

Junior Alle Baker contributed 12 points off the bench for the Eagles, and junior Victoria Christlieb piled up 10 points — all during the third frame — to go along with 10 rebounds, four assists, and four steals. Rita Zambon dished out five assists for CGA, which finished 24 of 49 from the field.

“(Culver) had some foul problems,” the CGA skipper said. “We were able to take advantage and go inside to Victoria and Andi, and Andi set up Victoria for some inside plays. Alle Baker came off the bench and gave us a huge lift. I think our depth was a

factor in the game. We came at them and were able to keep coming at them.”

Leading 25-23 at halftime, the Eagles put together a crucial 12-2 spurt to start the third quarter, grabbing a 37-25 lead on a Victoria Christlieb jumper at the 3:12 mark. CGA’s half-court zone trap forced seven third-quarter turnovers lead-

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Boys basketball



CITIZEN PHOTO/PAUL PARÉ
CCHS player Jordan Sanders hits the air despite Knox player Caleb Heineman's attempts to stop him, as Culver's Micah Budzinski (right) looks on.

Cavs win NSC opener vs Knox: Culver Community jumped out to a 25-7 halftime lead, and the Cavaliers claimed a 50-31 Northern State Conference-opening win over visiting Knox in a boys/ girls double feature Saturday night at John R. Nelson Gymnasium.

Trent Elliott had an outstanding all-around game for the Cavaliers with 23 points, 13 rebounds and three steals. Everett Krueger recorded seven points, Micah Budzinski finished with six points and 10 rebounds, and Collin Stevens finished with six points and four assists for the Cavs, who moved to 4-1 overall.

• CULVER 50, KNOX 31 At Culver

West Lafayette rallies past CMA:

West Lafayette outscored Culver Military 30-12 in the second half, and the home team rallied past the visiting Eagles 45-28 in Lafayette Saturday. Nick Zalduendo had a standout game for CMA with 14 points, five rebounds and two assists. Hayes Barnes finished with eight points for the Eagles, who slid to 0-4 on the young season.

• WEST LAFAYETTE 45, CULVER MILITARY 28 At Lafayette

CMA hands LaVille Senior Night spoiler

By James Costello
Sports Editor

LAKEVILLE — It was Senior Night at LaVille, but after the initial senior introductions, visiting Culver Military Academy didn't give the Lancers a whole lot to celebrate.

The loaded Eagles lineup won 11 matches, including five by pinfall from 132 to 160, and CMA handed its hosts a lopsided 58-18 loss.

For the Eagles, who were coming off the team championship with seven individual champions at the Winamac Super Six last weekend, it was important to avoid a letdown. After forfeits in the first three weight classes — two by LaVille and one by Culver — CMA won nine straight bouts, including five by fall and one by major decision, to put the meet out of reach early.

“LaVille is a good opponent, they’re coached well, and their kids come out ready to wrestle,” said CMA head coach Matt Behling. “I told our kids ahead of time ‘You cannot



CITIZEN PHOTO/JAMES COSTELLO
Culver Military Academy's Edward Hogan tries to finish a takedown on LaVille's Ben Norton during a dual meet in Lakeville last week.

overlook any team. You need to get out here and you’ve got to wrestle tough.’ I was pleased with the fact that they came out and wrestled as hard as they did.”

CMA boasts a pair of returning state qualifiers in junior Kayla Miracle — although the 120-pounder, who became the first female in Indiana history to reach the state finals last year, sat out Thursday’s meet after failing to make weight — and senior 145-pounder Anthony McHugh, and the Eagles were invited to compete in the Class AA Indiana

See CMA page 6

Girls basketball

Shaffer powers Culver over Knox: Kayla Shaffer scored a game-high 20 points with five steals, and Culver Community held off visiting Knox 49-45 in the first game of a Northern State Conference girls/ boys doubleheader at John R. Nelson Gymnasium in Culver Saturday.

Mickella Hardy and Donna Zehner each scored eight for the Lady Cavs, and Tatum Schultz finished with seven points, nine re-

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bounds and seven assists as Culver moved to 2-0 in the NSC with a 7-3 overall mark.

• CULVER 49, KNOX 45
At Culver

CGA wins 2nd straight: Culver Girls Academy earned a back-to-back win with a 53-37 win over visiting South Bend Riley Saturday. Andrijana Cvitkovic scored 19 and Victoria Christlieb finished with 11 for CGA's front line, while guards Helen Weinberg and Alle Baker scored nine and eight for the balanced Lady Eagles, who improved to 7-2.

• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 53, RILEY 37
At Culver

Wrestling

CITIZEN PHOTO/PAUL PARÉ
Kayla Shaffer (CCHS) soars above Miranda Shepherd of Knox.

LaVille beats Culver: LaVille earned wins in nine weight categories, and the Lancers handed visiting Culver Community a lopsided 49-49 loss

Wednesday. Matt and Mark Hurford both earned wins for Culver in the team loss.

• LaVILLE 49, CULVER 19
At Lakeville

Boys hockey

CMA blanks Penn: Culver Military's varsity A team shut out visiting Penn 8-0 at home Wednesday night. Matt Neufeldt scored twice as seven different Eagles notched goals in the win. Charlie Miller recorded the shutout in goal for CMA.

• CULVER MILITARY (A) 8, PENN 0
At Culver

Girls swimming

CGA routs M. Marian: Culver Girls Academy went one-two in a total of seven different events in a 129-52 rout of visiting Mishawaka Marian Saturday. Lauryn Robinson and Rory Byrne each claimed a trio of wins for the Lady Eagles.

• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 129, MISHAWAKA MARIAN 52
At Culver

CGA beats Logan: Lauryn Robinson, Eberle Miller, Jaclyn Schutjer and Rory Byrne combined to break both

the Culver Girls Academy school and pool record in the 200 freestyle relay, and the Lady Eagles beat visiting Logansport 111-74 Wednesday night. Robinson, Miller, Schutjer and Byrne turned in a record-breaking 1:43.55 time in the 200 free relay, and Byrne won all four of her events, while Robinson and Miller each claimed three wins at the meet.

• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 111, LOGANSFORT 74
At Culver

Boys swimming

CMA outpaces Marian: Like their girls counterparts, Culver Military's boys went one-two in seven events to hand visiting Mishawaka Marian a 120-63 loss Saturday. Ian Bardwell and Samuel Curtis notched three wins apiece for the Eagles in the team victory.

• CULVER MILITARY 120, MISHAWAKA MARIAN 63
At Culver

CMA coasts: CMA finished one-two in nine different events, and the Eagles breezed to a 133-50 win over visiting Logansport Wednesday.

• CULVER MILITARY 133, LOGANSFORT 50
At Culver

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High School Wrestling Coaches Association's first annual State Duals Invitational later this month after topping the team standings at the Plymouth Sectional last year.

While LaVille entered Thursday's meet coming off a win over Culver Community Wednesday night and competes in numerous weekday meets throughout the season, the traditional dual was something of a departure for CMA, which, like many programs, has shifted its sched-

ule in favor of weekend super duals and tournaments.

"We try to keep these duals because we want to wrestle this old-school type of wrestling match where you have crowd against crowd, and everybody's getting into it and they're focused on that one mat. We love that," Behling said. "We have four of those a year and with our schedule that's about as many as we can fit in with the weekends that we wrestle."

"I feel really good about where the team is at right now," said Behling. "They're putting the work in, they're getting stronger, they're focusing on their technique and they're coming out and wrestling competitively. I'm very happy with the direction we're heading."

• CULVER MILITARY 58, LaVILLE 18

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site will be closed December 24, 25 and 31. Those wishing to attend the Christmas party should have reservations in by 11 a.m. Dec. 12. Those in attending should bring a gift for a lady or man (relative to attendees' gender), not to exceed \$5 value. Those wishing to make reservations should call 574-842-8878.

Bake sale will benefit Schrimsher family

A benefit bake sale for the David and Bobbi Schrimsher family will be held Sat., Dec. 15 starting at 8 a.m. at Park N Shop, 1105 N Lake Shore Dr. in Culver. David has been battling serious illness for some years and his condition has worsened of late. More details will follow in upcoming editions of *The Culver Citizen*.

Board and Commission Openings

There are several openings on Town Boards and Commissions. Currently, there is one opening on the Park Board, five openings on the Redevelopment Commission, three openings on the Tree Commission and one opening on the Marshall County Economic Development Corporation. Those interested should submit a letter of interest no later than Monday, January 7 to Town Hall, 200 E. Washington, Culver.

Community meal at St. Mary's Dec. 30

St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church's monthly community meal will take place Sunday, Dec. 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.

Notice to Antiquarian member-subscribers

Members of the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver, all of whom receive one year's subscription to *The Culver Citizen* as part of their annual membership dues, are asked to contact the Pilot News office, rather than the AHS, regarding seasonal changes of address. The Postal Service will forward newspapers for a limited time, after which it's important to notify the Pilot Circulation Dept. of your change of address. Call 1-800-933-0356 or email circ@thepilotnews.com

Lilly scholarship application

The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship program is available for 2013 graduates, who may apply online at www.pulaskionline.org. Deadline is Jan. 7, 2013 at 3 p.m. eastern time. The program is fully funded by the Lilly Endowment Inc. and administered locally by the Pulaski County Community Foundation. Recipients will receive full tuition and required fees as well as up to \$900 per year for required books and equipment for four years of undergraduate study at an accredited Indiana public or private college or university. Applicants must be a resident of Pulaski County, be a high school senior graduating by the end of June 2013 with a diploma from a regionally accredited Indiana high school, and be accepted to pursue full-time baccalaureate study at an accredited public or private college or university in Indiana.

Good News Club at CES

Culver Elementary School will host Good News Clubs Tuesdays after school until 4:30 p.m. The club will meet in the library (in the Pit). Good News Clubs are sponsored

by Child Evangelism Fellowship, and consist of Bible lessons, missionary stories, songs, Scripture memorization and creative learning activities. All children attending must have a permission slip supplied by the school.

Adult basketball at CCMS gym

The Culver adult winter basketball takes place from 1 to 3 p.m. EST, at the Culver Middle School gym, and continues Sundays (except Dec. 23) until March 10. The cost is \$2 per Sunday, or \$15 for the entire season. Please pay before you play and bring your good sportsmanship, but not your children. Questions should be directed to Ken VanDePutte at 574-274-9942.

Downtown clock donations sought

The fund-raising goal towards Culver's new Main Street clock is at the halfway mark towards total \$8,000 cost of the clock -- which will be installed in conjunction with the downtown revitalization project at the corner of Main and Jefferson Streets. Checks may be made out to The Town of Culver and sent to: Verl Shaffer, 1140 South Street, Culver, IN, 46511.

TOPS meets Wednesdays

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets at the Culver Grace United Church of Christ, 307 Plymouth St., Culver Wednesday at 3 pm. 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.

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Culver's Garbacik inducted into Baseball Players' Association Hall of Fame

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

The Baseball Players Association – which operates in 12 US states and Canada – recently held its first-ever Sports Hall of Fame inductions, and Culver's own Darrell Garbacik went down in history alongside Jared Bratcher of Kentucky as inductees.

The BPA, whose largest participation is in the Midwest, includes teams ranging in age from 6 and under through adults, says Garbacik (the BPA's Indiana State Director), who notes there are 2,286 (as of last year) teams. Given the average 12 players and two coaches per team, that's some 32,004 people in 2012.

Out of these, Garbacik and Bratcher (the Kentucky BPA State Director) were chosen, as the BPA website at www.playbpa.com/HallOfFame.aspx puts it, for having "contributed greatly to the support and advancement of the Baseball Players Association."

The BPA is primarily armature youth "travel" baseball teams that play in "travel" baseball tournaments



PHOTO PROVIDED

Culver's Darrell Garbacik addresses the audience at the Baseball Players Association's Sports Hall of Fame inductions in Louisville in October.

BPA Advisory Committee, a NSA-BPA Sports Hall of Fame committee member, a trainer at the BPA National Convention, director of the BPA World Series Tourna-

ment, and author of various articles for newspapers and publications promoting NSA Softball, among other accomplishments.

He and other winners were presented their awards at the 2012 NSA-BPA National Convention in October in Lexington Kentucky.

During his acceptance speech at the event, Garbacik noted he's had a passion for sports all his life and attributed his success especially to his family.

"I've been blessed with great mentors that have taught me a lot, including my dad, late grandfather and the late great Jerry Karstens," he said. "They taught me to be honest, to be fair, and to do what's right. To have integrity with everything you do. And to have fun doing it!"

He also lauded his wife Laura and sons Drake and Dayne for their support.

Baseball Players Association was established in 2000 by Hugh Cantrell in Lexington, Kentucky and is a travel league Garbacik describes as "very family oriented, and similar to youth 'club' volleyball, AAU Basketball, or club/travel soccer that you may have heard of or seen."

In Indiana, he says, the BPA averages 375 teams each season, with nearest teams including the Knox and Plymouth areas, with several teams based in South Bend, Mishawaka, Elkhart, Granger, and Ft. Wayne. More information about the Association is available online at www.playbpa.com.

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ing to 12 points — 10 during the game-changing run that handed the Eagles a double-digit lead the rest of the way.

"Anytime you can score off your defense you can be pretty effective," Christlieb said. "We were able to get some turnovers and turn them into baskets. The third quarter was pretty big — 19-8 for us.

"I think in the second quarter we got a feel for (Culver's) defense," he added. "To their credit they hit shots early, and we didn't quite execute in the first half. The third quarter we put it together on both ends of the floor."

For the Cavs, sophomore forward Donna Zehner notched a team-high 12 points and eight rebounds followed by 10 points apiece from Kayla Shaffer and Tatum Schultz. Sophomore center Mickella Hardy pulled down nine boards for Culver, which led much of the first half.

However, the Cavs turned the ball over 24 times and finished just 33 percent from the field.

"In the third quarter we had some turnovers, but we also missed decent shots," Hierlmeier said. "They were hitting shots and taking care of the ball; we were just the opposite, and we fell behind pretty quick. That third quarter was a big game changer.

"We've talked about moving the basketball quicker," she continued. "We have a tendency to dribble too much which leads to turnovers. I thought we started moving the ball better against their

zone. We'd penetrate and get good shots, we just couldn't hit them."

Both teams return to action Saturday; CGA hosts South Bend Riley, while Culver entertains Knox.

• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 54,
CULVER COMMUNITY 43
At Culver

Special pre-Christmas services at Trinity

Trinity Lutheran Church in Culver will host three special worship services on the Thursdays in December leading up to Christmas. Under the theme "A Baptismal Look at Advent," three Old Testament prophecies will be examined.

On Dec. 13, we will examine Malachi 3:1-7b. Connected to you by Bap-

tism, Christ continually purifies and scrubs clean all the guilt and regrets you feel in your personal life. On Dec. 20, we will examine Zephaniah 3:14-20. Connected to you by Baptism, Christ continually remains with you wherever you go in your personal life. In preparation for the celebration of Jesus' birth,

each worship service will begin with the singing of Christmas hymns from 7 to 7:15 p.m..

Trinity Lutheran Church is a member congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Sunday worship services begin at 8:30 a.m. followed by refreshments and Bible class.

County services go online

By Lydia Beers
Staff Writer

MARSHALL CO. — County residents and business professionals now have a new option when it comes to some county services. Marshall County rolled out online permitting last week.

"We are now offering a 24/7 service, not just an 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. service," said Shawnda Wenino of Marshall County GIS.

Individuals interested in renewing their contractor registration or getting a food service or driveway permit can now log onto the Marshall County website (www.co.marshall.in.us) and click the online per-

mitting link under "County Services." The entire permit application process can now be carried out online from the comfort of a home or office.

"Our goal is to have building permits, septic permits, complaints and variances available online in the next couple of months," added Wenino.

County building commissioner Chuck DeWitt introduced the online permitting process to other county employees and business people in the community during a press conference at the Marshall County Building. After filling out all the necessary information, two people in each department

are emailed with your request. Some permits could take as little as five minutes to register for, while others that involve action on behalf of a county department (for example, a driveway permit requires Highway Department personnel to perform several inspections of the area) could take a little longer.

DeWitt noted that while permit fees can be paid online, the county is still accepting payment via mail or in person.

Wenino said later that the process to start online permitting has been in the works as an idea for quite some time, but the work really began in August.

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