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Carthage Library Promotes Reading

The Henry Henley Public Library, 102 N. Main St., Carthage, will host its summer reading program for kids in grades K-12. The program takes place Thursday afternoons 3-4 p.m., now through July 16. Crafts and refreshments will be available. Bingo prizes will be awarded for reading activities.

Homemakers' 4-H Open Show Ready

Henry County Extension Homemakers will host their annual 4-H Open Show July 13-15 at the W.G. Smith Building in New Castle's Memorial Park. Any post-high school and/or 4-H alumni-age Henry County resident, or any Henry County Extension Homemakers member, may compete in the open show. Items may be brought to the Smith Building Sunday, July 12, 5-7 p.m. or 8-9:30 a.m. on Monday, July 13.

BRCH SummerFest Features Bike Ride

Blue River Community Harvest in Carthage will host an inaugural covered bridge bicycle tour in Rush County on Saturday, Aug. 1, starting at 8 a.m. The event will accompany BRCH's SummerFest and the annual 5k run/walk. Bicycle routes of 15, 28 and 40 miles are featured.

KHS Football Camp Set for July 20-23

Knightstown High School head football coach Kevin Miller is hosting his youth and middle school football camp July 20-23 at KHS. Youth (grades K-6) will be at camp 5-6:30 p.m. each day, while middle school kids (grades 7-9) will be at camp 6:30-8 p.m. For more information, contact Miller at this e-mail address, kmiller1@cabeard.k12.in.us.

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KHS FFA OMG!

Successful Ag Program Piles Up More Awards



Knightstown High School FFA members pictured (l-r) include Evan Adams, Devin Hamilton, Jessica Stoten, Julian Halicki, Jake Riggs, Marissa Bennett, Erick Skinner, Nick Hadley, Jackson Lukens and Kendall Stamm. (Photo submitted)

The Indiana FFA Organization announced career development event winners at the 83rd Annual Indiana FFA State Convention held June 18-20 at Purdue University.

The Knightstown FFA Chapter was acknowledged in many areas, including state-winning agribusiness management team, state-winning welding team, reserve state-winning meats evaluation team and reserve state-winning small engines team.

Knightstown was also recognized as one of the top chapters in the state.

According to KHS FFA Advisor Diana Arellano, the Leadership Career Development Event Awards Program recog-

nizes excellence in leadership development. The program rewards FFA members for exceptional accomplishments in progressing toward specific career objectives in the agriculture industry.

FFA members are encouraged to develop and enhance their communications, critical and analytical thinking, decision-making and presentation skills.

Through leadership career development events and other leadership training, Indiana FFA encourages students to maximize their development and potential to contribute to the agricultural industry and to local and global communities, according to Arellano.

"FFA is a national organization that makes a positive difference in the lives of over 540,379 high school students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education," an FFA press release said.

The local FFA chapter is also featured in a new promotional video designed to highlight successful Knightstown High School programs. The four-minute video, produced by KHS alumnus Bob Kegeiris, was unveiled Saturday evening at the KHS Alumni Association's annual dinner and banquet. It will be posted to various web pages in a few days.

Candidate Filing Deadline a Month Away

Democrats, Libertarians and Republicans who wish to be candidates in this fall's municipal elections, including those in Knightstown and Carthage, still have a month before the candidate filing deadline.

In Knightstown, three of the town's five town council seats, those now held by Clyde South (Ward 1), Council President Cort Swincher (Ward 3) and Mitch Roland (Ward 4), are up for election. The office of Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer, currently held by Bart Whitesitt, is also on the fall ballot.

In Carthage, all five of the council's seats, which are at-large, are up for election this November. The seats are currently held by Council President Bill Davis, Vice President Rachael Brown, Kelly Land, John Hancock and Ashley Davis.

The office of Carthage Clerk-Treasurer is also up for election. That office is now held by Linda McMahan.

Persons planning to run for any of these offices as a Democrat, Republican or Libertarian have until noon on Monday, Aug. 3, to file a declaration of candidacy and a statement of economic interests with the county's voter registration office. If there is more than one candidate from one of these three parties trying to get on the fall ballot, their respective political party will have to hold a town convention no later than Aug. 21 so local party members can determine the party's nominee.

Yesterday was the deadline for persons to file paperwork if they

planned to run for these local offices as independents or members of other, minor political parties. Anyone wanting to run as a write-in candidate still has until Monday, July 6, to file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate with the county's voter registration office.

Write-in candidates are required to file a petition of nomination signed by a number of registered voters in the candidate's district that is

at least equal to 2 percent of the number of voters in that district who voted for secretary of state in the last election. In small towns like Knightstown and Carthage, the required number of signatures is usually very few, often 10 or less.

According to Rush County Clerk Debbie Richardson, 158 people in Ripley Township 9, the vot-

ing precinct for Carthage, cast ballots in the 2014 secretary of state election. Applying the 2-percent rule, that means persons filing a petition for nomination to be a minor party or independent candidate, or filing a petition to be a write-in candidate, would need their have their paperwork signed by at least three registered voters in their district.

More information about becoming a candidate for town office and required forms can be found online at the Indiana Secretary of State's website, www.in.gov/sos/elections, or by calling that office's Election Division at 317-232-3939. Assistance can also be provided by the voter registration offices in Henry County (765-529-9310) and Rush County (765-932-2086).

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OBITUARIES

John Lee Fletcher

July 2, 1930 - June 18, 2015

John Lee Fletcher, 84, of Middletown, passed away at Greenwood Meadows Nursing Home in Greenwood. He was born July 2, 1930, a son of the late John Ira and Etta Mae Cox Fletcher. He attended Westland Elementary School and attended Greenfield High School. He graduated from Knightstown High School. Mr. Fletcher was a Korean Conflict veteran of the U.S. Army in the far east command, serving as a private first class in the post office. He was labor manager for 7B PO, Yokohama, Japan, and completed his basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Mr. Fletcher worked at Western Electric for 35 years, Hybrid Integrated Circuits and he built telephones by hand. He built his first picture phone and several specific phones for generals and presidents. Mr. Fletcher was a lifelong member of American Legion Post 152 in Knightstown. He loved to play the piano at several bars for five years. He was also an avid golfer.

Survivors include his daughter, Jennifer Fletcher Dwyer (Mark) of Greenwood; a brother, Richard Fletcher of Wilkinson; and two grandchildren, Noah and Hannah Dwyer.

A celebration of life will take place on Thursday, July 2, at 7 p.m. at Ballard and Sons Funeral Home, 118 S. 5th St., Middletown, with Pastor Mark Dwyer officiating. Ashes will then be scattered at Valley View Golf Course in Middletown. Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. on Thursday. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, American Heart Association or Valley View Golf Course on Fall Creek. An online guest book can be found at www.ballardandsons.com.

Annual RAIN Ride Will Pack U.S. 40 with Bicycles on Saturday, July 11

Residents, businesses and travelers along the National Road will see a parade of bicycles next weekend.

The Bloomington Bicycle Club's annual Ride Across Indiana (RAIN) will take place on Saturday, July 11.

Over 1,300 cyclists are registered for the 160-mile, single-day, rain-or-shine event. A mass start is scheduled for 7 a.m. at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College and U.S. 150, near Terre Haute.

Cyclists will turn east toward Plainfield on U.S. 40. The route

continues east, dipping south around Indianapolis, and rejoins U.S. 40 at Greenfield.

Motorists on these roadways should exercise caution due to the increased amount of bicycle traffic. The finish line, at Earlham College in Richmond, typically sees the first finishers at about 2:30 p.m. and closes at 9 p.m.

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Proceeds from the event make

possible the Bloomington Bicycle Club's grant program, which funds projects to promote cycling and cycling infrastructure in the greater Bloomington area.

At least two local cyclists are participating in this year's RAIN ride. Jay McDaniel of Knightstown and Steve Heady of Carthage have been training for the ride for weeks. They are both members of Raintree Cycling Club.

For additional details contact RAIN Director John Connell at rain@rainride.org, or visit www.rainride.org.

County Election Board Hosting Public Meeting

The Henry County Election Board will host another public meeting later this month for final discussions about moving the county toward having voting centers instead of precinct-based balloting locations for all upcoming elections.

The meeting will be held at 3 p.m. on Monday, July 20, in room 109 on the first floor of the Henry County

Justice Center, 1215 Race St., New Castle. The meeting is open to the public.

The election board will discuss public input received during the previous 30 days. According to a public notice issued by the election board, afterward, board members are expected to "proceed to complete the final Vote Center Plan."

Park Board Considers New Cleaning Contract

by Jeff Eakins for The Banner

The Knightstown Department of Parks and Recreation Board voted during a special meeting Monday evening to approve a temporary cleaning contract with Knightstown resident Greg Bryze.

As reported in last week's Banner, the park board voted at its June 17 meeting to terminate its agreement with Steve Ott of Economy Handyman, who did maintenance and repair work at Sunset Park. In January, amid concerns over his work and rate of pay, park board members had delayed renewing Ott's annual contract, and they voted in February to continue his contract on a month-to-month basis.

At the June 17 meeting, voicing

continued displeasure with Ott's work and saying she didn't "think things (had) improved," new Board President Belinda Grigsby made a motion to cancel Ott's contract. Board member Kevin Richey seconded the motion and it passed 4-1, with Vice President Bruce Brown casting the dissenting vote. Grigsby told board members at Monday's special meeting that Ott only had one day left to work. She provided the board with a proposed agreement to contract with Bryze to clean on a temporary basis until a permanent cleaning person is hired.

Pursuant to the agreement, Bryze would be paid \$9 a day to do cleaning at the park no more than four days a week. He would be required to inspect the shelter house after

each rental, emptying trash cans, replacing trash bags and cleaning bathrooms, as needed; picking up outdoor trash and emptying receptacles into dumpsters; and checking and cleaning park restrooms.

Before the board voted, board member Suzee Neal asked whether any criminal background check would be done of Bryze. Brown said he agreed that should probably be done.

"I just don't want to hire someone and get a big surprise on the back end of it," Neal said. "... We need a felony background check."

Knightstown Town Council Clyde South, who is a liaison between that body and the park board, said that a criminal background check is not required for

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K-town Plan Commission to Study Habits of Similar-size Communities

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

As they continue working on proposed revisions to the town's comprehensive plan, members of the Knightstown Plan Commission will take a look at how some other municipalities have tackled similar projects.

Plan commission members were given copies of comprehensive plans for the towns of McCordsville and Markleville at a meeting Monday evening. They agreed to look those over and be prepared to discuss them when the plan commission meets next on Tuesday, July 14.

The Knightstown Plan Commission has been reviewing the town's comprehensive plan for several months and has already approved proposed revisions to five-, 10-, 15- and 20-year plans in that document. Once members finishing going through the rest of the plan and approve additional changes, the who document will be

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independent contractors. However, if the park board wanted one done, he said the town's police chief could probably get one done, and Grigsby said she would follow up with the chief about that.

Grigsby made the motion to hire Bryze on a temporary basis, pursuant to the terms of the agreement that had been provided to board members. Richey seconded her motion, and it passed unanimously, with the board's approval conditioned on the criminal background check coming back OK.

The board's regular monthly meeting, Grigsby announced, is being moved from Wednesday, July 15, to Wednesday, July 22. The meeting will start at 7 p.m. and be held in the back meeting room at Knightstown Town Hall, 26 S. Washington St., which is accessible from the building's west side.

sent to the Knightstown Town Council for its adoption.

Plan Commission President Kevin Richey asked whether there needed to be more public input on the comprehensive plan. Plan Commission member Clyde South, who also sits on the town council, said that had already been done a couple of times over the past five or six years, with the assistance of the Office of Community and Rural Affairs.

Richey asked whether the public feedback from those earlier meetings with OCRA is still available and South said he might still have the data he was provided. Plan commission member Greg Neice, the town's works manager, said he would also look to see if he can locate any documentation OCRA provided the town regarding its analysis of the public's feedback.

Richey asked whether it was too soon to do have another forum to gather public input on town planning.

"I would say that data is still

probably pretty good," Vice President Bill Bergmann said. "It's not like we're awash in new thinking."

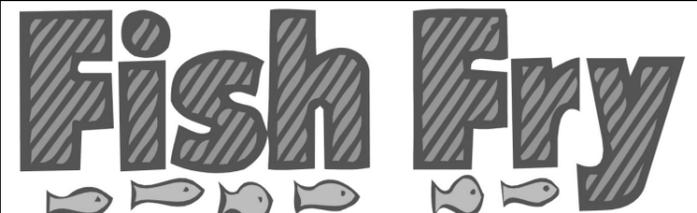
In other business, Plan Commission President Kevin Richey asked about the status of proposed annexations that the plan commission had recommended to the town council. Plan Commission member Clyde South, who also sits on the town council, said there is no further action for the plan commission to take on that issue.

"We don't have any more influence on it," South said. "... Until the council acts, there's little the plan commission can do, if anything."

Richey asked whether it might help for the issue to be raised, yet again, with the council. South said that probably wouldn't hurt.

A proposal the plan commission received two weeks ago for updating the town's zoning ordinance at a cost of \$11,500 was briefly

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Banner PERSPECTIVES

Trove of Memories Enriches the Mind

This is another essay about the seasons of our growing up. My nephew, John Jones, who is seven years younger than I, compared our childhood with that of his grandchildren:

Reality versus virtuality is the main difference. Almost all of our games were played in the "real" world. Kick the can requires real kids kicking a real can on a real street with running through real yards while screaming!

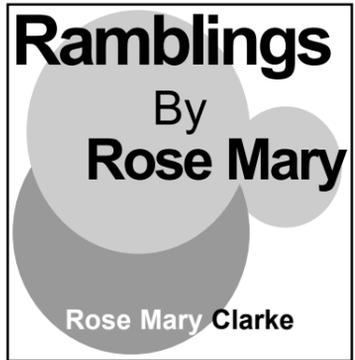
We learned to develop interpersonal relationships. We played cards and board games while TALKING to the other players. So many games today are played in a virtual environment by a single player, a community of one. Many of today's games are a solitary effort with no involvement of others and no interaction with anything other than a machine. Also, many parents won't (shouldn't) let their children roam free as we did. Yards are surrounded by privacy fences, which aren't conducive to our games.

A huge difference is that our parents didn't hover over us like helicopters, trying to make our childhood risk free.

Wonderful words cannot be repeated too often! Marcel Proust, the French author of *In Search of Lost Time*, described an "ah-ha!" moment that is one of the most famous and lovely pieces of writ-

ing in literature. He wrote about his experience when he sipped a spoonful of tea that had a bit of cookie soaked in it while visiting his aunt:

"An exquisite pleasure invaded my senses ... Whence could it have come to me, this all-powerful joy? And then, searching his mind, he knew:



"When from a long-distant past, after the people are dead, after the things are broken and scattered, the smell and taste of things remain poised a long time, like souls, ready to remind us, waiting for their moment. Once I recognized the taste of the crumb of madeleine ... immediately the old grey house rose up like the scenery of a theatre ... and with the house the town, the streets along which I used to run errands, ... all the flowers in the garden and the good folk of the village and their dwellings and the

whole of Combray and its surroundings ... sprang into being, town and gardens alike from my cup of tea."

Great writers tap into the human condition. Is there a one of us who doesn't share Proust's experience? Thus it is with Wanda and me. During our trips down memory lane, we leapfrog over each other's memories in a joyous jumble of reminiscence.

I see it all in my mind's eye: our houses and the old Academy building with its twin towers surmounted by a globe and a telescope ... Mary Leisure's Dress Shop, Jolly's Drug Store where we drank phosphates and cherry cokes, Rihms' Meat Market and the Elite Café where Lora Mae and I met for lunch on Saturdays when I worked at the *Knightsdown Banner* and she at the IGA ... the rickety-Catholic church at the foot of the Adams Street hill and the Methodist Church where the Girl Scouts met and where the kind minister found me sobbing because I'd arrived too late to go to a picnic, so he drove me ... the library where my number was 1369 ... the carnivals at Sunset Park and Jubilee Days on the Public Square where we did the "Bunny Hop" and the "Hucklebuck ..."

And, oh, the people: Beloved teachers and Superintendent
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Fire Fighting Not Golf, But a Special Club

Chance encounters can sometimes change one's entire day.

Shelbyville Fire Dept. Capt. Doug Lutes knows this only too well.

Lutes was en route from Shelbyville to Knightstown last Wednesday, just as *The Banner* was getting ready to hit the streets with the June 24 issue. Lutes was on his way to Royal Hylands Golf Club for a round of relaxing golf.

But, on his way across U.S. 40 from S.R. 9, Lutes' keen eye spotted a volunteer Charlottesville fireman donning his turnout gear, obviously getting ready to respond to an emergency. Lutes watched and followed.

A little further east on 40 Lutes saw an ambulance turn around in the median. He knew he was getting close to something, and he finally came upon the scene of a house fire.

Lutes told *The Banner* he was only assisting fellow firefighters when he postponed his tee time to assist at the developing emergency.

Clothed for golf and wearing a baseball cap, I initially thought Lutes was Knightstown's own Danny Lukens. At a glance, he looked a lot like Lukens. But, I know Danny isn't a fireman, and as I got closer, I realized it wasn't him.

Lutes was just as friendly as Lukens, however. And, in spite of the rather dramatic circumstances, he still shared the story of why he - a Shelbyville fire captain - was at the local fire scene.

Lutes' matter-of-fact account of his arrival there made an impression on me that I'll not soon forget. Having covered fires, car crashes and other emergen-

cies for years, I know how brave and unselfish emergency volunteers are. I'm no stranger to that.

I ride bikes with and count as a good friend one Doug Pyle, who not only serves as a lieutenant with the Fishers Fire Dept., but also bolsters the Shirley Volunteer Fire Dept.

I'm also friends with Jerry Kopp and Eric McDaniel, Layne Olsheske and Cory Johnson, and so many others who dash out of work or away from dinner tables to spray water on some stranger's burning

home. They leave their families to crawl through raging infernos beneath toxic smoke on their bellies.

Yeah, that takes guts. And they have it. Guys like Lutes don't even have to think about it. They just automatically do their thing. "It's the training," they sometimes say.

Mere mortals like us often don't understand. We just watch, slack-jawed, yet happy some professionals arrived to handle the situation.

Because that situation can get a lot worse if these guys chose to forego the drama and hit the links.

I fully expected that home on U.S. 40 to be consumed by flames last Wednesday. Smoke poured from every seam in the roof, and it seemed total destruction was eminent. But, as Lutes and numerous sirens descended on the scene, it was quickly apparent that, while the home was not spared profound water and smoke damage, the worst was avoided.

Volunteers firefighters saved that home.

Lutes and his fellow emergency responders must deal with the most dramatic events life hands us.

Now that's certainly not golf, but it is a special club.



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

As many parents prepare to send their children to overnight summer camp, it's important to remember that spending time away from home can be difficult for both child and parent. Receiving a tearful phone call or a sad note while a child is away at camp can pull at the heart strings. And though dealing with homesickness is often a source of stress, it's very common.

Research has shown homesickness is a normal response when separated from a familiar environment. About 90 percent of young people spending time away from home reported some sad feelings.

"Yet having a successful experience away from home can be an amazing growth experience for a child, increasing their confidence, independence, and ability to solve problems without a parent," says Dr. Sarah Honaker, a psychologist at Riley Children's Hospital.

Homesickness can be a short-term interruption to an otherwise positive experience; kids often look forward to returning to camp the following year. Knowing this can put a parent's mind at ease. Before camp starts, here are some suggestions to help parents and kids prepare:

Decide in advance what to do. Since most homesickness subsides within a day or two, the initial plan may be simply to talk to the camp director and to encourage the child to stay at camp.

Make a backup plan. A small percentage of kids develop more serious symptoms such as incessant crying and disruptions in eating and sleep patterns for several days in a row. If that should happen, make a backup plan as to how it will be handled. This might involve pairing the child with a buddy who has been at camp before, daily check-ins with a trusted adult, or extra efforts to engage the child in daily camp life.

Remind the child that camp is fun. Have the child imagine himself or herself in that environment, having fun and learning new things.

Resist the urge to offer a solution immediately. If the child has specific concerns, such as, "What if I miss you?" help him or her figure out a couple things that can be done if that happens. Letting the child partner in the creation of solutions empowers and develops decision-making skills and adaptive independence.

Parents, plan for the first days of camp. The house might feel empty after dropping off the child at camp. Knowing this in advance and making plans will help weather child-away-from-home sickness. Consider doing something nice and self-indulgent.

According to Dr. James Schroeder, a psychologist at St. Mary's Center for Children in Evansville, Indiana, "Ultimately, the two main keys to promoting a positive experience at summer camp are to have open communication with your child about how their concerns can be managed, and to emphasize the positive opportunities that exist even when he or she is feeling nervous about the experience."

If parents would like additional strategies for addressing common developmental challenges, consult with a psychologist. A licensed psychologist can help parents develop a plan and strengthen parenting skills.

James Schroeder, PhD, HSPP
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◆The Knightstown **Farmers Market** is gearing up for another season. A variety of new vendors are now being sought. Hand-crafted goods, including hand-knitted items, are welcome at the market, which began last Saturday. The market is open, now through October, each Saturday, 8 a.m.-12 p.m., on Knightstown's Public Square. Call Kelley Millhoan at 765-571-2325 for more info.

◆Blue River Community Harvest in Carthage will host an inaugural **covered bridge bicycle tour** in Rush County on Saturday, Aug. 1, starting at 8 a.m. The event will accompany BRCH's SummerFest and the annual 5k run/walk. Bicycle routes of 15, 28 and 40 miles are featured and include up to three historic covered bridges in Rush County. Pre-registration (\$22) is encouraged, and doing so earns the registrant a T-shirt. The rides start at the four-way stop in Carthage.

◆The Knightstown High School boys and girls basketball teams will host their sixth annual **golf scramble fundraiser** at Royal Hylands Golf Club in Knightstown on Saturday, July 25. Registration starts at noon, with a shotgun start at 1:30 p.m. Prizes will be awarded at 5:15 p.m. Cost is \$250 per four-person team. Call coach Bob Allen at 317-989-9671 for more information.

◆Henry County Extension Homemakers will host their annual **4-H Open Show** July 13-15 at the W.G. Smith Building in New Castle's Memorial Park. Any post-high school and/or 4-H alumni-age Henry County resident, or any Henry County Extension Homemakers member, may compete in the open show. Items may be brought to the Smith Building Sunday, July 12, 5-7 p.m. or 8-9:30 a.m. on Monday, July 13. For general rules and information, call 765-529-5002. A story with more information about contest categories appears on Page 7.

◆Knightstown Wesleyan Church is coordinating a **directory/move-in packet** for new residents moving into Knightstown. Local businesses that have not been contacted and would like to add something to the packet may call Kathie Rummel at 765-345-9660 or Amy Bell at 765-686-7063.

◆The Jane Ross Reeves Octagon House in Shirley will host its annual **fish fry** on Saturday, July 11, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. at the Shirley Masonic Lodge, located at First and Varner streets. Menu includes fish, homemade pies and drinks. Carry-out orders are available. The Octagon House will be open for tours that day.

◆The Henry Henley Public Library, 102 N. Main St., Carthage, will host its **summer reading program** for kids in grades K-12. The program takes place Thursday afternoons 3-4 p.m., now through July 16. Crafts and refreshments will be available. Bingo prizes will be awarded for reading activities.

◆The **Beautify Knightstown Committee** continues the effort to raise funds for the Knightstown beautification project through sales

of the "It's a Beauty! - The Academy" T-shirt starting at \$20. Shirts can be purchased at Hoosier Home Court Cafe, 12 E. Main St. or email km_richey@yahoo.com.

◆Knightstown First Christian Church, 138 W. Main St., will host its **vacation Bible school** - Bible Blast to the Past - July 19-24, 6:30-8:30 p.m. The school is open to kids in grades K-6. For more information, contact Bill or Diane Worrell at 345-5388.

◆Knightstown High School head football coach Kevin Miller is hosting his youth and middle school **football camp** July 20-23 at KHS. Youth (grades K-6) will be at camp 5-6:30 p.m. each day, while middle school kids (grades 7-9) will be at camp 6:30-8 p.m. For more information, contact Miller at kmiller1@cabeard.k12.in.us.

◆Suzy Zeller at Knightstown's Unique Boutique & Bridal is seeking vendors for a **bridal show** to be held during this year's Fall Fest on the Public Square. For information about this event and how to get a vendor booth, call Zeller at 317-498-6096.

◆The Knightstown High School **Alumni Association** Reunion and Banquet will take place on June 27. The class of 1965 will be honored. The classes of 1955, 1975 and 1990 will be recognized. It will take place

at Knightstown High School, 8149 West U.S. 40. Parking is available behind the building. The registration and social time is 2-4:30 p.m. Seating will take place at 4:30 p.m. Dinner is at 5 p.m. Reservations are required by June 20. For more info, e-mail khsaa@myninestar.net.

◆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.

◆The **Historic Knightstown museum**, located on the Public Square at 22 N. Washington St., has new summer hours. The museum's summer hours are 10 a.m.-2 p.m. each Friday and Saturday, or by appointment. For more information, or to schedule a museum visit 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.

◆A pre-kindergarten "**Super Hero Walk**" will take place Saturday, June 6, on the National Road Heritage Trail. Registration starts at 9 a.m. For more information, call Debbie Loveall at 765-212-7568.

◆The Henry County **Disabled**

American Veterans (DAV) organization 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 the first Thursday of the month 3-5 p.m. and the second Saturday of the month 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

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1983 KHS Graduate Karen Boatright Enjoys Working with Kids as Elementary Principal

by Logan Cox
for The Banner

"Working with children is what drives me each day," said Karen Boatright, a former resident of Knightstown and the principal of Rhoades Elementary School in Indianapolis.

Having graduated from Knightstown High School in May of 1983, Boatright has had a longstanding interest in the field of education and with working to help children.

"I taught special education in Decatur Township schools in Indianapolis for 12 years, then served as an assistant principal for three years," said Boatright. "I then changed districts, moving to Wayne Township Schools in 2005 to become an assistant principal in Chapel Glen Elementary for two years before being named the Principal at Rhoades Elementary."

She has worked at Rhoades Elementary for eight years now, since July 2007.

"Parents send the best children they have to us each day and it is our job to ensure they get the education that they not only need but what they deserve daily," Boatright said.

On top of being a principal, Boatright is a faculty adjunct professor for Ball State University, as well as a member of Tri Kappa. She also belongs to the National Organization of Professional Development Schools, Indiana Association of School Principals

and the ASCD (Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development).

Boatright is also employing social media in her work, primarily Twitter, to convey information about Rhoades Elementary or appreciation for both the students and faculty members alike.

"As a person works in the field of education with young children, you know that every day is a new day and no two days are ever the same," she said. "It actually is exciting to see what each day will bring!"

She is married to another Knightstown native, Greg Boatright. They have a 20-year old son, Alex, and a 19-month-old grandson, Jason.

Boatright currently lives in Indianapolis with her husband, and has resided on the city's westside for 25 years.

Boatright's mother, Patricia Nicholas, still resides in Knightstown. This inspires her to frequently return to her hometown so that she can visit her mother.

She received her undergraduate degree in Special Education from Ball State University in 1987, and earned a masters degree in Educational Leadership from IU Bloomington in 2004.

"I absolutely love my job," said Boatright. "It is the passion for kids that motivates what I do every day. I feel blessed that I get to have a job to come back to each day that I love."

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KPD Overtime Numbers Concerns Councilman

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

The Knightstown Police Department's volunteer reserve officers doubled the number of shifts they worked in May, compared to April, but overtime pay for the department's full-time officers remains a concern.

According to monthly reports KPD Chief Duane Booth submitted to the Knightstown Town Council, paid part-timers worked 20 shifts in April, while volunteer reserves worked just four. In May, 15 shifts were worked by the paid part-time officers and nine were worked by reserves.

Council member Clyde South told Booth at the council's June 18 monthly meeting that the KPD was going to have a "budgetary problem" if the reserves aren't used more to help keep overtime for the three full-time officers in check.

"I'm just talking about the money," South told Booth. "At the end of the year, I don't want to run out of money for the police department."

"We're working as diligently as we can to get that taken care of," Booth replied. Several new reserve officers, he said, were scheduled to be sworn in the following week.

South also asked Booth, who was approved as the town's new chief in early March, whether he had been

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discussed at Monday's meeting. Richey said he had contacted two other companies that provide similar services, but said he had not been sure about how much information to provide them about the first vendor's estimate.

South said he "very seriously" doubted that the town council would approve spending this kind of money for work on the zoning ordinance, saying he thought that was "outside the scope of reality." He said the plan commission needs to pursue grant funds for things like this, and, in the meantime, could start going through the town's zoning ordinance itself.

The Knightstown Plan Commission is next scheduled to meet on Tuesday, July 14, at 6 p.m. That meeting, which is open to the public, will be held in the back meeting room of Knightstown Hall, 26 S. Washington St., which is accessible from the building's west side.

MEETINGS CALENDAR

<p>Wed., July 1 - Henry Co. Alcoholic Beverage Board meeting, 10 a.m., Old Circuit Court Room, 2nd floor of courthouse, New Castle</p> <p>Thurs., July 2 - Hancock Co. Drainage Board meeting, 8 a.m., Courthouse Annex room 101, Greenfield</p> <p>Thurs., July 2 - Henry Co. Technical Review Board meeting, 9 a.m., Henry County Office Building Suite 107, New Castle</p> <p>Thurs., July 2 - Rush Co. Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 7:30 p.m., courthouse</p>	<p>assembly room, Rushville</p> <p>Thurs., July 2 - Kennard Town Council meeting, 7 p.m., Kennard Town Hall</p> <p>Mon., July 6 - Shirley Town Council meeting, 6:30 p.m., Shirley Town Hall</p> <p>Mon., July 6 - Greensboro Town Council meeting, 6:30 p.m., Greensboro Community Center</p> <p>Tues., July 7 - Hancock Co. Commissioners meeting, 8 a.m., Courthouse Annex room 101, Greenfield</p> <p>Tues., July 7 - Spiceland Town Council, 6 p.m.,</p>	<p>Spiceland Town Hall, 130 E. Main St.</p> <p>Tues., July 7 - Henry Co. Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 7 p.m., Old Circuit Court Room, 2nd floor of courthouse, New Castle</p> <p>Tues., July 7 - Knightstown Vol. Fire Dept. meeting, 7 p.m., at fire station</p> <p>Wed., July 8 - Henry County 4-H Fair starts and runs through July 18</p> <p>Wed., July 8 - Rush Co. Council meeting, 8 a.m., courthouse room 211, Rushville</p>
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FOLKWAYS

Susie Downey to Succeed Don Dick as Manager at Citizens State Bank



Knights town native Susie Downey has been named the new manager for the Knights town office of Citizens State Bank, 475 N. McCullum St.

Longtime manager Don Dick has taken the role of relationship manager until his retirement date of Sept. 4.

Downey has been with Citizens

State Bank for over 25 years. She began as a teller and worked her way up to assistant branch manager of the Knights town office in 2007.

Living in the Knights town community since 1985, Downey has become very active in community events, along with the Knights town Friends Church, where she serves on the marketing committee.

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Cleek Birth

Ashley and Zachary Cleek of Knights town are pleased to announce the birth of a daughter, Izabella Nicole Cleek, born June 27 at Henry County Memorial Hospital in New Castle.

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Grants Available Via Youth Institute

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*Up to 150 hours of professional consulting from IYI to provide strategic planning, board development, evaluation planning, fundraising and sustainability planning, financial management, human resources policies, or other technical assistance that would increase the effectiveness of the

organization.

*Registration and travel expenses for one staff member to attend a class on the principles and techniques of fundraising taught by The Fund Raising School at Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy in Indianapolis in the spring of 2016.

*Registration and travel expenses for two people to attend IYI's Because Kids Count Conference in Indianapolis, Dec. 1-2, 2015.

*The opportunity (based on successful completion of other activities) to apply for a sub-award of \$10,000 to be used only for approved organizational effectiveness/capacity-building purposes.

Applications must be submitted to IYI by 9 a.m., Aug. 17.

Collaborative applications between two agencies are encouraged. Funding for the grant program is provided by the Ball Brothers Foundation.

Requests for proposal guidelines for the organizational effectiveness grant can be found on the IYI website at www.iyi.org/oeg. Organizations with additional questions may contact Carolyn Langan, IYI's program manager for consulting, at 1-800-343-7060, ext. 2716 or clangan@iyi.org.

Boys & Girls Club of Muncie and the Ross Community Center in Muncie each won a grant in 2014.

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to police chief's school yet. Booth said he had not, and that he planned to wait until officer Jeffrey Van Hoy finishes his training at the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy first before he goes through chief's training.

Another issue South asked Booth about was whether family members who rode in patrol cars Booth and the other two full-time officers drove in the Jubilee Days parade had signed the waivers required by department policy. Booth said he had spoken to Council President Cort Swincher and council member Mitch Roland, who sits on the council's police committee, about this beforehand.

Booth's monthly report for May listed 18 calls for "agency assist" among the 107 calls for service the KPD received that month.

Responding to another question from South, Booth said he was not sure if all 18 of those agency assists had been dispatched.

South also told Booth that he had observed 23 out of 25 vehicles fail to come to a complete stop at the stop sign near his house at Adams and Cary streets. He asked Booth whether the KPD had started writing tickets yet for local ordinance violations, and Booth said it had not.

In other police business, the council gave Booth permission to attend a breathalyzer training class in mid-July. The one-day course, offered through the ILEA, costs \$350.

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Town Paying Over \$3,500 Annually to Insure Its Hoosier Gym Property

by Jeff Eakins for The Banner

The town of Knightstown, it turns out, is paying a whole lot more each year for property insurance on the Hoosier Gym than the \$1 annual payment it is supposed to be getting from the local nonprofit group that leases the gym from the town.

Bart Whitesitt, Knightstown's clerk-treasurer, reported at the Knightstown Town Council's June 18 monthly meeting that the town pays \$3,520 a year for property insurance on the Hoosier Gym. He said that amounts to almost 19 percent of the town's total annual premium of \$18,694 for insuring all town-owned properties.

"Obviously," said Council President Cort Swincher, "we're paying a whole more for that building than we're getting in return."

The town council entered into a lease with the Hoosier Gym Community Center of Knightstown Inc. in late 1993 that took effect Jan. 1, 1994. According to the lease, HGCKK was to use the gym "for any and all reasonable charitable services to be provided to the citizens of the town ... and community at large."

The initial term of the town's lease with HGCKK was 10 years, with automatic one-year renewals after that. HGCKK is supposed to pay the town \$1 a year and is supposed to be responsible for maintenance of the gym, utilities and lia-

bility insurance, while the town pays for the property insurance.

At the council's May 21 monthly meeting, Swincher said he thought the town needed to take a look at its lease with HGCKK and consider whether it needs to be amended. With Swincher saying he didn't think "a dollar a year is ... doing the town justice," council member Clyde South agreed to meet with Whitesitt to review the lease and look into the town's insurance costs for the gym.

At the June 18 meeting, South said he thought the council needs to take a closer look at HGCKK's "balance sheet," including their revenue and any other financial holdings.

"Not knowing exactly how much money that organization has, without taking a look at their books, it would be difficult to ascertain what would be reasonable for it to pay for its lease agreement," South said. "But, between Bart and I, we would recommend that it's a whole lot more than one dollar a year. ... Rumor has it they're holding over \$100,000, but that's just rumored."

In fact, it's more than just a rumor. As The Banner reported in its June 10 issue, at the end of calendar year 2013, HGCKK, according to the most group's most recent return filed with the Internal Revenue Service that The Banner has been able to obtain, had net assets of \$124,038 at the end of 2013, with just over \$100,000 of that being in cash, savings and investments.

"I think it's a discussion that needs to continue," Swincher said at the June 18 meeting. There may, he said, be a need to sit down with members of HGCKK for a "heart-to-heart" discussion.

"To me, I don't care if they have \$200,000," council member Mitch Roland said. "It's money that they made. We didn't."

"It's no big deal. I don't want to start a big argument about it," South said. "The question was raised, and, in my opinion ... the rent's worth more than a dollar a year, and we're spending \$3,500 a year to insure it. I don't want to make anyone mad - it's just the facts."

Roland said believed if it had not been for the efforts of those involved with HGCKK, the

Hoosier Gym would have been torn down and that it was the efforts of those involved with HGCKK who kept that from happening. Whitesitt also commended the group for its work over the years.

"They've done a great job," Whitesitt added. "They've done a terrific job."

Swincher asked Whitesitt to clarify when HGCKK had made its last annual \$1 payment required by the lease. Whitesitt said the group had "very recently" submitted a payment for \$8 and clarified that this was intended to cover several years that had not been paid.

Wayne Township resident and local business owner Jeff Van Hoy told the council that he agreed that HGCKK's annual lease payment should be more than a dollar a year. However, he said he didn't think it would be fair to base the lease amount on how much money the group has, noting that yearly revenue could fluctuate.

"As soon as we see that documentation, then we'll have a better idea of exactly what the facts are," Swincher told Van Hoy.

As reported in the June 10 issue of The Banner, HGCKK had, according to its filings with the IRS, \$427,565 in revenue from 2004 through the end of 2013, with \$147,812 of that coming from HGCKK renting out the gym to groups and individuals. Over that same 10-year period, HGCKK reported expenditures totaling \$335,491, resulting in net income of \$92,074 since 2004.

KHS Principal Scott Ritchie Leaving Post

by Jeff Eakins for The Banner



The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corp. announced last Friday that Knightstown High School Principal Scott

Ritchie is resigning his post here to take the principal's position at Monroe Central High School in Parker City.

Jed Behny, superintendent of Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corp., issued a press release last Friday announcing Ritchie's departure. According to Behny, the Monroe Central School Board had approved hiring Ritchie during a special meeting that morning.

CAB hired Ritchie, 47, as an assistant principal at KHS in 2007. One year later, he replaced Principal Ray Willsey, who had resigned after just a year on the job.

Behny told The Banner that Ritchie is leaving KHS half-way through his current two-year contract, approved by the school board last year, which pays him a base salary of \$78,503.65. According to the central office at Monroe Central, Ritchie's base salary there will be \$77,500.

"I can't be prouder of my time (at KHS)," Ritchie told The Banner last Friday. "In seven years, we've really changed and revamped a lot - a lot of that is to the credit of the parents, the students and the teachers that have put a ton of work in. It's been a deep shift from when I first got there. It's been a good seven years."

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CAB Public Hearing to Address Rainy Day Fund Expenditure

The Charles A. Beard School Board is holding a public hearing Tuesday evening on plans to seek state approval for spending up to \$55,000 from the district's Rainy Day Fund.

If the Department of Local Government Finance OKs CAB's request, the money would be used to make

repairs to parking lots at Knightstown Elementary and Knightstown Intermediate School and repair the surface of tennis courts at Knightstown High School. A portion might also be used to pay for flushing the heating system at KHS.

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Ritchie said his decision to leave KHS for the MC, which is located in western Randolph County, was primarily prompted by a desire to be closer to home.

"It's a chance for me to change to a district that's right next to where I live," Ritchie said. "It's like about nine to 10 minutes (away) as opposed to the 45 to 50 minutes I was driving to Knightstown."

Ritchie said Monroe Central, a junior-senior high that houses grades seven through 12, is "very comparable" in size to KHS. According to central office personnel at MC, that school had 518 students in those six grades as of its last official count day in February.

Speaking of his time at KHS, Ritchie told The Banner he was particularly proud of the work that has gone into developing the school's dual credit program that allows students to earn college credits before leaving high school. When he took over as principal in 2008, he said there were only a handful of students in each advanced placement course that was offered, whereas now, those numbers are up to 15 to 20 for each AP course. He also said he felt very good about KHS's improvement during his tenure from an F to an A on the state's grading system for schools.

"The parents and kids really have

treated me unbelievably while I've been (here), Ritchie added. "I'm going to really miss them."

Ritchie said his last day at KHS and his first day at MC "is really up in the air" at this point. However, if he can get all of his stuff together, he said it looks like next Wednesday, July 8, may be his final day here.

Behny told The Banner that Ritchie - who he called a "solid leader ... (who) has done his best to get great things out of his staff" - had been "very open" about the possibility of leaving KHS. He said Ritchie had informed him the week before last that he had applied for the job at MC.

While the KHS principal's position has not yet been posted, Behny told The Banner that he is "100 per-

cent confident" that the school's current assistant principal, Steve Wherry, is his top candidate to replace Ritchie. He said he was supposed to meet with Wherry earlier this week to discuss Wherry's interest in the position, saying he thinks "consistency is something that's important" when it comes to leadership at KHS.

News of Ritchie's departure from KHS comes just a month after the school's guidance director, Melissa Hedden, turned in her notice of resignation, which was accepted by the CAB School Board at its June 16 monthly meeting. Hedden, who lives in Indianapolis with her husband and 2-year-old daughter, said her decision was prompted by a desire to stay at home with her daughter.



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The Banner Issues Two Corrections

A story in last week's paper incorrectly misidentified eGov Strategies, the firm the Charles A. Beard School Board is contracting with for credit card payment services. Also, the last sentence of that same news story was not printed in its entirety; it should have ended: "... on legal matters involving the school district and technological updates at CAB's three schools."

The Banner regrets its errors and apologizes for any confusion or inconvenience they may have caused.



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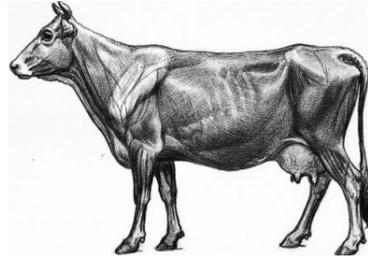
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The 31st annual Knightstown High School Alumni Association Banquet drew about 260 people Saturday, one of the largest turnouts the event has ever seen.



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Renee Franklin laughs at something her husband, Jerry Hager, said during the banquet. Jerry is a KHS Class of 1965 member. That was the featured, 50-year class at Saturday's annual banquet. The Hagers traveled from South Bend to attend the event.



KHS Alumni Association President Jeff Linch conducts the association's business meeting.

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Bilsky Graduates with Honors

Katey Bilsky of Knightstown graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of science degree from William Woods University in Fulton, Mo., on May 9.

News and Fox Business shows and originator of the field of Policology-the nexus of politics and psychology.

The commencement speaker was 1990 WWU graduate Gina Gentry Loudon, an author, anchor, columnist, talk show host and frequent news commentator known as "Dr. Gina." Loudon is a regular commentator on Fox

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The school board voted at its June 16 monthly meeting to approve a \$24,453 bid from Globe Asphalt for the parking lot work at KES and KIS and a \$22,315 bid from Leslie Coatings for the tennis court repairs – conditioned on the DLGF's approval for the additional appropriation.

Tuesday's public hearing starts at 7 p.m. It will be held in the school board's normal meeting location in the media center at KHS, 8149 W. U.S. Hwy. 40.

Indiana Patriot Guard Riders Place Commemorative Bricks at Henry County Area Veterans Memorial



Indiana Patriot Guard Riders (IPGR) Senior Ride Captain John Petro of Anderson (right) struggles to maintain his composure while presenting fellow IPGR member Mike McClellan of Muncie with a memorial brick at the Henry County Area Veterans Memorial on Knightstown's Public Square. McClellan was critically injured last year on his way back to Indiana after delivering an American flag to the family of a fallen U.S. soldier in Florida. McClellan spent a month in an intensive care unit, then three more months in the hospital. He originally set up Saturday's memorial brick dedication with John Love of Knightstown. But, McClellan couldn't recall having done so after his accident. Love communicated with Petro and other IPGR members in rescheduling the dedication. McClellan was unaware he was receiving a brick Saturday. IPGR also purchased and placed a brick at the local memorial Saturday. About eight riders showed up for the dedication ceremony.



Knightstown's John Love (left) watches as John Petro places the IPGR commemorative brick (inset).



IPGR motorcyclists decorate their bikes (above) with the insignia of the organizations they support. IPGR riders (right) pose with their commemorative bricks. According to IPGR, the group is "a diverse group of citizens from the state of Indiana who have one thing in common - an unwavering support for those who risk their lives for America's freedom and security ... Our main mission is to attend the funeral services of fallen American heroes as invited guests of the family, which includes veterans." An IPGR brochure said, "Our priority and main mission is: 1) show our sincere respect for our fallen heroes and veterans, their families and their community." IPGR information also said the group will "shield the mourning family and friends from interruptions created by any protestor or group of protestors. We accomplish all that we do through strictly legal and non-violent means."

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LOCAL SPORTS

Kwisz Selected for Indiana South All-Stars

Stand-out Senior Pitcher, Second Baseman Put Up Great Stats



In this Banner file photo, Jake Kwisz prepares to stop a hit during a regular season game.

The Knightstown High School baseball program's successes for this season haven't ended yet.

Recent KHS graduate Jake Kwisz has been selected as a pitcher for the Indiana South All-Star Baseball team.

Kwisz will participate in the 41st annual Indiana High School Baseball Coaches Association North-South All-Star Series July 9-11 at Indiana State University in Terre Haute.

The event includes a banquet on Thursday, July 9, at the Holiday Inn in Terre Haute where the players will be staying during the series. During the banquet, the All-Stars will be recognized and the Indiana Baseball Player of the Year award will be presented.

On Friday, July 10, at 2 p.m., the North and South teams will face off for the first of three games at Indiana State University stadium. The second game starts about 45 minutes after the first game ends (approximately 5:45 p.m.).

On Saturday, July 11, at 1 p.m., the two teams will compete again for the wooden bat game. Though the players will wear All-Star uniforms for the first two games, each player will wear his high school uniform for the third game.

Every All-Star player receives meals, lodging and transportation as well as an All-Star jersey, an All-Star portfolio with certificate, a team photo and an MDS wooden bat that will be used in Saturday's game.

Kwisz has been one of the Panthers' top pitchers the past two seasons. He was often at second base when he wasn't pitching and played in all 31 games in 2014 and 32 games in 2015.

For his junior year, Kwisz pitched 10 games (52.1 innings) with seven wins, including one shutout, and three losses. He gave up 35 runs on 53 hits, striking out a total of 45 batters and walking 13.

His numbers for batting during his junior year appear a bit better than his senior year, but he was at-bat nearly 30 times more in 2014 than he was in 2015.

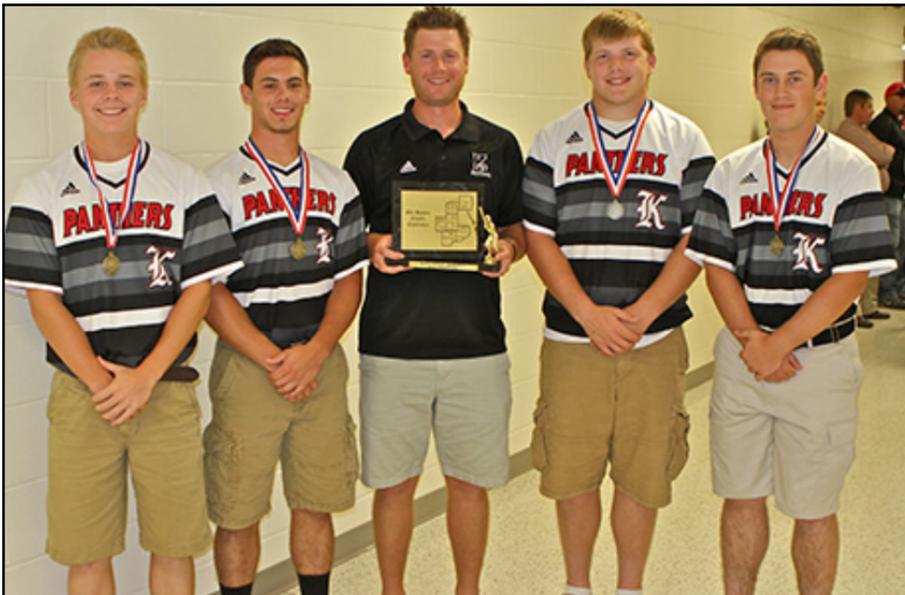
Kwisz had 31 hits in 2014, including three triples and five doubles. He knocked in 20 RBIs and scored 30 runs. In the 2015 season, he had 29 hits, including four dou-

bles, with 22 RBIs and 24 runs scored.

For his senior year, Kwisz again pitched 10 games (59 innings) with a record of 8-2, giving up just 23 runs on 44 hits with 76 batters struck out and 15 walked.

His standout games on the mound in 2015 included five shutouts against Rushville (15-0), Shenandoah (2-0), Hauser (13-0), Blue River Valley (7-0) and the regional game against Speedway (11-0). In the Shenandoah game, Kwisz struck out 12 batters with no walks and against Rushville, he again had no walks with eight strikeouts.

Kwisz is currently exploring opportunities to continue his baseball career at the college level.



Knightstown High School baseball players and their coach received all-conference honors. Pictured (left, l-r) are Drake Peggs, Kaleb Kinnman, Coach Daren Hardesty, Tyler Richardson and Isaac McRoberts. Team honors were distributed at a recent baseball banquet. Award winners are (right, l-r) Drake Peggs, most valuable player; Mike Jones, mental attitude award winner; and Isaac McRoberts, defensive player of the year. Not pictured is Jake Kwisz, pitcher of the year. (Photo at left appears courtesy of Melissa Peggs.)

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LOCAL SPORTS

Colby Lane Sets Fast Time, But Finishes 8th

A good crowd of spectators were on hand Saturday night at Anderson Speedway for the CRA Street Stock Pull-a-Part 200, the final race in the Street Stock Triple Crown Series.

After qualifying was all said and done, it was Knightstown's Colby Lane at the top of the speed chart. Of the 24 cars, Lane had the fast lap of 13.787. But, the inversion put him in the 10th starting position for the feature.

The inverted field featured Andrew Cook of Anderson and Shirley's Jason Thompson on the feature event's front row.

As the green flag waved, it was Cook who jumped out to an early lead. But, it didn't last long. Cook spun out in turn two on the second lap, which drew an early caution flag.

Thompson took the lead on the restart and

paced the field until the next caution flag at lap 29, when James Kirby made hard contact with the turn two wall. After a short clean-up, the green flag was back out with Thompson once again taking the lead on the restart.

Thompson continued to lead the way around the high-banked quarter-mile track - until lap 44, when Josh Poore of Anderson took over the top spot.

On lap 56, the caution flag flew once more as Andrew Cook spun-out in turn four. Poore continued to lead on the restart until the caution flag was waved again on lap 86 as Cook went spinning in turn four.

On the restart, Jason Atkinson of New Castle was able to blast by Poore on the outside for the lead. At lap 100, the caution flag was brought out for a 15-minute break to give

drivers and crews a chance to make adjustments to their cars and add fuel, if necessary.

After the break, Atkinson and Poore were on the front row for the restart, with New Castle's Ryan Amonett starting third, after working his way up from ninth position.

As the green flag flew, it was Atkinson leading with Amonett getting by Poore for second. Amonett, nevertheless, stalked Atkinson until lap 120, when the yellow caution flag was brought out for Bert Miles Jr., whose engine blew up on the back straightaway.

After a quick clean up by the Anderson Speedway crew, the race restarted, and Atkinson once again jumped to the lead with Amonett still stalking in second, and Poore in third.

Atkinson was setting a lightning pace and was out to a big lead with Amonett and

Poore battling for the second position and with less than 50 laps remaining. Poore got around Amonett and set his sights on Atkinson, who was out to a sizable lead.

Poore desperately needed a caution to catch the leader, but it never came. Atkinson took the checkered flag, winning the race and the Triple Crown Championship.

The top five were Atkinson, first; Poore, second; Amonett, third; James Kirby III (Indianapolis), fourth and Marsh (Muncie), fifth. Other notables include Colby Lane, eighth (-1 lap); Jason Thompson, 10th (-1 lap); Calvin Parham, 19th (mechanical problems); Phil Jenkins, 21st (mechanical problems).

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

Raptors Edged Out 16-15 in Early May Bout with Smith's Carpet

In the eight and under baseball league action, the ERA Jody Mitchell Raptors fell 16-15 in their May 5 clash with the team sponsored by Smith's Carpet.

As the high score indicates, the Raptors pounded the ball, finishing with two home runs, three triples and four doubles.

Landon McColley had one of

those home runs and doubles. He also hit two singles, had one RBI and scored three times.

Mason Anderson hit the other Raptor homer. He added three singles with two RBIs and three runs scored.

Isaiah Dewitt led the Raptors in RBIs with four on his triple and two singles. He scored

once.

Branigan Kwisz also hit a triple and had three singles with one RBI and two runs scored.

Isaiah Paris hit the team's other triple and had a single, one RBI and one run scored.

Lucas Sponsler had a double and two singles with two RBIs. He scored once.

Brady Halcomb also hit a double and two singles with one RBI. He turned his hits into three runs scored.

Jacob Lund had the team's other double. He added a single, one RBI and scored one run.

Dallas Bramell hit three singles and had one RBI. Alison Sutton added an RBI-single and Dylan Parsley also played for the Raptors.

Stats for Smith's Carpet were not provided.

Raptors Shutout River Dogs

The ERA Jody Mitchell Raptors shut out the River Dogs and the Rattlers in early May eight and under baseball league games.

On May 8, the Raptors stomped the River Dogs 15-0 on May 8, improving their record to 3-2.

Mason Anderson hit a triple, double and single for three RBIs and three runs scored.

Alison Sutton also hit a triple, double, single and scored three times.

Isaiah Dewitt had a double and two singles with two RBIs and two runs scored.

Dallas Bramell and Jacob Lund each hit three singles with two RBIs and scored two runs apiece.

Landon McColley also got three base hits. He had one RBI and scored twice.

Lucas Sponsler got two base hits and one RBI.

Brady Halcomb hit an RBI-double and scored once. Lukus Frazier and Isaiah Paris each hit RBI-singles and Dylan Parsley also played for the Raptors.

"The whole team played well," reported the Raptor coach. "Frazier, Lund and Paris had big hits tonight."

The following day, on May 9, the Raptors whipped the Rattlers 15-0.

Bramell hit a double and three singles to lead the Raptors at the

plate. He finished with four RBIs and two runs scored.

Halcomb also had four RBIs on his four singles. He scored twice.

Sutton got four base hits too with three RBIs and two runs scored. Anderson hit three singles for three RBIs and two runs scored.

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Ticket Tracker Plays McCleerey's Sporting Goods

Ticket Tracker's girls tee-ball team played against the McCleerey's Sporting Goods team on May 8 and against the team sponsored by National Insurance Agency on May 9.

All girls had the opportunity to bat twice. Amelia Bonham, Olivia Herron, Hailie Jett, Alleigh Kohues, Aubrey Raglin, Jovie Renie, Delilah Summers and Brookelynn Young played for

Ticket Tracker in both games.

McCleerey's team roster included Lexi Clements, Paysen Hawk, Amber Howell, Amelia Lykens, Madalea Lykens, Jaelyn Ross and Ella Vise.

National Insurance's roster included Emma Colip, Kendyl Hill, Trinity Lynn, Madalynn Perkins, Emlee Stewart, Kiera Weidner and Kamryn Whisman.

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Kwisz scored twice and batted in two runs on his three singles. Parsley and McColley each hit three singles, had one RBI and scored two runs.

Dewitt pounded out two doubles, had one RBI and scored once. Frazier had three base hits and scored twice. Sponsler hit two singles with two RBIs. Lund added two hits, one RBI and scored twice.

The Raptors' coach reported that this was "probably our best defensive game yet."

The win pushed up the Raptors' record to 4-2.

Stats were not provided for the River Dogs or Rattlers.

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HCH/Medical Foundation Blood Drive

Thursday, July 23 - 9am to 4pm
Henry County Hospital
Conference Room
Donate blood and be entered to win a new car. Sign up: www.givebloodnow.com

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, September 19
Henry County Heart Walk
8:30am Registration | 9am Walk
New Castle High School Field House
Sponsored by Henry County Heart Society, Henry County Cardiology, and Henry County Hospital

For more information on these and other events, check online at hcmhcares.org.

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To schedule your colonoscopy or for more information, contact Strong Brunck & Barrett Surgical Specialists at 599.3294.



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Susan Julian Completes Functional Medicine Course

Susan Julian, FNP-BC recently attended a six-day intensive continuing medical education course offered by The Institute for Functional Medicine (IFM), located in Federal Way, WA.

Applying Functional Medicine in Clinical Practice addresses one of the key issues in healthcare practice today – improving the management of complex, chronic disease. The training Susan completed involved understanding the etiology, prevention and treatment of complex, chronic disease. It is an

integrative, science-based healthcare approach that treats illness and promotes wellness by focusing assessment on the biochemically unique aspects of each patient, and then individually tailoring interventions to restore physiological, psychological and structural balance.

Lifestyle is a very big factor; research estimates that 70-90% of the risk of chronic disease is attributable to lifestyle. That means what you eat, how you exercise, what your spiritual practices are, how much stress you live with (and how you handle it) are all elements that must be addressed in a comprehensive approach.

“...we have been able to identify modifiable behavioral factors, including specific aspects of diet, overweight, inactivity, and smoking that account for over 70% of stroke and colon cancer, over 80% of coronary heart disease, and over 90% of adult-onset diabetes.” [Willett, WC. Science, 2002;296, 695-697]

Working in partnership with a trained functional medicine provider, patients make dietary and activity changes that, when combined with nutrients targeted to specific functional needs, allow them to really be in charge of improving their own health and changing the outcome of disease.

Within the scope of practice of their own particular disciplines, functional medicine practitioners may also prescribe drugs or botanical medicines or other nutraceuticals; they may suggest a detoxification protocol, a physical medicine intervention, or a stress-management procedure. The good news is: when you look at functionality, you uncover many different ways of attacking problems.

Susan Julian is a provider at New Castle Family & Internal Medicine's Integrative Well-Being office located on the upper level of 798 N. 16th St. Make an appointment with her or John Miller, MD by calling 599.3533. Check them out online at:

www.henrycountyhospitalmedicalgroup.org/Practices/Integrative_Well-Being

It's Never Too Early Or Too Late To Stop Smoking

Many do not realize it, but the decision to quit smoking protects the people in your life. Smoking harms not only the smoker, but your loved ones as well. No amount of secondhand smoke is safe.

The main way smoking hurts non-smokers is through secondhand smoke. This is the combination of smoke that comes from cigarettes and the smoke that is breathed out while smoking.

For adults, breathing in secondhand smoke over time can cause a number of health problems for non-smokers such as:

- Cancer
- Heart disease
- More difficult time getting pregnant
- Colds and flu
- Irritated eyes, nose and throat

For pregnant women and children secondhand smoke is especially dangerous for things such as:

- Lose their babies
- Give birth to smaller babies
- Have babies die of SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome)
- Have babies who are cranky, restless and get sick more often
- Have babies with learning disabilities

And, children who breathe in secondhand smoke over time are more likely to have:

- More severe asthma attacks
- Bronchitis, pneumonia and other breathing problems
- Coughing and wheezing
- Ear and lung infections

If you are ready to quit:

- Talk to your healthcare provider
- Call 1.800.QUIT.NOW
- Check resources at smokefree.gov
- Or call Henry County Hospital Smoking Cessation for the next available free session – 599.3719



Baby Love, a free program designed to help pregnant women to stop smoking begins July 8.

Call 599.3719 for details.

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Indiana Patriot Guard Riders present a commemorative stone to one of their most respected members Saturday.



Country scene off Grant City Road



Shelbyville Fire Dept. Captain Doug Lutes assists during a local house fire last Wednesday.



KHS Class of 1965 members Jeff Linch (left) and Jerry Hager dedicate a commemorative stone at the Henry County Area Veterans Memorial in Knightstown to their fallen classmate Mike Sloan.

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Eric Cox



Rolls of hay sit in flood water near Big Blue River.