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CAB Kindergarten Round-up April 28-29

Knightstown Elementary School's Kindergarten Round-up will take place Tuesday, April 28, 12-7 p.m. and Wednesday, April 29, 12-7 p.m. To schedule an appointment, contact KES at 345-2151. Appointments take approximately one hour. Each child must be five years old by Aug. 1. This is a full day kindergarten program. Parents and guardians should bring each child's birth certificate and immunization records.

Town Flushing Fire Hydrants Next Month

The town of Knightstown's water department will be flushing the town's fire hydrants throughout the month of May. Hydrants north of Main Street are scheduled to be flushed between May 1 and May 11. Those on the south side of town will be done May 12-20. Hydrant flushing may result in discolored household water. No boil order will be affected, and water is still regarded as safe for consumption.

Carthage Lions' Breakfast April 25

Carthage Lions Club will host its spring pancake and sausage breakfast, featuring all-you-can-eat biscuits and gravy, on Saturday, April 25, 6:30-11 a.m. at the Carthage Community Center. A freewill offering will be accepted, along with used eye glasses.

First Baptist Church to Host Breakfast

Knightstown First Baptist Church will host a pancake breakfast on Saturday, April 28, beginning at 8 a.m. This event is 100 percent free. The church will also host its vacation Bible school June 15-19. The church is located at 210 E. Jackson St. The event is open to the public.

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K-town Plan Commission Gets Pep Talk from State

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

The Knightstown Plan Commission set aside ongoing work on the town's comprehensive plan Monday evening in order to hear a presentation from a representative of the state's Office of Community and Rural Affairs.

Susie Ripley, a community liaison for OCRA, gave an overview of things that her agency does to help small, rural communities like Knightstown. She urged the town to consider taking part in OCRA's Community Readiness Initiative program, which helps communities identify strengths and weakness that impact planning and development.

Ball State University's Center for Business and Economic Research works with OCRA on the CRI program, assisting with the collection and analysis of data. According to information available through OCRA's website, participation in the CRI program can cost \$3,500-\$15,000.

Ripley told the plan commission that taking part in the CRI program "is not cheap." She said this should be viewed as an investment in the town's future, and that a willingness to spend money to help plan for the town's future helps create positive perceptions of the community.

"If you don't believe you're worth something, no one else is going to believe you're worth anything," Ripley said.

One key component to Knightstown's success, Ripley said, is having "a group of committed individuals" who are well-organized. She said it's important to have everyone working toward the same goals and who are able to craft the town's "story" in such a way as to attract people and businesses to town.

"If you want your story to change, you have to speak it into existence," Ripley said. "And if you don't know what your story is, that should be the number one thing you do."

Another good starting place, Ripley told the plan commission, is for Knightstown to take part in the Indiana Main Street program, which is also overseen by OCRA. This program, according to the agency's website, is set up to provide economic revitalization and professional assistance to participating communities and encourages revitalization and restoration of downtown areas.

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To be a Princess



Knightstown resident and Indianapolis 500 Festival Princess Casie Conley visited Knightstown Elementary School last Friday. Conley shared trivia about the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and the race, known as the "greatest spectacle in racing." Conley (above) quizzes KES third graders on the various flags used in the 500. Third grader Brandon Young (left) colors in flags on a handout Conley provided. Third grader Kaitlyn Morris (below, left) listens as Conley explains what it's like to be a princess. (Eric Cox photos)



Town Council Rectifies Salary Ordinance Vote

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

Four months after the Knightstown Town Council first tried to pass a new salary ordinance setting 2015 pay levels for town employees and officials, it appears to have finally succeeded.

A divided council voted 3-2 last week at its April 16 monthly meeting to adopt Ordinance 4-2015, which amends some of the pay levels set forth in the 2015 salary ordinance council members originally passed at their Dec. 18 meeting. The amendments made by the new ordinance were based on recommendations made in February by the council's office committee, comprised of Council Vice President Sarah Ward and council member Valerie Trump, and unanimously approved

at the council's Feb. 19 monthly meeting.

Council members thought they had laid this matter to rest last month following a pair of 3-2 votes on the salary ordinance at their March 19 meeting that approved it on first reading and adoption. However, it turns out that the second vote taken last month actually required the support of at least four council members, not just three.

While most ordinances only require a simple majority vote to pass, when the town council wants to adopt an ordinance at the same meeting at which it was first introduced, state statute requires a two-thirds vote for adoption. With a five-member town council like Knightstown's, the support of at least four council

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OBITUARIES

Betty L. Daniel

September 5, 1937 - April 17, 2015

Betty L. Daniel, 77, of Indianapolis, passed away on April 17, 2015.

She was born on Sept. 5, 1937, in Rush County, to Paul Virgil and Eva Pauline Aker.

Betty was a member of Shadeland Baptist Church. She taught Sunday school and Jr. Church for over 40 years at Baptist churches around Indianapolis.

Betty is survived by her husband, Doug Daniel; two sons, Robert Lee Sweet and David Eugene Sweet; a daughter, Peggy Little; 11 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and three siblings, Gene Aker, Clifford Aker and Sally Smith.

She was preceded in death by her son, William Paul Sweet, Sr.; two grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and a brother, Billie Aker.

Visitation was Monday, April 20, at G. H. Herrmann East Street Funeral Home, 1505 S. East St., Indianapolis. A funeral service was conducted on April 21 at the funeral home. Betty will be laid to rest in Asbury Cemetery, Morristown. Memorial contributions may be made to Hal Lindsey. Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.ghherrmann.com.

Lori Alexander

January 21, 1961 - April 14, 2015

Lori Alexander, 54, passed away suddenly on Tuesday, April 14, 2015, in Fishers.



Lori, the third child of William and June Alexander of Carthage, was born on Jan. 21, 1961, in Rushville. She grew up in Carthage, graduating from Knightstown High School in 1979. Lori attended Butler University as a student-athlete, having earned an athletic scholarship to play volleyball for the Bulldogs. She graduated from Butler with a bachelor's degree in business in 1983. Lori was a trailblazer of sorts, being the first female athlete from Knightstown High School to receive a college athletic scholarship.

While at Butler, Lori pledged and became a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. In addition to Butler volleyball, she also was active in a variety of other student activities, and also worked part-time as an intern at KPMG (then Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co.). Upon graduation, Lori accepted a position as a sales executive for Xerox Corporation in Tampa, Fla. Her long and successful career in sales took her not only to Florida, but also to positions in San Francisco, Phoenix, and back in Indianapolis with a variety of firms.

Lori was a lifelong member of Fletcher United Methodist Church in Carthage. She possessed a deep well of caring and love for others. She sacrificed her own career on multiple occasions to return to Carthage to care for each of her parents during their final illnesses.

Lori's infectious smile and her incredible sense of humor were like no other! She enjoyed her nieces and nephews immensely, and had the ability to connect with each of them in ways that made them feel special and loved. She will be greatly missed. Her loving heart extended to all of God's creatures. She was a compassionate lover of animals, especially her dog, "Skipper."

Lori is survived by two sisters and two brothers, seven nieces and nephews, and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Her siblings, and their children, include Chris (Jo Anne) Alexander of Castro Valley, Cal.; Craig (Debbie) Alexander, and nephews Brian and Kevin and niece Emily of Rockville, Md.; Shari Alexander (Rich) Richey of Zionsville, and niece Madeline and nephew Max; and Anna (Brock) Avery of Indianapolis, and niece Meg and nephew Jack. Lori was preceded in death by her parents.

A visitation to pay respects to her family was Tuesday, April 21, at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Robertson Chapel, located at 100 W. 86th St., Indianapolis. The family will have a private memorial following. If you wish to make a memorial donation, the family requests memorial donations be made to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation (www.brcfure.org), 60 E. 56th St., 8th Floor, New York, NY 10022, or the Indianapolis Humane Society (indyhumane.org), 7929 N. Michigan Rd., Indpls., IN 46268. Condolences may be left on Lori's online guest book at www.flannerbuchanan.com.



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Good Decision Making Focus of Student Conference

On Wednesday, April 15, members of Knightstown High School's SADD/Voice group traveled to Noblesville to attend the 2015 SADD Celebration.

The day started with a keynote speaker, Johan Khalilian, who spoke about his life growing up in a tough area of Chicago. According to KHS guidance counselor Melissa Hedden, Khalilian grew up with lots of crime, gangs and drugs around him. But, through it all, he promised himself he would never do any of those things because he had goals to do better for himself. Khalilian had people telling him his whole life that he would not make it, but he rose above and knew he had a purpose.

Hedden said students then had the opportunity to go to workshops focused on many different aspects of good decision making. The sessions included information about e-cigarettes, leadership development, stress, information sharing sessions, prescription drug abuse, synthetic drugs, alcohol and distracted driving.

"As the year wraps up, our group's mission is to spread the word about safe driving," Hedden told The Banner. "Henry County Voice donated lanyards to give out at prom that said 'Don't Drink and Drive.'"

"May is Global Youth Traffic Safety Month and we plan on doing

*Riley Wranglers
Arts & Crafts Fair
Saturday, May 2*

The Riley Wranglers Square Dance Club will be sponsoring its 31st Annual Arts & Crafts Fair on Saturday May 2. The event will be held at the Hancock County 4-H Fairgrounds, 620 N. Apple St., in Greenfield 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Buildings are all handicap accessible. Over 120 booths, live local entertainment and food are featured. Free parking and admission. For more info, call 765-763-6289 or 317-459-1319.

an activity from Impact Teen Driving called, 'What do you consider Lethal?' We took a poll earlier in the year of the student body and asked them that very question. We will present those results and talk about teen driving and how car accidents are the leading cause of death for teens."

Hedden said she's been very impressed with her current SADD/Voice group members.

"We have such a great group of student leaders and they have such a positive impact on our school," she said. "These students have made the commitment to be drug and alcohol free and make good decisions. Many of the leaders play sports, have good GPAs, and stay out of trouble at school. They are good role models for all of the students at KHS. They are committed to informing their peers about the dangers of these poor decisions."



KHS SADD/Voice members pose for a photo at the SADD Celebration in Noblesville.

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Realtors See Best, Worst of Homes

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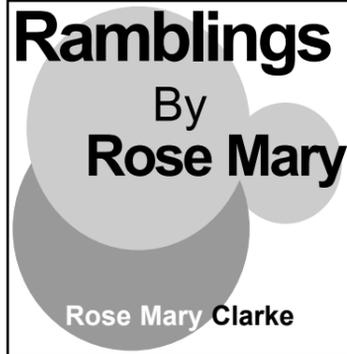
Really proficient Realtors have real estate in the back of their minds 24/7. In fact, it is easy to become obsessed with it. They love to exchange 'war' stories, and Vicki and I shared some when she and Tom were here for the weekend.

I heard a mega-producer from Houston with \$50 million in yearly sales speak at a convention. She said, "When the buyer and I got out of my car the owners' yappy little mutt ran up and bit the client on the ankle. The man pulled out a gun and shot the dog." "What did you do?" someone asked. "I called the owners, made an abject apology and ended up buying them one of the most expensive breeds of dog in the world."

Another dog story: One of my colleagues came into the office one Monday and moaned, "I had a horrible time yesterday. I had an open house at one of my listings. A dog ran in when I opened the door, greeted visitors and napped in front of the fireplace. When I opened the door after the open house, it ran out. It had started to rain and was very muddy. The owner wouldn't be home till late. I figured he wouldn't want his dog left out, so I chased it down - I was wearing my

best suit and high heels, of course - and dragged it back into the house. Late that night, the owner called: "What did you mean by letting my neighbor's blankety-blank dog in the house. It got mud all over everything!"

Realtors deal with a lot more than land, boards and bricks. They have a rather unique entrée into people's lives. Some of our stories



weren't funny because life isn't always amusing. Vicki told about a closing where an elderly couple sold their little Lake Shafer home that they dearly loved and had updated and decorated with all sorts of pretty little touches. The lady had suffered a debilitating stroke, and they needed to move closer to their son. Vicki said, "I felt so sorry for them because they were so very sad."

When I was a girl, I'd hear my mother say, "So-and-so is breaking

up housekeeping." That's probably an old-fashioned saying, but I have come to understand what it means and its great poignancy.

Breaking up housekeeping can be as heart-wrenching as breaking up a marriage or relationship because people are giving up their homes and possessions. They're leaving behind their neighborhood and neighbors, their favorite chairs and furniture, their knickknacks and crafts, their stoves, their pots and pans, their spices, their jams and jellies, their sewing machines, their beds, their linens, their China and silverware, their books and photographs, their fishing equipment and games, their flower beds, their automobiles and all the other familiar and comfortable possessions collected over a lifetime.

We should own possessions, but in a way our possessions own us because they have become woven into the very fabric of our lives.

Also, people leave behind the chores to which they were accustomed such as cooking, cleaning, raking the leaves and shopping. They have too much time on their hands, too little to think about and lose the capacity, the will and the energy to do anything about it. They must abandon their lifestyles and their independence. Someone else will determine when and what they will eat and when and where

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If I'm Going Too Slow, Just Pass Me

by Eric Cox
Publisher

I bent over to pick up a piece of trash along the Woolly Bear Parkway trail at Kennard last weekend. Something caught my eye, but I kept moving.

A few steps later I thought better of it and stopped. I looked back on that brush pile where I'd collected the litter. I backtracked and stooped down, peering into the tangle of branches and briars.

What my eyes had initially seen, but not immediately recognized, were two green eyes staring out at me. It was a large cat, maybe 18 pounds with a bobbed tail.

As you can see in the photo, it was coiled up pretty tight in there, waiting for prey I presume. Maybe it's someone's pet, but I speculated it was a feral cat, fending for itself in the rural wilds near Kennard.



Alarmed by my camera, it bolted after a few clicks.

Afterward I got to thinking about taking a closer look at things. It's part of my job to look at all kinds of things. We look closely at government, sure.

But, in the natural world, there are so many more interesting things to see. This cat, for example, was there when I picked up the trash. I saw it, but somehow didn't really see it. Weird, I know. Yet, I think it happens to people all the time. Sometimes we look right at things, but for some reason can't actually see them.

Some might call that being blinded by the light, not seeing the forest for the trees - that sort of thing.

In nature, the same is partially true. After all there's so much of it! Even the now-empty farm fields, which seem empty, are full of all kinds of things - insects, vegetation, minerals, artifacts, bones and more.

My friend Ron Schaeffer is one of the people from whom I take lessons on looking more closely at things. Ron collects arrowheads and other American Indian artifacts - most from fields and streams right around here.

I've never actually hunted these things with Ron. But, I get to see some of the stuff he finds. I often wonder how long it took to train his eyes to detect these shaped bits of flint, lodged in the soil from what has to be hundreds, if not thousands, of years ago.

Ron's field searches prove to me that slowing down and taking a closer look can sometimes result in interesting finds.

Unlike his arrowheads, the cat I saw-but-didn't-see was pretty unremarkable, except for its size. But, for me it illustrated how vulnerable we are, in so many different ways, when we get caught up in this ridiculously fast-paced world we've created.

I'm gonna slow down this summer. If you get behind me and don't like my pace, remember ... I'm not on your schedule. You're on mine. Feel free to pass.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Our past editorials have cautioned citizens to be aware of your home, neighbors and neighborhoods. Now the weather has warmed and you are wanting out and the bad guys are wanting in. I still want you to be aware of that.

We had a stark reminder this week. Those bad guys also want to take you financially. It has been brought to our attention that our community is receiving checks - very legitimate-looking checks in the thousands of dollars. You are asked to cash this check and become a secret shopper. A portion of this money you'll use to shop at stores such as Walmart, The Gap, Pizza Hut and many others, reporting back to the director of operations. The quote used: "On top of being paid for shopping you keep the purchases." Remember the saying, "if it sounds too good to be true, it usually is."

Now you ask, what do they gain? If you cash the check and do the shopping, how is this a scam? The scam, the check will bounce; it's no good and will come back on you. They have received information, as you must go online and verify you are participating. They will ask for your bank and other sensitive information. You will not only have to repay this check to wherever you cashed it, they have information to further scam you.

If you receive anything like this, check with your local Banker. Do not cash this check!

All crime watch meetings are every second Monday at 6 p.m. at the Hoosier Gym. Use the Adams Street entrance. Please attend.

Knightstown Neighborhood Crime Watch

Dear Editor,

On a weekend during a recent business trip, I visited Turkey's Gallipoli peninsula. In 1915, the Ottoman Empire, known even before World War I as, "the sick man of Europe," was crumbling. In a vain attempt to open a warm-water route to aid czarist Russia through the Dardanelles and Bosphorus straits, allied forces made amphibious landings at Gallipoli. The ANZAC (Australia - New Zealand Army Corps) suffered especially high losses, landing a little too far north of their objective. No correction was made, due to the arrogance of British officers (many of whom had purchased their commissions!) unwilling to admit their mistakes. A Turkish officer, who would later become the father of modern Turkey, Mustafa Kemal (Ataturk), led the Ottoman forces to a pyrrhic victory at Gallipoli, suffering even greater losses. On April 25, descendants of ANZAC veterans, Prime Ministers of Australia and New Zealand, Prince Charles, and Prince Harry will gather at dawn at Gallipoli in a solemn observance of its 100th anniversary.

The night before visiting Gallipoli, across the Dardanelles in the city of Canakkale, I attended a "whirling dervish" show. These are religious ceremonies put on by Islam's mystical Sufi sect, which non-Moslem tourists are welcome to attend. I once saw a similar event in Istanbul's old train station. What disturbed me was that this show took place in a former Armenian Orthodox church. Still visible above the entrance are indentations where the cross and letters of the Armenian alphabet have been chiseled out. Later I was to learn that on April 24, 1915, (the day before the Gallipoli invasion), the Ottomans began a systematic extermination of Armenians throughout their empire. This was because, during World War I, Armenians sided with Russia, a fellow Orthodox Christian nation. In all, over 1 million Armenians died.

This year, Israel's Yom HaShoakh (Holocaust Remembrance Day) took place on April 16. At 10 a.m., air raid sirens sounded for 2 minutes throughout Israel. It was very touching to see the expressway behind my hotel come to a standstill, people get out of their cars, and stand at attention. That evening I returned to Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust Memorial and Museum, in Jerusalem. Adolf Hitler's Nazi Germany tried to systematically exterminate Europe's Jewish population, with over 6 million killed.

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◆The next **Carthage friends get-together** will be held Saturday, April 25, noon-3 p.m., at the Ponderosa restaurant at 1585 N. State St., Greenfield. Attendees are urged to bring old photos and memories to share. For more information, contact Hester Shelby at 317-513-2438.

◆Carthage Community Church, 10 S. Main St., will host **The McPherson Family**, who perform bluegrass gospel, on Sunday, May 3, at 7 p.m. The public is invited to this free event. A freewill offering will be accepted. Call 565-6002 for more information.

◆Knightstown Wesleyan Church, 471 N. Franklin St., is holding a **canvas and cookies** painting event on Thursday, April 23, at 6 p.m. For more information, call Amy at 765-686-7063

◆Charlottesville United Methodist Church will host its annual **chicken and noodle dinner** on

Saturday, April 25, 4:30-7 p.m. at the Charlottesville Lions Club building. Menu includes chicken and noodles, green beans, mashed potatoes, salads, rolls, desserts and drinks. The event is open to the public and a freewill offering will be accepted.

◆The town of Knightstown is sponsoring **Town Clean-up Week**, April 20-25, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. A dumpster will be provided at the town street barn, 7605 W. U.S. Hwy. 40. Trash and yard debris will be accepted. No electronics, petroleum-based products (paint, oil, gas, etc.), propane tanks or tires will be accepted. Recyclables can be taken to recycling bins at the sewer plant on West County Line Road. The dumpster is being sponsored by the town and the Henry County Community Foundation. For more information, call 345-5977.

◆Donations are now being accepted for the **Beautify Knightstown Community Yard Sale**. Clean items in good repair and preferably priced may be dropped off at the Hoosiers Home Court Café (formerly the Knightstown Diner), 12 E. Main St., during business hours or by appointment, Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. The sale will be held on the Public Square, May 28-30, during National Road Yard Sale Days. Contact Kevin Richey at 765-445-2328 for more information.

◆Henry County Historical Society will host a **grand opening** for its Maxwell automobile addition, featuring a 1911 Maxwell donated by Howard Joyner, on Saturday, April 25, at 1 p.m. The HCHS is located at 606 S. 14th St., New Castle. To RSVP, call 765-529-4028.

◆Knightstown First Baptist Church will host a **free pancake breakfast** on Saturday, April 25,

beginning at 8 a.m. The church will also host its vacation bible school June 15-19. The church is located at 210 E. Jackson St. The event is free and open to the public.

◆The Disabled American Veterans' **mobile service officer van** will be at Knightstown American Legion Post 152 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on July 17. For more information, call Morris Cole at 906-241-3565.

◆New Covenant Worship Center, 815 Western Rd., New Castle, will host the inaugural **Reflected Light Art Exhibition** this spring. An opening reception is scheduled for Friday, May 1, 6-9 p.m. The event is free, open to the public and family-friendly. Featuring painting, ceramics, photography, mixed media, sculpture and more, the event also includes free refreshments. For more information, call Brian Russelburg at 317-652-3120 or e-mail silversilverage@gmail.com.

◆The **Shirley Historical Society** is raising money to restore a railroad caboose and purchase a motorized rail inspection car. The items will be placed near the Shirley railroad depot. Donations may be sent to Joan Cupp, P.O. Box 407, Shirley, IN 47384.

◆The **Historic Knightstown museum**, located on the Public Square at 22 N. Washington St., will have new winter hours. Winter hours will be 10 a.m.-12 p.m. each Friday and Saturday. For more information, or to visit the museum by appointment, call David Steele at 765-345-7585. Family and individual HKI memberships are \$20 and \$15, respectively. Membership payments may be mailed to HKI at P.O. Box 74, Knightstown, IN 46148.

◆The Henry County **Disabled American Veterans (DAV)** organi-

zation meets the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Knightstown American Legion Post 152. DAV Service Officer Morris Cole encourages Iraq and Afghanistan veterans to attend so they can learn more about DAV benefits. Cole is available at Post 152 10 a.m.-3 p.m. each Friday. For more information, call 906-241-3565.

◆**Alcoholics Anonymous** meets weekly, on Tuesdays, at 7:30 p.m. at the Hoosier Gym (enter on East side). Meetings will continue each Tuesday at the same time and

location. For more info, call 765-571-1132 or 765-571-1662.

◆The **Parish Clothes Closet**, located in the basement of Bethel Presbyterian Church, 112 S. Franklin St., Knightstown, is open each Thursday from 3-5 p.m.

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2002 KHS Graduate Matt Kopp Enjoys His Work on Anderson Police Department

by Logan Cox
for The Banner

"I like being able to help other people out," said Anderson police officer and Knightstown High School graduate Matt Kopp. "I know that's a universal answer, but it's something I really like to do. It's not like I've got a stack of papers on my desk, I just get in my car and it's a new adventure every day."

Kopp has been a member of the Anderson Police Department for eight years. Prior to being hired on at Anderson, he worked as a reserve officer at the Edgewood Police Department for nearly 10 years.

He states that his choice of career and personal desire to aid his fellow citizens was brought about in his youth, specifically, the time he spent with his father.

"My dad (Jerry Kopp) was a volunteer firefighter," said Kopp. "So I was always around police or firemen when I was growing up."

His skills as an officer were truly put to the test over two months ago, on the morning of Feb. 15, when he witnessed a truck running a red light in downtown Anderson. Kopp pursued the truck, eventually getting it to pull over. When he finally did so and began calling it in to dispatch, he saw the vehicle's female passenger frantically waving at him.

"So I get out of my car and as I'm making my approach, all of the sudden, the truck's motor revs up real loud and the tires start spinning," he said. "I'm not sure how the vehicle got into reverse, but he goes back real quick and hits the front of my police car. Then his truck rolls forward a little bit and when it finally stopped, his foot was still on the accelerator, but I opened the door, reached in and put the truck in park."

As he was in the middle of doing this, Kopp realized that the driver appeared to be having a seizure.

He got on his radio, telling police dispatchers that he required an ambulance for an unresponsive male. He also called in a supervisor, due to the truck hitting the front of his police cruiser.

"Then I finally get his foot off the accelerator, and when I did the motor died. I knew the truck wasn't gonna move anymore. And when I looked up at him, his face was purple. By that time another officer had pulled up. I had him help me get the driver out of the truck," said Kopp.

He and his fellow officer managed to pull the driver out and put him down on the ground, where Kopp began applying chest compressions for CPR. Shortly after he had started, the ambulance arrived.

The medics had the two officers lift the man up and put him in the back of the ambulance. He was then transported him to St. Vincent Anderson Regional Hospital.

The driver, 62-year-old Fred Steffler, later passed away at the hospital.

"A lot of our stuff is unexpected," he said in regards to the situations he encounters while on duty.

While Kopp makes it clear that events such as this are not commonplace for an officer on patrol, the likelihood of finding one like it depends largely on the circumstances of his day, such as when and where he is at the time.

"I'm glad I was where I was at when I was, because if he had kept driving it could have been a lot worse," Kopp said of the incident.

Kopp graduated from Knightstown High School in 2002. During high school, he lettered four years in varsity soccer, two years in basketball, and two years in golf. He also attended Anderson University for four years.

He lives on the north side of Anderson with his wife and two children.



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Fraser Earns Scholarships



Loretta Lunsford Scholarship and the Joseph and Lillian Zeglin Scholarship in Humanities.

According to IUPUI, Fraser describes herself as a "word nerd"

The IUPUI School of Liberal Arts recently announced that Knightstown resident Sarah Fraser has been awarded the

and appreciates the opportunity that the IUPUI School of Liberal Arts gives her to be able to find ways to fulfill this fascination.

"(Fraser) is not only a well rounded student in the school but takes her interests out to the community by volunteering in after school programs that help children learn to appreciate the opportunities available," an IUPUI press release said. Fraser's ultimate goal is to continue on to get a doctoral degree in applied linguistics.

MEETINGS CALENDAR

Wed., Apr. 22 - Henry County Council meeting, 3:30 p.m., Old Circuit Court Room

Wed., Apr. 22 - Henry Co. Commissioners meeting, 6 p.m., Old Circuit Court Room, 2nd floor of courthouse, New Castle

Wed., Apr. 22 - Wayne Twp./ Knightstown Vol. Fire Dept. board meeting, 7 p.m., at fire station

Mon., Apr. 27 - Henry Co. Fire Chiefs meeting, 7 p.m.,

Henry County Office Building meeting room, New Castle

Tues., Apr. 28 - Hancock Co. Planning Commission monthly hearing, 6:30 p.m., Courthouse Annex room 101, Greenfield

Tues., Apr. 28 - Rush Co. Area Plan Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville

Thurs., Apr. 30 - Hancock Co. Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 6:30 p.m., Courthouse Annex room 101, Greenfield

Rush Co. School Jazz Ensembles to Perform April 30 at Laughlin Center

The Rush County High School Band Boosters will be presenting a Jazz Appreciation Month concert on Thursday, April 30, from 7-8:30 p.m. This concert will take place in the Laughlin Center and is free and open to the public.

The concert will feature all of the jazz ensembles in RCS; The BRMS Jazz Combo, the BRMS Jazz Band, RCHS Jazz Band, RCHS Jazz Combo 2, and RCHS Jazz Combo 1. The concert will also feature a finale where all of the jazz groups join together with jazz alumni to play a funk, a blues, and a Duke Ellington piece.

For more information contact Jim Burgeson at burgeseone@rushville.k12.in.us

Rose Mary, from Page 4 — they will go.

We need to think – really think – about our lives, look into ourselves, develop strategies to shape our future while we still can. I am approaching 78 and feel the chill wind of old age at the fringe of my existence.

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FOLKWAYS

K-town Park Board Persists with Questions About Payments

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

The Knightstown Department of Parks and Recreation Board is continuing to seek answers from the town as to why worker's compensation payments were being paid from the park board's fund when it has no employees.

This issue was first raised at the park board's February 18 meeting, and then, again, at the March 18 and April 15 meetings. Last Thursday, the night after the park board met, park board member Cynthia Neal took the issue to the Knightstown Town Council.

Neal told council members she believed it had been about three years since the parks department had had any employees. She said the park board had never author-

ized worker's compensation payments to be taken from its fund and that it would like to have the town reimburse any money improperly paid from the park board's fund.

"I think that's a very valid issue," Clerk-Treasurer Bart Whitesitt said about this issue. "... We need to check into that."

Neal also asked the council about the use of park funds to pay to repair a drainage pipe near the lake in Sunset Park. She said the park board had also never approved paying that claim.

"We did not approve that payment," Neal said. "So, how was it made?"

Whitesitt told Neal that the town council signs off on all claims. Ultimately, he said, the decision about which town funds

are used to pay for the claims is up to the council.

The night before, at the park board's April 15 meeting, Neal said she thought the town should reimburse the park board for the worker's compensation payments and the cost of repairing the drain pipe near the lake.

"There should be no disbursements that are not approved by this board out of that account," Neal said. "That money should not have been disbursed from our account, period."

In other park financial business, Neal and Park Board Vice President Bruce Brown also expressed displeasure at last week's park board meeting with a one-page monthly financial report provided by Whitesitt that showed

the balances of various town funds.

"I'm sorry, but this is not sufficient," Brown said of the financial summary. "... I want to see financial reports that show where (money) went and where it came from."

"I agree ... that the financial report is greatly lacking," Neal added.

The park board also acted at its meeting last week to:

- *Approve the purchase of six new trash cans for the shelter house at Sunset Park;
- *OK the purchase of artificial turf or some other material to cover

a metal plate at the splash pad that gets hot and could burn the feet of those using the water attraction;

- *Accept a bid from Smoot's Lawn Care for mowing at the park for \$225 per mow;

- *Revise its vote from March approving the purchase of new lights for the circle drive at the park to change the order to LED lights, which will increase the price from about \$180 to \$300 per fixture; and

- *Advertise for bids for cleaning up the South Washington Street property that is being considered as a possible canoe/kayak launch on the Blue River.

Letters, from Page 4

As Armenia was the first nation to have adopted Christianity (303 AD), Jerusalem's Old City has an Armenian Quarter, whose population has dwindled to only 1,500. In the nearby Christian Quarter, on the roof of the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, Ethiopian Orthodox and Coptic Orthodox priests live. There I saw banners displayed with photos of Egyptian Coptic guest workers being killed execution-style by an Islamic State affiliate in Libya. As I write these words, I just learned of Ethiopian Orthodox migrants similarly killed by Islamic State affiliates in Libya. To paraphrase Senator John McCain (R-AZ), the world is in a hundred year war against radical Islam and its genocide against non-Moslems.

Reparations or not, genocide should at least be acknowledged by descendants of perpetrators, as the former West Germany did (the former Communist East Germany never did). Today's Turkish Republic is the 17th regime to rule its historic land; the Ottoman Empire was the 16th. "Sins of the fathers" can be confessed by the "sons." Turkey may be a secular moderate Islamic nation, an ally against radical Islam in a tough neighborhood, and a NATO ally playing host to Gallipoli's 100th anniversary observance. But it is time for Turkey to come clean on Armenian genocide. US foreign policy should encourage this.

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Peter McWilliams

Muncie Company Named in K-town Lawsuit Responds

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

Attorneys representing a Muncie company hired by the town of Knightstown in 2013 to raze a dilapidated East Main Street building have formally responded to a lawsuit filed against it and the town by a disgruntled neighboring property owner.

Attorneys for Dudley Wainscott, Woodland Park, Colo., owner of the property known as the "Old Lodge" building at 34-38 E. Main St., filed a complaint for damages in Henry Circuit Court 1 on Friday, Feb. 20, against the town. Also named as a defendant is Shroyer Bros. Inc., the Muncie-based company the town hired to demolish the building that stood just to the west of Wainscott's that had formerly housed Hopkins

Furniture and, more recently, The Bullet Hole gun shop.

Wainscott's lawsuit alleges missteps in how the town and Shroyer handled the spring 2013 demolition of the building at 32 E. Main St. He also claims the town failed to make repairs to a common wall the razed building shared with his property that has been left standing, and says that failure led to mold damage in his building.

When attorneys for Shroyer entered their appearances in the case on March 16, they requested more time to respond to the lawsuit. While the court granted this request and gave Shroyer's legal counsel until the end of April to file an answer to Wainscott's complaint, the Muncie company's nine-page response was filed on April 10, almost three weeks

before the new deadline.

Wainscott's lawyers say Shroyer was supposed to remove debris from the demolition and replace it with clean fill, but failed to do this. Instead, they claim the company left the material at the site, collapsed into what had been the basement, filling the rest in "with dirt and tombstones from the local graveyard."

The lawsuit also claims there had been over 10,000 vacuum tubes inside razed building and that Shroyer had failed to remove them before starting the demolition. According to Wainscott's attorneys, an unknown number of tubes were crushed when the building was brought down, "potentially causing mercury to leak into the soil and groundwater."

It is also alleged in the lawsuit

that Shroyer's demolition work left 161 holes above ground and 240 holes below ground in the load-bearing wall shared by The Bullet Hole and the Old Lodge. Wainscott's legal counsel claim the town ignored the advice of engineers it hired on how to repair this wall, and that this failure led to water getting into Wainscott's

building, causing extensive mold damage in the basement that has left him unable to find a renter.

With respect to most of Wainscott's allegations, Shroyer's attorney, Gary Shaw of the Indianapolis firm of Skiles & DeTrude, claims his client "is without sufficient knowledge or

See Lawsuit, Page 9

Preservation Photos Posted

Historic Preservation Month is coming in May. Hoosiers can celebrate several ways, starting with viewing winning photos from the DNR Division of Historic Preservation & Archaeology's annual photo contest.

Winning photos are at dnr.IN.gov/historic/3993.htm. Photos from the contest also will be on display at host locations throughout the state.

This year's winners are: Greg Sommer, Most Artistic, for his shot of Ward Township District No. 5 School in Deerfield; Nathan Davis, Best Overall Photo, for his shot of the East Reading Room at Indianapolis Public Library; and Robert Agan, Best Overall Resource, for his photo of Egloff Milling Company in Vincennes.

Vote, from Page 1

members is needed to satisfy this two-thirds requirement.

Last week's 3-2 vote on the salary ordinance broke down along the same lines as it had in March. Council President Cort Swincher, Clyde South and Trump voted in favor of it, while Ward and Mitch Roland cast the dissenting votes.

The town council also corrected another misstep at last week's meeting when it voted unanimously to appoint Ashley Lapham to fill a vacancy on the Knightstown

Department of Parks and Recreation Board. Swincher had announced during a special meeting two nights earlier that he was appointing Lapham to the vacancy, but state statute required the appointment to be made by the entire town council, not the council president alone.

In other business, council members voted 4-1 to have town works manager Greg Neice get price estimates on making improvements to the gravel road that leads to the

water wells the town leases from private property owners. Ward voted against the motion.

Immediately before that motion passed, a motion to that would have had the town pay \$7,220 toward \$16,910 in road improvements the property owners wanted to have Erwin Excavating make failed 2-3. Ward and Swincher were the two who supported that failed motion.

South, who, along with Roland and Trump, defeated the first motion, said he thought the property owners were asking the town to do more than is required by the terms of the water well lease. He said he didn't think it would be wise to set a precedent by improving the gravel road to make it better than it was when the lease was approved.

"It was a dirt road when we made the agreement," South said. "... To improve that ... from a dirt road to a gravel one is to grant them more than they're entitled to."

The council has scheduled a special meeting for this Thursday, April 23, at which it is expected to receive information from Neice about the estimates he has obtained for work on the road leading to the wells. That meeting, which is set for 6 p.m. in the council's chambers at 28 S. Washington St., is open to the public.

The council also voted at last week's meeting to have Clerk-Treasurer Bart Whitesitt draft a resolution forming a town election board to oversee the town's elections this fall. The offices held by Whitesitt and three of the council's five members – Swincher, Roland and South – are all up for election.

In other business, the council: *Approved Kristen Schaeffer and Carson Smith as two new volunteer reserve officers for the Knightstown Police Department;

*Accepted a resignation from former KPD reserve officer Keith Baker;

*Approved the repaving of portions of West Jackson and West Lincoln streets;

*Voted to have Neice obtain price quotes for 1,500 square feet of sidewalk repairs;

*Voted to proceed with contacting owners of several properties on the north side of town and one on the south side of town to see if they would be willing to be annexed by the town; and

*Approved fundraising efforts by the town's cemetery board to pay for the repair and painting of fencing at Glen Cove Cemetery.

More information about the Knightstown Town Council's April 16 monthly meeting can be found in the memoranda and minutes from that proceeding. Those public records are available for inspection and copying at Knightstown Town Hall, 26 S. Washington St., during normal business hours.

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Second Vote on Rate Hike Passes K-town Town Council Unanimously

by Jeff Eakins for The Banner

While a proposed 43-percent hike in rates and charges for customers of Knightstown's wastewater utility just barely passed on first reading last month, the Knightstown Town Council's second vote adopting the increase passed unanimously last week.

As previously reported, a divided council voted 3-2 at a special meeting on March 3 to approve Ordinance 3-2015 on first reading. All five council members, however, voted to adopt the ordinance at their April 16 monthly meeting.

According to a rate study prepared by H.J. Umbaugh & Associates, an Indianapolis firm hired as the town's rate consultants, the average monthly sewer bill, based on 4,000 gallons of usage, is expected to increase \$15.52, from \$36.10 to \$51.62. While the new ordinance takes effect with its publication in this week's Banner, it could still be a couple of months before customers see an increase in the sewer bills.

Betsy Wilkerson, the town's deputy clerk-treasurer and utility office manager, told The Banner that the town's billing software needs to be updated with the new rates and charges. She said it may be late May or the end of June before the first billing statements that reflect the increase go out.

Town officials hope the increase will allow the wastewater utility's operating fund to get out of the red and provide money for needed repairs. Additionally, the increase could also aid the town's efforts to get grants and low-interest loans to help pay for needed improvements to the town's sewer plant and infrastructure.

Due to problems with inflow and infiltration into the sewer system Knightstown's wastewater treatment plant frequently exceeds its rated capacity. Engineering reports prepared by two different firms have estimated the cost of rehabilitating parts of the town's wastewater collection system and

making upgrades to the sewer plant as being between \$3.9 million and \$5.2 million.

In a related matter, the town council voted unanimously two nights earlier, during its April 14 special meeting, to continue working with FPBH Inc., a North Vernon-based engineering firm, as engineering consultants on the sewer project. Of the two estimates the town had received for the proposed improvements, FPBH's was the higher of the two.

The primary purpose for last week's special meeting had been to give representatives of Triad Associates Inc., Indianapolis, a chance to go over their proposals with the council. Triad had actually offered two alternatives, one for about \$3.9 million, and another that was just over \$4.2 million, offering savings of between nearly \$1 million and \$1.3 million over FPBH's estimate.

The council, however, didn't end up getting much detail from Triad at last week's special meeting explaining the differences between the two companies' proposals. With FPBH also on the meeting agenda, the Triad representatives complained the meeting was "highly unusual" and not the "work session" they had anticipated having with the council.

The Triad employees weren't the only ones surprised by FPBH's presence at the April 14 special meeting. Council President Cort Swincher and Vice President Sarah Ward both said they thought the meeting was just to be with Triad, and even Dan Wright, one of FPBH's principals, said he had not known his company was also going to be on the agenda that night.

Ward described the pricing differences between the two companies as "astronomical" and said she wanted to understand why Triad was so much less than FPBH. Council member Mitch Roland said he agreed and thought the council need to give consideration to Triad's proposal if it meant saving the town

a million dollars or more.

Council member Clyde South said that he was "quite comfortable" with FPBH and that company's proposal. He noted that the town has been working with FPBH since the fall of 2013 and said he thought the council needed "to make a decision fairly quickly."

Wright told the council that FPBH is "not a 'build-a-project-and-leave' type of company." Instead, he said his firm "will be around to help" with what he described as "an ongoing process."

FPBH has been working with the town to help secure funding, in the form of grants and low-interest loans, through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Office of Rural Development. Wright said he met with a field representative from Rural Development earlier this month who said he was "trying to move this along."

Brad Bender of FPBH told council members it was their prerogative to switch engineering firms, should they decide to do so. However, he said it could slow the process down due to differences in the two companies' proposals.

"We can't afford to start over," Roland said.

South made a motion to declare FPBH "our guys for this project" and Roland seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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Colby Lane Gets Big Win at Ohio's Door Buster 200



Second generation driver and Knightstown High School graduate Colby Lane found his way to victory Saturday, April 18, in the Stealth Trailers CRA Street Stocks "Door Buster 200" at the Shadybowl Speedway in DeGraff, Ohio.

The victory was Lane's first career win in the series, and it comes in one of the biggest races of the year. The race featured a field of 32 entrants. Lane now leads the points as the series heads to Lucas Oil Raceway this Friday, April 24, for the Circle City Spring Classic.

For more information on CRA events please visit the CRA website at <http://www.cra-racing.com/>.

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information to form a response." In fact, this response is repeated no fewer than 25 times in the first five pages of Shroyer's answer.

There are also 16 instances in which Shaw says Shroyer denies allegations made by Wainscott's attorneys. Most of these denials are asserted in response to Wainscott's nuisance and negligence claims against Shroyer and the town.

Two-and-a-half pages of Shroyer's response to Wainscott's lawsuit is a list of more than a dozen affirmative defenses Shaw has raised on behalf of his client. While several of these assert that Wainscott may be, at least partially, to blame for his damages, Shaw also suggests the town, or persons acting with the town's "authority or apparent authority," may also have played a part.

Shroyer has requested a jury trial. Also, Shaw said that to the extent Wainscott's complaint is "frivolous, unreasonable, or groundless, or is otherwise litigated in bad faith," his client may be entitled to court costs and attorney fees.

Indianapolis attorney Wayne Uhl of Stephenson Morow & Semler entered his appearance on the town's behalf on March 11, and also filed a demand for jury trial that day. Uhl also asked the court for more time to respond to the lawsuit and was given until today to file the town's response.

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In the hallways of Knightstown's old high school, now known as The Academy.

State Police Remind that Meth Lab Trash Very Toxic

A recent day was just like any other day for the Pendleton District Meth Suppression Squad. After driving county roads and walking creek and river banks in Delaware County, the final total was 23 plastic bottles located with toxic chemicals used in the manufacture of methamphetamine.

The Indiana State Police Meth Suppression Section wants to remind citizens that this discarded Meth lab trash contains chemicals that are toxic, flammable, corrosive, and acidic.

In addition officers found other meth lab trash, such as stripped lithium batteries and Sudafed pill blister packs. With warm spring weather expected this weekend, Pendleton District Meth Suppression Trooper Rich Clay wants to remind the public to be vigilant while participating in outdoor activities.

"If you're out mushroom hunting or fishing, or if your civic group is cleaning a roadside, beware," said Clay. "Things you should look for are discarded backpacks or gym bags, liquid filled plastic drink bottles with white residue, a large amount of discarded coffee filters or discarded liquid drain opener bottles. If you encounter any of these items, don't disturb them. Call us and let us check it out"

Anyone with information about illegal drug use is encouraged to call the Pendleton Post at 1-800-527-4752, or the Indiana State Police Drug Tip Line at 1-800-453-4756. Tips can be made and kept anonymous.

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KHS Student Macy Burton Earns Spot on Indiana Academic All-state Team

By Stacy Cox
General Manager



The Indiana Basketball Coaches Association recently named Knightstown senior Macy Burton to its 2015 Academic All-State team for girls basketball. Burton, who has been on the varsity basketball and the varsity cheerleading teams all four years of high school, is one of just 34 girls to make the Academic All-State team. While on the basketball team, she was one of the team's top scorers and leading free throw shooters. The team won the sectional title in 2013 and 2014.

"When I first met Macy I was immediately impressed with her knowledge of the game and her shooting ability. I told her that she was going to be one of our 3-point shooters and she told me I must be crazy!" said Coach John Boyer, who coached Burton in her final season. "She worked really hard throughout the fall and during the season, becoming one of our 3-point shooters. She is a great kid with an unparalleled drive and determination."

Being new to Knightstown, Boyer was unaware one of his best players was also a star in the classroom as well.

"I learned later that she was fifth in her class and that is something to be proud of because she has a very competitive class," Boyer said. "She is a great person who will be very successful in life. I am very proud to have coached her this year."

Burton has been on the "all-A" honor roll every year at KHS and currently carries a 4.11 grade point average. In December 2014, she was given an Award of Excellence for being one of the top ten students in the Indiana high school vocational program where she has been studying nursing.

In fact, she has already earned enough credits to become a certified nursing assistant (CNA). She plans to continue her education at Indiana University at Bloomington to major in nursing and eventually earn a degree to

work as a nurse practitioner.

She has already been practicing caring for others since she was about eight years old when she first began helping with Knightstown's Cheer Guild. While in high school, she has volunteered to help with events like the Feed the Homeless Night, Day of Caring, Blue River Community Harvest and Adopt a Family for Christmas. She was a member of VOICE/SADD for three years and the youth group Fusion for four years.

Burton has excelled in Spanish at KHS and was named "Best Spanish Student of the Year" in 2012, 2013 and 2014. A four-year member of the school's Spanish Club, she served as its president for one year.

She's also been involved in History Club, where she was vice-president for one year, and was one of her class' representatives on Student Council, where she served as secretary for two years. She is also a member of the National Honor Society, Health Occupations Students of America and the National Technical Honor Society.

On top of her success on the basketball court, Burton was a member of Knightstown's state championship cheerleading squad in 2012, 2013 and 2014. She was this year's winner of the Cheerleading Mental Attitude Award.

One area where Burton's positive attitude has played a role is in helping various local events for children. She has been a youth cheerleading coach and helped with Kindergarten Movie Night, Breakfast with Santa, Breakfast with the Easter Bunny and the always-popular "Dribble, Pass, Shoot" event. She knows how the love of the game starts young.

"Girls basketball has had a large impact on my life since I was a young girl," Burton said. "I remember growing up and watching the varsity basketball players and hoping I could be like them one day. Now that I have gained that experience, I couldn't be more thankful to have had the opportunities that I did."

Burton is the daughter of Aaron and Jana Burton of Knightstown and the granddaughter of Tom and

Janice Barton, also of Knightstown, and Lee and Bev Burton, of Dunreith.

"I have had many people who have helped me become a better ball player. I would especially like to thank my coaches and family for believing in me throughout the years," said Burton. "I have also made some amazing memories throughout my career. If there is any girl that is having trouble deciding whether or not to become a Lady Panther basketball player, I strongly urge them to give it a try. I am so thankful I did."



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JV Baseball Team Gets First Win

Knightstown's junior varsity baseball team had two games on the road last week. On April 14, the Panthers suffered a tough 4-2 loss at Eastern Hancock then traveled to Fairland on April 15, where they got their first win of the season, defeating Triton Central 14-2.

In their match up against the Royals, both teams were scoreless through the first three innings, then the Panthers got on the board first with two runs at the top of the fourth.

Those would be the only two runs for KHS. Eastern Hancock scored one in the bottom of the fifth to cut the Panther lead to 2-1 but then got three more across the plate in the bottom of the sixth to go up 4-2 for the eventual win.

The Panthers were led through five innings with the excellent pitching of freshman Tyler Burton, the team's MaxPreps Player of the Game.

Burton had 12 strikeouts and walked just one batter while allowing only run on two hits with no errors. He also hit one of the Panthers three hits.

Kelton Magee relieved Burton, pitching the sixth inning. He struck out two batters, walked four and allowed three runs on two errors. Magee was tagged with the pitching loss.

Bryan Newby hit a double. Hagan Moore got a base hit and scored one run.

Connor Brockman had a stolen base after reaching base on a walk. Bruce Nichols knocked in Brockman on a fielder's choice. Nichols also had one stolen base.

The Royals' freshman A.J. Muegge pitched five innings, striking out six batters, walking three while giving up two runs on four hits with two errors.

Sophomore Cole Young relieved Muegge after the first out in the sixth inning. He struck out one batter and gave up one hit.

The Royals were led at the plate with hits from Muegge, Jarett Lewis, Payton Wilkinson and William Harwood. Brent Morris, Mac Ellison and Jake Barton each knocked in one run for the Royals with Lewis, Wilkinson, Andrew Knoblock and Cody Young scor-

ing one run apiece for EH.

In the game against Triton Central the following day, Knightstown's JV was led on the mound and at the plate by Player of the Game Jared Porter. He pitched all five innings of the Panthers' victory.

The Panthers put two runs up on the board in the first inning but then allowed the Tigers to score twice in the bottom of the first to tie the game up.

Those would be the only two runs Porter and the Panthers would allow.

KHS didn't score in the second inning but then got their bats going in the third and never looked back. The Panthers scored two more runs in the third and then scored five runs in both the fourth and fifth innings to secure the win.

Porter, a freshman, finished with five strikeouts, one walk and two errors. He gave up two runs on two hits. He hit two doubles and walked once at his three times at bat and scored three runs.

Kaunner Cleek pounded out a double and two singles and was walked once. He knocked in a team-high five RBIs, had a stolen base and scored three times.

Burton had another good game, hitting a triple and getting an RBI on a sacrifice fly. He was walked on his other two times at bat and scored three runs.

Nichols had two base hits with an RBI and one run scored.

Dakota Locker got a base hit and a fielder's choice with one RBI.

Brockman was walked twice and reached base twice after being hit by a pitch. He took advantage by stealing a base and scoring two runs. He was also a force behind the plate, throwing out three runners trying to steal a base.

Kaleb Buchanan and Kyle Mattix each scored once after reaching base on walks.

The Panther JV team is now 1-2 on the season. They host Cambridge City Lincoln on April 24, starting at 4:30 p.m.

Historic Preservation Awards Will be Given Today in Kokomo

Standouts in preserving cultural resources will be presented with 2015 Indiana Historic Preservation Awards at the statewide historic preservation conference this week in Kokomo.

The DNR Division of Historic Preservation & Archaeology will present the awards during the "Preserving Historic Places" banquet at the Kokomo Country Club on today.

The division presents awards annually to recognize outstanding efforts in historic preservation and archaeology. As the State Historic Preservation Office, the division oversees the federally funded Historic Preservation Fund grant program, the Reinvestment Historic Tax Credit program, and the state Historic Homeowner Tax Credit program. The agency also functions as the central repository for historic structure and archaeological site records.

The awards to be presented are:

Indiana Archaeology Award: To archaeologist Kira Kaufmann for promoting the preservation, interpretation and management of Indiana's archaeological shipwrecks.

Outstanding Grant-Assisted Rehabilitation Award: To the town of North Liberty for rehabilitating the 1930s Works Progress Administration stonework in North Liberty Town Park.

Outstanding Grant-Assisted Rehabilitation Award: To the St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities for rehabilitating 53 windows in the former Holy Trinity Rectory in New Albany.

Outstanding Commercial Rehabilitation Award: To the Historic Rushton LP composed of the South Bend Heritage Foundation, Inc. & Great Lakes Capital Fund Non-Profit Housing Corporation for the Historic Rushton Senior Apartments in South Bend. The award recognizes one of more than 30 Certified Historic Preservation Investment Tax Credit projects DHPA administers each year.

Outstanding Certified Historic Homeowner Rehabilitation Award: To Karen and Ryan Haynes for their rehabilitation of the John A. Ross House in Frankfort.

DNR Says Inland Lake Trout Stocking Complete; Fish Now Awaiting Anglers

Thousands of newly stocked rainbow trout are awaiting anglers at 17 lakes throughout Indiana.

Last week, the DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife completed the annual rainbow trout stockings for Indiana's inland lakes, where trout fishing is allowed year-round.

Approximately 24,000 trout were stocked in lakes in 14 counties, ranging from Clark County in

the south to Lake County in the north. The trout are 9 inches long.

The daily bag limit is five trout, and no more than one can be a brown trout. The minimum size limit is 7 inches.

Brown trout are present in the Oliver Lake chain in LaGrange County, and several streams.

Indiana's trout stocking plan and a list of stocking locations is at

dnr.IN.gov/fishwild/3622.htm.

Indiana's trout stream (harvest) season opens at 6 a.m. local time on Saturday, April 25, and runs through Dec. 31. Approximately 27,000 rainbow trout are annually stocked into 19 streams.

For more details, the Indiana Fishing Regulation Guide is available at most license retailers and online at fishing.IN.gov/2347.htm.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

The Knightstown Town Council voted at its April 16, 2015, monthly meeting to adopt Ordinance 3-2015 (set forth below in its entirety). The ordinance had been introduced and passed on first reading at a special meeting of the town council on March 3, 2015, and a public hearing on the proposed ordinance was held March 25, 2015. A copy of the schedule of rates and charges adopted is kept on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the town council and the town clerk-treasurer at Knightstown Town Hall, 26 S. Washington St.

ORDINANCE NO. 3-2015

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES TO BE COLLECTED BY THE TOWN OF KNIGHTSTOWN, INDIANA, FROM THE OWNERS OF PROPERTY SERVED BY THE SEWAGE WORKS OF SAID TOWN AND OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH

WHEREAS, the Town of Knightstown, Indiana ("Town") has heretofore constructed and has in operation its municipal sewage works for the collection, treatment and disposal of sewage under the provisions of I.C. 36-9-23; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town previously adopted Ordinance No. 3 of 1974, Ordinance No. 1 of 1975, Ordinance No. 1 of 1977, Ordinance No. 4-88, Ordinance No. 4 of 1996 and Ordinance No. 6 of 2011 (collectively "Ordinance") establishing the sewer rates and charges for the use and services rendered by the sewage works of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town has caused a rate study to be completed by the firm of H.J. Umbaugh & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, LLP, Indianapolis, Indiana, in connection with the proposed sewage works improvement project; and

WHEREAS, based upon such rate study, the Town Council finds that the rates and charges established by the Ordinance are insufficient to enable the Town to properly operate its sewage works plant, service its bonds and finance additions and improvements to its sewage works system and should be increased.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KNIGHTSTOWN, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I

The following rates established in Section 1 of the Ordinance are hereby amended and restated as follows:

Monthly Base Rate:	
5/8 - 3/4 inch meter	\$27.14
1 inch meter	\$62.66
1 1/4 inch meter	\$98.18
1 1/2 inch meter	\$140.80
2 inch meter	\$240.27
3 inch meter	\$548.12
4 inch meter	\$950.69
6 inch meter	\$2,158.41
Monthly Flow Rate:	\$6.12
Unmetered Users:	\$54.67

SECTION II

All other provisions of and all other rates and charges established by the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION III

The ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its approval and due publication according to law.

SECTION IV

Introduced and filed on the 3rd day of March, 2015. A motion to consider on first reading on the day of introduction was offered and sustained by a vote of 3 in favor (Clyde South, Valerie Trump, Sarah Ward) and 2 opposed (Mitchell Roland, Cort Swincher) pursuant to I.C. 36-5-2-9.8.

Duly ordained and passed this 16th day of April, 2015, by the Town Council of the Town of Knightstown, Henry County, Indiana, having been passed by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.

TOWN OF KNIGHTSTOWN, BY ITS TOWN COUNCIL

VOTING AFFIRMATIVE: Mitchell Roland, Clyde South, Cort Swincher, Valerie Trump, Sarah Ward

VOTING OPPOSED: None

ATTEST: Bart Whitesitt, Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer

Free Dentistry Offered

Over the course of two days, the IndianaMOM charitable dental clinic plans to provide free dental care to 2,000 patients. The event, which is free and open to the public regardless of age or income, will be held Friday and Saturday, April 24 and 25, 6 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Indiana State Fairgrounds Agriculture Building.

More than 300 dentists, dental specialists, registered dental hygienists, and medical professionals along with over 1,000 support volunteers plan to treat up to 2,000 patients throughout the two-day event.

Many Hoosiers are without dental insurance or access to dental care. Unmet dental needs is a serious issue which can lead to other health concerns. Not only does poor oral health contribute to additional health problems, like diabetes, heart disease, stroke, and more, but it also impacts overall well being by causing difficulty eating, difficulty sleeping - even difficulty finding sustainable employment.

"We know there are tens of thousands of Hoosiers out there who are in desperate need of dental care. It's causing them to suffer, to be in pain, to risk infection, to have a hard time finding a job; but they

just can't afford to do anything about it," says Dr. Sue Germain, IndianaMOM Chairman. "The IndianaMOM Mission of Mercy event allows us to reach out and help at least some of those individuals."

All dental care will be provided free. Patients will be seen starting at 6 am on Friday, but may arrive at the Fairgrounds as early as noon on Thursday, April 23, and camp out in the DuPont Building. Patients are asked to bring food, water, snacks, medications, diapers, folding chairs, blankets, and other supplies they will need for the long wait.

A photo ID will be necessary. Community partners will also be on hand to register patients for social services. Patients wishing to enroll in Medicaid, SNAP, HIP, TANF are asked to also bring social security numbers and birthdates for all family members, proof of address, paystubs, and any current insurance information.

All care will be provided on a first come, first served basis and no appointments will be taken.

Additional information and a patient FAQ is available online at <http://www.indianamom.org/patient-faq.htm>.





Jacob Specht of Knightstown watches as his mother, Valerie Darling, paints Friday evening in the Knightstown High School cafeteria. They were participating in a "Cookies & Canvas" event sponsored by the KHS Art Club. Over 20 people participated, helping raise money for the art club.

Cookies & Canvas

KHS Art Club Fundraiser Sweetens Young Artistic Skills



Knightstown Elementary School first grader Miah Frost (left) thoughtfully paints her canvas Friday night in the KHS cafeteria. About 20 parents, grandparents and children joined in the KHS Art Club's "Cookies & Canvas" event. Piano music was provided by KHS student Leah Heim. Cookies and punch were served by art club members, and art teacher James Jahrsdoerfer assisted participants with their artwork. Kelly Frost (below left, at left) works on her modified painting. Frost added two more birds to her painting to represent the members of her family, she said.



KHS Art Club President Lea Seusz works on her painting.



Knightstown Elementary School kindergartener Ivan Rodriguez gets a little messy in his work.



Art teacher James Jahrsdoerfer (left) helps Josh Abbott with the shading on his sunset as Abbott enjoys a cookie.



Modeled on trendy themed art parties, participants paint a designated scene. At this event, artists painted a nature scene, with birds sitting on a tree branch, backlit by a sunset. The KHS Art Club, led by teacher James Jahrsdoerfer, used a digital projector to show participants the progress of Art Club President Lea Seusz, whose hand and brush can be seen in the projected image.



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LOCAL SPORTS

Panthers Double-down on Royals

Panthers Ranked 2nd After Winning EH Double-header

The April 20 poll by the Indiana High School Baseball Coaches Association has moved Knightstown's varsity baseball team up from fifth to second in Class 2A following their impressive performance against Eastern Hancock on Saturday and two other wins earlier in the week.

The Panthers defeated the Royals 16-6 in the morning game on Saturday and easily swept the doubleheader with a decisive 11-1 victory in the afternoon game at Eastern Hancock.

KHS came ready to play, scoring four runs to start the game. The Royals got on the board with one run in the bottom of the first.

The Panthers increased their lead to 6-1 at the end of the second inning. Both teams scored a run in the third inning, bring the score to 7-2.

The Royals held the Panthers in the fourth and fifth innings and put another run on the board at the end of the fourth.

With score at 7-3, the Panthers' cold bats warmed up significantly in the final innings. Knightstown knocked in five runs in the sixth and four more runs in the seventh.

Holding a 16-3 lead, KHS brought in a new pitcher to finish out the game. The Royals got three runs in the last inning to bring the final score to 16-6.

Tyler Richardson got the win on the mound for KHS, pitching six innings. He struck out six batters and walked just one while giving up three runs on one hit and one error.

Max Rinehart relieved Richardson for the seventh inning, striking out one batter and walking one. He allowed three runs on six hits and three errors.

Austin Lacy started on the mound for Eastern Hancock, allowing six runs on five hits and two errors.

Tom Barton pitched the rest of the game, striking out one batter and walking four. He gave up 10 runs on six hits and eight errors.

Richardson hit a triple and a sacrifice fly with two RBIs. He also reached base after being hit by a pitch and finished the game with two runs scored.

Drake Peggs was walked once and hit an RBI-triple. He scored twice.

Isaac McRoberts walked once and hit two doubles with two RBIs and two runs scored.

Jake Bearhope also hit two doubles, got two RBIs and scored once.

Kaleb Kinnaman had a double, a single and a fielder's choice with one stolen base and three runs scored.

Spencer Mattix hit a two-RBI double, reached base once on an error and scored one run.

Mike Jones knocked out a double, struck out once and scored one run.

Tyler Hubble got on base once on an error and had a base hit and a sacrifice fly. He scored two runs.

Jake Kwisz also scored two runs on a walk and one base hit.

The Royals were led at the plate by Cole Fout, who had a home run, a double and a single with two RBIs. Devin Denny had three hits and one RBI. Lacy got an RBI-single and scored two runs. Devin Wagoner hit an RBI-double. David Johnson and Barton each had two base hits and Brandon Reid added one base hit.

In the afternoon game, Knightstown kept up its dominating pitching, this time with Spencer Mattix.

"Mattix was excellent on the mound and never faltered through seven innings," said KHS head coach Daren Hardesty. "The bats came alive late in the game and sealed the deal for the victory. In both games, we did a great job getting runners across the plate. Our batters stepped up with runners in scoring position and we came away with two good wins."

Knightstown got on the board first in the second game with a home run by Peggs in the third inning and got three more runs in the fifth while holding the Royals scoreless.

With the score at 4-0 to start the sixth inning, the Panthers knocked in five runs at top of that inning. The Royals finally scored in the bottom of the sixth to bring the score to 9-1.

KHS brought in two more runs in the seventh then held the Royals to no runs to keep their undefeated streak going with an 11-1 win.

Hardesty named Mattix as the team's Player of the Game. In seven innings, he gave up only the one run on three hits. He struck out six batters, walked none and had just one error.

The Royals went through three pitchers - Wagoner, Reid and Clayton White with Wagoner taking the loss. The three combined for five strikeouts, two walks and seven errors while giving up 11 runs on 14 hits.

Peggs was again hot at the plate for the Panthers. On top of the homer he had to get the Panthers on the scoreboard, he hit a double, was walked

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Panther third baseman Spencer Mattix uses fundamental skills to trap a hot grounder.



Eastern Hancock batter Addison True ducks to avoid an inside pitch from Tyler Richardson.



Panther first baseman Jake Bearhope gets ahold of one in the first game, for one of two doubles.

Photos by Eric Cox

LOCAL SPORTS

Lady Royals Use Good Start to Beat KHS 11-2



In this file photo, KHS varsity pitcher Haley Fowler winds up. Fowler struck out four Eastern Hancock batters in the Lady Panthers' 11-2 loss on Tuesday, April 14. (Eric Cox photo)

Knightsstown's varsity softball team suffered its second loss of the season against conference rival Eastern Hancock on April 14.

The Lady Royals got off to a solid start, putting three runs on the board in the bottom of first inning and keeping the Lady Panthers from scoring through three innings.

KHS finally got on board in the fourth inning with one run. EH scored another run in the fifth inning to bring the score to 4-1.

Knightsstown scored their second and last run in the top of the sixth but then committed four big errors in the bottom of that inning, allowing Eastern Hancock to run away with the game.

The Lady Royals scored seven runs in the sixth, held KHS scoreless in the seventh to get the 11-2 win.

Haley Fowler's effort on the

mound for Knightsstown kept her team in the game through the earlier innings. She struck out four batters and walked two while giving up six runs on eight hits and three errors.

Tori McDonald pitched one inning, striking out one batter and walking three. She allowed five runs on two hits and two errors.

Fowler also led the team at the plate with two base hits and one RBI.

Robyn Clark had a single and a sacrifice fly with one RBI.

Sammi Eaks had a base hit and scored the team's two runs.

McDonald, Ryan Johnson and Vivian Goodpaster also had one base hit apiece.

Knightsstown's overall record moved to 2-2 on the season and 1-2 in the Mid-Hoosier Conference.

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Kwisz's Pitching Key in Win Over BRV

Knightsstown's varsity baseball team got its second win of the season on April 15 with a 5-1 victory over Blue River Valley at home.

"We were happy to get the win tonight against a tough team," Coach Daren Hardesty said. "Blue River competed on the mound and refused to give up runs easily."

The Panthers dominated again from the pitchers mound.

"Jake Kwisz had a great outing, giving up only one run on one hit while striking out nine and walking one," said Hardesty, who awarded Kwisz the Player of the Game. "Spencer Mattix cleaned up the last two innings giving up zero runs on zero hits and striking out four on his way to get the save."

KHS scored a run in the first and another run in the second before going cold the next two innings. Blue River finally got on board at the top of the fourth inning with its only run in game.

The Panthers scored two runs in the fifth inning and another run in the sixth inning for the 5-1 win.

Drake Peggs had an RBI-single with one stolen base and two runs scored. He was walked twice and struck out once at his other three times at bat.

Isaac McRoberts got two RBIs with a base hit and a fielder's choice.

Tyler Hubble hit a single and scored one run. He reached base once on an error, struck out one time and was walked once.

Mike Jones hit an RBI-single, got on base once after being hit by a pitch and had one stolen base.

Kaleb Kinnaman hit a single and reached base on a fielder's choice. He struck out twice but scored one run and had one stolen base.

Kwisz and Jake Bearhope each got a base hit and Kwisz also had one stolen base.

"We struggled to get big innings on offense, but our pitching was dominant. Richardson, Peggs and Rinehart combined to shut out Waldron ..."

Coach Daren Hardesty

Tyler Richardson walked once and struck out twice while Spencer Mattix scored once after reaching first on a Viking error.

KHS vs. Waldron

The Panthers began a long stretch of games on the road the following day with 9-0 victory over Waldron on April 16.

Hardesty said it was a "good win against a much improved Waldron team. We struggled to get big innings on offense, but our pitching was dominant. Richardson, Peggs and Rinehart combined to shut out Waldron, striking out 11 and giving up only four hits."

Knightsstown scored four runs in the second inning and three more runs in the third but was

scoreless through the next three innings. With a 7-0 lead going into the last inning, the Panthers put two more runs on the board for good measure. They finished the game with no errors.

Peggs got the pitching win, throwing for three innings. He struck out six batters with no walks and allowed no hits.

Richardson pitched two innings with three strikeouts and giving up just one hit.

Max Rinehart also pitched two innings. He had two strikeouts and allowed three hits.

Peggs hit a triple and a single with two RBIs. He reached base once after being hit by a pitch and had one stolen base.

Kinnaman also hit a triple and had two singles with two RBIs. He reached base once on an error and had two stolen bases.

Kwisz scored twice after getting on base on a fielder's choice and hitting a single. He had two stolen bases and two RBIs.

Hubble struck out once and hit a single that drove in two runs for the Panthers.

Richardson hit a double and struck out once.

Bearhope had a base hit, was walked once and reached base once on an error. He scored twice on those opportunities.

Rinehart hit two singles and scored once.

Mattix had a base hit and scored one run. Tyler Burton also got a base hit.

Jones had two stolen bases and scored twice. The Panthers' record moved to 3-0 after the wins over Blue River Valley and Waldron.

Eight First Place Finishers, Seven Second Placers Propel Lady Panther Track Team at ND Invitational

The Lady Panther varsity track team posted a 53-point win over second place finisher North Decatur at that team's Charger Invitational on April 17.

Knightsstown won the meet finishing with 178 points. North Decatur was second with 125. South Decatur took third place with 73 points. Tri was fourth with 68 points while Waldron was fifth at 65 points and Milan had 45.

The Lady Panthers had eight first place finishes and seven second place wins.

KHS' 400m relay team and

their 800m relay team each took the top spot.

Allison Sander, Elaine Suesz, Cora Nolen and Julie Vaughan won the 400m relay with a time of 4:38.03.

Lori Thomas, Kelsey Crim, Annie Moore and Vaughan won the 800m relay, posting a time of 11:29.

Vaughan also took first place in the 400m dash and the 800m run with times of 28.44 and 1:05.03.

Suesz came in behind Vaughan for second place in the 400m with a time of 28.74.

Nolen was second in the 800m at 1:09.43.

Lori Thomas earned a first place in the 800m run with a time of 2:41.3, and a second place in the 1600m run at 6:13.27.

Crim came in right after Thomas in the 800m with a time of 2:44.07.

Meski Tabb got second place in the 3200m run with a time of 14:20.9 with Meghan Cupp finishing sixth at 16:34.

Emily Sander took first place in the 100m hurdles at 16:95 with teammate Allison Sander taking second place at 17.66.

Grace Muncy won the top spot in the 300m hurdles, finishing at 56.43, and Kayla Weddle at third place with a time of 58:12.

Allison Sander also placed first in the high jump at 4'8" with teammate Annie Moore coming in fourth at 4'6".

Emily Sander and Suesz placed second and third respectively in the long jump. Sander had a jump of 14'6" and Suesz topped 14'5.75".

Hannah Thomas got two third place finishes in the 100m dash with a time of 14.04 and in the shot put with a throw of 26'9".

KHS Softball Bats Go Quiet; Lincoln Makes Most of Hitting Struggles

The varsity Lady Panther softball team struggled again to get their bats going in a game at home on April 16 against Cambridge City Lincoln, losing 1-11 after five innings.

The game was scoreless through two innings when Knightsstown again allowed a few errors along with some hits to blow the game wide open in the top of the third.

The loss to Lincoln dropped Knightsstown's record to 2-3 overall and 1-2 in the Mid-Hoosier Conference.

The Lady Golden Eagles scored seven runs in the third inning, another run in the fourth and three more in the fifth while holding the Lady Panthers to just two hits and one run.

Haley Fowler pitched all five innings for KHS, striking out three batters and walking seven. She gave up seven runs on 11 hits and five errors.

"Brooke Vise finally got a big hit to get her out of a mini slump, roping an RBI double off a very good pitcher," said head coach Bret Mann. "She also played a solid first base as usual."

Ryan Johnson had the Lady Panthers' only other hit. Georgee Lawhorne got on a base on an error and then scored the team's only run on Vise's double.

The loss to Lincoln dropped Knightsstown's record to 2-3 overall and 1-2 in the Mid-Hoosier Conference.

LOCAL SPORTS

Kennedy Osborn Leads Boys Track Team at Shenandoah

Kennedy Osborn had three first place finishes to lead the Knightstown boys track team past Shenandoah 65-57 on April 15.

"The weather was not great, but the boys ran well enough to get the W," said Coach Kevin Miller. "We need to keep working hard to maybe place well in some of our invites."

Besides Osborn's three top finishes, five other Panthers took first place, including Jon Lukens and Ben Willey, who finished first in two events. Alex Fields, Coleman Wyatt and Riley Ruble each had one first place finish.

"Riley ran the 300 hurdles at 44.8 seconds, which is only three seconds off the school record," Miller explained, adding that this "was also the first time he has ever done this event."

Miller was pleased with the effort his team put forth against

the county rival, saying it was a "great job by the guys."

Osborn took first place in the 100m dash with a time of 11.86.

He was also the top finisher in the 200m dash at 24.4. Ben Haase was close behind at 24.53 for second place.

In the 400m run, Lukens was the first place winner with a time of 54.84. Michael Haney took third place with a 59.37.

JT Butler finished second in the 800m run with a time of 2:29.

Jake Hull was second in the 1600m run, finishing at 5:40.

Willey got one of his first place finishes in the 3200m run with a time of 11:44.

In the 110m hurdles, Lane Parker finished second at 19.5 and Josh Sayre was third at 49.91.

Sayre was also third in the 300m hurdles at 49.91 with Ruble taking the first place spot.

The 100m relay team of Haase, Fields, Osborn and Cameron Fender took first place with a time of 46.65.

In the 400m relay team of Lukens, Fields, Haney and Haase finished second with a time of 3:55.28.

Knightstown's 800m relay team of Lukens, Jack Sather, Butler and Willey got the first place finish with a 9:46.

Wyatt got his first place win in the shot put with a throw of 39'6".

Derek Heim finished third in the discus event with a throw of 105'5".

Osborn got another first place victory in the high jump. He jumped 5'6" and Ruble jumped 5'2" for a third place finish.

Fields was first in the long jump event, jumping 16'10.5".

Lady Panther Softball Team Loses 2-1 Heartbreaker to Union County

By Stacy Cox
General Manager

Knightstown's varsity softball team suffered its fourth loss of the season Monday and it was a tough one to take.

"We lost a heartbreaker at Union County today on a walk-off hit, 2-1," said coach Bret Mann. "It was a great-played softball game by both teams."

The Lady Patriots scored a run in the bottom of the first inning. The Lady Panthers then held their opponents scoreless for the next five innings while managing to get just one run themselves in the top of the sixth.

Unable to score in the top of the seventh, KHS was so close to taking the game into extra innings when UC's hit brought in the winning run.

The game was evenly matched with both teams getting five hits and committing just one error.

Coach Mann was impressed with his team's performance.

"We had a triple play after a strikeout, then picked off two runners," said Mann. "Robyn Clark led the offense with two triples and Hayleigh Ooten, Georgee Lawhorne and Vivian Goodpaster all collected a hit."

With last year's other main pitcher, Maddie Lyall,

still out due to issues with her arm, Haley Fowler again held the mound for Knightstown.

"Haley pitched a great game, striking out five and giving up five hits," Mann said. "The defense was defiant when we were in tough spots and I couldn't be more proud of the girls."

Mann said the team's shortstop, Georgee Lawhorne, is also out now until she is cleared by a doctor to return to the field. She's had a sore shoulder all year but was "too tough and proud to admit how bad it was," according to Mann.

"As bad as we need her and need wins, it's not worth damaging it worse," said Mann. "I want a doctor's opinion and X-ray or MRI to feel better about playing her."

Clark was named the team's Player of the Game. On top of her two triples, she had the team's only RBI, bringing in Goodpaster.

"It's tough when a team has to lose a game like that but if we play like that the rest of the year, which we are fully cable of, we will have a very successful season as planned," Mann

added.

The Lady Panthers are now 2-4 overall this year. They play Rushville on April 22 and Morristown on April 23. Both games are at home, starting at 5 p.m.

"The defense was defiant when we were in tough spots and I couldn't be more proud of the girls."

- Coach Bret Mann

Lady Panther Tennis Team Falls to 0-5 After Hagerstown

The Lady Panther tennis team fell 0-5 to Hagerstown on April 15.

"Tonight our doubles teams showed great improvement game to game but still coming up short of a win," reported coach Cindy Hammer. "Hopefully next week we will get a win under our belts and get rid of some of the nerves and pressure."

Knightstown's No. 1 singles player, Hannah Peters lost to Savannah Houck 2-6 and 1-6.

Kale Obye, at No. 2 singles, was defeated 1-6 and 0-6 by Hagerstown's Hayley Hollenbery.

At No. 3 singles, KHS's Hope Johnson fell to Jacqueline Habzansky 0-6 and 2-6.

The Lady Panthers "new" No. 1 doubles team of Leah Heim and Rachel Weiland lost a close match 5-7, 5-7 to Tawni Brown and Olivia Houck.

"Leah and Rachel were back

together tonight after Rachel was gone for two matches so they had some things to work out that they haven't been able to work on in practice," Hammer said. "I expect things will smooth out for them next week and they will get back to their winning ways."

At No. 2 doubles, Knightstown's Abbie True and Emma Grubbs got the team's first set win though they eventually fell 0-6, 6-2 and 3-6 to McKenzie Fleming and Kayla McFarland.

"Abbie and Emma showed great competitiveness tonight coming back to win the second set after losing 0-6," said Hammer. "That was huge for them, this being their first varsity season. They are only sophomores and usually play more experienced teams. They are really working hard and I see them gaining momentum each day."

KHS Boys Track Team Second at Invitational

Knightstown's boys track team finished second out of six teams competing at the Charger Invitational on April 17.

South Decatur won the boys meet, scoring 183.5 points. The Panthers finished with 121 points. Waldron took third place with 73.5 points. North Decatur was fourth at 66 points with Tri taking fifth at 63 and Milan finishing with 51.

Kennedy Osborn got the Panther's only first place win in the 200m dash with a time of 24.11.

Though the team had only one top finisher, KHS finished with eight second place finishes and three third places.

Osborn was second in the 100m dash at 11:94 and Ben Haase got second in the 200m dash with a time of 24.23.

Jon Lukens came in second in the 400m dash, posting a time of 54.65. Riley Ruble finished with a time of 45.38 in the 300m hurdles to take second place.

Ben Willey ran the 3200m in 11:19 for a runner-up finish. Haase, Alex Fields, Osborn and Cameron Fender were second in the 100m relay event.

Lukens, Fields, Michael Haney and Haase took second in the 400m relay.

The 800m relay team of Lukens, Jack Sather, JT Butler and Willey also placed second in the 800m relay.

Lane Parker finished third in the 110m hurdles with a time of 18.97. Coleman Wyatt placed third in both the shot put and discus with throws of 40'5" and 112.2'.

The track team holds its next meet on April 21 at home against Alexandria and Morristown.

Seton Catholic Hands Tennis Teams Losses

Knightstown's girls varsity and junior varsity tennis teams were rained out of their first previously scheduled matches but finally saw some action on April 13, taking on Seton Catholic.

The varsity fell 0-5 and the JV lost 0-4.

"We were finally able to get this match in after being rained on four times," coach Cindy Hammer said. "It was a trying night for us as a first match of the season. My girls were tentative and did not come out giving it their best."

In the varsity No. 1 singles match, KHS's Hannah Peters was defeated 0-6 and 1-6 by Seton's Megan Schroeder.

Coach: Tennis Team Improving, Gaining Confidence

Despite both of Knightstown's girls varsity and junior varsity tennis teams losing 0-5 for the second straight night, head coach Cindy Hammer was more optimistic after her team's loss to Edinburgh on April 14.

"Tonight I saw small improvements and we came out much more aggressive and confident. Game scores improved from last night and as a team," Hammer said.

At No. 1 singles in the varsity match, Hannah Peters lost 2-6 and 1-6 to Edinburgh's Vanessa Hoskins.

Seton's Rose Chimenti topped Knightstown's No. 2 singles player Kale Obye 0-6 and 1-6.

The Lady Panthers' Hope Johnson lost 4-6 and 1-6 to Brooke Grey at No. 3 singles.

Knightstown varsity's No. 1 doubles team of Leah Heim and Taylor Halcomb fell to Maria Stiens and Gina Chimenti 6-4, 2-6 and 3-6.

At No. 2 doubles, KHS's Abbie True and Emma Grubbs lost 1-6 and 2-6 to Maddy Langner and Ari Sanchez-Villalpando.

In the junior varsity match at No. 1 singles, Knightstown's Tara Nolan lost to Seton's Claire Linginfelter 4-8.

Linginfelter also defeated KHS's Brooklyn Harding 1-8 in the No. 2 singles match.

The Lady Panthers' No. 1 doubles team of Kamryn Reed and Kaitlynn McIntyre lost 0-8 to Kelsey Martin and Grace Deitsch.

Martin and Deitsch also beat KHS's No. 2 doubles team of Kori Wright and Zoey Hunsinger 0-8.

Both the varsity and junior varsity teams are 0-1 on the season. Hammer is looking to see her team become more competitive.

"I hope we can strive to be more aggressive and confident as we work on shot selection and serving," she said.

Kale Obye, at No. 2 singles for KHS, was defeated 0-6 and 0-6 by Lillie Parmer.

At No. 3 singles, Knightstown's Hope Johnson lost 1-6 and 2-6 to Moller Bowker.

The varsity No. 1 doubles team of Leah Heim and Taylor Halcomb were defeated 3-6 and 2-6 by the Lady Lancers' Baleigh Downton and Allie Schooler.

Abbie True and Emma Grubbs, at KHS's No. 2 doubles, lost a hard-fought match 4-6 and 6-7 (7-9) to Ashlyn Streeval and Miranda Burton.

In the junior varsity match, Knightstown's Kiley

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Improving, from Page 17 — Erwin lost 5-8 to Natalie Shoemaker at No. 1 singles.

Tara Nolan, at JV's No. 2 singles spot, was defeated by Edinburgh's Mariah Weddle 3-8.

At No. 3 singles for JV, Brooklyn Harding lost to Mikala Lain 1-8.

Knightstown No. 1 doubles team of Kamryn Reed and Kaitlynn McIntyre were defeated by Meghan Collett and Emma Westerfeld 2-8.

Edinburgh's Collett and Westerfeld also beat KHS' No. 2 doubles team of Kori Wright and Zoey Hunsinger 0-8.

"This was our first conference match and it didn't go at all the way we would have liked," said Coach Hammer. "We will have to keep working hard at each match and during practices to make specific improvements and we will be working on making smarter choices on shot selection and placement."

Both varsity and junior varsity teams are 0-2 on the season and 0-1 in the Mid-Hoosier Conference.

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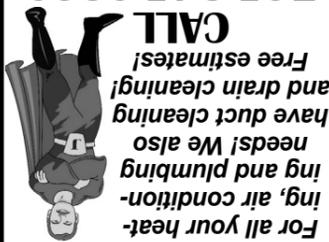
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Pep Talk, from Page 1

Ripley said there is a group of individuals in Knightstown who are in the process of trying to get Knightstown designated by OCRA as a "Main Street" community. This designation, if awarded, could provide opportunities for grants that would help fund downtown revitalization efforts.

"Get behind your Main Street folks," Ripley urged plan commission members.

Plan Commission President Kevin Richey said he knew nearly two dozen people who would like to participate in the Main Street group's efforts. However, he said the group holds its meetings in the morning, at a time when he and the others are unable to attend.

Ripley suggested the plan commission invite representatives from the Main Street group to a plan commission meeting to provide an update on their efforts. Richey said he thought that was a good idea, and that he planned to invite them to attend the plan commission's next meeting, which is scheduled for Monday.

The plan commission also heard brief comments from Wayne Township resident John Swartz at the outset of Monday's meeting. Swartz, who is a member of the Charles A. Beard School Board, said the school corporation has a problem with not being perceived as being as good as it is, despite having a 96.1-percent graduation rate and having two of three

schools earn an "A" grade from the state.

Plan commission member Clyde South told Swartz he thought the district closed the wrong schools when it voted to shutter the Carthage and Kennard elementary schools at the end of the 2013-2014 school year. Swartz said those schools were two of only four in the state with less than 100 students.

Gregg Morelock, the town's attorney, asked Swartz why he thought there was a bad perception of CAB. Swartz said a "revolving door of superintendents" - there have been seven, counting three interim superintendents, in the past nine years hasn't helped.

Swartz said CAB is working on a new marketing program that will hopefully attract more students to the district. He said he would like to see the school board and town officials work together to "see if (they) can get this thing turned around."

The plan commission also heard briefly from three area residents who said they had no interest in having their properties annexed by the town. Daryl Keesling, who owns agricultural property just north of town, said he doesn't want to be on the town's water and sewer systems, saying that he already felt the town was charging too much for the electric power it provides to him.

"We're not going to force any-

body to get on the water or the sewer," plan commission member Ed Wright told Keesling. Morelock, however, told Wright that that is a decision to be made by the town council, not the plan commission.

John Wilson and Paul Clark, who both live east of town, also told the plan commission they do not want to be annexed.

"I like things the way they are," Clark said.

Morelock explained to Keesling, Wilson and Clark that the comprehensive plan the plan commission has been working on is merely a "planning tool." While it may reference proposed annexations over the course of the next 20 years, the comprehensive plan itself does nothing to accomplish such growth.

The plan commission's meeting on Monday will be held at 6 p.m. in the back meeting room at Knightstown Town Hall, 26 S. Washington St., which is accessible from the building's west side. The meeting is open to the public.

Local FFA Small Engines Team Bound for State



The Knightstown FFA Small Engines team recently competed in the Area 7 contest at Liberty High School. This career development event consists of a written exam, tool and parts identification, skills assembly and disassembly, service and repair manual research and customer service. Jake Riggs and Evan Adams will represent the local FFA chapter at the state competition on April 25. Other team members include Marissa Bennett, Julian Halicki, Nick Hadley, Kendall Stamm, Dawson Smith and Josie Riggs. The team is coached by Daryl Keesling and Pat Adams. (Photo submitted)

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once, had two RBIs and scored three runs.

Hubble had a double and a single with three RBIs. He reached base once on an error and scored twice.

Freshman Tyler Burton struck out once but then belted out a double and a single with one RBI and two runs scored.

McRoberts hit a double and a single, scoring once.

Kinnaman had two base hits and two RBIs.

Mattix also had two base hits with one RBI and one run scored.

Bearhope hit a single and scored once and Richardson added a double.

The Royals saw base hits from Lacy, Denny and Austin Clutinger. Lacy knocked in the team's one run, scored by Clutinger. The losses to KHS brought Eastern Hancock's season record to 3-4.

The Panthers are now 5-0 on the season and 3-0 in the Mid-Hoosier Conference. Knightstown has games on the road all this week, culminating with a doubleheader at Shenandoah on Saturday, April 25. Their next home game is Monday, April 27 against New Castle.

Whiteside Gets Poetry Award

The IUPUI School of Liberal Arts recently presented Carthage resident Jake Whiteside with the Eric Sharp Gateway Poetry Award.

In Whiteside's poem *What Shelbyville Was*, the judge commented that although having never

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