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"It is sobering to reflect that one of the best ways to get yourself a reputation as a dangerous citizen these days is to go about repeating the very phrases which our founding fathers used in the struggle for independence." - Charles A. Beard

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Knightstown, IN

EHHS Class of 1966 Reuniting July 30

Eastern Hancock High School's Class of 1966 will host its 50-year reunion on Saturday, July 30, at Hawk's Tail Golf Club, 145 S. Morristown Pike, Greenfield. The event lasts 6-11 p.m., with dinner service at 7 p.m. Cost is \$50 per person. Cash bar will be available in the golf course bar. Payments may be sent to Tom Barton, 104 N. Harrison St., Knightstown. RSVP to ehhsclassof1966@gmail.com.

'Painting and Pie' Event Tonight

Knightstown First Wesleyan Church, 471 N. Franklin St., will host a "Painting and Pie" canvas painting class on Wednesday, May 11, at 6 p.m. The class will be taught by Kathie Rummell. Cost is \$20 and all supplies furnished, including an 11"x14" canvas. Participants can expect to be finished in two hours. No art skills are needed to participate. Pie and coffee will be furnished. Anyone wishing to attend may call Amy Bell at 765-686-7063 or Rummell at 765-345-9660.

KHS Class of 1976 Reuniting Aug. 6

Knightstown High School's Class of 1976 will host its 40-year reunion on Saturday, Aug. 6, at Knightstown American Legion Post 152. The event will be held 7 p.m. to 12 a.m. There is no registration cost. Attendees may choose individually to order off the menu and at the bar. A DJ and dancing will also be available. For more information, check out the KHS Class of 1976 40th Reunion Facebook page, or contact Kevin Richey at: km_richey@yahoo.com.

Rush High School Jazz Show May 12

The RCHS Band Boosters will be presenting the Wade Baker Quartet at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 12, in the Laughlin Center for the Performing Arts at Rushville Consolidated High School in Rushville. The concert will be opened by the RCHS Jazz Combo 1. The concert is a fundraiser for the jazz groups at RCHS. Proceeds will be used for new music, equipment, and jazz festival trips next school year. Tickets are \$10.

Knightstown Planning Process Gets Started ... Again

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

A recently-formed steering committee tasked with helping with the development of a comprehensive plan for the town of Knightstown held its first meeting last week.

The 10-person committee, whose members were approved by the Knightstown Town Council at its April 21 meeting, met last Thursday with Dan Lake, chief planner for Kieser Consulting Group LLC. KCG has been hired with the proceeds from a \$40,000 planning grant the town received from the state's Office of Community and Rural Affairs to work with the town on its comprehensive plan.

Last week's meeting began with the committee's members briefly introducing themselves. The members are: Jediah Behny, superintendent of the Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corp.; Knightstown resident Steve Bode, an employee at Eli Lilly; Eric Cox, owner and publisher of The Banner; Susie Downey, a town resident and manager of the local branch of Citizens State Bank; Cathy Eke, a town resident who is the chief public defender for Henry County; Wayne Township resident Stephanie James, an architect in Indianapolis; town resident Kevin Richey, president of the Knightstown Plan Commission, member of the town's park board, president of Beautify Knightstown and owner of Hoosiers Home Court Cafe; town resident Diane Steele, a retiree who previously worked in the publishing industry; Merry Mayhill Thoe, vice president of MidCounty Media Inc., publisher of *Farm World*, *AntiqueWeek* and *The Auction Exchange and Collectors News*; and town resident Valerie Trump, a member of the Knightstown Town Council and town's plan commission.

"I've been wanting to work in Knightstown for a long time," Lake told the group, praising the town's architecture. "... This place has so much potential. ... There is so much opportunity here."

Lake explained that he would help the group with development of a comprehensive plan for the town. He said that he preferred to call them "community development plans," explaining that that terminology is "what most people are used to."

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KHS Class of '79 Establishes Scholarship to Memorialize Fallen Classmate Lori Alexander



Members of Knightstown High School's class of 1979 gathered at their alma mater on April 16 to pay tribute to their deceased classmate, Lori Alexander, who died last year. Surviving class of '79 members pooled their money and collected donations as they established a scholarship in Alexander's name. This year's inaugural Lori Alexander Memorial Scholarship for Volleyball went to KHS senior Ryann Johnson.



Lori Alexander

The group also had a commemorative plaque made for Alexander, which resides in a KHS

trophy case. Additionally, some of the money collected was given to a local youth charity. Pictured (front row l-r) is Scott Christopher, (row 2) Mark Smoot, Stacy (Rumple) Slanigan, Jeannin (Brennan) Mattix, Teresa (Wright) Thornburgh, Roxanne (Miller) Jackson, Debbie (Nigh) Gibson, Jan Nichols, David Diewert, (back row) David Lewis, Brett Doubman, Doug Colip, Steve Mackey, Rick McColley, Diane (Munden) Fultz, Steve Price, Kent Pitcher (obscured) and Eric Moore. (Photo submitted)

Carthage Group Plans New Festival

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

A local group comprised of Carthage and Ripley Township residents plans to hold a festival in downtown Carthage this fall.

Ripley Township resident Kathy Gibson, speaking on behalf of the Future of Carthage organization, made the announcement Monday evening, at the Carthage Town Council's monthly meeting. She said the event, dubbed the "Carthage Freedom Festival," will be held Saturday, Oct. 1.

"All of the events are still being planned," Gibson told the council.

Gibson said FOC would like to have portions of Main and Mill streets closed to traffic for the festival. Carthage Town Marshal Danny Baker told the council he had some concern about how road closures might affect area farmers who use local roads to transport their harvests.

"Well, it's just one day," Gibson said.

Adam Forrest, the town's attorney, said there would be plenty of

time for the town to publicize road closures in the newspaper. Baker also said he and council member John Hancock, who is also a volunteer reserve officer with the Carthage Police Department, can research alternate routes for farmers to take that day.

Carthage Freedom Festival Set for Saturday, Oct. 1

Gibson said FOC is getting quotes on insurance coverage for the fall festival, and is working on a budget for the event, considering fundraising options and looking for sponsors. She said the group is also looking for volunteers to serve on several committees that will deal with issues like festivals and events, locating sponsors, fundraising, vendors, advertising, entertainment, and concessions.

Concessions at the fall festival, Gibson said, would be handled by local groups that would be allowed

to keep the money they make from sales. She said FOC itself is only concerned with making money to use for their next event.

In other FOC-related news, Gibson told the council the group is currently operating under the non-profit status of another Rush County organization, Rush County Partners for Progress Community Organization. She said this will allow FOC to seek grants and accept donations before establishing its own status as a nonprofit, which she said the group intends to do.

Besides the road closures, Gibson said FOC would like to work out sanitation issues for the event, such as trash receptacles and restrooms. She also said electrical power will need to be available for the entertainment stage.

Gibson told the council she would bring more information about the festival to the council's June 13 meeting. For anyone interested in joining the FOC, the group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at The Carthage Mill, 201 E. Second St.



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OBITUARIES

Elsie M. Kilmer
February 3, 1931 - May 5, 2016



Elsie M. Kilmer, 85, of Knightstown, passed away Thursday, May 5, 2016, at her residence. She was born Feb. 3, 1931, in Medina, Ohio, a daughter of Louis and Mary Taylor. Elsie was employed at Mayhill Publications for nearly 25 years. She was a devoted mother and pastor's wife and a "cheerleader" for her children during their activities. She was a member of Knightstown Friends Church, United Society of Friends Women, Woman's Christian Temperance Union and Historic Knightstown. Elsie was also a scout leader and enjoyed antiques.

She leaves to cherish her memory her husband of 65 years, Rev. Mervin Kilmer of Knightstown; four children, Tim Kilmer of Ocala, Fla., Ruth (Paul) Mills of Greenfield, David (Debby) Kilmer of Goldsboro, N.C., and Roger (Julie) Kilmer of Westfield; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and a sister, Gizella Bickasan of Ohio.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Louis and Al Taylor; and two sisters, Magdalana Taylor and Mary Few.

Visitation was May 8 at Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service, Knightstown Chapel. The funeral was May 9 at Knightstown Friends Church with Chris Sitler and Tim Basford officiating. There was also calling prior to the service at the church. Burial followed in Glen Cove Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Knightstown Friends Church Outreach Mission, 214 E. Brown St. Knightstown, IN 46148. Condolences and memories of Elsie may be shared at www.hinsey-brown.com.

Keith "Brownie" Brown
March 26, 1937 - May 5, 2016



Keith "Brownie" Brown, age 79, of Greenfield, passed away on Thursday, May 5, 2016. He was born on March 26, 1937, in Bedford, the son of Osborne L. and Velma (Williams) Brown. He graduated from Charlottesville High School in 1955 and attended the Purdue University Agricultural Short Course. He served in the U.S. Army National Guard. Brownie married Judy A. McClarnon on Oct. 23, 1963, in Chester.

He was a life-long farmer in Hancock County. He was also the co-owner of McClarnon Stock Farm. Brownie was a bus driver for Eastern Hancock for 25 years and also worked for the state highway department for nine years. He was a member of the Charlottesville Lions Club, Charlottesville Fire Department and Charlottesville United Methodist Church.

Brownie was a proud Eastern Hancock Royals fan. He was also a member of the Hancock County Cattlemans Association, Indiana Angus Association, Southeastern Indiana Angus Association and Southern Indiana Angus Association.

Brownie is survived by his loving wife, Judy Brown of Greenfield; daughters, Julia A. (Chris) Wickard of Greenfield and Jamie K. (Jeremy) Lowes of Greenfield; brother, Jack L. (Marsha) Brown of Greenfield; sister, Kathy J. (Jim) Ashley of Greenfield; and four grandchildren, Jordyn, Jacob, Kaitlyn and Karly. He was preceded in death by his parents, Osborne L. and Velma (Williams) Brown.

Visitation was May 9 at Erlewein Mortuary & Crematory, 1484 W. U.S. Hwy. 40, Greenfield, IN 46140. A funeral service was May 10 at the mortuary. Rev. Marianne Nichols officiated. Burial followed at Park Cemetery in Greenfield.

Memorial contributions may be sent directly to Charlottesville UMC, c/o 1484 W. US Hwy. 40, Greenfield, IN 46140 or Hancock County Cattlemans Association, c/o 1484 W. US Hwy. 40, Greenfield, IN 46140. Envelopes are available at the mortuary. Friends may share a memory or send a condolence at www.erlewein-mortuary.com or email condolences to sympathy@erleweinmortuary.com.

Eileen Bolinger Whitfield
July 2, 1939 - April 29, 2016

Eileen Bolinger Whitfield, 76, of Lakeland, Fla., died April 29 at her home, following an extended illness.

LEGAL NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HENRY COUNTY
STATE OF INDIANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF
DARLENE D. FOLEY, DECEASED

CASE NO. 33C01-1604-EU-000-38

NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION TO NEWSPAPER
Notice is hereby given that S. Ann McCollom, was, on the 22nd day of April, 2016, appointed as Personal Representative of the Estate of Darlene S. Foley, who died on the 2nd day of February, 2016.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

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Dated at New Castle, Indiana, this 22nd day of April, 2016.

Debra G. Walker, Clerk
Circuit Court of Henry County, Indiana

She was born July 2, 1939, in Lewisville.

Survivors include a daughter, Jamie (Al) Metzger of Lake City, Fla.; three sons, Dennis Whitfield, Richard Whitfield Jr., and Darrell Whitfield, all of Florida; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Linda Hines of Florida and Virginia Overby of Straughn.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard "Dick" Whitfield and her parents.

Eileen and her husband lived in and around Carthage and Knightstown for several before moving to Lakeland, Fla. Services were held in Lakeland.

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Council to Meet Behind Closed Doors

Members of the Knightstown Town Council will meet behind closed doors next week to receive information about alleged misconduct on the part of a town employee. First, the town council's two-person utility committee, comprised of Council President Sarah

Ward and council member Valerie Trump, will meet in private executive session Monday at 6 p.m. Then, after that, the full five-member town council will meet in executive session at 7 p.m.

Notices provided for the two executive sessions state that the util-

ity committee and town council are both meeting to receive information about alleged misconduct. The notices do not identify the town employee or employees who will be the focus of the executive sessions or provide any information about the nature of the alleged misconduct.

Henry County Planning Commission's Public Hearing on Boar's Head Request Tuesday

The Henry County Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to be held in the Old Circuit Court Room of the Henry County Court House, 101 S Main Street, New Castle, at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17, to consider the following:

Case B: 2193

Mary E. Solada, of Bingham Greenbaum Doll LLP, 10 W. Market St., Suite 2700,

Indianapolis, IN 46204; representing Boar's Head Provisions Company, Inc. requesting a Commission Approved Use (CAU) to provide for a 39,200 square foot building addition for a distribution facility associated with an existing food processing facility. The property is owned by Boar's Head Provisions Company, Inc., 1819 Main ST #800, Sarasota, FL 34236 and is located

on Parcel #004-00202-00, and AKA 125 East County Road 400 South.

At that time the Planning Commission will be glad to hear from any property owner in support or in opposition to granting the request.

Other Business:

Eric Yanos wishes to address the Planning Commission about solar panel permit fees.

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Barack Obama

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The Short, Happy Life of Ducky Daddles

*Though April showers may
come your way
They bring the flowers
that bloom in May
So if it's raining, have no regrets
Because it isn't raining rain, you
know, it's raining violets,*

sung by Al Jolson

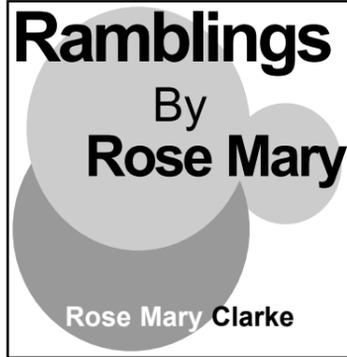
I pirated the above title from Ernest Hemingway's *The Short Happy Life of Francis Macomber*. I try to live consciously, as Thoreau advised, and think - really think - about every minute of my life. I don't believe that life's a straight-line process, but, rather, that it is circular. Looking over the panorama of my existence, I see connectivities of happenings, people, nature and the world around me. The contents of the deep pool that comprises my memory are like fish on a stringer: pull up one, another follows. I never know what one memory will lead to.

The symphony of life is not solely composed of complex, exhilarating, crashing, grand crescendos. The quiet passages are also lovely. My springtime is symbolized by flowers and the return of the wrens that my mother loved. Vicki's bloodroot that Bill gave her is thriving. It warms my heart to think that her plant that originated from my mother's is the third generation.

One day I took my first cup of coffee over to the greenhouse window and saw a pair of lovely mallard ducks - of all things! - under our feeder. Tail twitching, Pusscatkin added a new bird to her ornithological studies. "Let me at 'em! Let me at 'em!"

Bill had seen them a few days before. What is a pleasure for us irritates others. Every summer, ducks lay eggs on the concrete deck of the Gruners' swimming pool and poop in it.

I was afraid that the drake might get run over when he decided to parade down the middle of the street. Watching him brought back



memories. One spring day, Mrs. Horn, who lived down the street, gave Wanda, Susie and me each a fuzzy little duckling. Mother put my duckie in the sill between a window and storm window. Their ducks were left outside, and the next morning my chums found only their bills and feet.

Ducky Daddles became a fearless, deep-voiced drake who tyrannized our yard. He chased neighborhood dogs away, plucked fur from my tomcat, and bit the legs of my nephews and nieces. The men who worked at the poultry house loved Ducky. They'd shuffle their feet as they walked to work at the poultry house, and he'd run out and grab a

pants leg. The man would drag him along, then slide his foot under him and gently propel him through the air. "That duck of your'n thinks it's a dog!"

One morning, Mr. Paul Butcher, a Knightstown mortician who stopped to chat with mother, was not pleased when Ducky ran his muddy bill up the leg of his natty gray suit. Mr. Birkett, who owned the tile factory across the road, would laugh as he drove his truck extra slow so that Ducky could chase it. Alas, one night the car-chasing Ducky didn't come home to sleep in the coal shed. Next morning, mother found him out in the street, where he'd been run over. We buried him under the Japonica bush.

As I wrote above, everything is connected in our minds. Sometimes people have unseen, quiet depths beneath the surface. When I thought about the flowers and the ducks, up popped Fred Garver to the surface of my memory pond. He was the husband of Susan, a friend with whom I taught at Howe High School many years ago. I can't claim close friendship with Fred. However, he was a vivacious, never-saw-a-stranger person whom one doesn't forget. Five hundred people attended his visitation. Fred was a man for all seasons: attorney and legislative expert. He loved history, the place where he grew up and the bluebells that carpet it every spring. He was an outdoorsman who hunted ducks. He told me, "It's so beautiful that sometimes I don't fire my gun!"

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

A wind farm could be coming to an area near you, if you live in Henry County. A second tax abatement (for the Flat Rock project) in southern Henry County passed with flying colors at last week's County Council meeting, even though many people shared substantial arguments extolling the negatives. If we aren't invaded in the north by Big Blue River Wind Farm (the third Henry County wind farm project), no worries. Flat Rock will be taking up the slack from the south.

If you live in the country on a piece of land, depending on type of the existing zoning for your home, a turbine could be erected very near your home. County ordinance: 1.1 x height of the tower to blade tip from your property line. That's approximately 550 feet, since turbines expected in Henry County may measure up to 499 feet. That's close. But still no public informational meeting offered by Henry County ... no discussion about amending the setback.

Well, if these things are "unobtrusive" as Henry County Commissioner Ed Yanos commented, and if the noise they make is no worse than an air conditioner, as EDC Director Corey Murphy commented, I think New Castle would be a great place to put them. Fill the parks - maybe the old Chrysler plant, maybe surround the city. After all, they are unobtrusive. No problem. Any noise, light and shadow flicker, sub-audible sounds, ice fling, loss of property values would be minimal. No problem.

Many of our "no wind farm" signs in the north are being stolen. Too bad that we, in turn, will not be able to remove the turbines as easily, once they go up. Funny how the pro-wind people can't stand to see little signs along the road, but they are so very anxious to see 500-foot tall, noisy, spinning turbines.

That's because the money they expect to receive from signing on the dotted line will be tremendous. Exactly what is that expected dollar figure, now? \$10,000? \$20,000? \$30,000? More? That's per turbine, per year, folks. If you have a landowner with 10 of these, 20 of these, or 50 of these or more on their land, you do the math. Heck, these guys won't even have to sit on a tractor any more. They'll be sitting on a beach in front of their expensive condo with a margarita in their hands while the money blows their way. Swoosh, swoosh, swoosh.

**Susie (Painter) Eichhorn
Pendleton**

Dear Editor,

Continued workforce development in Indiana is critical to ensuring that each citizen is able to have a job and provide a good life for themselves and their families.

For people entering the workforce, training is key to landing a good-paying job. Unfortunately, Indiana is currently facing a skills gap. In a 2015 survey, 43 percent of employers said they left a position unfilled in the past year due to under-qualified applicants.

This year, the General Assembly took steps to help career and technical training providers tailor their educational programs toward the needs of employers across the state in order to help graduates find employment upon completion of their workforce-training program.

Senate Enrolled Act 301 makes a strategic move toward developing what's known as a demand-driven workforce system in Indiana.

A demand-driven workforce focuses on giving people who are entering the workforce the skills that employers are looking for by encouraging collaboration between educational institutions and the companies who are hiring.

SEA 301 requires a study that will outline the expected workforce needs
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K-town and Carthage Should Join Forces

The idea of the Carthage and Knightstown communities joining forces to work on a mutually beneficial project is an interesting one.

This arrangement has been kicked around recently, both by the Future of Carthage group, and most recently at Knightstown comprehensive plan steering committee meeting.

What would be the unifying factors, you ask?

For starters, Big Blue River and the railroad line that connects the two towns. Each have the potential to bring some form of commerce to each town.

Big Blue River, of course, is a great, natural avenue. Maybe Knightstown could install a canoe and kayak launch area, while Carthage develops its own launch and take-out area. Working together, the towns may be able to promote their stretch of Big Blue as an outdoors paradise, well-suited for anglers and sightseers alike.

The arrangement could benefit each community by drawing enthusiasts to town and coaxing them to retail establishments such as restaurants, gas stations and bait shops.

Along those same lines is the railroad corridor formerly used by the CKS Railroad. Of course, that railroad still owns the line between Knightstown and Carthage. Negotiations to either acquire the corridor or rent it from the current owner are the territory of each town's government leadership. But, the possibility of

that rail line becoming some kind of multi-use recreational trail is very cool.

The rail line winds down across the county line into Rush County and bypasses some very scenic countryside. It also crosses Big Blue River and meanders on down to Carthage.

To me, that connection between the two towns - one that represents a quality of life improvement for those who already live here, as well as a tourism opportunity for those who don't - is a no-brainer. Efforts to establish a trail along that right-of-way should begin posthaste.

As I've said in the past, this trend toward trail connectivity should be embraced by both towns. Young professionals and business owners are constantly looking for places to live and work where walk- and bike-ability are taken seriously by officials. I don't believe it's a passing fad.

As fossil fuels decline and human-powered transportation become more plausible in our society, the need for safe, scenic routes become more urgent.

Though neither community has ever given me or this newspaper one iota of credit for having good ideas, this is one residents and taxpayer should insist upon.

These infrastructure developments are popular across the land - not just in my mind. No myopic local official's nostalgia-driven lust for the past will be able to change that.

These would indeed be good things for each town.



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BITS & PIECES

◆ **Eastern Hancock High School's Class of 1966** will host its 50-year reunion on Saturday, July 30, at Hawk's Tail Golf Club, 145 S. Morristown Pike, Greenfield. The event lasts 6-11 p.m., with dinner service at 7 p.m. Cost is \$50 per person. Payments may be sent to Tom Barton, 104 N. Harrison St., Knightstown. RSVP to ehhsclas-sof1966@gmail.com.

◆ Greensboro United Methodist Church will host a **blood drive** on Saturday, May 21, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Those who plan to donate blood should bring a valid photo ID. For more information, call Roxie Dalton at 765-686-5207.

◆ Throughout May, Indiana State Police Troopers across the state will join officers from more than 250 state and local agencies in Indiana, as well as thousands more across the nation, in the federally funded **Click It or Ticket** campaign. This campaign also includes the Memorial Day holiday weekend and the federally funded Combined Accident Reduction Effort (C.A.R.E.) overtime project.

◆ Knightstown First Wesleyan Church, 471 N. Franklin St., will host a **"Painting and Pie"** canvas painting class tonight, Wednesday, May 11, at 6 p.m. The class will be taught by Kathie Rummell. Cost is \$20 and all supplies furnished, including an 11"x14" canvas. Participants can expect to be finished in two hours. No art skills are needed to participate. Pie and coffee will be furnished. Anyone wishing to attend may call Amy Bell at 765-686-7063 or Rummell at 765-345-9660.

◆ The RCHS Band Boosters will be presenting the **Wade Baker Quartet** at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 12, in the Laughlin Center for the Performing Arts at Rushville Consolidated High School in Rushville. The concert will be opened by the RCHS Jazz Combo 1. The concert is a fundraiser for the jazz groups at RCHS. Proceeds will be used for new music, equipment, and jazz festival trips next school year. Tickets are \$10 and will be available at the door or in advance from any RCHS jazz band and combo student.

◆ Knightstown High School's Class of 1976 will host its **40-year reunion** on Saturday, Aug. 6, at Knightstown American Legion Post 152. The event will be held 7 p.m. to 12 a.m. There is no registration cost. Attendees may choose individually to order off the menu and at the bar. A DJ and dancing will also be available. For more information, check out the KHS Class of 1976 40th Reunion Facebook page, or contact Kevin Richey at: km_richey@yahoo.com.

◆ Bicentennial **Hoosier Gym T-shirts** are now available to order from Beautify Knightstown, Inc. in gray or gold with the official bicentennial logo. Sizes small through XL are \$20; 2X through 5X are \$22. To order, call 765-445-2328; go to Facebook at Knightstown ... It's a Beauty; or visit 12 E. Main St, Knightstown. Celebrate *Hoosiers* 30th anniversary and Indiana's 200th birthday. Proceeds go to the *Hoosiers*

movie themed mural project.

◆ **Raintree Cycling Club** is gearing up for another season of bicycling around the tri-county area. The Saturday morning road ride leaves from Knightstown's Public Square (west side) at 9 a.m. This is a developmental road ride for aspiring riders with road bikes. Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m., a leisure ride departs from the Henry County YMCA, 300 Wittenbraker Ave., New Castle. The club also has a Thursday morning group ride for road bikes, which departs from the Baker Park pool house in New Castle. For more information about Raintree Cycling Club, find them on Facebook, or call 765-571-2168. Updates about specific rides, weather conditions and more can be found on the club's Facebook page.

◆ Knightstown Wesleyan Church has **welcome packets** available. 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 Shirley Octagon House is open for **free tours** by chance or appointment. To get a free tour, stop by Shirley Hardware and one will be arranged. To schedule an appointment for a tour, call 812-583-0031 or 765-737-6856.

◆ The **Historic Knightstown museum**, located on the Public Square at 22 N. Washington St., has winter hours. The museum's current hours, in effect through March are 10 a.m.-12 p.m. (sometimes longer) 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.

◆ **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.

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Sustainability Drives '03 KHS Graduate Lauren Campbell-Kong in New Business

by Logan Cox
for The Banner

Originally from Knightstown, Lauren Campbell-Kong is now an owner and founder of BrainBox, Ltd., a social purpose company that provides help and consultation to a variety of businesses and municipalities.

"We established ourselves in October of 2014, so it's been about a year and a half," she said.

The 2003 Knightstown High School graduate now lives in Cincinnati, Ohio, with her husband, Jin Kong. Jin is co-owner and founder of BrainBox, alongside Lauren. The husband and wife team, as noted on BrainBox's official website, are self-described "pathfinders" or "process junkies with a social focus."

"It's a consulting company," said Kong. "We consult using a process-based methodology. We've consulted on a myriad of projects, anything from general business consulting to project management."

Among BrainBox's bigger clients right now are the city of Cincinnati and Rumpke Recycling.

"We actually work with the city and their curbside recycling program, specifically with the Cincinnati Recycling Project. It's a research-based project. So we're looking at human behavior around curbside recycling and what can the city do," Kong said.

The desire for independence served as a key factor in her and her husband's decision to create something of their own with BrainBox.

As she explained, "My husband and I, we both had corporate jobs, and we didn't feel like we had the freedom to do what we wanted. (We) really try to focus on sustainability, it's a core part of what we believe in. So it was really important to us to be able to work and strive for something that contributes back to the environment and the social good."

In the past, Lauren worked for a marketing firm and Jin was a public attorney for a big law firm. They both left these jobs so they could be free to pursue their own endeavors, with Jin now only practicing

law independently and Lauren volunteering for various environmental organizations. They run BrainBox on their own, together.

"It's really been a process of understanding what we both want to do with this company. How we want to move forward, as well as what each of our strengths are," said Kong.

She notes that a prime inspiration which prompted her and her husband to start BrainBox, Ltd., was the Doing Development Differently (DDD) Manifesto Community.

"What DDD advocates for is exactly what we are doing alongside the City of Cincinnati and Rumpke to better understand curbside recycling behavior," she said.

Both Lauren and Jin are among the 400 signatories from 60 countries that have become a part of the DDD community. The DDD manifesto's mission of continuous developmental progress and improvement is reflected greatly by the Kongs' BrainBox efforts.

"When describing my company, the audience is key, as I know business means different things to different people," said Lauren.

"However, regardless of what type of business, there are always problems that need solved and improvements to be made. If not within the company, then outside it - creating a driving force of purpose."

"As Millennials grow and continue to move into the workforce, I would like to believe that the business environment will change from decision-making based on the bottom line (solely profit) to decision-making based on the triple bottom line (people, planet and profit); from a desire to make as much money as possible, to a desire to solve social, environmental, and economic problems.

"This is why my husband and I founded BrainBox Ltd. With the hopes of showing that value to other businesses so we can begin moving the needle toward sustainable development, for our communities, for our economy, and for our environment," she said.




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- Wed., May 11** – Rush Co. Council meeting, 9 a.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville
- Wed., May 11** – Henry Co. Commissioners meeting, 6 p.m., old circuit court room, 2nd floor of courthouse, New Castle
- Wed., May 11** – Rush Co. Area Plan Commission meeting, 6 p.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville
- Wed., May 11** – Rush Co. Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 7 p.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville

- Thurs., May 12** – Hancock Co. Planning Commission tech committee meeting, 9 a.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield
- Thurs., May 12** – Lewisville Town Council, 6 p.m., Houston Brick, 101 E. Main St.
- Mon., May 16** – Rush Co. Commissioners meeting, 9 a.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville
- Tues., May 17** – Hancock Co. Commissioners meeting, 8 a.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield
- Tues., May 17** – Charles A. Beard Memorial School board meeting, 7 p.m., high school media center
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- * Tuesday, May 17th, 6-9 pm with Dr. Jeff Hanssen at Greenfield Fire Station #1, 17 W. South State, Greenfield
- * Thursday, June 9th, 7-9 pm with Dr. Wes Hildebrandt at New Palestine Lions Club, 5242 U.S. 52, New Palestine
- * Saturday, September 17th, 1:00 – 4:00 pm with Dr. Bob Barnes at Sugar Creek Fire Station, 3337 W.

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Clinics are walk-ins and reservations are not required. Pets must be on a leash or in a carrier. For more information, contact the Hancock County Humane Society at 317-462-5404 or hancohumane@yahoo.com.

Carthage Councils Adopts Mission Statement

by Jeff Eakins for The Banner

The Carthage Town Council has voted to adopt an official mission statement for the town.

The council's unanimous vote, made on the recommendation of Kave Kieser, a Lawrence-based planning consultant who has been working with the town on efforts to revitalize downtown Carthage, came Monday evening, during the council's monthly meeting. Kieser said having a mission statement was one of the things required for a grant application he is submitting on the town's behalf.

Council member Ashley Davis read aloud the mission statement:

"At the town of Carthage we focus everyday on enriching the lives of our citizens, creating an exceptional environment and providing exemplary services that enable our community, businesses and citizens to thrive and prosper. We are constantly striving to make the town of Carthage a place where people can work, live and play."

"Sounds great to me," council member John Hancock said. A motion to adopt this as the town's mission statement, made by Hancock and seconded by Kelly Land, passed unanimously with

Jessica Goodman Earns Scholarship

Indiana University's School of Liberal Arts at Indianapolis recently recognized Jessica Renee Goodman as this year's recipient of the M. William Lutholtz Memorial Scholarship.

According to the university, Goodman is receiving this honor for her dedication to gaining professional experience in journalism through internships and an on-campus job. She has also served as a student mentor but has been involved in mission trips to India and Brazil. Jessica was recognized for this award on April 23 at the school's Celebration of Scholarships.

Davis, President Bill Davis and Vice President Rachael Brown also supporting it.

The mission statement, Kieser said, will be included as part of application he is submitting to the Rush County Community Foundation that is seeking a \$6,000 grant for the town. He also said he had turned in the town's application for a \$97,700 grant through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Office of Rural Development.

"We are in competition with

other communities," Kieser said. "So, there are no guarantees."

If the town receives these grants, proceeds are expected to be used to help fund improvements to the downtown area. Specifically, current plans call for the purchase of 10 new streetlights, six new handicap accessibility ramps on sidewalks, six planters, six trash receptacles, six benches, restriping of road and sidewalk crossings and fees for engineering, design and inspection.

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Rush Co. Community Foundation Circle Fund Issues \$12,000 Grant

Thirty three members of the Circle Fund, part of the Rush County Community Foundation (RCCF), met recently to select the fourth recipient of their annual grant. The Rush County Historical Society is the 2016 recipient of the \$12,000 Circle Fund grant. It will be used to fund historical tours of Rush County as well as assist with their project of renovating the Carriage House of the Gowdy Home (museum).

Prior to voting for this year's recipient, the members heard from Rush County Victim's Assistance (RCVA), a program which received the \$9,500 grant in 2015. Representatives from RCVA expressed gratitude for the grant, which allowed them to implement a community awareness plan. As a result, their clients are able to reach them through all forms of social media and they have gained additional support from throughout the community.

Since the Circle Fund began in 2013, four grants totaling \$33,500 have been awarded, impacting Rush County in a positive way. Big Brothers Big Sisters and Fitness Initiative Team were the first Circle grant recipients. The 44 members of the Circle each donated \$300 to make a positive impact in the community. Membership is open to women of all ages by making a \$300 donation to the Circle Fund at RCCF. The deadline for donations is Oct. 31.



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LOCAL SPORTS

Panthers Edge Out Titans in Varsity Baseball

Knights town varsity baseball team edged out Tri 4-2 on May 2. Due to wet conditions, the game previously scheduled to be played at Tri was held at Knights town instead.

Both teams scored a run in the first inning and Tri scored another run in the bottom of third to go up 2-1.

Knights town answered with two runs in the top of fourth inning to take a 3-2 lead then scored again in the fifth inning before eventually pulling out the win.

Spencer Mattix got the start on the mound for the Panthers. He threw five innings then was relieved by Drake Peggs after the first out in the sixth inning. Mattix faced 24 batters, struck out three and walked five. He gave up two runs on three hits and one error.

Peggs came up against six batters and struck out half of them. Tri got one hit off of Peggs.

Three players shared threw for the Titans. Drew Mondrush pitched four innings, facing 21 batters. He struck out four Panthers and walked two while giving up three runs on one hit and three errors.

Eric Bilby pitched for half an inning. He came up against five batters, walked three of them and

gave up one run with one error.

Josiah Jackson pitched 2.2 innings for Tri, facing 10 batters. He also struck out four batters and walked two while giving up just one hit.

"It was a good win for the Panthers after having almost six days off from our last game," said Panthers' head coach Daren Hardesty. "We left 12 runners on base and gave up more walks than usual, but we still did enough on both sides of the ball to get the victory."

Leading the Panthers at the plate was sophomore Kaunner Cleek, who smacked a home run and double, and senior Jake Bearhope, who also hit a home run.

Isaac McRoberts had two base hits and Drake Peggs hit an RBI-double.

Tyler Burton added a base hit and Logan Whitaker got an RBI on a sacrifice hit. Max Rinehart and Mattix scored the team's other runs.

The Titans knocked out a home run of their own, courtesy of Bilby.

Jackson hit an RBI-single, bringing in Mondrush. Mason Rottinghaus added a base hit.

With the win, the Panthers improve to 8-2 on the season while the loss dropped the Titans to 3-7.

Lady Panthers Lose on the Road at Franklin County

Their second long road trip in two days didn't turn out as well for Knights town's varsity softball team as it did the day before at Waldron. The Lady Panthers lost a close one at Franklin County, falling 5-6 in an April 29 match up.

Things were looking good for KHS early on when the Lady Panthers scored three runs in the first inning. The KHS girls scored another run in the top of the second then went cold for the next three innings.

Franklin County started the bottom of the second inning down four runs, but slowly began chipping away at that deficit. The Lady Wildcats scored one run in the second inning and two more in the third before also going cold in the fourth and fifth innings.

Knights town pushed another scorer across the plate in the top of the sixth and Franklin County answered with a run of their own to put the score at 5-4.

KHS was scoreless in the top of the seventh then the Lady Wildcats rallied to score two runs and cinch

the 6-5 victory.

Haley Fowler and Maddie Lyall shared pitching duties again this game with Fowler getting the start and Lyall taking the loss.

Fowler come up against 23 batters, struck out five and walked four. She gave up three runs on four hits and one error.

Lyall faced 10 batters with one walk and no strikeouts. She allowed three runs on three hits and two errors.

Vivian Goodpaster's home run and single led the Lady Panthers at the plate. She had one stolen base and scored two runs.

Jess Butler hit a two-RBI-single, posted one stolen base and scored one run.

Ryan Johnson hit an RBI-single. Sammie Eaks and Georgee Lawhorne each pounded out a double.

Sidney Vise added a base hit and Robyn Clark had a sacrifice hit. Haley Fowler and Eaks scored the team's other two runs.

Knights town's overall season record moved to 6-6.

Lady Titans Defeat Cowan, Shenandoah

The Lady Titans varsity softball team defeated Cowan 6-2 on the road April 21 in a five inning game.

Tri and Cowan scored all their runs in the first inning.

Abbi Coffman got the start on the mound for the Lady Titans, threw for three innings to get the win. Of the 14 batters she faced, she struck out two and walked one while allowing two runs on four hits.

Peyton Moore pitched two innings, faced seven batters with two strikeouts and no walks.

Moore was also strong at the plate with a home run and a single for two RBIs.

Mackenzie Peggs hit a double and two singles for two RBIs and one run.

Kirsten Falck had two base hits and scored one run.

Kierstyn Conyers also had a base hit while Lauren Bouslog,

Karlee Winkhart and Destiny Taylor each scored once.

The win improved the Lady Titans record to 7-2 on the season.

Tri vs. Shenandoah

Tri's varsity softball team nabbed its fourth straight win at home April 25 against county rival Shenandoah. The Lady Titans topped the Lady Raiders 5-3.

Tri was the first to get on the board with a run in the bottom of the second inning.

Shenandoah responded with three runs in the top of the third but Tri brought the score to within one with another run in the bottom of the third.

The score remained 3-2 with the Lady Raiders on top until the bottom of the sixth inning when Tri rallied to score three runs. The Lady Titans held on for the 5-3 win.

Abbi Coffman and Peyton

Moore again shared time on the mound.

Coffman started for Tri and faced 17 batters, striking out one batter and walking three. She gave up three runs on two hits and two errors.

Moore threw for the last four innings and got the win. She faced 13 batters, finishing with three strikeouts and one walk. She allowed just one hit.

Lauren Bouslog had three base hits and one RBI. She scored two of the team's five runs.

Kierstyn Conyers hit a double and a single for one RBI.

Kirsten Falck put down two base hits and scored a run.

Breanna Reece and Moore each had an RBI-single with Moore scoring one run.

Mackenzie Peggs hit a double and scored the team's other run.

The Lady Titans' record moved to 8-2 with the victory.

KHS Girls 1st, Lady Titans 4th at County Track Meet

Knights town and Tri girls track teams competed with Shenandoah and Blue River Valley for the Henry County meet May 3.

The Lady Panthers placed first with 100.5. Blue River Valley was second with 66.5 points and Shenandoah was third with 41. Tri placed fourth with 20 points.

Individual Knights town and Tri results for each of the events are detailed below.

100 meter dash

2nd - Emma Reichart, 14.06, Tri
3rd - Abby Arnold, 14.12, KHS
6th - Hannah Thomas, 14.59, KHS
8th - Hailee McDivitt, 15.56, Tri

200 meter dash

2nd - Elaine Suesz, 28.64, KHS
3rd - Annie Moore, 30.92, KHS
6th - Lucy Stroud, 32.85, Tri
7th - Zevida Roberson, 34.98, Tri

400 meter run

2nd - Abby Arnold, 1:06.58, KHS
3rd - Cora Nolen, 1:07.37, KHS
6th - Rylee Baker, 1:14.85, Tri
7th - Meghan Weatherford, 1:16.62, Tri

800 meter run

1st - Lori Thomas, 2:49.51, KHS
3rd - Harley Peavler, 2:54.87, KHS
6th - Joy Herbkersman, 3:05.31, Tri
8th - Alexis Townsend, 3:35.64, Tri

1600 meter run

2nd - Lori Thomas, 6:23.20, KHS
4th - Meski Tabb, 6:33.32, KHS
6th - Lauren Stroud, 7:42.38, Tri
7th - Alexis Townsend, 8:16.72, Tri

3200 meter run

2nd - Meski Tabb, 14:38.91, KHS
4th - Meghan Cupp, 15:49.63, KHS

100 meter hurdles

1st - Allison Sander, 18.30, KHS
2nd - Elizabeth Moore, 18.61, KHS
3rd - Makayla Green, 19.38, Tri
6th - Jocelyn Paull, 20.24, Tri

300 meter hurdles

1st - Elizabeth Moore, 53.97, KHS
2nd - Heather Jackson, 54.85, KHS
4th - Jocelyn Paull, 58.04, Tri

4 x 100 meter relay

1st - Allison Sander, Abby Arnold, Hannah Thomas, Elaine Suesz, 55.41, KHS
4th - Makayla Green, Jocelyn Paull, Lucy Stroud, Emma Reichart, 58.32, Tri

4 x 400 meter relay

1st - Abby Arnold, Annie Moore, Cora Nolen, Elaine Suesz, 4:38.70, KHS
4th - Meghan Weatherford, Zevida Roberson, Rylee Baker, Kensington Appleby, 5:17.61, Tri

4 x 800 meter relay

1st - Elizabeth Moore, Lori Thomas, Kelsey Crim, Annie Moore, 11:11.57, KHS
4th - Joy Herbkersman, Lauren Stroud, Hailee McDivitt, Kensington Appleby, 12:38.11, Tri

Shot put

2nd - Hannah Thomas, 29'09.50", KHS
5th - Brayden Walters, 27', KHS
6th - Victoria Smith, 25'01.25, Tri
7th - Mara Biehl, 23'08", Tri

Discus

2nd - Hannah Thomas, 80'05", KHS
3rd - Brayden Walters, 74'03", KHS
4th - Victoria Smith, 71'00", Tri
7th - Mara Biehl, 66'09", Tri

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Kieser and his firm, Kieser Consulting Group LLC, have been working with the town on planning and development issues for a couple of years. He previously helped the town obtain a \$40,000 planning grant from the state's Office of Community and Rural Affairs, which paid his firm to prepare a 60-plus-page Economic Development and Downtown Revitalization Plan that was completed last year.

In other business at Monday's meeting, the council adopted a new ordinance, No. 2-2016, which amends the chapter in the town's ordinance code that deals with the town's cemetery. Specifically, the new ordinance requires the use of designated contractors for pouring and installation of foundations for headstones instead of having the work done by town employees. Under the new ordinance, the town will charge a \$30 fee for locating

and marking where foundations are to be placed.

With all five council members in agreement, they voted, as state statute allows, to suspend normal rules of procedure that ordinarily prevent adoption of an ordinance on the same night that it is introduced. The council also voted unanimously to designate Walker Foundations LLC as a contractor that can be used for this work at the cemetery, with the company charging 40 cents per square-inch for foundations, a 60-percent reduction from the \$1 per square-inch price the town had established in late 2014.

Also at Monday's meeting, the town council:

*approved paying claims totaling \$55,238.41;

*voted to allow Clerk-Treasurer Linda McMahan attend training in Michigan City June 6-8 at a total cost of \$795;

*heard monthly reports from Town Marshal Danny Baker, Works Manager Josh Douglas and Adam Forrest, the town's attorney;

*OK'd inspection of the town's fire extinguishers, which Douglas said number 35-38, at a total cost of \$75;

*discussed but took no vote on whether to return portable restroom facilities to McNabb park;

*learned Baker had brought on two new volunteer reserve officers for the Carthage Police Department, Dylan Stipes and Ron Walker;

*received information from Douglas about a proposed maintenance agreement for the town's water tower; and

*learned that a person who had purchased three grave plots at the town's cemetery on Carthage Pike will be assigned three different nearby plots after a family member was buried in the wrong location.

LOCAL SPORTS

Knightstown Boys 1st, Tri 4th at Henry County Meet

Knightstown and Tri boys track teams competed along with Shenandoah and Blue River Valley for the Henry County meet May 3.

The Panthers placed first with 103.5. Shenandoah was second with 51.5. Blue River Valley placed third with 45 points and Tri was fourth with 26.

Individual Knightstown and Tri results for each of the events are detailed below.

100 meter dash

2nd - Jackson Edwards, 11.90, KHS
4th - Kennedy Osborn, 12.01, KHS
6th - Nick Wilson, 12.59, Tri
7th - David O'Neill, 12.60, Tri

200 meter dash

1st - Jackson Edwards, 24.08, KHS
3rd - Kennedy Osborn, 24.77, KHS
5th - Nick Wilson, 25.63, Tri
6th - David O'Neill, 26.64, Tri

400 meter run

1st - Jon Lukens, 53.48, KHS
2nd - Grant Jessup, 54.59, Tri
4th - Michael Watson, 59.04, KHS
8th - Chance Faith, 1:08.23, Tri

800 meter run

2nd - JT Butler, 2:15.53, KHS
4th - Evan Nolen, 2:28.77, KHS
6th - Joah Fairchild, 2:42.77, Tri
7th - Austin Stroud, 2:58.15, Tri

1600 meter run

4th - Michael Weiland, 5:23.04, KHS
5th - Evan Nolen, 5:37.55, KHS
6th - Griffin Jessup, 6:01.12, Tri
7th - Austin Hudelson, 6:19.33, Tri

3200 meter run

1st - Ben Willey, 10:43.27, KHS
4th - Michael Weiland, 11:47.46, KHS
6th - Griffin Jessup, 12:45.12, Tri
7th - Austin Hudelson, 14:51.65, Tri

110 meter hurdles

1st - Daniel Rayburn, 17.34, KHS
2nd - Lane Parker, 18.14, KHS
4th - Seth Butler, 21.38, Tri

300 meter hurdles

1st - Riley Ruble, 44.23, KHS
2nd - Daniel Rayburn, 44.52, KHS
4th - Alex Melton, 54.78, Tri

4 x 100 meter relay

1st - Alex Fields, Jackson Edwards, Riley Ruble, Kennedy Osborn, 45.23, KHS
3rd - Todd Harding, Seth Butler, Nick Wilson, David O'Neill, 49.85, Tri

4 x 400 meter relay

1st - JT Butler, Alex Fields, Jon Lukens, Daniel Rayburn, 3:43",

KHS

3rd - Grant Jessup, Austin Fowler, Todd Harding, Nick Wilson, 3:58.12, Tri

4 x 800 meter relay

2nd - JT Butler, Evan Nolen, Michael Weiland, Ben Willey, 9:31.23, KHS
4th - Joah Fairchild, Jalen Penkal, Austin Fowler, Gary Roberts, 11:45.87, Tri

Shot put

1st - Coleman Wyatt, 43'10", KHS
2nd - Kyle Seabolt, 42'04.50, Tri
4th - Garrett Thomas, 38'04.50, KHS
5th - Garrett Fields, 36'06.50, Tri

Discus

1st - Coleman Wyatt, 123'05", KHS
3rd - Logan Johnson, 104', KHS
4th - Andy Jones, 95'06", Tri
6th - Chance Faith, 91'02", Tri

High jump

2nd - Kennedy Osborn, 5'04", KHS
5th - Daniel Rayburn, 5'02", KHS

Long jump

1st - Grant Jessup, 18'03.75", Tri
2nd - Jackson Edwards, 18'03.50", KHS
4th - Alex Fields, 17'06", KHS
6th - David O'Neill, 15'04.50", Tri

Hagerstown Sweeps Tri in Baseball Doubleheader

Tri's varsity baseball team might have known from the first inning of the opening game of their April 23 doubleheader at Hagerstown that it was going to be a very long day.

The Tigers jumped out to a 5-0 lead after the first inning, scored another run in the bottom of the second and the fourth innings while holding the Titans scoreless. Hagerstown took the conference win over Tri 7-0.

Sophomore Masen Phelps got the start on the mound for the Titans and thus, the loss. He threw just one out into the second inning before being replaced by Eric Bilby.

Phelps faced 13 batters and walked five. He gave up six runs on three hits and six errors.

Bilby came up against 14 batters, striking out five and walking two. He allowed one run on three hits with no errors.

Freshman Gage Rowe also pitched an inning for the Titans. He faced three batters, striking out one batter and walking another.

Josiah Jackson had the only two hits for the Titans.

The loss dropped Tri to 2-4 overall this season and to 1-3 in the Tri-Eastern Conference.

Though Tri did score in the afternoon game, the Titans were still smacked down 17-3 by the Tigers.

Hagerstown again started off strong, scoring four runs in the bottom of the first, then seven more runs in the bottom of the second.

Down 0-11, the Titans offense came to life with three runs in the top of the third. But, the Tigers shattered any Tri hopes with six more runs in the bottom of the third to go up 17-3.

Neither team scored in the fourth and Hagerstown held Tri scoreless again in the top of the fifth to take the run-rule victory.

Jackson, Rowe and Kyler Burchett shared pitching duties for Tri in the afternoon game.

Jackson got the start and took the loss. He faced 15 batters in the 1.1 innings that he pitched. He struck out two batters and walked two but gave up 10 runs off seven hits and nine errors.

Rowe finished out the second inning and returned to the mound for the third. He faced six batters with one strikeout and two walks while allowing four runs on three hits and three errors.

Burchett, another freshman, relieved Rowe in the third inning and continued into the fourth inning. Of the 11 batters he came up against, he struck out four batters and walked two. He gave up no hits but three runs were posted against him along with two errors.

Bilby led Tri's batting with a double and single for one RBI. He scored one of Tri's three runs.

Drew Mondrush had two base hits and scored one run. Burchett scored the other run.

The second loss to Hagerstown moved Tri's season record to 2-5 but the result did not count toward their conference record.

Titans Defeat Blue River Valley

Tri's varsity baseball team bounced back after a string of losses with a 9-4 win on the road at Blue River Valley April 25.

The Titans took the early lead, scoring a run in the top of the first. Tri scored two more in the third, two runs in the fourth inning and three runs in the fifth inning and held Blue River scoreless.

Tri opened the sixth inning scoring their ninth run. The Titans shutout was shattered when Blue River scored three runs in the bottom of the sixth.

The Vikings held Tri scoreless in the top of the seventh but could only get one runner across to the plate, giving Tri the 9-4 win.

Drew Mondrush pitched nearly the complete game but was relieved with two outs left in the seventh inning with Josiah Jackson.

Mondrush faced 27 batters, striking out seven and walking two. He allowed four runs on eight hits and four errors.

Jackson threw to just three batters and struck out two.

Mason Rottinghaus hit a home run and a single for two RBIs but Bryce Longnecker led the Titans at the plate. Longnecker had four hits and four RBIs. He scored once.

Josiah Jackson had good day at the plate too with three hits and one RBI with two runs scored.

Eric Bilby hit a double and a single and scored twice.

Kyler Burchett got two base hits and scored a run.

Masen Phelps hit an RBI-single while Gage Rowe and Mondrush each had a base hit and scored a run.

The Titans improved their season record to 3-5 with the win.

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High jump

1st - Emma Reichart, 4'08", Tri
2nd - Allison Sander, 4'06", KHS
5th - Annie Moore, 4'06", KHS

Long jump

1st - Elaine Suesz, 15'02.25", KHS

3rd - Emma Reichart, 15'00.25", Tri
4th - Allison Sander, 14'11.75", KHS
6th - Makayla Green, 13'09.25", Tri



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Planning, from Page 1

The committee will not be starting from ground zero. Last year, Richey, Trump and the other five members of the Knightstown Plan Commission held numerous public meetings where they went over the town's current comprehensive plan. After intensive review and discussion, the plan commission voted last April to approve substantive changes to the plan's timetable for growth and development for the immediate future and two, five, 10, 15 and 20 years down the road.

After its vote last April, the plan commission was just about ready to hold a public hearing on the changes to the comprehensive plan, something required before the plan commission voted on it and then sent it to the town council for its approval. However, before a hearing was held, the plan commission, after looking at some comprehensive plans from other communities,

decided to seek a planning grant that would provide funds to hire a firm like KCG to help put the plan together.

Prior to last week's meeting, Lake had not been aware of the work the plan commission had done last year on the comprehensive plan. He said the plan commission's work would "definitely ... be part of the plan" that he and the steering committee work to develop.

The steering committee's next meeting, Lake said, would be the group's "first real working meeting." He said members would do a SWOT analysis designed to identify the town's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats to determine "what's good and what's bad about your community, what you need and what you don't need." He said they would also work on finalizing

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of employers in Indiana over the next 10 years by region. This will help educational institutions like high schools and career training centers that provide career technical education courses (CTE) offer the classes that will help employers fill positions in different parts of the state.

The study will also inventory high school vocational courses and Ivy Tech certification programs in order to determine which classes should be offered to meet the future workforce demands.

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Sen. Jean Leising
(R-Oldenberg)

a survey that will be used to get public input on planning and development issues.

Trump told Lake the town had previously completed two SWOT analyses with the help of a representative from OCRA. She said the results of those efforts, the most recent of which she said she thought was done in 2012 or 2013, should still be at town hall.

As with the work the plan commission did on the comprehensive plan last year, Lake said the steering committee could also make use of the results from prior SWOT analyses to "make sure (they're) not doing double work." He did note, however, that the results from a SWOT analysis done by the steering committee may differ from results obtained from the community at large.

While the steering committee's meetings are open to the public, Lake said there will also be a couple of public outreach meetings held to get input from the community on the planning process. Those meetings have not yet been scheduled.

Lake said the steering committee's work is important because getting the general public to come to meetings can sometimes be "like pulling teeth." He said people "for some reason, just don't like to participate," and that "it's always the same people doing the same things."

Thoe asked Lake about similar work he has been doing for the town of New Palestine.

"I'm still wrapping it up," Lake said. "... When I'm finished with a plan, I hope it doesn't sit on a shelf, which they often do."

Lake noted that KCG helped the town of Carthage complete a downtown and economic development plan last year.

"They are really working," he said of a community group formed in Carthage to help revitalize the town. "They know what they have to do."

Thoe also asked if there is any one thing that tends, more than others, to attract people to a community. While Lake said every community is different, he said schools tend to be the number one draw.

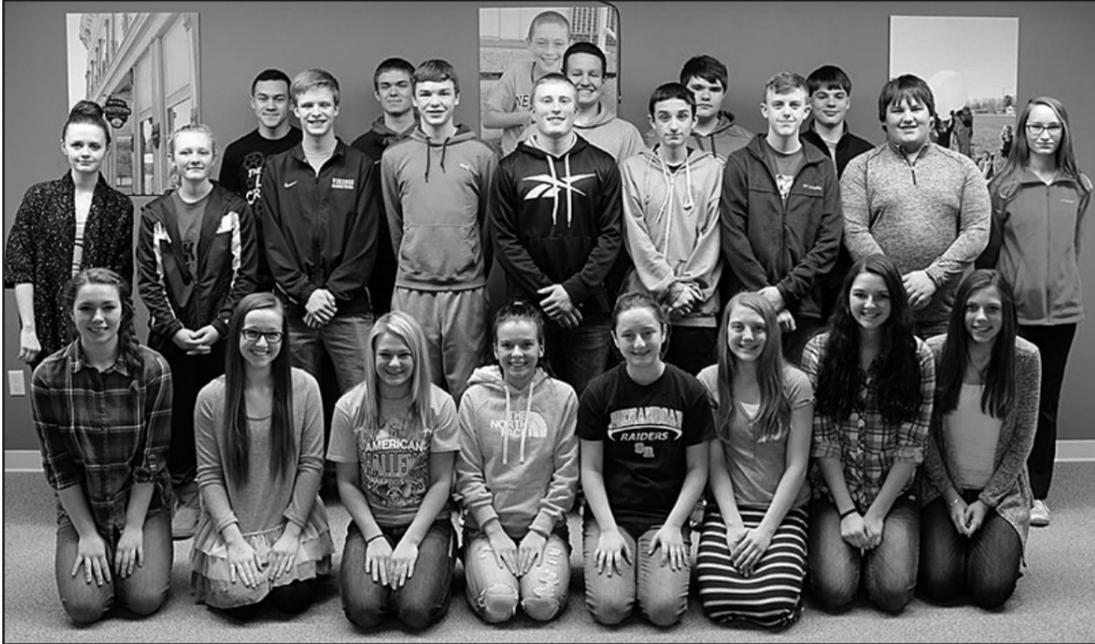
"You can have a weak town, but if you have a great school system, people will want to move there," Lake said.

The steering committee's next meeting, which is open to the public, is scheduled for Thursday, May 26, at 6:30 p.m. It will be held in the back meeting room of Knightstown Town Hall, 26 S. Washington St., which is now referred to as the Town Hall Annex.

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Selected organizations and projects receiving grants are Spiceland Township Public Library for the Summer Reading program, New Castle School Corporation Music Department for the Achievement in Music program, Westwood Elementary Music Department for a drumming program, and Blue River School Corporation Podcasting Team for a podcasting studio. Grants were also given to the Christian Love Center for the annual Back to School Festival, Girl Scout Troop 30612 for a Gold Award health program, and New Castle Pediatrics for the Reach Out and Read program. This decision was supported by the Henry County Community Foundation Board of Directors by a unanimous vote at their April board meeting.

Composed of students from the five county high schools, the TASC grants committee meets four times a year to evaluate grant submissions relating to youth and educational programs. Monies are awarded from the Unrestricted Fund for Community Grants. Grant

guidelines and applications are available at the foundation office. The next grant application deadline is in fall of 2016. The date will be determined at the beginning of the school year and posted on the HCCF website and social media. Bill Bergmann, retired teacher and Foundation volunteer from Knightstown, is the TASC Committee Chair. Susan Falck-Neal, Henry County Community Foundation board member, also serves as an advisor to the youth grants committee.

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Henry County Considering Boost to Wheel Tax

With the decline in Motor Vehicle Highway (MVH) revenue and Local Road & Street (LRS) revenue (both derived from gasoline taxes), due to improved fuel efficiency and due to an increase in hybrid, alternative fuel, and electric vehicles, Henry County Council is consid-

ering raising the Local Option Highway Users' Tax (LOHUT), which is more commonly known as the "Wheel Tax." In addition, the highway bill that came out of this year's state legislative session allows counties to obtain matching grants, for which they must establish the 1:1 match

amount before the June 1 application deadline.

Therefore, Henry County Council is calling a public meeting to take place on Tuesday, May 17, at 7 p.m. at the W.G. Smith Building in Memorial Park, 2221 N. Memorial Drive, New Castle.

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Youth Institute Hosting Seminar for Educators and Counselors

From teen drug use to education, poverty and health information, they're the numbers that paint a picture of what life is really like for children and teens in Rush County. But sorting through piles of papers and hundreds of government sources is a time-consuming and tedious process.

That is why the Indiana Youth Institute (IYI) and its community partners are hosting a seminar to help educators, counselors, youth workers and others from across Rush County learn more about what's going on with young people in the community. The event will run from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, May 19, in the gymnasium of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Rush County, 1590 N. Sexton St., Rushville.

The information will be a localized overview of information inside the 2016 *Kids Count in Indiana Data Book*. IYI Data Manager Mike Poletika will provide the most up-to-date information about youth trends in Rush County. Attendees will learn how to make sense of the data compiled by IYI and how to find the most reliable numbers. This information can be used to write grant proposals, understand trends among youth and plan programs to address potential issues in Rush County.

As part of IYI's Youth Worker Café program, the seminar and lunch are free, but reservations are required. RSVP at www.iyi.org/ywc. Contact IYI Statewide Outreach Manager Debbie Jones at djones@iyi.org for more information.

This event is a collaboration between Boys & Girls Club of Rush County, Purdue Extension Rush County, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Rushville and IYI.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR A VARIANCE EXCEPTION UNDER THE MASTER PLAN ZONING ORDINANCE

Notice is hereby given that the Advisory Board of Zoning Appeals of the Town of Knightstown, Indiana, on the 25th day of May, 2016, at 6 p.m. on the Town Hall Building, will hold a Public Hearing on the Petition for a Special Exception for Variance of Use under the Master Plan Zoning Ordinance No. 1989-3 for the Town of Knightstown, Indiana, by CFH Enterprises for K & R Enterprises and Storage at 536 W. Main St., Knightstown, Indiana.

Written suggestions or objections to this hearing may be filed at the Town Hall at or before such meeting and will be heard by the Advisory Board of Zoning Appeals at the time and place specified.

A copy of the proposed Petition is on file in the Town Hall building, 26 S. Washington St., Knightstown, Indiana, for public examination.

The nature of this Petition is for the Special Exception of: Rebuild due to fire and set-back issues for 536 W. Main St., Wayne Township, Henry County, Indiana.

By Order of the Advisory Board of Zoning Appeals of the Town of Knightstown, Indiana.
BZA Members:

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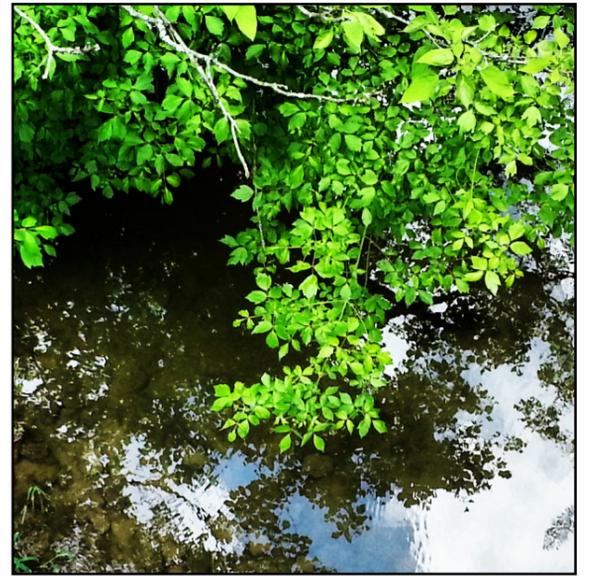
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