

In Brief

Meet the Culver candidates tonight

A Culver Meet the Candidates event will take place Thursday, Oct. 29 at the train station-depot on Lake Shore Drive, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Candidates for seats on Culver's town council -- which include Republicans Robert K. Cooper, Ginny Bess Muroe, and Jean Rakich as well as Liberterian Joel R. Samuelson -- as well as for the Culver clerk-treasurer's position -- including in-cumbant Karen Heim, a Republican, and Democrat Gil Standley -- will speak briefly and answer audience questions.

Haunted house open Friday
The Fall Fest community

haunted house at the Culver park beach lodge will be open Friday, Oct. 30, from 7 to 10 p.m. The public is welcome.

Trick-or-Area treating

Miller's Merry Manor will host trick-or-treating Sat., Oct. 31 from 4 to 5 p.m., at the facility on School Street. The town of Culver's official trickor-treating will take place Saturday from 5 to 7 p.m. Monterey's official trickor-treating will be Saturday from 5:30 to 7 p.m. (Eastern time).

Lakehouse Halloween party Saturday

The Lakehouse Grille's fourth annual Halloween party will take place Saturday from 10 p.m. to 2:30 a.m., and will include a costume contest, photo booth, and music from DJ Tim. The Lakehouse is located at 620 E. Lake Shore Drive in Culver.

Halloween VFW

party Saturday
The Culver VFW Post 6919's annual Halloween party will take place Sat., Oct. 31 at the Post building on Washington Street, starting at 7:30 p.m. and will include a costume contest for those so attired and DJ/karaoke. Attendees are encouraged to bring a snack to share.

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Autumn everywhere

ABOVE: Scenes of a Culver area autum include (UPPER LEFT) the presence of the 'Headless Horseman' at Yellow River Farms on State Road 8, where plenty of fall family fun prevails (including the 'Sleepy Hollow' spectre pursuing hayride-goers. Youngsters from Wesley Preschool, LOWER LEFT, * had a chance to try out that rider recently, as they spent the morning playing at Yellow River Farms and picking pumpkins. At LOWER RIGHT, the Yellow River as seen from the State Road 17 bridge was specially closely state and State Road 18. Preschoolers got some trick-or-treating in early via a venture to assorted Culver businesses last week. More costumed kiddies will be hitting the streets, of course, this Saturday evening, so Culver area drivers are asked to be aware, especially as the sun sets.

Hedges, 25 years in Culver Remembering Maxinkuckee Orchard banking, recalls end of an historic Culver era

By Jeff Kenney Citizen editor

CULVER

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CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNNEY stone that a famil-Jackie Hedges on the job (and in her iar face behind 25th year) at First Farmers Bank in the counter at to-Culver. day's First Farm-

er's Bank & Trust marked 25 years in the building earlier this month. Jacqueline 'Jackie' Hedges, then, is a unique bridge between the long era of a bank near the top of its ranks within the state of Indiana for much of the 20th century — no doubt due in large part to the leadership of longtime president W.O. Osborn, who died in 1982 — and the much smaller operation, part of a chain of what has now become 38 banks, based in Converse, Indiana. In fact, she's one of three regular faces behind the

See Bank page 2 desk including Amy Sustainta,

Schoonovers maintain legacy of oldest commercial orchard in township, bound for National Register

By Jeff Kenney Citizen editor

CULVER — It's the time of year in Culver when the obligatory pumpkin-flavored everything is often accompanied by all things apple: cider, butter, taffy, or just plain apples themselves. It's a flavor sure to conjure up cherished, ageold memories for many, but perhaps none more than longtime residents of the Lake Maxinkuckee area, whose microclimate, especially on the east shore, may be especially conducive to the flourishing of apple trees.

And while many living Culverites today nurture fond memories of the last of a number of historic orchards in the area (that of the Bigley family, along 18B Road at the old Maxinkuckee Village), and the fame of the Vonnegut name on the lake has led to much discussion of the east shore orchard in that name, the

earliest Maxinkuckee orchard was, well, the Maxinkuckee Orchard.

The site of Maxinkuckee Orchard -- near the intersection of 18B and Peach Roads -- is on track to be added to the National Register of Historic Places (likely next year, under the guidance of Marshall County architectural historian Kurt Garner), the same year the Norris family, in

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'Stay a While in Culver' - Second in a series

Black Horse Bed & Breakfast: Indiana Countryside Paradise

By Anna Campbell, Correspondent

CULVER — The Black Horse Bed & Breakfast, located at 16412 State Road 10, is owned and operated by Ann & Lee Zumbaugh, who purchased the 40 acre property 19 years ago.

Pulling into the long winding drive and greeted with a small orchard, mature woods and rolling green pastures, one gets the sense of entering a secret

oasis. The grounds are picturesque, a setting as suited to the English countryside as the Midwest. A rustic wood and stone home -- a portion of which dates back to at least the 1910's and has since been added onto over the years -- emerges from the natural landscape.

When the Zumbaughs, who retired from teaching after 40 years of service (Lee was also a basketball coach and Vietnam veteran), purchased the house, it was a private residence.

Operating a Bed & Breakfast was a concept the couple had talked about years before.

"The seed had been planted and then life just

moved on," Ann explains. When Lee saw the property come on the market, he was immediately interested. The house was so large

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when the Culver and Lakeville Lions Clubs visited Max's Playhouse to conduct eye tests

CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY Owen Widener, age 3, was dressed for community business trick-or-treating last week

Lions go hi-tech for children's eye screening By Jeff Kenney

Citizen editor

CULVER — Members of the Culver Lions Club paid a visit last week to Max's Playhouse in Culver, where they joined members of the Lakeville Lions Club in eye screening for early detection of issues, a fitting offering within the larger context of the national and state-level Lions emphasis on eye care, especially for children.

Culver Lions Ned and Lynn Davis joined Lakeville Lions Rose Russell, Dee Milzarek and Do Foster to utilize the Lakeville club-owned equipment (which would run in the \$10,000 range for any club attempting to purchase it, as the Lakeville club did) towards early detection of "lazy eye" and other optometry-related maladies, including lifethreatening ones.

Detection of such issues among children under 6 can prevent glasses, among other matters, notes Russell.

The photos taken will be sent See Lions page 2 to ophthalmologists associated



Eye testing next week for children 6 and under

The Culver Lions Club will recreate the tests offered at Max's Playhouse last week, on Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 3 and 4 at 9 a.m., for any child through age 6. The club will be testing children at Wesley Preschool on School Street and area children interested in being tested are welcome to attend and be tested. (see related story, page 1 and below).

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with the Indiana Lions Eye Bank, with results sent to parents via the daycare, including recommendations (if any).

The Culver club has been busier than usual at a different age range this year, as well. The Culver Lions, note the Davises, have been doing eye checks for decades, but this is the first year the club has also done acuity eye testing at the elementary and middle school level (specifically for students in the 3rd, 5th, and 8th grades).

"The State of Indiana mandated children have eye exams, but didn't allocate any money for it," says Lynn Davis. "So the Lions volunteered to do it."

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Shoring up the beach lodge

RIGHT: Work continued on the north side of the Culver beach lodge in the town park last week as workers removed old window wells and water proofed the walls below grade to prevent moisture from leaking into the lower lever of the building

The effort is part of ongoing renovations at the lodge, which has seen new railings and HVAC install within the past year, among other improvements.



Bank from page 1-

who has been with the bank for 15 years).

Hedges is aware of the storied legacy of the bank indeed, how could she not be, spending a quarter-century interfacing with all ages of Culverites?

Hedges, however, didn't grow up in Culver. Instead the larger -- but still small -- town of Highland, Indiana was home to her family. Married in the fall of 1990 to high school sweetheart Mark Hedges, she and her husband took over what had been the family farm from his father near Ancilla College in Marshall County, building their home in 1994 (they have lived there ever since)

Mike took a job as a mechanic at Oliver Ford in Plymouth where Mike Fitterling, another long-familiar Culver name, was his boss for many years. When Mark asked Fitterling if the latter knew of a banking job for Jackie, Fitterling suggested what had then become Norcen (the reorganized title given to the former State Exchange Bank after a handful of years of legal wrangling in the fallout of a myriad of issues following Osborn's death).

Jackie Hedges, then, began her tenure with the bank on Oct. 15, 1990. At first, she says, not much changed.

"This (the current one) was the teller line when I started," she says. "The back offices were the loan officers. Upstairs was bookkeeping and the controller's office. What computers they had back then were upstairs. Most everything was handwritten on paper, but the statements were upstairs."

The street level of the bank, explains Hedges, was the credit department. In those days, Culver's branch was part of a Norcen family inherited from the State Exchange days and including branches in Argos, LaPaz, Bremen, and Granger (Plymouth had been part of that group, but wasn't by 1990). Hedges, in fact, spent much of her first year at the Bremen branch, grateful to shift to Culver (which meant less winter-time driving) when a Culver employee left to have a baby.

"I want to say an average of 50 people were working here when I started," she recalls, reflecting a paradigm of the operation dating back decades as the company's offerings had gradually expanded from simply traditional

banking.

"There were desks in hallways in every nook and cranny," says Hedges. "They were divided by cubicle partitions. You had credit workout -- like delinquent loans -and that was Ned Davis and Judy Grover. Cassie Gunder (now a familiar face at the Culver branch of the First National Bank of Monterey) sat at a desk with a partition, with Joyce Hanselman. As big as this building is, they didn't have enough offices with doors!"

Hedges plumbs the depths of her memory to pin down her many co-workers during the Norcen era, and the list reads like a partial 'Who's Who' of Culver names, including, she says, Gladys Snyder, Bob Manual, Larry Miller, Lynn Geiger, Jean Kindred, Linda Couts, Barb Riffey (now Wynn), Mary Ann Randsdale, Vivian Bush, Eldon and Chris Pleotz, Joyce and Betty Hanselman, Elaine Peterson (another mainstay at today's Monterey bank), Marlene Shoddy, Alice Neff, Linda McCune, Edna Mae Craft, Tom Bendy, Vern McKee, Marge Baker -- the list goes on, and she knows she's missed a number.

The Culver Citizen will be publishing a special

Salute to Our Heroes

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"Everyone worked here at some point," she adds. "And I don't even remember the older women who had just re-

Employees at various branches also helped out from time to time at other branches. Even at Culver there were seven tellers at any given time, including two at the drivethrough window.

When it all changed

Everything changed in early 1995, when Norcen merged with Indiana Federal Bank, based in Valparaiso.

"Everyone was gone except the teller line," recalls Hedges. "The credit department was gone, and bookkeeping. We went from 50 people to four or five. There was no loan department except Larry Miller (who would manage the bank through its various incarnations up to his 2008 retirement). Stuff had to be sent out.

'Coming from the outside I was surprised by the change," she adds, "but for the people who had been here it was a very big shock, being the only bank in town. And the history and passion people had for this place in general -- some took it personally. It was like a little family.

The bank underwent various shifts in ownership in the following years, including Pinnacle Bank in 1997, officially Citizens Bank (and later Trust Company) in 1998, Civitas in 1999, and 5/3 Bank in 2000 (some local wags quipped that the bank should invest in a changeable sign to save each subsequent company the costs associated with changing signs).

One other holdover from the old days of the bank who remained for some years, says Hedges, was Barb Snyder, who stayed with the operation until she passed away in

Old vestiges of the bank's salad days gradually faded, Hedges recalls, such as the fabled diner which had started in the basement level -- which also boasted then state-ofthe-art projection equipment and refined meeting facilities -- in the 1930s and busily served the slew of employees passing through at meal-time. That space was still home to special dinners during the Norcen days, she says, though the cafe proper was no more by then.

"When it went to four people, we didn't even go downstairs," she says. "It got spooky to sit downstairs on a half hour lunch by yourself!"

Gone were the days of Osborn hosting in the bank's cafeteria and boardrooms visiting delegation of IBM national executives, at whose New York convention he'd been the keynote speaker in 1949.

Of course the biggest changes for bank employees once staff numbers had been reduced were those affecting many professions: in the area of technology.

It may be hard to recall today that making a purchase not so long ago may have depended upon making it to the bank during open hours, but, "When I first came there were no ATMs or computers," Hedges notes. "We were still hand-writing everything. So the introduction of the tellers having their own computers -- they had that in Highland when I left, so I came here and had gone back-

Interestingly, Indiana Federal introduced teller computers (computers had been employed back in the State Exchange days for various tasks, but tellers continued their work by hand), though Hedges recalls that Pinnacle Bank reverted methodology back to paper. While computers returned under Civitas, 5/3 Bank was "the most tech-driven company" of the previous owners, she says, being a nationwide, "huge" company with branches across the US.

A memorable day

Jackie Hedges can remember the date -- July 15 -- she was robbed at gunpoint behind the teller's counter, even if she can't remember the year (she knows it was during the Indiana Federal period of the mid-1990s). She does

recall having had a seminar at the Culver Cove on how to handle such an occurrence, not long before the robbery, and employing some of the information from the seminar.

Between 1 and 2 p.m., a lone gunman whom she was never able to identify entered the bank, taking what money he could get quickly from her teller's station. She would later be asked by Culver-based Indiana State Police officer Bob Rich how long the robbery took, and would answer several minutes, when in fact the entire incident was less than one.

"It was a little dicey after then when somebody came in the door," she admits.

The First Farmers era

The present (since 2006) First Farmers ownership. notes Hedges, is a step back to the regional model that predated 5/3.

"We were the thirteenth branch for First Farmers," she says, adding the company is now home to 38 branches (Culver's First Farmers is overseen by Janet Wilde, who also runs the Knox and North Judson branches).

First Farmers. "And we don't feel like a big bank here to the customers."

Of course one reason for State Exchange Bank's bursting-at-the-seams employment numbers relates to economic trends across the board during much of the 20th century: localized banking for the majority of community residents, and the far less technological nature of the industry.

"The numbers (of customers) have gone down (over 25 years)," acknowledges Hedges. "We have another bank in town, and a lot of people bank out of town. Those who work in Plymouth may bank there, too."

Technology, for better for worse

But, she adds, technology has played a major role.

"You can bank anywhere now, with online banking. We see people leave and move to Florida and never close their account because they don't have to. They can still call here and we know who they are, five years later. So that urgency of needing to bank where you work is (eliminated) because of technology.

"But," she adds, making a sweeping gesture over a bank space occupied by just three employees, "technology has

also made it this.' That said, Hedges and Sustainta are clearly gratified to say they know the names of most customers, though admittedly with electronic accounts, actual interactions may arise only when a customer has a problem. Sometimes, though, they know customers through long-familiar fam-

ily members such as parents, aunts, and the like.
"It's a funny thing," Hedges muses, recalling a frequent kindergartener banking with his mother and recently returning following his college graduation. "I don't feel like I've aged, but you see people change."

Hedges says she "never thought I would retire from here," and in fact never expected to remain this long in banking, even if in "the old days," it was almost expected that bank employees would retire there. Sustainta, too, defies the norms of the day, she notes, even at 15 years in.

"I could have gone anywhere but it's comfortable," she says. "You get that when you're somewhere this long, but it's also the fact that I know Wanda Von Ehr worked here, and her daughter, and I know their family when they come in. That sort of thing. Even in Plymouth you might not have that sense of really knowing people, and Plymouth's not that big."

"Culver's very welcoming," she adds, noting that even shopping or dining out of town someone will look at her and say, "I know you."

And it's a safe bet Jackie Hedges knows them as well.



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Obituary

Stephen F. Randolph March 23, 1962 - Oct. 23, 2015

CULVER — Stephen F. Randolph, 53, of Culver, passed away suddenly on Oct. 23, 2015.

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Stephen was born in Beach Grove, to Allan and Joan (Walters) Randolph on March 23, 1962.

Stephen is survived by his wife Beth of Culver; son Ian Randolph of Culver; daughter Tatiana Randolph of Culver; and sisters Cynthia (Stephen) McDaniel of Culver and Susan (Frank) Neikirk of Grovertown.

No services are being held at this time.

Memorials may be given to the American Cancer Soci-

The Odom Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Town of Culver announces online billing

Beginning in January, Culver residents will have the option to receive their utility bills via e-mail and pay online. "We have been looking for a way to e-mail utility bills

for some time but the options were cost prohibitive," said Culver clerk-treasurer Karen Heim. "The new system is reasonably priced and offers many features that will be beneficial to utilities customers."

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The new billing system will allow customers to view bills online as well as receive alerts and other information from town hall. There also is a work order feature that emails a copy of the order to the customer so they know an issue is being attended to.

Information on how to set up e-mail billing will be made available via utility bills, the town's Facebook page and the town's website (www.townofculver.org).

Automatic electronic funds transfer is still available for those interested customers. Applications are available at town hall.

Crisp Gallery hosts deVillier opening Sunday

Culver Academies Fine Arts is hosting an exhibit featuring the work of artist David deVillier, whose exhibit "Extempore" will open in the Rosemary Berkel Crisp and Harry L.Crisp II Center for the Visual Arts on Sunday, Nov. 1 from 1 to 4 p.m.

Born in Opelousas, Louisiana, David deVillier earned his Bachelors in Fine Art from Louisiana State University and his Masters of Fine Art from Yale University before starting his career as a painter/sculptor/educator. David has exhibited his work in selected art galleries throughout the country. Until recently he lived primarily in the Pacific Northwest where he taught at Washington State University, Whitman College and Eastern Oregon University.

He divides his time between Sun Valley, Idaho where he exhibits at the Gail Severn Gallery (since 1994) and Culver, where he works out of his "blue castle" studio and lives with his wife, Susan Freymiller deVillier, Director of Huffington Library at Culver Academies.

DeVillier's paintings and sculptures focus on figurative and landscape themes that combine abstract shapes, lines, textures, and inventive visual forms with rich applications of paint, allowing intent, accident, and whimsy to mingle. The heart of the work is narrative, but the interpretations are open and enigmatic.

CCMS honor roll

Culver Comm. Middle School has announced its honor roll for the first grading period.

Grade 7: Mary F Boland, Lillian E Proskey, Grace Charlotte Trefren, Caleb David Belcher, Damian R Dunn, Francis K Ellert, Olivia A Gilley, Joshua P Havron, Kelsey M Heise, Jonah M King, Lthan D Lima, Sarah Grace Lowry, Wyatt M Ringer, Trayden S Schrimsher, Madison A Shedrow, Darren C Shock, Shane M Stevens.

Grade 8: Isabelle J Ahlenius, Emily L Bendy, Ashley N Black, Anna R Blocker, Armando C Chantea, Trista Rae Fritter, Noah Riley Parsons, Aliena Danielle Peacock, Dana T Rodgers, Carter C Stevens, Alexandra R Temme, William R Bald-

onor roll

win, Kenzie Lynn Binkley, Cerenna Starlie Eakright, Jacob C Fisher, Lily G Hayes, Gabriel M Hissong, Haley N Howard, Allan C James, Rachel E Nash, Samantha Faye Oesterreich, Derick A Purvis, Lilly M Sayavongsing, Ryan W Tompos, Owen R Valiquet, Nathan L Wood, Robert Coltin Wynn, Dona-

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Pops from the Past

Local musical group

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urday, Nov. 7 at noon to

perform hits from the past

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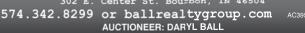
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Essay winner, Culver officer lauded at DARE program

By Jeff Kenney Citizen editor
The Culver Elementary
School DARE program wound up helping underscore the lessons learned by student participants by pointing to the character of the program's teacher.

That teacher, Culver police officer John Duhnowsky, has been involved in police work for more than 30 years (since 1981), and has been teaching DARE (or Drug Awareness and Resistance Education) for long enough that he's teaching the children of his former students in the 10-week program.

It's ironic that the program — during which Duhnowsky spends an hour each week with students — was shifted this school year to an autumn schedule

(from its former springtime one) due to the frequency of weather-related cancellations during the winter in recent years, given that CES principal Erin Proskey took to the microphone following Duhnoswky's presentation of program awards, to emphasize the officer's own self-sacrificing conduct during a situation of potentially deadly winter weather earlier this year.

But more on that momentarily.

As in years past, Duhnowsky -- during the end-of-theprogram presentation made in the school gymnasium to the 6th graders who take the course, as well as parents and teachers -- described DARE itself, emphasizing it goes well beyond discussion of drugs themselves, but instead delves into topics ranging from bullying to peer pressure, including a multi-part process of evaluating any situation rather than reacting to it rashly.

Duhnowsky also praised the cooperative nature of Culver Community Schools in its unreserved support of the program, thanking Culver town marshal Wayne Bean, who couldn't attend the event, for his unwavering support as well.

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Also announced were finalists in the DARE annual essay contest, whose winner this year was Dayne Garbacik, will join his family next may for the county-wide DARE banquet, where essays will be read aloud.

Finalists, announced by Proskey, included Aaron Dyess, Callie Masterson, Sydney Denham, Will Ericson, Dayne Garbacik, and Alexis Duncan.

CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY

CITIZEN PHOTO/JEFF KENNEY Culver police officer John Duhnowski (center) introduces Culver Elementary DARE essay winner Dayne Garbacik (left) as CES principal Erin Proskey, right, looks on, during the DARE awards program earlier this month.

Garbacik, reading his essay to the CES audience, emphasized his use of techniques from the program "many times to help me make the best decision in any situation," including a recess disagreement during a basketball game.

"I really enjoyed DARE

"I really enjoyed DARE and I thought it was really good of Officer Duhnowsky to teach my class," added Garbacik, who received in addition to the gift bags from local businesses given to all finalists, \$50 donated by Culver police officers and a backpack.

Proskey concluded the program describing a the Valentine's Day, 2015, snow event which Duhnowsky later said was the worst he'd seen in more than 30 years of police work.

Proskey said her family had eaten out that day in Argos and the 12 mile trip towards home took some 90 minutes due to the "whiteout conditions" afflicting the county that day.

Just three miles from their home, the Proskeys' car slid

out of control and hit another car, leading to another car being hit and injuries -- though none serious, as it turned out -- on the part of several involved. When a fire truck arrived, Proskey said it was comforting to see familiar faces, possible only in a small town

environment. She also noted Duhnowsky was the first person on the scene, and stood in the roadway to direct oncoming traffic away from the accident.

"(He) stands there with cars coming straight at him... risking his life to save us," she said. "He could get hit at

any moment; you (couldn't) even see cars in the street."

Noting her daughter reacted joyfully at seeing the familiar Duhnowsky, Proskey added that her daughter "wouldn't have known who he was if he didn't come here and teach this class to you guys...that's how cool it is that

we have this local connection."

Duhnowsky noted there were at least 50 accidents in the area within a two hour period that day, and there weren't enough officers to attend them all. It also took those available so long to reach accident scenes that many never reached.

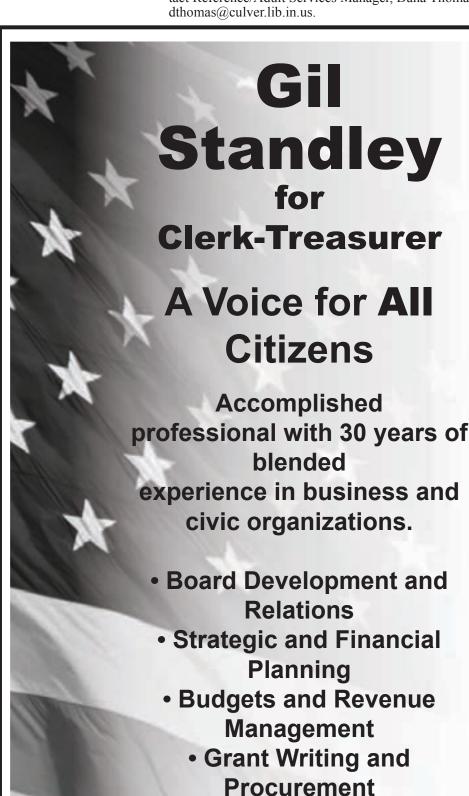
"It's only by the grace of God that one of the police officers in this county didn't get killed that day," he said.

Library news

Special music, storytime, craft Nov. 7

Culver Academies students Yuanyuan He and Yuan He, along with children's library head Jill Gavlick, will lead a fun-filled hour of music, movement, and play for children Saturday, Nov. 7, from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Culver Public Library's children's room. The program is free and open to the public.

as the library continues to celebrate the library's centennial. Stage II members include the familiar faces of Dan Adams, Cliff Berger, Sharon Coffey, Mike Overmyer, Judy Patton, Beth Webster, and accompanist Diana Burns. Attendees should feel free to bring a sack lunch. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Reference/Adult Services Manager, Dana Thomas, at dthomas@culver.lib.in.us.



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OPINION - LOCAL

Energy savings? Check!

We've a lot as a family to reduce our energy use, but there's always for improvement. My usual reduction method involves turning down the thermostat so



low that the teenager grabs her bedspread and wraps herself up like a burrito. As a middle-aged mom with her own

I ran across a tool recently that helped me think of new ways to conserve even as the weather gets cooler. The Energy Star Home Advisor can be found at www.energystar.gov/campaign/homeAdvisor. Most people recognize Energy Star--certified appliances by those bright yellow tags. Energy Star is actually a voluntary program started by the Environmental Protection Agency in 1992 to help people and businesses save money and protect the climate by using energy-efficient products. Making your home energy-efficient is not a one-weekend project, but having a checklist like this one can help you move toward more energy- and money-savings at a pace that makes sense to your family and your budget. You might even be eligible for some rebates from your utility!

internal thermostat, I stay quite comfortable myself.

The Home Advisor tool allows you to create a profile of your home and enter specific information about the steps you've already taken to reduce energy use. Creating the initial profile for our home was an education in itself. I knew the square footage of our house (1,700), when it was built (1928), what types of fuels we use for heating and cooling (gas and electric). Since we have recently replaced some windows, installed a high-efficiency furnace, and started using a programmable wireless thermostat, I could check those items off the list.

Some of the other questions were head-scratchers, however. What parts of my house are insulated? What are the R-values of that insulation? Has my home been airsealed? (Huh?) How many gallons does my water heater store at a time? At what temperature is my water heater set? How old is my air conditioner? Does my home have Energy Star certified roofing products? What is the average monthly cost of our utility bills? In the hustle and bustle of daily life, I don't always pay attention — it's just another living expense that I account for without comparing month to month. The Home Advisor profile questions are helpful, though some of the answers might take some

Once you've entered your information into the Home Advisor, it scores your annual energy use and generates specific recommendations for improving your home's energy efficiency. I found this to be incredibly helpful since I'm no HVAC expert, how would I know what to do? Our next steps will be working on the air sealing and insulation of our home, now that we've updated the furnace. (By the way, installing a new furnace and having our home air-sealed by a professional makes us eligible for rebates from NIPSCO!) The Energy Star website also includes a product list and step-by-step instructions for projects homeowners can do themselves.

Try the Home Advisor Tool for more savings, less carbon emissions, and a toasty home this winter.

Marianne Peters is a writer, environmental educator, and director of the Marshall County Solid Waste Management District.



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One of the most coveted and sought after human qualities is the ability to be consistent. Ironically, it may also be one of the most elusive traits that we chase after.

We love purchasing a consistently growing and stable stock. When neighbors or coworkers have predictable personalities, we deem it positive.

Parents strive to be fair and constant. And, on a health related note, fitness and nutrition must be consistent to be effective.

Building a consistent routine of regular exercise and healthy eating can be difficult to achieve. Best laid plans are thought out, possibly even written down with strong commitment, but sure enough, schedules unravel, kids get sick, weather turns cold, work increases and before you know it, your dream of establishing a consistent and committed plan fails. When it is hard to do everything, the things most likely to be neglected are those that don't affect anyone but you, like exercise and diet – especially if those things aren't your favorite activities to do anyway.

Mr. Dean Anderson, states that there are three rules for us to follow if we are to build consistency: Never tell yourself that you are unmotivated. Build momentum one step at a time. Be prepared to alter your plans when need-

1. Never tell yourself "I'm not motivated." Being motivated is not the real problem, unless you really do not want to lose weight or live a healthy lifestyle. As long as you do want these things, you have all the motivation you need. It may be true that sometimes you do not want to exercise, or you really want to stop and get fast food rather than cook a healthy dinner. But, it doesn't mean that you aren't motivated. It means that you want two different and opposing things, and you have to make a decision. Telling yourself you lack motivation is just a way of denying that you have a choice. It makes the problem seem mysterious and out

Consistency



of your control, and it makes you less powerful than you really are. Use your motivation and internal power and make the right choice.

2. Build momentum, one step at a time. It is never easy to change old habits or to start new routines. Studies show that it takes about three weeks to turn a new behavior into a persistent habit. During this three week period, you're going to have to

be very diligent, even when you don't feel like it, to reach the success level that you desire. The key to long term consistency is building momentum. Start with a routine easy to manage, and build from there. Set a goal of three-10 minute exercise sessions per week. Then, add one more session until you reach five days per week. Eventually begin to increase your minutes per day. Additionally, find an accountability partner who will push you when needed, or join a class with other motivated people. If you have been relatively consistent over the years in your exercise routine, and now experience waning motivation and drive, please be encouraged that I have found people who are still exercising and performing well into their 40's, 50's and beyond, all have one thing in common – they have trained consistently over the years, and rarely

3. Be prepared to alter plans when your schedule changes. When you know your regular schedule will change because of travel, hosting company, long days at work, or vacation, be smart enough to devise an alternate plan that will guarantee your success.

Being consistent does not mean being perfect. There will be days when plans change, sickness develops or laziness prevails, but becoming consistent does mean one very important thing: you are giving yourself the power to choose the best option.

Dana Neer serves as Wellness Coordinator and Counselor at The Culver Academies. He can be contacted at Dana.Neer@culver.org.

A 'Culver through the years' tid-bit

Your editor has speculated, in past years, as to when in Culver the transition was made from the earlier model of Halloween 'frolics' and other parties (not to mention a voluminous dose of 'tricks') to the present-day practice of community-wide trick-or-treating. Residents of some longevity in years past reported to door-to-door candy begging in Culver during the Depression (and certainly not before it, and a lack of widespread such activities during the World

War II years. Whatever year trick-or-treating really began in Culver, the first mention of it in the Culver Citizen can now be substantiated via the State Library's collection at inspire. in.gov. That distinction goes to the Oct. 19, 1949 edition of the paper, in the form of an advertisement for the Ben Franklin's dime store, today's Michelle's Headquarters, for the sale of Halloween candy for trick-or-treating.

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kids battling cancer Saturday

A "Candy Dash" 5k and half-marathon to benefit the Treasure Chest Foundation -- which aids children and their families fighting pediatric cancer -- will take place Saturday, Oct. 31, starting at 9 a.m., in Culver. The event starts at 9 a.m.; the 5k at 9:10 a.m., and the half-marathon at 9:45 a.m. Registration is available online: runsignup. com/race/IN/culver/imtoughiwontquit, or at runsignup. com and search for, "I'm Tough." No same day registration t-shirts will be available. Questions may be emailed to mcrcemail@gmail.com.

Local churches offer Trick or Treat fun

Culver Bible Church, located at 718 S. Main St., will be hosting a Trick or Treat night on Sat., Oct. 31 from 5 to 7 p.m. Wesley United Methodist Church on School Street will distribute hot dogs, donut holes, candy, and cider at the front of the church during the same hours.

'Parties for PTO' Nov. 7

A 'Parties for PTO!' event will take place Saturday, Nov. 7, at the former Culver hardware store at 120 N Main St., from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. More than a dozen vendors will offer a variety of food and home products, among other items (ranging from Arbonne to Nerium, Scentsy to Tupperware, among others, as well as several local businesses). Portions of proceeds from the event go to support the Culver Elementary Parent-Teacher Organization (look for the organization's page on Facebook).

'Christmas in Culver' event Nov. 6-8

This year's "Christmas in Culver" event will take place over the weekend of Nov. 6, 7, and 8. The Culver Chamber of Commerce-sponsored event includes special Culver merchant open houses from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday), and on Saturday only, the "By the Lake" Holiday Bazaar will return to the Culver train station - depot on Lake Shore Drive from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Mystic Hills Holiday Bazaar will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Mystic Hills Golf Course on State Road 117.

Information about this and other Chamber events is available at www.culverchamber.com.

Blood drive in Culver Nov. 8

An opportunity to donate blood to the Red Cross is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 8, from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m., at

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TOWN OF CULVER 574-842-3140 **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

November 10, 2015 TIME OF HEARING: 6:30PM Date October 21, 2015 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: The Culver Town Council has scheduled a Public Hearing to

discuss proposed changes to

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recommended by the Culver Plan Commission at 6:30 p.m. on November 10, 2015. These proposed changes effect

1 or 2 Family new homes or additions; Commercial new, addition, or renovations; and Accessory Structures.

The new fee is based on the formula (permit fee = square footage times CCR times permit fee multiplier of .005). CCR stands for Construction Cost Rate and it comes from the International Code Council's Building Validation Data which is updated every

A hearing upon this petition will be held in the Municipal Building, 200 E. Washington Street, Culver, IN, at which time, you may appeal either in person or present in writing, represented by agent, or by attorney, and present any reasons which you may have to the granting or denying of this petition. You are requested to prepare your case, in detail, and present all evidence relating to this petition at the

time of the scheduled hearing. October 29, November 5, 2015 CC3339

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Culver Academies Fleet Gymnasium, 1300 Academy Rd.

Academies museum, Culver Club open house Nov. 13

The Culver Academies Museum & Gift Shop, at 102 S Main Street in downtown Culver, will host the Culver Club of Culver's annual open house and membership meeting, on Friday, Nov. 13, from 5 to 7 p.m., with brief announcements at 6 p.m. Wine, cheese, and hors d'oeuvres will be served, and the public is welcome.

Friends of the Library seeks volunteers

The Friends of the Culver-Union Twp. Public Library are seeking more volunteers to assist with book sales and other library-oriented activities. Interested persons may inquire at the library, 107 N. Main Street in downtown Culver, or by phone at 574-842-2941.

Andrew Carnegie essay contest

Culver-Union Township Public Library is hosting an essay competition in honor Andrew Carnegie for its Centennial Year Celebration. The first place winner will receive \$100; second place \$50; and third place \$25.

The competition is open to any 6 through 8th grade student who lives in or attends public, private, or homeschool in Union Township. The essay should thoroughly address, "How did Andrew Carnegie's philanthropy impact the nation's libraries?" It must range from 300-500 words typed. Essays must be submitted by Monday, Nov. 2, with a student entry form attached; form available at Culver-Union Township Public Library. Turn in or mail your essay with completed entry form to: Culver-Union Township Public Library, Attn: Jill Gavlick, 107 N. Main St., Culver, IN

Texas Hold-Em tournaments return to Culver VFW

Culver VFW Post 6919, 108 E. Washington St. in Culver will resume its Texas Hold-Em tournaments on the second Sunday of each month, including Nov 8. Doors open at 11 a.m. and the tournament begins at 1 p.m. There is a \$50 buy-in (no re-buys); \$12,000 chips (25 percent to the house, 75 percent in the pot). License #129586. Contact 574-842-3886 with questions.



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SPORTS

CGA's Read named All-State

Photo provided Culver Girls Academy senior Lauren Read was named to the Indiana High School Golf Coaches Association 2015 Girls All-State Golf Team. Players are selected based on play throughout the season. The top seven individual players at the Indiana High School Athletic Association's state tournament automatically qualify. A total of 20 players were named to this year's all-state team.

Read received her award Oct. 9 during the IHSGCA banquet honoring Hall of Fame inductees, the girls all-state and academic all-state teams. The banquet was conducted at the Golf Club of Indiana in Lebanon. She joins 2003 graduate Caroline Haase as the only other all-state player in CGA history. Haase was named to the all-state team four times

Read is pictured with University of Saint Francis Golf Coach Tim Alexander during the IHSGCA's annual All-State banquet last Friday in Lebanon. Read verbally committed last March to play for the Cougars beginning in the fall of 2016.



Mistakes prove costly for Cavs' Ben Myers finished with Third quarter Third quarter

Culver Community's football team closed out the year with a tough, 35-17 loss to visiting North Miami in Class A Sectional 43 play last Fri-

The Cavaliers coughed up three fumbles and racked up 126 penalty yards on 10 whistles to drop the contest despite out-gaining the Warriors 297 total offensive yards to 262 by the visitors.

The Cavs trailed 7-0 after the first quarter, but a 14-3 second quarter by North Miami proved to be Culver's undoing.

The home team was led by Josh Krsek, who racked up 79 yards rushing for a touchdown and went 3-of-7 passing for 80 yards a touchdown completion to Nate Carnegie in the fourth quarter.

75 yards in 16 carries, and Everett Krueger racked up 52 vards in six rushes in a threeback attack for Culver, which closed at 3-7.

Jeff Eckrote led North Miami with a game-high 94 yards and a touchdown in 21 carries, while Zane Briggs finished with 81 rushing yards and two TDs.

The Warriors improve to 2-8 and will host LaVille Friday. • NORTH MIAMI 35, CULVER

COMMUNITY 17 At Culver North Miami: 7 14 7 7 — 35 Culver: 0 3 7 7 — 17

NM — Trevor Linn 18-yd run (Connor Hanaway kick) Second quarter

CC — Derek Keller 31-yd field goal NM — Jeff Eckrote 16-yd run NM — Shane Holden 6-yd run (Hanaway pass to Dakota Riveria)

CC - Josh Krsek 41-yd run (Heller NM — Zane Briggs 1-yd run (Hanaway

kick) Fourth quarter

Carnegie

CC - Krsek 18-yd pass to Nate

NM — Briggs 5-yd run (Hanaway kick) NM First downs: 13 16 Yards rushing: 217 247 Yards passing:

3-7-0 Punting: 1-37 2-35.5 Fumbles/lost: 3-3 0 - 0Yards penalized: 10-126 Individual leaders Rushing: Josh Krsek 13-79, 1 TD; Ben

Myers 16-75; Everett Krueger 6-52 Passing: Krsek 3-7-0 for 80, 1 TD Receiving: Lance Beaver 1-34; Cody Russell 1-28; Nate Carnegie 1-18, 1 TD North Miami Rushing: Jeff Eckrote 21-94, 1 TD;

Zane Briggs 11-81, 2 TDs; Trevor Linn 16-62, 1 TD. Passing: Briggs 1-3-1 for 15 Receiving: Eckrote 1-15 Records: North Miami 2-8, Culver 3-7

Sports briefs

Volleyball **CGA'closes at Glenn**

Culver Girls Academy's volleyball team advanced out of its opener at the John Glenn Sectional but fell to

the host Lady Falcons in CGA defeated South

Bend Washington 25-17, 25-22, 25-14 but lost in another three-setter with Glenn, 25-16, 25-12, 25-20. No stats were available

for the matches.

• JOHN GLENN 3, JIMTOWN 0 (25-16, 25-12, 25-20) At John Glenn Sectional Statistics unavailable.
• CULVER GIRLS ACADEMY 3, SOUTH BEND WASHINGTON 0 (25-17, 25-22, 25-14) At John Glenn Sectional

Culver falls in home tourney semifinal

Statistics unavailable.

Culver Community outlasted LaCrosse to advance to the late semifinal at its home sectional last week, with a 25-23, 17-25, 11-25, 25-18, 15-4 victory Thursday night.

The Cavs played North Miami in the semifinals but fell in four games, 20-25, 25-19, 25-13, 25-15. Statistics were not available

for either match.
• CULVER

COMMUNITY SECTIONAL At Culver Semifinals NORTH MIAMI 3, CULVER COMMUNITY 1 (20-25, 25-19, CULVER 25-13, 25-15) Quarterfinals

ČULVER COMMUNITY LaCROSSE 2 (25-23, 17-25, 11-25, 25-18, 15-4) At Culver Sectional

Statistics unavailable

CMA, CGA close at New Prairie



PHOTO/TIM CREASON Mary Terhune of Culver Academies (left) and Triton's Baylee McIntire (432) are off and running at the start of Saturday's semistate cross country meet at New Prairie.

By Tim Creason Correspondent NEW CARLISLE — Maybe with a year's experience, good things will happen...

Well, that should be the theme for the cross country program at Culver Academies, where every runner who competed in Saturday's New Prairie semistate will return next

The Eagles finished 16th out of 20 teams in the boys meet, scoring 389 points to close their campaign. In the girls race, junior Mary Terhune — running alone as an individual – clocked 21 minutes, 11.2 seconds for 104th

"Overall, we ran a pretty solid race," said Eagle coach Mike Chastain, who put four juniors and two sophomores on the field for the boys competition. "We didn't drop (times) the way I thought we might, but I'm keeping in mind that all these guys will be back next

The top six teams advance to the IHSAA state finals See Semistate page 6 next weekend

(Kick blocked)

Pumarejo field goal lifts Eagles to victory a pair of touchdowns as

Culver Military Academy's David Pumarejo kicked a 40-yard field goal with just 2:57 remaining, and the Eagles held on for a narrow 24-21 win over visiting Fairfield in their Sectional 26 opener Friday.

Pumarejo's field goal gave CMA the lead for the first time in a back-andforth contest. Alex Moser intercepted Sam Brown's pass with 1:43 left on the clock to seal the win.

Jake Young amassed 98 yards on 14 carries, and Connor Caponi rushed for

CMA head coach Andy Dorrel reached the 100-win mark. He is now 100-93 over 18 seasons at the Culver Academies.

The Eagles advance to play at Lakeland — which beat Heritage 42-35 Friday — on the road this week. Kick-off is slated for 7:30

• CULVER MILITARY ACADEMY 24, FAIRFIELD 21

At Culver FF: 7 0 7 7 — 21 CMA: 0 6 8 10 — 24 First quarter

FF — Mitch DeWitt 8-yd run (Reid Kammmerdiener kick) Second quarter

Third quarter DeWitt 10-yd run (Kammerdiener kick) CMA — Michael Bocker 27-yd from Ryan Hallenbeck (Jake Young Fourth quarter FF — DeWitt 18-yd pass to Sam Brown (Kammerdiener kick)

CMA — Connor Caponi 15-yd run (David Pumarejo kick) CMA — Pumarejo 40-yd field goal FF CMA First downs: 18 Yards rushing: 191 Yards passing:

9-22-1 Passing: 10-18-1 Punting: Fumbles/lost: 1/49 Yards Penalized: Records: Fairfield 6-4, CMA 5-5



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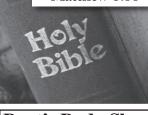
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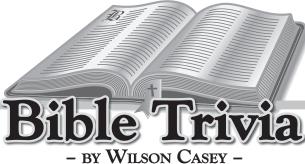


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Josiah, Jael, David 3. From Genesis 37, who dreamed that the sun, moon and

stars bowed to him? Moses, Abraham, Aaron, Joseph 4. From Esther 7, who met his death on the gallows he had

built for another man? Ahab, Elijah, Haman, Dathan 5. From Numbers 11, what personal assistant of Moses became jealous

of Eldad and Medad? Isaac, Joshua, Job, Cain 6. From Proverbs 30, which is not listed as small, but exceedingly wise?

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CMA's Concannon captures school's first state tennis championship

By Jan Garrison Culver Academies

Sam Concannon, the No. 1 singles tennis player for Culver Military Academy, captured the Indiana High School Athletic Association's individual crown with a 7-6 (7-1), 6-2 victory over Steven Christie of Indianapolis North Central. The match, originally scheduled for Indianapolis Park Tudor School, was moved to the Five Seasons Racquet Club due to rain.

"I worked hard all year to get back here, and I can't think of a better way to go out my senior year," Concannon, a current senior who was state runner-up in 2014, told The Indianapolis Star. He finished the season 28-0, winning every match in straight sets.

Down 5-3 in the first set, Concannon rallied to force the tiebreaker, jumped to a 6-0 lead in the tiebreaker, and then won the final five games of the second set to win the champion-

He advanced to the championship with a quarterfinal victory over Bryce Bonin (Crown Point), 6-1, 6-3, on Friday and a 7-6 (9-7), 6-3 semifinal win over Eli Steiner (Leo) Saturday morning. He is the Culver's first state champion in tennis in the 36 years of the individual tournament.

This story appears courtesy of news.culver.



Sam Concannon

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that the idea of running a bed and breakfast resurfaced. Pam Baker, local real estate broker, sold them the property.

"Pam really helped me at the beginning," expresses Ann. 'At the time, Pam was selling her bed and breakfast and we

bought some of her things."

In May of 1996, they closed on the property, spending that summer staying at various bed and breakfasts in Indiana and Michigan doing research. That October, they opened. The name "Black Horse Bed & Breakfast" was inspired by the neighboring pasture, owned by Culver Academies. The property has a magnificent view of the famous black horse troop roaming the meadow.

The majority of guests have a connection to Culver Acad-

"You get attached," says Ann. "We would have parents of students come year after year then those students come back for weddings and stay with us."

A family of a freshman would stay through that student's senior year, then if they had siblings, they would return and stay through that child's time at the Academy.

"As a hostess, we have known what they want and stalk up on what they need. For example, a lot people of drink soda for breakfast, so we will have that on hand."

The couple's busiest time of year is between April and October.

"We do have a lot of hockey families (children who play and attend Culver Academies) that come in the winter," notes Ann. "As far as Parent's weekend and graduation weekend are booked five years out."

In addition to a consistent stream of guests from Culver Academies, the B&B has many honeymooners and couples celebrating anniversaries.

"Some of our guests tease us that we are running Disney World because the creatures will come out and get so close to the house," says Ann. "Our quiet setting in nature offers a relaxing experience." The Black Horse B&B has two large rooms with their own bathrooms

and refrigerators. There is an additional bedroom with two twin-sized beds for overflow. Ann believes that a major factor in having a successful





PHOTOS PROVIDED AND ANNA CAMPBELL

Views of the Black Horse Inn and its surrounding landscape.

bed and breakfast is for the rooms to have their own bathroom. Handmade wooden furniture, fabricated by an Amish family from Rentown, Indiana, adds to the rich rustic charm of the interior.

"We don't feel pressure in running this Bed and Breakfast to make a big profit," explains Ann. "I just love the people we meet." A common misconception is that they are in competition with other

local over-night stay destinations. "If we have something going on, I will refer them to Inn by the Lake

or Main Street Manor," Ann says. "It really is wonderful that we are able to help each other."

The future of the Black Horse Bed and Breakfast includes Lee's plans to live a more self-sufficient lifestyle that involves planting more trees to expand the orchard.

The Black Horse Bed & Breakfast may be reached by phone 574-842-8928.





Culverites among Wythougan honorees

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The Wythougan Valley Preservation Council of Marshall County held its annual meeting at the Culver depot-train station Oct. 9, during which Wythougan president Kurt Garner presented Daniel McDonald Awards to six people for their efforts in preserving Marshall County history. Pictured, from left, are Anna Gilsinger (restoration and preservation of the Arnold House in Bourbon), Ann Davis (the Harriet's Closet building in Plymouth), Lindsey Pick of Culver's Old East Shore LLC (the Clemons Vonnegut Jr coyttage on the east shore of Lake Maxinkuckee), *Culver Citizen* editor Jeff Kenney, of Union Twp. Heritage, Inc. (preserving and promoting the history of Culver and Lake Maxinkuckee in various platforms), and Phyllis Schoonover (the Norris farm and Maxinkuckee Orchard restoration). Awarded, but not present, was Calvin Bailey for restoration of the Mobilgas Station in Plymouth. Kenney also presented a program on the history of the Culver - Lake Maxinkuckee area.

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in Terre Haute. So do the top 10 individuals who are not members of a qualifying team.

Defending state champion West Lafayette, ranked No. 12 in last week's state coaches poll, defended its boys team title, scoring 77 points. Lake Central was second with 96.

Warsaw finished seventh to just miss the cut. Rochester, led by individual state qualifier Wes Meyer, finished ninth with

The girls race belonged to Lake Central, as the No. 6-ranked Indians placed five runners among the top 20 finishers and scored 55 points. West Lafayette was second at 114. Warsaw's girls finished

In an unusual double-double, West Lafayette runners claimed the top two places in both boys and girls races. Cooper Williams won the boys in 15:38.0, with teammate Evan Johnson right behind. In the

girls contest, West Lafayette's Johnson sisters, Lauren and Kristen, finished 1-2, with Lauren clocking 17:58.5.

Culver Military, meanwhile, got a good race effort from junior Zach Dunlap, who paced near the boys leaders as long as possible before sprinting home in 47th place. He clocked 16:44.2.

Then, in a tight pack finish that took just 16 seconds, Justin Matei was 104th in 17:32.1, Hallin Burgan 108th in 17:35.3, Brian Krupp 117th in 17:42.0 and Shane Pursch 120th in 17:48.2.

"Last week, I was very happy. We had four PRs out of seven, with some big ones," Chastain said. "They were very focused last week. Loved it.

"This week, I didn't feel we were quite as focused. We had three PRs today, which is good, but the courses are in great shape, and you should be setting PRs at this point. It was a good effort, but I thought we might do a little better."

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whose name the orchard and farm were established, will celebrate the centennial of its first family reunion on the

The well-known Norris name

The Norris name has considerable cache as regards the history of the lake area. The Maple Grove House farm and boarding house in years past was an early Norris property situated directly on the east shore of Lake Max-

The keeper of the family's legacy here today is Phyllis (Norris) Schoonover, whose great-great grandfather John Norris arrived here in the mid-1830s from Orange County, Vermont, walking between this area (staying briefly with a friend in Fulton County) and Michigan where part of his family also settled. While some Norris's stayed further north, John settled in Union Township along with wife Lydia and some of their 15 children, during a time when a handful of fellow settlers joined the primary residents of the day, the Potawatomi Indians.

John Norris, says Schoonover, "wanted free land." the site at the time. John's son Ransom -- in whose name house back in 1855 (the date is marked in shingles on the Schoonover, standing outside. roof of the house).

Ransom first set out the first orchard on his farm in 1850, though he was both a farmer and carpenter, building

caskets and cabinets among other things. Ransom's son, who would become the Reverend Schuyler C. Norris, the eighth of Ransom and Mary Norris' sons, returned to his childhood farm in 1897, by which time it had been purchased by strangers, and purchased it back into the family (Schuyler Norris would pass the house along to his son Everett, whose daughter Phyllis, by then having married Schoonover, bought the house. More on that short-Incidentally, Maple Grove House, at today's 2805 East Shore Drive, was operated by Harvey R. Norris, another of Ransom's sons. In fact, the Norris Inlet,

was so named due to its nearness to the Norris land. Another notable local Norris, Dr. Norman S. Norris,

whose father Harvey was another of Ransom Norris' sons, practiced dentistry in Culver from 1904 until the late 1950s, first at Culver Academy and later in the town.

Early orchard days

a stream tributary to

Lake Maxinkuckee,

The original, 1850 Norris orchard included around 100 trees ranging in type from Northern Spy to Red Sweet, Pinack, Winesap, Talfahawken, Crooked Limb, Belmont, Baldwin, Soire, to Fall Walden, Jeanette or Never Fail, Rhode Island Greening and Jenny Lind.

And while the Norris farm was hardly new to apple trees, family history indicates the date the business was launched (by Schuyler Norris) was 1901, with it registered formally with the post office in 1913 as Maxinkukcee Orchards, the name under which it operated commercially for the next half-century.

Union Township had at least six commercial orchards at one time, Phyllis Schoonover wrote in an article in the Fall, 2002 edition of the Marshall County Historical Society Quarterly. Land for another of the earliest commercial orchards, the Vonnegut Orchard, was purchased in 1910, operating until around 1944. Fred Banks said his father bought the farm in 1915 and set out the apple trees at that time. Other early orchards included Benedict's (on the historic family farm, a bit west on 18B Road), the Mow, and the more recent Bigley Orchard, which started in 1928, winding down in the late 1990s.

Schoonover points out most all of the orchards were on the east side of the lake, the lake giving some protection from late frosts and freezes, and the growing climate benefiting from the north and northwest winds blowing



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ABOVE: A recent aerial view shows the "1855" build date of the Family legend has always held there was a log cabin on Norris farmhouse, prepared for addition to the National Register of Historic Places next year. BELOW: An early photo of the the property actually was, with other son Asa settling on farmhouse and *a current view with present owner and greatthe property east, across Peach Road -- built the current great granddaughter of 1830s settler John Norris, Phyllis (Norris) family history, when he was 69 years old, though Phyl-

across the lake.

Storing and selling

The Norris' first storage building, says Phyllis Schoonover, was built in the winter of 1935 and '36 (it still stands today), and was "state of the art, by Purdue," at the time. An addition to that structure was added in 1955.

"My mom said she wouldn't sign a note unless (my father, Everett) put an elevator in," she recalls. "They're stored in the basement and he was carrying each bushel down those

Phyllis recalls that her father would take orders each summer and fall, and customers would pick up their apples and pay for them

Business, says Phyllis, was robust, but "it was hard

Apple growing also requires plenty of water and her father tried to get NIP-SCO to run electricity to the area to enhance irrigation, though the company required \$500 from Norris and several other area residents, though Norris was the only one in the immediate area requiring the service, especially true since he'd planted a second orchard in 1928 and

As a result, he developed a system using storage batteries, a windmill, and a gasoline engine. As a result, Schoonover remembers being the only rural resident in the area to grow up with electricity in her home, a rarity indeed in the 1930s.

Cider at the orchard was pressed commercially at Leiter Ford at Cline's sorghum and cider mill until it burned in 1950 (later at Fribley's in Bourbon and later in Rochester). Customers could buy Norris jugs or bring their own and

have it filled from a barrel. Apple butter was made in large open copper kettles over an open fire.

Schoonover also recounts a Culver Citizen article diulging her father's foray into the dairy business, since 90 percent of the family's income had been coming in only during the fall, while cash was needed to operate, of course, year-round. Growing up in the 1930s, Schoonover says she can't remember the dairy operation -- which included only about ten cows, whose milk was sold to the Pure Milk Association -- not being a part of the family

Everett Norris did "truck farming," selling a variety of vegetables, flowers, and fruit around Lake Maxinkuckee, mostly by horse and buggy. He also worked several weeks each winter for the Medbourn ice house on East Jefferson Street in Culver, a common annual income source for many area farmers. Schoonover recalls a Maxinkuckee Ice House which was a cooperative for local farmers. rather than a commercial venture.

Latter days





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Phyllis Schoonover recalls helping pick apples in the fall, earning three cents per bushel ("On a good Saturday, I could get a dollar!"). Before the advent of mechanical combines, local farmers were glad of the cash they could make helping harvest Norris' apples in the fall. After World War II, however, the arrival of combines meant local farmers had their own work to attend to, leaving Norris in a lurch for pickers.

"He got some to work," says Schoonover. "He paid by the hour instead of by the bushel, so they would be picked right."

Unlike the Bigley operation during the postwar period. Everett Norris opted not to hire migrant workers for his orchard since, he said, he couldn't properly house them Phyllis recalls her father being happy when the pes-

ticide DDT came in, so he no longer had to spray with lead and arsenic. "Every summer," she says, "the silverware turned

black from the sulphur." None of which seemed to have much adverse effect on

Everett Norris' longevity (he lived to age 95). Norris said he had "pretty much quit operating the or-

chard " in 1965, according to a monograph on Norris lis Schoonover recalls he was still doing some orchard work by 1970 when he had a heart attack.

The older orchard was cut down, though much of the newer orchard still stands. Schoonover notes apple trees will produce, under proper care, for 60 years or more.

The Schoonovers

The closest school to the Norris family during Phyllis' childhood was the one-room structure still standing in the Maxinkuckee Village just up the road. Her brother attended it, though Phyllis and her sister attended Culver schools (Phyllis graduated valedictorian of her class in

The children, however, were not allowed to attend Culver schools unless Everett Norris carried a petition to close the Maxinkuckee schoolhouse, which he did.

"It would have happened sooner or later anyway," says Phyllis of the end of a school dying out as many small, one-room operations were by the 1930s. "But there were some hard feelings (in the area)." Phyllis met Jim Schoonover at Purdue University where

she had started a degree in Pharmacy. She dropped it to earn a Butler University degree in Organ Performance and Master's degrees in Music History and, later at Indiana University, Library Science. Jim Schoonover, who served in World War II, had

earned his degree in Mechanical Engineering and worked for General Motors while the two lived -- for 42 years in Speedway, Indiana. A noted artist and cartoonist, Jim's most visible work was the well-known racing-themed street signs at Speedway. Phyllis worked as the Music and Fine Arts librarian at Butler. Her brother, meanwhile, convinced Everett he needed

to sell the Norris farm to a family member lest it leave the family, so the Schoonovers bought it from him on land contract.

They were celebrating Everett's 95th birthday when he fell. He later died, in 1991, and the Jim and Phyllis Schoonover retired that summer to the old house in 1992.

Not content to sit idle, Phyllis worked for the Marshall County Historical Society as an assistant for a time, continuing as an active volunteer up to today (she's probably best known as editor and usually writer of the Society's quarterly newsletter).

Keepers of the legacy

There have been some internal changes to the house, which in many ways strikingly retains the feel of its historicity, and the family has opted now to hire out to have the external painting -- probably the greatest ongoing challenge -- taken care of.

Reflective of Phyllis' studies and love of music is the presence of a full pedal pipe organ in the main living area, a "kit" made for her.

The paperwork has been turned in for the house's National Register status, with the official designation likely during State Fair season in August. That's the same month the Norris family will gather, 100 years after the first family reunion near Lake Maxinkuckee in 1916, to recount a remarkable local legacy.





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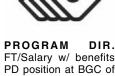
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