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Food and Beverage Committee to Meet

The Henry County Food and Beverage Advisory Committee will meet Wednesday, Aug. 19, at 10 a.m. in the Henry County Courthouse, Old Circuit Courtroom, second floor, 101 S. Main St., New Castle, to review a request from the town of Lewisville. Dick Myers is the chairman of this committee.

Cookies and Canvas Event August 20

Knightstown Wesleyan Church is having its bi-monthly Cookies and Canvas class, taught by Kathie Rummel, on Thursday, Aug. 20, at 6 p.m. The painting will be a covered bridge scene. Cost is \$20. Refreshments will be provided. The event takes place in the church basement, 471 N. Franklin St. Call Kathie Rummel at 765-345-9660 or Amy Bell at 765-686-7063 to reserve a spot.

Tox-Away Day Set for Saturday, Aug. 15

Three Rivers Solid Waste Management District will host a Tox-Away Day on Saturday, Aug. 15, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Memorial Park in New Castle. Those who plan to participate should enter the park at County Road 100-N and St. Rd. 3. A list of items that will be accepted appears on Page 12 of this week's newspaper.

Henry Co. Heart Walk September 19

The Annual Henry County Heart Walk will be on Saturday, Sept. 19, in the New Castle High School Fieldhouse concourse. Doors will open to participants at 8:15 a.m. at the southeast corner and the Heart Walk will begin at 9 a.m. The event is sponsored by Henry County Hospital, Henry County Cardiology and Henry County Heart Society.

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Local Voters Will Have Choices in Fall Election

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

With the passing of Monday's noon filing deadline, the field of candidates for fall elections in Knightstown, Carthage and other small towns throughout Henry and Rush counties, and across the state, is now one step closer to being set.

In Knightstown, voters will go to the polls in November to decide races for two of the town council's five seats. The winner of a third seat on the council, being sought by two Republicans, will be decided later this month at a Republican town convention.

The Knightstown Town Council seats up for election this year are those now held by Clyde South (Ward 1), Council President Cort Swincher (Ward 3) and Mitch Roland (Ward 4). Of those three incumbents, only Swincher, a Republican, and Roland, a Democrat, are seeking reelection.

While the town of Knightstown is divided into five wards, the five town council seats are essentially treated as at-large positions at election time. Voters are not restricted to voting only for the town council seat representing the ward in which they live, but may vote in all town council races appearing on the fall ballot.

In Knightstown's Ward 1, two Republicans, Roger Hammer and Danny Sheetz Jr., are vying to be the GOP nominee on the fall ballot. Local Republicans must hold a town convention no later than Friday, Aug. 21, where they'll choose either Hammer or Sheetz to face Democrat Kevin Richey on the fall ballot.

With no non-GOP candidates seeking Knightstown's Ward 3 council seat, the winner of that race will be decided at the town Republican convention later this month. The incumbent, Council President Cort Swincher, is facing a challenge from fellow Republican

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Girl Scout Power



In keeping with their tradition of helping in the community where and when they can, local Girl Scout Troop 3213 painted a four square court on the Knightstown Elementary School basketball court recently. (Photo submitted)

Town Council Alters Hoosier Gym Lease

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

With one member absent, the Knightstown Town Council recently voted 4-0 to amend its annual lease with a local nonprofit organization that oversees the Hoosier Gym, which is owned by the town.

The vote occurred at the council's July 23 monthly meeting. If approved by its board of directors, the Hoosier Gym Community Center of Knightstown Inc. will, come January, be required to cover the cost of property insurance on the gym in addition to its \$1 annual lease payment to the town.

Prior to the council's vote, Neal Shaneyfelt, HGCKK's current president, read a prepared statement on behalf of his group's board of directors, several of whom were in attendance. He said his group

views themselves as "ambassadors ready to welcome guests to our community" and believes they have "done a good job of managing the gym's assets" since they first began leasing the gym from the town in 1994.

Despite having over \$100,000 in cash, savings and investments at the end of calendar year 2013, Shaneyfelt told the council that the gym's roof, which is 20 years old, will need to be replaced "in the not too distant future." Estimating that work could cost more than \$100,000, he said, "There goes our surplus budget."

Shaneyfelt also noted that the gym's four roof-mounted heating and cooling units are also about 20 years old. Saying these and two other units that service three meeting rooms on the Adams Street side

the building "won't last forever," he estimated it would cost \$10,000-\$15,000 to replace just one of these units.

"We feel like we have been good stewards and have operated the gym in a financially responsible fashion, keeping in mind our long-term mission to preserve the gym for future generations to enjoy," Shaneyfelt told the council.

Council Vice President Sarah Ward said she thought what has become of the gym is "wonderful." And, while she said she didn't HGCKK needs "to be financing the town," she did say that she would like to see the group take responsibility for the property insurance costs the town had been paying and which presently costs about \$3,520 a year.

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- Thursday, Aug. 20, 6:30 p.m. - 116 W. Morgan St., Knightstown - Consignment Auction

- Thursday, Aug. 27, 5:30 p.m. - 601 N. Main St., Carthage - Audrey Magee Estate Auction: Fenton Glassware, Lead Crystal Glassware, Antique & Modern Furniture, Tools

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OBITUARIES

Norma V. Williams
September 20, 1921 - August 1, 2015

Norma V. Williams, 93, of Greenfield, passed away peacefully Aug. 1, 2015, at Hancock Regional Hospice in Greenfield.

She was born Sept. 20, 1921, in Maxwell, to the late Paul and Flo (Cooper) Stiver. Norma was a 1939 graduate of Maxwell High School. She married Raymond Williams on May 2, 1942. During their 67 years of marriage, Norma graduated from IU Methodist Hospital in 1962 with her degree in nursing. She worked at Hancock Regional Hospital and for doctors Gill and Farrell prior to her retirement in 1985. Norma was a member of Bradley United Methodist Church. She had many wonderful friends and loved people. Along with her husband, Raymond, they volunteered for several years at Hancock Regional Hospital and loved to travel. Most importantly, she loved her family and enjoyed spending time with them. She is survived by three daughters, Beth (Don) Willard, Barbara Drudge and Deborah (Michael) Watson, all of Greenfield; a sister, Marlene Rice also of Greenfield; nine grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Raymond; a brother, Ronald Stiver; and a sister, Leah (Stiver) Meek. Friends called Aug. 4 at Stillinger Family Funeral Home, 1780 W. Main St., Greenfield. Services Aug. 5 at the funeral home with Pastor Linda Brackney officiating. Burial followed at Park Cemetery, Greenfield. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Bradley U.M.C., 210 W. Main St., Greenfield, IN 46140 or Hancock Regional Hospital Foundation; (designate hospice), 801 N. State St., Greenfield, IN 46140 or a charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be shared at www.stillingerfamily.com.

Dorothy J. Denison
January 3, 1920 - July 30, 2015

Dorothy J. Denison, 95, of Knightstown, passed away Thursday, July 30, 2015 at Legacy of Springhurst in Greenfield.

She was born Jan. 3, 1920, in Marion, Ohio, the daughter of Harley and Martha (Williams) Burggraf. Dorothy graduated from high school in Ohio and was employed as a licensed practical nurse at Mary Rutane Hospital in Findlay, Ohio, for a few years. But, she worked in a physician's office in Maumee, Ohio, most of her nursing career. She was a member of the Red Hat Society, and the Avon Literary Club, and was an accomplished church organist for many years. A very quiet and loving person, she also enjoyed knitting, quilting and braiding rugs. She leaves to cherish her memory her three children, Michael Albert Denison of Boulder, Colo., and his daughter, Nadia Sirisa Denison of Joplin, Mo.; Jean (John) Butler of Knightstown, and their children, John Rhett (Angie) Butler of Florissant, Mo., Joel Lawton (Melissa) Butler of Indianapolis, and Jeffrey Alan (Steve Klein) Butler of Indianapolis; Kathryn Follis of Knightstown, and her children Bradley Edward (Lori) Schudel of Sturgis, Mich., and Michael Christian (Michelle) Schudel of Montpelier, Ohio; nine great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; also, a brother, Nelty Everal Burggraf of Spring Hill, Fla. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, two sisters, and her husband of 52 years, Frank A. Denison. Private graveside services will be at Park Cemetery in Greenfield on Saturday, Aug. 1. Arrangements have been entrusted to Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service, Knightstown Chapel. Condolences and memories of Dorothy may be shared at www.hinsey-brown.com.

Judith E. Leisure
December 13, 1942 - July 28, 2015



Judith E. Leisure, 72, of New Castle passed away peacefully on Tuesday, July 28, 2015. She was born on Dec. 13, 1942, to the late Max E. Brooks and Martha (Horn) Griffin in New Castle. Judy married David F. Leisure on Oct. 8, 1961, and they enjoyed 52 years together before he passed in January 2014. Judy was a 1961 graduate of Knightstown High School. Judy was a loving wife, mom, Mamaw and Grammy. She enjoyed spending time with her family, friends and grandbabies. Judy belonged to GWRRA Chapter H-2. She and her husband loved to tour the countryside by motorcycle, visiting everywhere but Alaska and Hawaii. She will be greatly missed by her daughters, Deborah J. (Paul) Butler and Cathy Shelton (Roy Pribble); three grandchildre, Jessica L. (Daniel) Wyatt-Overman, Timothy A. (Marlene) Wyatt and Brittany D. (Travis) Butler-Thibeault; two brothers, James E. (Betty) Griffin and Charles E. Griffin II; two sisters, Christine I. (Maurice) Temples and Susan E. (Chris) Haywood; an aunt, Vera Merchant; and seven great-grandbabies, Tanner, AJ, Carson, Bryce, Cooper, Abby, Lylah, and one on the way. In addition to her parents and husband, Judith was preceded in death by her stepfather, Charles E. Griffin; a son, Daryl F. Leisure; a brother, Jerry Griffin; and her grandparents, George and Myrtle Horn and Robert and Emma Brooks.

Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service
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The Grief Support Workshop will take place at Senior Living at Forest Ridge, 2800 Forest Ridge Pkwy., New Castle. The workshop will be at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday, starting Aug. 4 thru Sept. 8. As a service to our community, this workshop is free and open to the public. Wanda Jones and Allen Collier will facilitate.

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The Knightstown Department of Parks and Recreation Board is seeking sealed bids and resumes for a cleaning person and a service contractor. The cleaning person will enter into a contract to do cleaning and trash pick-up at Sunset Park in Knightstown, Indiana. List of duties for cleaning person can be picked up at the Knightstown Utility Office at 26 S. Washington St., Knightstown, Indiana 46148. The Maintenance person will enter into a contract to do regular maintenance of buildings, equipment and grounds at Sunset Park in Knightstown, Indiana. Sealed bids must be returned to the Utility Office no later than 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 14, 2015. (8/5, 8/12)

OBITUARIES

James "Mike" Kelly
October 29, 1943 - August 1, 2015



James "Mike" Kelly, 71, passed away Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015 at his residence. He was born on Oct. 29, 1943, in Knightstown, the son of James Nolan and Mary June (Shafer) Kelly.

James graduated from Knightstown High School as a member of the National Honor Society. He attended Purdue University as ROTC, then was drafted into the Army's officer candidate school, serving in the Vietnam war as a captain and pilot.

Mr. Kelly returned from the war to graduate from Ball State University. He retired in 2012, after 27 years in the computer science department as a database administrator/senior programmer analyst.

He enjoyed tinkering, electronics, playing chess and brain games. He was a member of the American Legion. Survivors include his wife of 36 years, Bonnie Kelly of Springport; six daughters, Lisa M. Kelly of Wisconsin, Donna M. Bequeath of Wisconsin, Victoria L. Kelly-Downs (husband, Robert) of Cadiz, Anna C. Kelly-Pugsley of Cadiz, Cheryl Chiarelli of Florida and Shannon Riggs (husband, Bink) of Cadiz; two sons, Michael Randolph (wife, Maritza) of North Carolina and Sean Gavin (wife, Kaitlin) of Connecticut; a sister, Carole Pitman of New Castle; a brother, Wayne F. Kelly of Murrieta, Cal.; an aunt, Phyllis Cooney; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

James was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Sarah L. Kelly; and a brother, Brian G. Kelly. Private burial will take place at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Legion, 450 N. 10th St., Middletown, IN, 47356, I.U. Health Ball Memorial Hospice, 2401 W. University Ave., Muncie, IN 47303, or Disabled American Veterans, www.dav.org. Online condolences may be directed to the family at www.meeksmortuary.com.

Immunizations Still a School Requirement

As Indiana families prepare to send their children back to class, state health officials say immunizations should be on the back-to-school checklist.

For entrance into kindergarten, students must show proof of vaccinations against several diseases, including diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis and measles.

David McCormick, division director of the Indiana State Department of Health Immunization Program, says there are additional requirements for older students.

"We require that every child entering sixth grade have a dose of MCV4, which would protect against meningococcal disease," he explains. "Then they have an additional Tdap, which would protect against tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis, and they have to be current on their varicella requirement."

Students entering their senior

year need a booster dose of the meningococcal vaccine.

Families that object to vaccinations on religious grounds are not

legally required to obtain the immunizations, but the parent must present a signed statement to the

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Rushville Company Adding Jobs

JM CNC, a computer numerical control (CNC) manufacturer, announced plans today to expand its operations in Rushville, creating up to 62 new jobs by 2018.

The homegrown Hoosier company will invest \$4.5 million to add 40,000 square feet to its Rushville location. The renovation will provide additional space for 20 new CNC machines, employees and production output. Formerly known as JM Manufacturing, the company changed its name to JM CNC on Aug. 1 to reflect its new owner,

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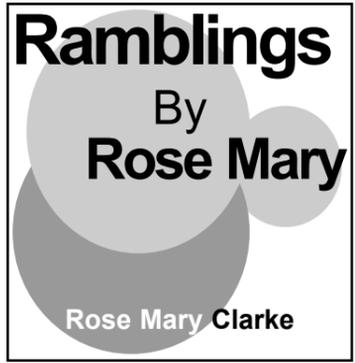
Getting Rid of Life's Real Burdens

My chum, John Board, wrote, "I have found that the easiest way to get rid of stuff is to move, not a garage sale. When we moved two years ago, thinking stopped; emotions were quenched; and loads and loads of stuff went either to our sons, The Good Samaritan, or the dump. The sad thing is that we need to sort again and get rid of stuff again."

"Simplify, Simplify, Simplify!" was the dictum of Henry David Thoreau whom I consider one of the finest writers whom America has produced - right up there with Mark Twain. I suppose that Thoreau was a philosophizer, rather than a true philosopher. However, I find his views about society and living a meaningful life insightful. Walden is full of pungent wit, lyrical prose, a deep understanding and appreciation of nature and has the excitement of a quirky enthusiast. I do enjoy quirky people!

He sermonized about American enslavement by possessions: "I see young men, my townsmen, whose misfortune it is to have inherited farms, houses, barns, cattle and farming tools ... How many a poor immortal soul have I met well nigh crushed and smothered under its load, creeping down the road of life, pushing before it a barn 75 feet by 40."

He portrays those who are owned by their possessions, rather than the reverse. "Men have become the tools of their tools." He describes houses as boxes, saying, "Many a man is harassed to death to pay the rent of a larger and more luxurious box." He says that respectable citizens teach the young to acquire "superfluous



shoes and umbrellas and empty guest chambers for empty guests." He neatly sums it up by saying, "... the cost of a thing is the amount of what I will call life which is required to be exchanged for it ..."

He rebelled by trying to live as cheaply and simply as possible. He scrounged materials and built a 10 by 15 cabin on the banks of Walden Pond. I thought about him when Bill and I were discussing getting rid of some stuff at a garage sale.

Thoreau had the mind of a scientist and kept very accurate records of the details of his experiment in living. This is a list of his possessions at Walden:

"My furniture, part of which I made myself and the rest of which cost nothing, consisted of a bed, a table, a desk, three chairs, a looking glass three inches in diameter, a pair of tongs and andirons, a kettle, a skillet and a frying pan, a dipper, a wash bowl, two knives and forks, three plates, one cup, one spoon, a jug for oil, a jug for molasses and a lamp."

Were he to view our possessions, Thoreau would say, "Excess, excess, excess!" Compare this partial list of the things Bill and I own - or is it the reverse? - with Thoreau's: Silver that has to be polished ... a Foreman grill that we no longer use and that no one bought that we replaced with a Gridler in order to make panini ... four sets of dishes plus Granny's plates, Mother's cranberry plates, sherbets and goblets ... a dining table, 10 chairs, three desks, two beds and various wooden chests and tables that have to be dusted ... a crock pot, sundry pans and skillets ... eight chairs and a table in the gazebo ... washer, dryer, refrigerator, freezer, glass-top range, riding lawn mower, and two automobiles

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

This past weekend the Knightstown VFW manned the fish wagon on the Public Square. VFW members and their families sponsored this event in order to raise money for the efforts of the Knightstown Beautification Committee (KBC) to complete a project that will enhance the looks of the downtown area.

We wish to recognize the VFW for their generosity and thank them for the funds raised in the amount of approximately \$500.00. Their show of support epitomizes the underlying goal of engaged citizens and organizations working together for a common cause. Thank you VFW for what you have done to beautify Knightstown.

Follow us on Facebook, Knightstown....It's a Beauty. Learn about upcoming projects and how you can be involved.

The Knightstown Beautification Committee
(Linda Lashbrook)

Dear Editor,

When we were back at Millville Grade School, my old buddy Stinky Wilmont and I spent a lot of time pretending. During recess we pretended to be something we weren't, and a lot of time when we were in class we pretended we were someplace else. Wherever we were, we spent a lot of time pretending we were cowboys. At that time they didn't have astronauts, so we couldn't pretend to be one of those. Fact was, our world view from Millville was somewhat limited, so there just weren't a lot of options on what you could pretend to be.

Our classmate Bernice Hawkins was insufferable when she pretended to be a princess, so most of the time Stinky and I just pretended we didn't even know she was around. And like most kids, we were pretty good at it. We could pretend that a little stick was a six-shooter, and that a bigger stick was a rifle, and that an even bigger stick was a horse. I don't think they make sticks like they used to. Or maybe I'm just not as good at pretending as I used to be.

I don't pretend nearly as much as I used to, and most of my pretending now amounts to pretending I can still do some things I used to do when I was younger, and usually ends up giving me an aching back, which I try to pretend doesn't hurt.

I think most adults pretend something occasionally, but some pretend more than others. A couple of months ago, I read a story about Rachel Dolezal, a woman who pretended to be black in order to get a position with the NAACP. I'm not sure if being black was a requirement for the job, but apparently pretending to be black was a disqualifier, and she lost her job. About 55 years ago, John Howard Griffin pretended to be black and wrote a book about it, entitled *Black Like Me*. It sold over 10 million copies. I guess pretending works out better for some than it does for others.

Olympic athlete Bruce Jenner recently decided that he didn't want to be a man anymore, and is pretending to be a girl. He now has a girl's name, and some other things that girls usually have, so I think the pretending is easier, but he also has some things that guys have, which makes the pretending still necessary. The way I see it, he didn't care when I was pretending to be a cowboy, so I don't really care if he wants to pretend to be a girl.

Last week I heard about a planet out there in the universe somewhere named Kepler 425b that NASA says is a lot like the earth. It could be, I guess. The problem is it's 1,400 light years away. Since a light year is

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It's Time for a Change, Knightstown

Leadership on the Knightstown Town Council has been sorely lacking for years. But, lately, there have been some signs of life that are nothing if not encouraging.

One council member is chiefly responsible for this, and her name is Sarah Ward. I support Sarah, and I admire her no-nonsense attitude about town government. She wants the truth and she wants the best for every citizen - no matter who they're related to.

But, Sarah needs allies to get things done the right way. That's why this upcoming election is so daggone important for Knightstown and its future.

The community needs to shed its hapless, deadbeat leadership and opt for responsible decision makers who are worried more about the community in general, and less about their own comfort.

Now, I don't live in Knightstown, and, therefore, cannot vote in any elections. But, if I did, my choices would be clear. Anyone who trusts me and values the community's future can take my picks for what their worth - guidance in choosing whom I feel will

be credible, accountable and hard-working representatives for this town.

In the Ward 1 race - the one in which voters will replace Clyde South - I'm going with Kevin Richey. Kevin has distinguished himself as an honest, hard-working local businessman whose genuine affection for Knightstown is demonstrated on his many heartfelt Facebook posts.

Moreover, his words are reinforced by his sincere actions on the town's behalf. Not only has he led the charge in forming a vigorous and engaged beautification committee, he's also plugged into town govern-

ment via the Knightstown Plan Commission, where he serves as president, and also the Knightstown park board.

In my opinion, Kevin is thoughtful and sincere in his efforts for this community. Clearly, he wants to see it not only beautified, but also prosperous and prepared for a competitive future.

Unquestionably, voters should pick Kevin Richey in that race.

Another Kevin - former CAB School Board member Kevin Knott - is my other favorite for the Ward 3 seat. Knott is also honest and accountable.

He, too, wants to see his hometown readied for the future, as well as cleaned up and cared for in the present.

Knott has ample public service already under his belt, and he's shown that he's not afraid to educate himself on the responsibilities of the job he's undertaken. Plus, I don't think Kevin Knott would sign any agreement that engaged the town in anything prior to his having carefully read and considered it.

In short, Kevin Knott will bring some much needed credibility and accountability to the Knightstown Town Council - something that is sorely lacking at present.

The ultimate goal here is to give Sarah Ward two allies with whom she can begin to right the listing ship that is Knightstown, Indiana.

Kevin Richey and Kevin Knott might be the missing components in an equation that could begin to yield real success for this town.

It's time for a change. If I was voting this November, this is what I'd do.



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BITS & PIECES

◆The Knightstown **Farmers Market** is now under way. A variety of new vendors are being sought. Hand-crafted goods, including hand-knitted items, are welcome at the market. 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.

◆The Knightstown Plan Commission will meet Monday with a **grant writer** who helped the town of Carthage get a \$40,000 planning grant from the state last year. Monday's meeting, which is open to the public, is set to start at 7 p.m. It will be held in the back meeting room of Knightstown Town Hall, 26 S. Washington St., which is accessible from the building's west side. Amy Miller of Cornerstone Grant Management is expected to present a proposal for her grant-writing services. The plan commission would like to obtain a planning grant that would provide funding to hire a professional consultant to help the town revise its comprehensive plan.

◆Knightstown Wesleyan Church is having its bi-monthly **Cookies and Canvas** class, taught by Kathie Rummell, on Thursday, Aug. 20, at 6 p.m. The painting will be a covered bridge scene. Cost is \$20. Refreshments will be provided. The event takes place in the church basement, 471 N. Franklin St. Call 765-345-9660 or 765-686-7063 to reserve a spot.

◆Eastern Hancock High School graduate Gary West (Gerald Boger) will perform "For the Love of Cash," a musical tribute to Johnny Cash, at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22, at Greenfield's H.J. Ricks Center for the Arts. Special guests will be local musicians Dr. Rock and the Rollers, featuring former EHHS teacher Darry Hood. A portion of ticket sales proceeds will go to benefit the Hancock Hope House.

◆Knightstown Wesleyan Church will have **welcome packets** available starting Aug. 1. Anyone new to the area interested in receiving local business information and discounts may contact Kathie Rummell at 765-345-9660 or Amy Bell at 765-686-7063.

◆The Annual **Henry County Heart Walk** will be on Saturday, Sept. 19, in the New Castle High School Fieldhouse concourse. Doors will open to participants at 8:15 a.m. at the southeast corner and the Heart Walk will begin at 9 a.m. The event is sponsored by Henry County Hospital, Henry County Cardiology and Henry County Heart Society. Additional information and sponsor forms are available at hemhcares.org and on the Henry County Heart Society, Inc. of Indiana Facebook page, or contact 765-529-1098.

◆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.

◆Anyone interested in participating in the **Shirley Founder's Day parade** may contact Beverly Estell at P.O. Box 243, Shirley, IN 47384 or call 765-738-6000. Nomination for the David L. Estell Civic Award are being accepted and may be sent to the same address. Nomination deadline is Aug. 7.

◆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.

◆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.

Bits & Pieces news submissions are gladly accepted at The Banner. News items will be published as much as possible prior to events, space permitting. Items may be submitted to thebanner@embarq-mail.com.

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Young Entrepreneur Hannah Lukens Balances Parenting with Two Local Start-up Companies

by Logan Cox
for The Banner

Juggling work as a general manager of a sporting goods and gun store, a photographer, a graphic artist, and as a single mother, Hannah Lukens is certainly keeping busy after graduating from Knightstown High School in 2011.

"I am my own boss for the most part. I do enjoy it, especially with having Emmitt," said Lukens, referring to her son. "It has made things so much easier for me being able to make my own schedule."

In the time between her high school graduation and her present situation, Lukens served as a member of the United States Marine Corps.

"Went straight to the Marines after high school," Lukens said. "Once I got out, I started working for my dad. I was a secretary for his construction business and helped out with gun sales here and there."

Lukens continues to work alongside her father, David Lukens, at their gun store, 2nd Amendment Manufacturing & Supply.

"He works construction full-time so I keep 2nd Amendment Mfg. & Supply up and running," she explained.

According to Lukens, her father has always been a gun enthusiast. In fact, he's the former owner of Knightstown's own The Bullet Hole.

"I did grow up around guns because of my dad," said Lukens. "I was always the one as a kid that wanted to try and shoot guns that were too big for me. I have my dad and papaw, Bob Monger, to thank for teaching me how to shoot."

Second Amendment Mfg. & Supply is family-owned and operated, with Lukens managing the store during the week while her father has the weekends.

"I have slowly learned a lot about guns and the gun business over the years, well enough that my dad trusts me to run it while he works construction.

So the gun business I love and enjoy, but it is my dad's passion more than it is mine," Lukens said.

Working in the gun business has given Lukens insight into what it is like to run a business. Consequently, she has started applying her knowledge to her own passions and business ventures.

This has led Lukens to establish her own photography company, Soul Imaginations Photography.

And, most recently, she has begun a logo and graphic design company called Vast Visuals as well.

"I have always been a really artistic and creative person," she said. "Once I got an iPhone and started taking pictures on it, I started to fall in love with photography and editing. I do it because I enjoy it and have fun, but I get to make it a career at the same time. So it's nice to be able to love what you do for a living."

She admits that both of those businesses are founded and operated by herself alone in Knightstown.

"I really hope for both the photography and logo design businesses to take off and become really successful," said Lukens. "I enjoy doing both of them equally. I just started the logo designing recently, but I think I will go pretty far with it and the photography, if I stay determined and focused."

Lukens and her son, Emmitt, currently live with her sister, Sadie Lukens. She hopes to relocate to Greenfield within the next couple of months.

She is thankful for the support of her sister and her parents, David and Camille. But Lukens admits that what motivates her the most is her infant son.

"I have him to thank for a lot and he doesn't even know it," she said. "He is by far the best thing to happen to me. I am doing all of this because I love it yes, but also because I need to do what's best for Emmitt and I, and be able to support him as much as I can as an only parent."



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Rose Mary, from Page 4

- all of which have to be maintained ... books, pictures, ornaments and doodads, closets of clothing and one of Christmas decorations ... computer equipment ... A

total inventory would include hundreds of items. My head is spinning!

Oh dear! I have to dust! sclarke@comcast.net

MEETINGS CALENDAR

Wed., Aug. 5 - Henry Co. Alcoholic Beverage Board meeting, 10 a.m., old circuit court room, second floor of courthouse, New Castle

Thurs., Aug. 6 - Henry Co. Technical Review Board meeting, 9 a.m., office building conference room, first floor, New Castle

Thurs., Aug. 6 - Hancock Co. Drainage Board meeting, 8 a.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield

Thurs., Aug. 6 - Rush Co. Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 6:30 p.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville

Thurs., Aug. 6 - Kennard Town Council meeting, 7 p.m., Kennard Town Hall

Mon., Aug. 10 - Rush Co. Commissioners meeting, 9 a.m., courthouse room 103, Rushville

Mon., Aug. 10 - Carthage Town Council meeting, 6 p.m., Carthage Town Hall

Tues., Aug. 11 - Knightstown Public Library

Board meeting, 4:30 p.m., at library

Tues., Aug. 11 - Rush Co. Historic Board meeting, 7 p.m., Historical Museum, 619 N. Perkins St., Rushville

Tues., Aug. 11 - South Henry School Corp. board meeting, 7 p.m.

Tues., Aug. 11 - Eastern Hancock School Corp. board meeting, 7 p.m., admin. building

Wed., Aug. 12 - Rush Co. Council meeting, 8 a.m., courthouse room 211, Rushville

Wed., Aug. 12 - Hancock Co. Council meeting, 8:30 a.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield

Wed., Aug. 12 - Henry Co. Drainage Board meeting, 10 a.m., office building suite 107, New Castle

Wed., Aug. 12 - Henry Co. Commissioners meeting, 6 p.m., old circuit court room, second floor of courthouse, New Castle

Thurs., Aug. 13 - Hancock Co. Planning Commission tech committee meeting, 9 a.m.,

courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield

Thurs., Aug. 13 - Lewisville Town Council, 6 p.m., Houston Brick, 101 E. Main St.

Tues., Aug. 18 - Hancock Co. Commissioners meeting, 8 a.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield

Tues., Aug. 18 - Charles A. Beard Memorial School board meeting, 7 p.m., high school media center

Tues., Aug. 18 - Rush Co. Health Dept. board meeting, 7 p.m., Health Dept. office at courthouse, Rushville

Thurs., Aug. 20 - Hancock Co. Planning Commission plat committee meeting, 8:30 a.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield

Thurs., Aug. 20 - Henry Co. Planning Commission plat committee meeting, 6:30 p.m., old circuit court room, second floor of courthouse, New Castle

Thurs., Aug. 20 - Knightstown Town Council meeting, 7 p.m., town council chambers, 28 S. Washington Street.

FOLKWAYS

Henry Co. Community Foundation Raises Over \$1 Million

Henry County is a little richer today. In July 2014, Lilly Endowment, Inc. issued a challenge to all 94 Indiana Community Foundations: They would match new gifts to the Unrestricted Fund for the Community Grants Endowment \$1:1, or \$1:2 for designated funds up to \$500,000 for Henry County through their Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow (GIFT) program.

"We're happy to report that Lilly Endowment's match generated \$541,382.65 to the Unrestricted Fund for Community Grants and

\$742,133.85 for our Designated Funds, culminating in a grand total of \$1,283,546.40 in Endowments that will benefit the Henry County Community," said Beverly Matthews, president of the Henry County Community Foundation.

"Community Grants are flexible, unrestricted funds, allowing the Foundation to meet new, unanticipated needs and opportunities. Since this is a permanent, endowment fund, these grant dollars will continue to be a resource for Henry County forever," added Matthews.

The Unrestricted Fund for

Community Grants supplies the funds for the two competitive grant cycles held annually that support the work of non-profits serving Henry County residents. In addition, Designated Funds also grow the impact of dollars available for the five categories that address the broad needs in the community: Health, Social Services, Education, Cultural and Civic Affairs.

"The short time needed to earn the full \$500,000 in matching Lilly Endowment dollars illustrates the value the community places on the grant funds and programs adminis-

tered by the Foundation," said Dr. Richard Armstrong, board chairman for 2015.

Gifts to endowment funds are permanently invested and the annual income from them provides grants for scholarships, designated funds and community grants to charitable organizations, worthy

causes and institutions that will improve the quality of life within our community forever. An endowment fund allows individuals to make a lasting enhancement to their community, their life, their passion. The endowment tool allows donors to make a difference that will last forever.

Requirement, from Page 3

school district detailing the grounds for objection.

Medical exemptions are also allowed and require a doctor's note explaining why each vaccine is medically conflicting.

McCormick stresses that the state does not allow immunization exemptions based on philosophical beliefs.

"So if it's just a personal belief or you just don't like immunization requirements that does not meet the requirement for not having your child immunized," he points out.

A multi-state measles outbreak this year did not impact Indiana, which McCormick believes is due

Jobs, from Page 3

Columbia City, Indiana-based Impact CNC.

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to the state's high immunization rates.

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Craft Beers on Tap in Greenfield

Fans of craft beers will have a unique opportunity this weekend to sample offerings from 10 Hoosier breweries while, at the same time, helping to raise money for an area homeless shelter.

The Hancock Hope House in Greenfield is hosting its third annual Hops4Hope craft beer tasting

event this Saturday, Aug. 8, at the Hancock County 4-H Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall, 620 N. Apple St. Proceeds from the event will benefit Hancock Hope House, a homeless shelter that has been serving the homeless of Hancock, Rush and Shelby counties since 1991.

Ten Indiana brewers, including

Greenfield's Wooden Bear Brewing and McCordsville's Scarlet Lane Brewing Company, will be taking part in this year's event. Six Indianapolis-based brewers - Bier Brewery, Brew Link Brewing & Supply Shop, Flat 12 Bierwerks, Sun King Brewery, Triton Brewing Company and Two Deep Brewing - will also be featured, as will Hoosier Brewing Company (Morgantown) and Carson's Brewery (Evansville).

"It's been a tremendous success," Carl Denny, Hancock Hope House's executive director, said of the event, now in its third year. "We sold out for the first year, the second year we sold out, and we're very, very close to selling out this year. ... It's a great opportunity to gain awareness about Hancock Hope House, and people can come together and enjoy a great evening of craft brewery, appetizers and music."

According to Denny, Hancock Hope House, which is located at 35 W. Pierson St., Greenfield, provided 4,000 nights of shelter to the homeless last year, with the average length of stay being 60 days. Fifteen of the shelter's 35 beds are reserved for male residents, with the remainder set aside for women and children. Currently, Denny said 16 people are staying at the shelter, with most of those being women with children.

In addition to fundraisers like Saturday's Hops4Hope event, the Hancock Hope House is also supported from sales from its WEARhouse thrift store, which accepts donations of gently used clothes, shoes, linens, household goods, furniture and other items. Denny said the thrift store is an important funding source for the shelter's homeless program, accounting for half of their annual operating costs.

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CAB Paving Projects Delayed by Rains

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

Last month's inclement weather has delayed parking lot repaving projects the Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corp. had hoped to have finished before this week's start of the 2015-2016 school year.

Superintendent Jed Behny told members of the Charles A. Beard School Board at their July 21 monthly meeting that the work at Knightstown Elementary and Knightstown Intermediate schools has been shelved for now. Rainy weather had prevented the contractor, Global Asphalt, from getting started on the work during what Behny called a "very tight window" before classes resumed.

The school board had voted in June to hire Globe Asphalt to do repaving work at the two schools for \$24,453. That amount was part of \$55,000 CAB wants to spend from its Rainy Day Fund (RDF) on the paving work, \$22,315 for tennis court repairs at Knightstown High School and possibly

around \$6,000 to flush the high school's heating system.

The school board held a brief public hearing on July 7 on the district's desire to make these RDF appropriations, which had not originally been included in CAB's 2015 budget. During a brief special meeting that followed the public hearing, the board unanimously passed a resolution needed to seek state approval to spend this money.

In other facilities-related matters, Behny told the board that "showings are starting to increase" at the former Carthage and Kennard elementary schools, which CAB closed in 2014 and is now hoping to sell. The school board voted in June to hire Harmeyer Auction & Appraisal Co. to conduct a sealed bid auction on the properties, with the company getting an 8-percent commission from any sale proceeds.

Earlier this year, CAB had two appraisals done of both properties. The appraisals for the former Carthage school and real estate on which it sits at 511 E. 2nd St. came in at

\$205,300 and \$172,000, while the appraisals for the Kennard building and land at 232 Vine St. were for \$198,600 and \$195,000.

CAB's initial efforts to sell the properties for at least 90-percent of the average of the two appraisals - \$169,785 for Carthage and \$177,120 for Kennard - were not successful. The 60-day window for acceptance of bids closed May 26 with no offers having been received.

Behny updated the board on efforts to ready the district's three schools for the start of school, noting sidewalk repairs at KHS and the installation of interactive whiteboards and digital projectors in some classrooms. He also mentioned recent updates to CAB's website and use of other social media, and said the district plans to produce a brochure promoting CAB schools.

Board members were told by Behny that there had been a "very good turnout" for student registration. He declined, however, to provide any enrollment numbers to the board, saying it was "impossible to know"

at that point what the exact figures would be and that he'd learned "not to make predictions."

One thing that Behny said he felt may have helped with this year's registration was not collecting book rental and other student fees at the same time. He said CAB plans to mail invoices to parents after the second or third week of school.

Board members approved payment of monthly claims totaling \$1,966,223.04 at its July 21 meeting. Of that amount, \$1,332,453.13 was for prewritten claims, \$217,116.81 was for current claims and \$416,653.10 was for payroll.

More information about the CAB School Board's July 21 meeting can be found in the July 29 issue of The Banner, and in the memoranda and minutes the school board keeps of its meetings. Those public records are available for inspection and copying at CAB's central office, 8139 W. U.S. Hwy. 40, Knightstown, during normal business hours.

Knightstown Police Dept. Gets New Reserve Officer

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

The Knightstown Town Council has approved the addition of another volunteer reserve officer to the town's police department.

Acting on a recommendation from Chief of Police Duane Booth, council members voted 4-0 at their July 23 monthly meeting to approve Randy Bennett as a reserve officer. Booth told the

council that the addition of Bennett, a dispatcher for the Henry County Sheriff's Department, will give the Knightstown Police Department a dozen of the volunteer officers.

According to Booth's monthly report for June, the number of shifts worked by the KPD's five paid part-time officers declined for a second month in a row, dropping to just six. In April, part-timers worked 20 shifts, and they worked

15 in May, while reserves covered four shifts in April, nine in May and five in June.

Council President Cort Swincher asked Booth how many reserve officers the department would need in order to reduce the number of paid part-timers to just two. Booth said he couldn't answer that question.

Mileage for the KPD's vehicles, 4,786 miles, was 7.4 percent lower in June than the month before. The

KPD's fuel usage for June, 401 gallons, was 18.6 percent lower than it was for May.

The KPD had 141 service calls during June, up from 107 in May. The department also logged six arrests in June, four more than it had in either May or April.

In other police business, Booth told the council that he and part-time officer Anthony Darling, the KPD's captain, had reviewed the KPD's policies and made some proposed

changes. He said a draft of their revisions had been sent to council member Mitch Roland, who sits on the council's police committee.

More information about the Knightstown Town Council's July 23 meeting can be found in the memoranda and minutes of that proceeding. Those public records are available for inspection and copying at Knightstown Town Hall, 26 S. Washington St., during normal business hours.

Former Stockbroker Morgan Roddy Joins Purdue Extension Office to Help with Food-related Issues



Morgan Roddy is the new health and human sciences / agriculture and natural resources extension educator for Henry County.

Originally from Mooresville, Roddy has a degree in fine arts and sociology from Marian College (now Marian University), in

Indianapolis. Her master's degree in sociology is from Ball State University, where she researched farmers markets and food access issues.

Previous work experience for Roddy includes working in the financial industry for over five years as a stockbroker.

More recently, Roddy has returned from living two years in Austin, Texas, where she worked for the Texas Department of Agriculture as a regulatory inspec-

tor and as a program specialist within the agriculture and consumer protection division.

Some of Roddy's personal interests include cooking, reading, sports, games, art and travel. She joins Purdue Extension with an interest in working with the community on issues related to food, health and finance.

Roddy said she is eager to meet with individuals, households, and organizations within Henry County to address community concerns.

Rush County BZA Holding Closed-door Meeting Thursday

The Rush County Board of Zoning Appeals has announced that it will meet behind closed doors Thursday evening to discuss a legal matter.

According to notice issued by the BZA on Tuesday morning, board members will discuss strategy with respect to the "initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing."

This is one of the dozen or so exceptions under the state's Open Door Law where the public can be excluded from observing official action being taken by the governing body of a public agency like the BZA.

Thursday's executive session is scheduled to start at 6 p.m. It will be held in the assembly room on the first floor of the Rush County Courthouse, 101 E. Second St., Rushville.

CAB Holds Budget Meeting

The Charles A. Beard School Board was scheduled to have a special meeting last night to discuss the district's upcoming budget for 2016.

While the meeting was open to the public, notice of the meeting

was not provided by CAB in time to be included in last week's issue of The Banner. Detailed coverage of the meeting, held after this week's news deadline, will be featured in the Aug. 12 issue of The Banner.

Crime Watch Meeting Set for Monday

Knightstown Neighborhood Crime Watch will host a meeting on Monday, Aug. 10, at 6 p.m. at the Hoosier Gym. The public is invited to attend.

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Dinwiddie DAR Chapter Tours Historic Cambridge City

The Major Hugh Dinwiddie Chapter of the DAR from Knightstown had a delightful outing day in Cambridge City. They toured the history museum and the Overbeck Pottery room in the Cambridge City Public Library. Their tour guide was Patty Hersberger, who is originally from Kennard, but lived in the Cambridge City area and taught

school most of her life.

Overbeck Pottery was made by mainly four of the six daughters of John and Sarah Overbeck between 1911 and 1955.

On the way to eat the group enjoyed the murals of Cambridge City. The chapter then had a delicious lunch at the Number 9 Grill, which is a historic, four-floor building on Main Street in

Cambridge City.

To finish the outing, they toured the 1841 Huddleston House. Owned and restored by the Indiana Historic Landmarks Foundation, a

volunteer gave them a tour of the house, ground, and barn. He was full of history, upcoming events, and patience as members asked all kinds of questions. This historic

home was used for the travelers going west, as well as a home for John and Susannah Huddleston and their 11 children, during the Mid to late 1800's.

Election, from Page 1

Kevin Knott, who, at the end of last year, finished serving two consecutive terms on the Charles A. Beard School Board.

For the final Knightstown Town Council seat up for election this fall, Ward 4 incumbent Mitch Roland, a Democrat, is facing a challenge from Republican Wayne Terry, a town of Knightstown employee who heads the town's electric department. Should he prevail over Roland, a state law that took effect in 2012 would prohibit Terry from continuing to work for the town while serving on the council.

Also up for election this year is the office of Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer. With Republican incumbent Bart Whitesitt opting not to seek reelection, GOP candidate Beth Huffman will face Democrat Ashley Lapham, a current member of Knightstown's Department of Parks and Recreation Board, on the fall ballot.

In Carthage, all five town 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, Ashley Davis, John Hancock and Kelly Land, and all five incumbents are seeking reelection.

A flurry of last-minute candidate filings on Monday included three former members of the Carthage Town Council: Republicans Bill Armstrong and Rick Bush, and Democrat Tim Wehr.

Letters, from Page 4

about 6 trillion miles, that makes the planet about 8.4 quadrillion miles from here (a little farther if you live in New York). I won't pretend that I have any idea what all exists in the vastness of space. Maybe there are some other planets a lot like earth. But I do think if you start telling me about what something is like 8.4 quadrillion miles away, we're both going to have to do some pretending. I feel the same way about NASA as I do about Mr. Jenner when it comes to pretending, in that I don't really care, except that NASA spent about \$600 million of our tax money pretending to find 452b. I'm sure they could have pretended to find something a little closer to home for a little less money.

Speaking of pretending and taxes, it takes a big portion of our taxes just to pay the interest on \$18 trillion plus federal debt we now owe, and it will take a little more when it hits \$19 trillion next year. Our elected officials like to pretend, and would like us to pretend, that it doesn't really matter. But when we realize there is another \$100 trillion in unfunded liabilities from the governments promised

With six Republicans vying for just five seats, Carthage Republicans, like their counterparts in Knightstown, will need to hold a town convention by Aug. 21 to decide which five will represent their party on the fall ballot. In addition to the challengers Armstrong and Bush, the other four Republicans who will be seeking their party's nomination are Brown, Bill Davis, Hancock and Land.

The fall ballot for Carthage Town Council will feature just two Democrats: former council member Wehr and incumbent Ashley Davis. That will leave Carthage voters with seven options in November - two Democrat and five Republican - from which to select five council members.

The office of Carthage Clerk-Treasurer, currently held by Republican Linda McMahan, was also to be up for election this fall. With no one challenging McMahan, however, she will retain this position without actually standing for reelection.

In the coming weeks, The Banner will be taking a closer look at the candidates for these local races. More information about how and where to register to vote 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, or through the voter registration offices in Henry County (765-529-9310) and Rush County (765-932-2086).

social programs, and when we see other nations like Greece and Argentina floundering under the weight of debt and out of control government spending, it's getting harder and harder to pretend it can't happen here.

**Rex Bell
Hagerstown**

Lease, from Page 1

Council member Valerie Trump said she thought the town's lease with HGCKK should remain the same - just \$1 per year - but that it should also include an adjustment where the group would also pay the town an amount sufficient to cover the property insurance premium.

Shaneyfelt told the council he didn't think HGCKK's Board of Directors would have any problem with taking on that added cost. After receiving a for-

mal proposal from the town, he said his group would take a vote at one of their regular meetings.

Trump made a motion to amend the yearly lease to require HGCKK to pay, in addition to its \$1 a year lease payment, an amount sufficient to cover the property insurance premium on the gym. Council member Mitch Roland seconded the motion, and Ward and Council President Cort Swincher joined Trump and Roland for the 4-0 vote.

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