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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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Wilkinson H.S. Reunion Sept. 18

The annual Wilkinson High School reunion will be Sunday, Sept. 18, at the Shirley community building. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. and lunch is at 1 p.m. The classes of 1951 and 1961 will be recognized. All school members and friends are welcome. Attendees are asked to bring their own table service and food for the pitch-in lunch. Tea and coffee will be furnished. Annual \$2 per person dues will be collected. A short meeting and visitation will follow lunch. For more information, contact Wilma Kennedy at 765-425-5261.

Wrestling Event Set for September 17

Wrestling Under the Stars, a fundraiser for Knightstown youth baseball and softball leagues, will take place at Barry Elzey Field, located at Sunset Park, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 7 p.m. The event is being hosted by the Central Wrestling Federation. Tickets are \$7 in advance and \$9 at the gate. For more information, call 765-491-8144.

Greensboro Health Fair This Saturday

The 16th annual Greensboro Health and Safety Fair and Blood Drive is set for Saturday, Sept. 17, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at the Greensboro Community Building. The Indiana Blood Center's mobile unit will be accepting donations 10 a.m.-noon. Those who plan to donate blood should bring valid photo identification. For more information, call Roxie Dalton at 765-686-5207.

Freedom Fest Queen Candidates Sought

There will be a queen contest held Sept. 28 to choose a special person to ride in the Carthage Freedom Festival Parade Oct. 1. This contest is sponsored by Homemakers on the Go extension club and is open to girls age 15-19, who are enrolled in high school and are residents of Ripley Township. Applications may be picked up at Pavey's in Carthage and must be submitted by Sept. 21 to Winters Accounting during business hours or in their drop box. The Freedom Festival is Saturday, Oct. 1. For more information, call 565-6145 or 565-6002.

Carthage Freedom Festival Gaining Momentum

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

With a little less than three weeks to go, members of the Future of Carthage are finalizing plans for the local group's first annual Carthage Freedom Festival.

FOC President Kathy Gibson attended Monday evening's monthly meeting of the Carthage Town Council and provided an update on preparations for the Saturday, Oct. 1, event. She gave them a rundown of the day's schedule, which starts with a 7-10 a.m. breakfast hosted by local Boy Scouts and includes a children's bike parade at 10 a.m., the Lions Club parade from 2-4 p.m., and a silent auction at around 5 p.m. at the Ercell Bever Jr. Community Center.

The festival will also feature live entertainment throughout the day on a stage set up near the town's veterans memorial. A gospel group will start things off at 10 a.m., and the day's headlining act, Governor Davis, is expected to play at around 4 p.m.

"Everything ends around six," Gibson told the council.

Gibson said the festival - the first one held in town since 1981, according to Carthage Town Council President Bill Davis - will feature more than 50 vendors selling arts and crafts. FOC members will also be selling smoked pork chops, hamburgers and hotdogs during the event.

On Wednesday, Sept. 28, a festival queen will be selected during a 7 p.m. program that is open to the public at Carthage Community Church. Gibson said the chosen Miss Freedom Festival will "reign over the festival and be in the parade" on Saturday.

Gibson said the parade will feature the Knightstown High School band and cadets from the Hoosier Youth Challenge Academy, and will include local veterans. Any veterans wishing to participate should contact Gibson at 565-6798 or 317-498-3721, or Davis at 565-6721.

FOC was hoping to have \$4,400 to spend on this year's inaugural festival, Gibson said at Monday's meeting. So far, she said the group is only about \$600 off that goal.

The town council also heard a brief update Monday from Dave Kieser from Kieser Consulting
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Day of Caring

Friday, Sept. 9, saw several Henry County United Fund Day of Caring volunteers descend on Knightstown. Some of the volunteers assisted in gardening, landscaping and clearing on the Public Square. United Fund officials each year receive requests for volunteer help relating to a variety of projects around the county. Volunteers from dozens of different organizations and businesses, on the annually appointed day, gather and divide up the projects. Participants then tackle the work - all while wearing their vivid, orange Day of Caring T-shirts. Additional volunteers bring lunch and beverages to the volunteers. Henry County Community Foundation volunteer Nan Hurst (right) does her part to trim back weeds on Knightstown's Public Square. Knightstown MainSource Bank Branch Manager Kelly Leddy (below) helps clear and gather dead vegetation from the square's many robust flower beds.



Photos by
Eric Cox



Parks and Rec Board Proposes 2017 Budget

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

The Knightstown Parks and Recreation Board voted Monday evening to approve a proposed budget for 2017 that is more than 50-percent higher than this year's.

Board members voted 4-0 at their Sept. 12 monthly meeting to submit a budget totaling \$97,154 to the Knightstown Town Council for its

consideration as part of the town's yearly budgeting process. Ultimately, it will be up to the state's Department of Local Government Finance to determine whether to approve the town's and park board's budgets for next year.

State statute specifically requires park boards like Knightstown's to submit a budget each year to the town council to be incorporated into the budget the
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OBITUARIES

Max Stailey Riddle
July 17, 1943 - September 11, 2016



Max Stailey Riddle, 73, of New Castle, passed away unexpectedly Sunday, Sept. 11, 2016, at St. Vincent Hospital. He was born July 17, 1943, in Shirley, to the late Jesse and Mada Riddle.

He retired from Chrysler Corporation in 1998, where he was a member of UAW. Max owned Max S. Riddle Building and Remodeling. He was a trustee for Greensboro Township and a member of the United Methodist Church of Greensboro. Max was on the Henry County Mounted Patrol from 1970-1974. He enjoyed country and gospel music. Max loved to sketch, woodworking, was an avid Colts fan, and loved spending time with his family. He adored his wife.

Survivors include his wife of 47 years, Melba Riddle; four sons, Keith Ferrell, Mike Ferrell, Steve (Kathy) Ferrell and Tim Fowler; a brother, Lewis (Judy) Riddle; two sisters, Phyllis Harris and Avis Hughson; eight grandchildren, Keitha (Clint) Hollars, Stephanie (Ben) Madison, Jami Ferrell, Chris Ferrell, Josh Fowler, Dustin Fowler, Jacob Ferrell and Leigh Ferrell; 12 great-grandchildren; expecting a great-great grandchild in January; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and cousins.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, James Donald Riddle; and a daughter-in-law, Karen Ferrell.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 16, at Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service in New Castle with Pastor Cindy Upchurch officiating. Burial will follow in Hicksite Cemetery. Visitation will be from 3-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15, at the funeral home. Condolences and memories of Max may be expressed at www.hinsey-brown.com

Luana A. Williams
October 13, 1925 - September 6, 2016

Luana A. Williams, 90, of Carthage, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2016, at Hancock Regional Hospital. She was born Oct. 13, 1925, in New Castle, the daughter of Emmett and Marie (Land) Surber.

Luana had been employed at First National Bank in Knightstown and Charles A. Beard School Corporation. She was a member of Psi Iota Xi Sorority and Knightstown United Methodist Church, where she sang in the choir for over 60 years. She enjoyed painting, knitting, crocheting and bird watching.

She leaves to cherish her memory a son, Ronald (Anita) Williams of Knightstown; a daughter, Alora (Mark) Westra of Greenfield; four grandchildren, Jason (Angie) Perry of Indianapolis, Ryan (Ashley) Porter of Fishers, Jarrod (Allison) Perry of Greenfield and Rayann (Mikel) Knepley of Indianapolis; eight great-grandchildren, Alijah, Regan, Savannah, Max, Christian, Jayden, Beckett and Hayes; four nieces, LaDonna (Don) Willman of Straughn, Cynthia Kurz of Straughn, Lisa (Denny) Oakes of Wilkinson, and Patricia (Mike) Keller of Prineville, Ore.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Harvey L. "Jim" Williams; and a brother, Ivan Surber.

Visitation was Sept. 8, at Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service, Knightstown Chapel. The funeral service was Sept. 9 at Knightstown United Methodist Church with Pastor Curt Hunt officiating. Burial followed in Glen Cove Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Knightstown United Methodist Church, 27 S. Jefferson St. Knightstown, IN 46148. Condolences and memories of Luana may be shared at www.hinsey-brown.com.

BMV Credits Customer Accounts After Overcharges

Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) Commissioner Kent Abernathy recently announced approximately five million customers, who were overcharged by BMV, have received an additional \$28.75 million in refunds by way of credits to their BMV accounts.

"Customers who were overcharged will find credits on their accounts that can be applied to their next transaction, or they can request a check from the BMV," said Abernathy. "We are currently

determining the most efficient ways to contact customers about their refunds, including email notification, postcards, and online notification through BMV's website," he added.

BMV has refunded the \$28.75 million to its customers over the last few months. BMV maintains its commitment to refunding known, verifiable overcharges.

Under direction of current BMV leadership, the agency has undertaken additional efforts to

complete this refund process. Those overcharges - and undercharges - were, in large part, due to the overly complex fee structure that existed throughout the Indiana Code for several years prior to recent statutory changes made through House Enrolled Act 1087. This was a product of collaboration between BMV and Indiana Lawmakers.


Recently, Irwin Levin and his firm, Cohen & Malad, LLP, See **BMV, Page 15**



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Planning Survey Results Detailed, Discussed

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

With a half dozen meetings under its belt, the steering committee assisting the Knightstown Plan Commission with revising the town's comprehensive plan is expected to start tonight working to develop goals and objectives to be included in the plan.

The steering committee will continue its work during a meeting at 6:30 p.m. tonight. The meeting, which is open to the public, 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.

At their last meeting, held Aug. 29, committee members – now down to eight after the recent resignation of Steve Bode, though only five were in attendance that night – were provided with summaries of the results from a survey completed earlier this summer to get public input on a variety of issues related to planning and development. While it was initially thought that 293 surveys had been filled out, the final tally, according to materials handed out at the Aug. 29 meeting, showed the number to be 284.

According to the survey summary, females accounted for nearly two-thirds of those who responded. By age, just over 42 percent of the survey takers were between the ages of 45 and 64, 16.6 percent were in the 35-44 age group and 15.5 percent were 65 to 74.

At a meeting in early July, Dan

Lake, chief planner for Kieser Consulting Group LLC, the Lawrence-based firm working with the committee and local officials on the plan, said that 200 of those who filled out surveys live in Wayne Township. Of those, Lake said that 140 are Knightstown residents, with the remainder living outside town limits.

The survey summary showed that half of all survey takers lived in Knightstown, with 21.4 percent living in other areas of Wayne Township and just over 28.5 percent of the responders living outside Wayne Township. Most of those who took the survey (56.4 percent) said they had lived in this area for more than 20 years, while 11.8 percent have lived here 11-20 years; nearly 72 percent said they expect to be living in Knightstown five years from now.

Looking at some of the specific survey responses, 63 percent said they think Knightstown is a good place to live, while another 30 percent said they somewhat agree with that. The percentages of people who would recommend Knightstown as a good place to live to family and friends were similar, with 60 percent agreeing and 32 percent somewhat agreeing.

Only 63 percent said they agreed or somewhat agreed that the town offers a good quality of life for its youth. Asked whether young people would like to stay in Knightstown after graduating, only 35 percent agreed or somewhat agreed, with 60 percent saying the

disagreed or somewhat disagreed. With respect to the town's older citizens, however, 74 percent agreed or somewhat agreed the town offers them a good quality of life.

Asked whether the town has a positive future, 78 percent agreed or somewhat agreed, while 20 percent disagreed or somewhat disagreed. Half of the responders said they agreed or somewhat agreed that people in Knightstown are satisfied with the way things are, while 45 percent disagreed or somewhat disagreed with that statement.

Asked whether they thought an increase in growth would benefit the town, 60.7 percent of the 252 who answered that question said they believed "a great deal" that it would. Another 21.8 percent said they believed this "moderately."

Committee member Jed Behny, the superintendent of the Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corp., said he was surprised by this response.

"It doesn't feel like there's that much desire for growth always," Behny said. He said he hoped that growth and development in the area results in more than the community being just a "truck stop exit" on Interstate 70.

"Commercial growth is definitely needed, and it needs to be targeted toward seniors, I think," said committee member Valerie Trump, who also sits on the Knightstown Town Council and the plan commission. When committee member Stephanie James

said she didn't think turning Knightstown into a "haven for seniors" will do much to attract younger families to the area, Trump said, "Nobody's limiting it to senior growth."

James said she would like to see growth in all areas, including increased consumer choices for shopping and dining. Fellow committee member Kevin Richey, the plan commission's current president, agreed with the need for more businesses.

"The growth has to start with businesses," Richey said. "You can't have anything else without that."

"I'm in favor of commercial growth of any type," committee member Cathy Eke said. She also said that she would like to see more dining options in town.

Kieser asked committee members what they thought would help bring younger families to the area. James said she thought the local schools "have been making leaps in bounds in recent years" and a good draw for those looking for a good school system.

"I think jobs always help," Behny added. He said the long commutes for people who work in Indianapolis and other areas can often be a deterrent.

James said the "ease of home building" in the Knightstown

area could be an attraction to young families. She said prices are affordable and there is plenty of room to build just outside town.

Kieser told the committee that he thinks the U.S. Hwy. 40 corridor is going to "look vastly different in 10 years," with more trails and retail opportunities.

"I think Knightstown can position itself to be a center of this activity," Kieser said. "... There's a lot of potential here. You've got to think positive. ... That's how we get things done."

Kieser also urged the group to consider working with its neighbor to the south, Carthage, to develop a trail along the railway between the two towns and promote kayaking and canoeing on the Big Blue River. He said multi-agency cooperation is often needed to accomplish things like this.

At tonight's meeting, the steering committee is expected to discuss economic development and specific planning goals and objectives. More information about the Aug. 29 meeting can be found in the memoranda of that proceeding, which should be available, along with the summary of survey results, for inspection and copying at Knightstown Town Hall, 26 S. Washington St., during normal business hours.

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Banner PERSPECTIVES

Time Not Always in a Straight Line

I've come to realize that the time through which we pass isn't a straight line. Rather, it is circular; and if you live long enough, you re-experience time past in your mind.

Our old Irvington home at 312 N. Ritter Ave. is for sale. Seeing pictures of it has taken me back 50 years, rekindled my affection for the dear old place and caused me to delve into the trunk in my mental attic that's labeled "Ritter Ave." Bill, Vicki and I have had several chats about our various experiences there.

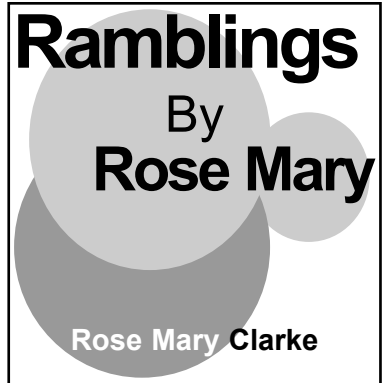
We paid \$11,500 for it with \$500 cash thrown in to replace the dangerously rickety basement stairs. Rather than hiring someone, Bill built the stairs himself, which cost a lot less than \$500!

Needless to say, the house is worth many times what we paid for it, considering the rise in home values, the popularity of Irvington which is a "hot" market and the wonderful updates done by the people who bought it 30 years ago. They replaced the antique steam boiler with a modern furnace and air conditioning and built on a mother-in-law quarters and added pretty wallpaper, lovely landscaping and more.

We decided not to ask to visit the house. Thomas Wolfe wrote a novel, *You Can't Go Home Again*; and we concluded that that's the

way we feel about this place that was so important in our lives.

The current *Indianapolis Monthly* has an article about a home in Fort Wayne that the master architect Frank Lloyd Wright designed. Bill and I visited it several years ago. Wright personally



designed the home for the original owners. It was what he called a Usonian house because it was planned for people of rather modest means and was smaller than his other homes. I love Wright's architecture and lusted for that house. Wright's houses are more than just houses; they are works of art.

The article was written by a man whose family lived in it when he was a teenager. His words resonate with me because I share some of his feelings. He came to feel that the house owned and shaped him. He cried when his parents sold it, and I understand that.

The Ferguson family owned the house on Ritter. We bought it after the death of John Ferguson, who had been a greatly beloved minister at Irvington Presbyterian. The first time we saw it, a man was throwing boxes of letters, magazines, memorabilia and what-not out the attic window down into a truck parked in the driveway.

I visited old Mrs. Ferguson and her identical twin sister at a nearby nursing home. They resembled the illustration of Tweedledee and Tweedledumb in *Alice in Wonderland!* Dr. Ferguson and they were the children of missionaries and had grown up near the Great Wall in China. Oh how I wished that we'd asked for permission to go through the stuff in the attic that was thrown away! There were probably treasures that historians would have cherished.

Fifteen years later, the Presbyterians celebrated an anniversary of the church and asked us to have the house on a homes tour. Even though it had been so long since his death, visitors told stories about how the charismatic Dr. Ferguson would impulsively invite people from the congregation to come home with them after church to Sunday dinner, after which he played his baby grand piano in the foyer. Someone said, "Poor Mrs. Ferguson never knew how many to

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Raintree Ride Just Around the Corner

I've not ridden my bike all over Indiana. But, in the places I have ridden, I find Greensboro Pike to be one of the most scenic. It's truly a beautiful thoroughfare that winds up to State Road 38, cutting a path through the lush Big Blue River valley.

Henry County recently paved the last remaining rough stretch of the Pike, north of Greensboro. Now the only bad part of the road is in Greensboro itself. But, it's just a short stretch and it's not hard to navigate.

But, truly, if you've never ridden a bicycle on Greensboro Pike, you should. It's worth the time and effort. There are some hilly parts, but most of it's rolling, at best. So, while you need some small level of fitness to ride the Pike, one does not have to be a world-class athlete to do it.

A great opportunity for a 30-mile bike ride comes Saturday, Oct. 1, when Healthy Communities of Henry County hosts their 16th annual Raintree Ride.

This year's iteration of the event will take place at the Henry County YMCA, on State Road 3, just north of New Castle. In years past, the ride started at Westwood Park. But, in efforts to broaden the event's appeal and hopefully grow it into a larger endeavor, organizers have moved it to the higher-profile location offered by the Y.

In addition to its new location, this year's Raintree Ride will also feature a visit with some Hoosier cyclists from The Cutters cycling team, made famous by the classic, Indiana-based film *Breaking Away*.

The 2016 Cutters cycling team will be on hand to greet visitors, sign autographs for kids and to briefly

describe their participation and experiences with The Cutters, who annually participate in Indiana University's vaunted Little 500 bicycle race.

Aside from riding Greensboro Pike and meeting a world-famous cycling team, Raintree Ride participants will also get to choose between three different ride lengths: six, 30 and 60 miles.

For beginners, children and those with limited time, the six-mile route, like the other two, starts out on Henry County's super nice, clean and safe Wilbur Wright Trail. Auto and truck traffic won't even be a concern as you pedal at your own pace on the trail's immaculate pavement.

For the more adventurous and hearty cyclists, the 30-mile route departs the YMCA and heads for Greensboro Pike. The out-and-back route heads south to Knightstown, where a rest stop at the historic Hoosier Gym will be waiting.

The first half of the 60-mile loop is the 30-mile route to Knightstown. But, when riders return to the YMCA, they'll head north and circumnavigate Summit Lake State Park. This hilly route features mostly decent pavement. But the small amount of rough road is more than made up for by the beautiful scenery. A rest stop at the incredible Wilbur Wright Birthplace east of New Castle will help riders recover before their final leg back to New Castle.

These are some great routes and all the proceeds benefit a great cause, Healthy Communities of Henry County, which helps oversee the county's trail development. Come one out and join me! A registration form is located at www.hchcin.org/events.html



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Congratulations to all the students, principals and staffs, sponsors and other participants in the recent Knightstown High School homecoming parade! Your combined efforts demonstrated hometown pride and school pride – in short, Hoosier Pride. School pride was also quite evident in the variety of displays assembled by the students and presented in the hallways of the intermediate and high schools.

The volunteers of Beautify Knightstown Inc. should also be thanked for their window painting and other efforts around town.

Special thanks to John Boyer, assistant principal at KHS, who served as the head of the Community Involvement Committee, in preparing the homecoming events. Mr. Boyer also ably organized the parade sequence and got it launched from the parking lot at Knightstown Intermediate School. This year's renewal of a lapsed homecoming parade tradition was a successful culmination of the efforts of many people and students. Thank you all for a job well done!

So many "experts" today want to have us believe that America's small town spirit is either waning or completely gone. I wish these experts could have witnessed both the size of the homecoming parade and the large enthusiastic crowds lining the Knightstown streets to watch and applaud it. Such "experts" would do well to change their minds.

Graham Richardson
C.A. Beard School Board Member

Dear Editor,

I would like at this time to thank anyone who may have had a part in my being selected for the Honor Flight.

My guardian and I arrived at Plainfield School at 4:30 a.m. Saturday for a light breakfast, then boarded school buses with a police escort to the Indy airport. We went straight to our plane. We arrived at Reagan International at 7:30 a.m. and there I got my first surprise: There were at least 200 people there to greet us. They just wanted to shake your hand, give you a key, and say thanks and welcome to D.C.

We next boarded our tour buses. Our first stop was the World War II Memorial – very impressive – then to the Lincoln Memorial. There are 134 steps to the viewing platform (I took the elevator) and the greatest view of the lake and the Washington Monument. We next went to the Vietnam wall and Korean memorial, both beautiful but sad, and then to the Iwo Jima memorial.

Next was Arlington National Cemetery. It did not matter which way you looked or how far – all you could see was white crosses. There are just over 411,000 graves there. We watched the guards perform. Every move they make is done at 21 second intervals. They march to one end, stop, face left, click their heels, stand 21 seconds, face left, click their heels, wait 21 seconds, and march to the other end. This is done 24/7 365 days a year.

We next went to the Air Force memorial, which is this large sphere going upward 250 feet, and each leaning outward to simulate the Thunder Birds. We then boarded our flight home, and on the way we had mail call. I probably got more mail than all the time in the service, from my children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, from several students at the Knightstown Intermediate and grade schools. I want you students to know I opened and read every letter. I am sure you were inspired by some good teacher, but the words were your own. You sounded so grown-up and aware. I'm sure as you continue to grow and think like you did as you were writing your letters, our nation will remain in good hands.

Now, to the people who put together this massive operation ...

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◆The 16th annual **Greensboro Health and Safety Fair** and Blood Drive is set for Saturday, Sept. 17, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at the Greensboro Community Building. The Indiana Blood Center's mobile unit will accept donations 10 a.m.-noon. Those who plan to donate blood should bring valid photo identification. For more information, call Roxie Dalton at 765-686-5207.

◆Boy Scout Troop 333 will be sponsoring a **car wash** on the Public Square, Saturday, Sept. 24, 10 to 2 in support of Beautify Knightstown. Freewill donations will be accepted.

◆Knightstown United Methodist Church will host its annual **blood drive** in the fellowship hall on Thursday, Sept. 22, from 2-7 p.m. Those who plan to donate must present valid photo identification.

◆There will be a **queen contest** held Sept. 28 to choose a special person to ride in the Carthage Freedom Festival Parade Oct. 1. This contest is sponsored by Homemakers on the Go extension club and is open to girls age 15-19, who are enrolled in high school and are residents of Ripley Township. Applications may be picked up at Pavey's in Carthage and must be submitted by Sept. 21 to Winters Accounting during business hours or in their drop box. For more information, call 565-6145 or 565-6002.

◆The annual **Wilkinson High School reunion** will be Sunday, Sept. 18, at the Shirley community building. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. and lunch is at 1 p.m. The classes of 1951 and 1961 will be recognized. All school members and friends are welcome. Attendees are asked to bring their own table service and food for the pitch-in lunch. Tea and coffee will be furnished. Annual \$2 per person dues will be collected. A short meeting and visitation will follow lunch. For more information, contact Wilma Kennedy at 765-425-5261.

◆**Wrestling Under the Stars**, a fundraiser for Knightstown youth baseball and softball leagues, will take place at Barry Elzey Field, located at Sunset Park, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 7 p.m. The event is being hosted by the Central Wrestling Federation. Tickets are \$7 in advance and \$9 at the gate. Several area wrestlers will be featured, including Knightstown's own "Guy Lombardo." "Lombardo" has been in the wrestling business for 20 years. He has been in the ring with many WWE Hall-of-Famers and current WWE Stars. Guy is a co-founder and owner of the Central Wrestling Federation. Knightstown resident Jim Carmichael will serve as guest commissioner for the evening. Several other area wrestlers will be on hand that evening. For more information, call 765-491-8144.

◆The Blue River Community Harvest announces that for financial reasons, the **Gleaners Mobile Food Pantry** will no longer visit Carthage on Sept. 17 as scheduled, and thereafter. Folks interested in visiting the Gleaners Mobile Pantry may visit the food truck in

Rushville as follows: on the first Monday of each month (This month, it will be held on Sept. 12 due to the Labor Day holiday.); at Main Street Christian Church, 615 N. Main St., Rushville, 4-6 p.m.

◆The Future of Carthage organization will present the **Carthage Freedom Festival** on Saturday, Oct. 1, in downtown Carthage. The event will feature the Miss Freedom Festival Queen Contest at Carthage Community Church on Wednesday, Sept. 28, at 7 p.m. A variety of events are planned for Oct. 1, capped off by a performance by renowned Indiana blues musician Governor Davis at 4 p.m. The Freedom Festival parade precedes that performance at 2 p.m. Food vendors, a silent auction, kids games, arts and crafts booths, and more will be available.

◆**MainSource Bank** will host a few medical professional guests, who will be conducting screenings and offering advice on weight management and physical fitness. The bank is also hosting a wealth management specialist and a mortgage specialist. Information about health savings accounts will also be available. Free healthy treats will be offered. The event is Friday, Sept. 16, during regular business hours. The bank is located at 120 E. Main St.

◆**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.

◆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 new hours. The museum's current hours, in effect now, 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.

◆The **Parish Clothes Closet**, located in the basement of Bethel Presbyterian Church, 112 S.

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Lifelong Knightstown Resident Wes Smoot Keeps Family Tradition of Volunteer Service Alive

by Logan Cox
 for The Banner

Come October, Wes Smoot will have served on the Knightstown/Wayne Township Fire Department for five years. A local business-owner and longtime resident, Smoot's volunteer work is partly inspired by an obligation to his community.

"I own a little business here in town, a lawn care business," Smoot said. "I'm around town a lot, and I'm able to drop what I'm doing and take off to go. That's kind of what they needed was some help during the daytime. A lot guys are out working in the city or out of town, you know."

Smoot has owned and operated Smoot Lawn Care out of Knightstown for 20 years.

"It was something that I started doing in high school and found that it was something I enjoyed doing," he said, regarding his business. "And there was a growing need for these services. So I decided to stay in the community I grew up in and made a career of it."

On another level, he is living up to a tradition of sorts. Smoot explained that several members of his family have served on Knightstown's fire department in the past. This was an influence for his own eventual service.

His grandfather, Howard Coffman, had served as the department's fire chief at one time, and so did his uncle, Rusty Johnson. Wes's own father,

Pat Smoot, also served as a volunteer fireman.

"My dad was on the fire department for 17 years," said Wes.

Two more of his uncles, Mark Smoot and Donny Martain, had also served on the fire department.

"So there's a lot of family heritage, a lot of people I know that have done it," Smoot said. "And I really looked up to those people. I just thought I'd give it a shot."

Along with the fire department, Smoot also serves as a member of the Southwest District Ambulance service.

When he's with the ambulance service or firefighting, Smoot doesn't feel much fear or anxiety, but an overall rush.

"It'll get your adrenaline going," he said.

As is common with Knightstown's firefighters, Smoot is confident in the group's skills and the preparations they have all made beforehand that allow them to do the job effectively.

"It's a risky business," said Smoot. "But we have good training, good equipment, and a lot of good fellow members. So we're not really scared to go in and do anything."

Smoot has lived in Knightstown all his life, and graduated from Knightstown High School in 1997. He has three children, 14-year old Makaley, 12-year old Kinsley and 7-year old Brayley.



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Indiana State Police Release Results from Statewide 'Drive Sober' Enforcement Effort

Recently, the Indiana State Police, the Governor's Council on Impaired & Dangerous Driving and the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI) participated in the national and statewide 2016 Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over enforcement mobilization which occurred Aug. 12 through Sept. 5.

Officers from more than 250 state and local law enforcement agencies, and thousands more across the country, conducted high-visibility patrols encouraging drivers against drinking and driving. Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over is an annual enforcement effort supported by federal funding allocated to Indiana State Police from the

Traffic Safety division of ICJI.

Officers worked overtime to conduct sobriety patrols and checkpoints around the clock.

According to ICJI, in 2015, there were 4,828 alcohol-impaired collisions in Indiana, resulting in 92 fatalities. This is a 26.5 percent decrease in the number of alcohol-impaired collisions, and a 9 percent decrease in resulting fatalities, from 2014.

The below information is Indiana State Police statistics only and do not include local law enforcement agencies results. The statistical information is from Aug. 12 through Sept. 5.

• Traffic citations: 1,132

- Warning citations: 1,059
- DUI defendants: 11
- Police services: 98
- Crashes investigated: 3
- Criminal arrests: 53
- Felony arrests: 13
- Suspended license arrests: 65
- Seatbelt citations: 522
- Child restraint citations: 18

Indiana law enforcement agencies have been actively involved in the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over campaign for over 20 years. For more information regarding the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over enforcement mobilization campaign, please visit www.nhtsa.gov/drivesober.

Rose Mary, from Page 4

plan Sunday dinner for!"

Although every home contains a history of sad and frustrating times, I think of that house as a happy house. Nancy, an acquaintance who is Vicki's age, grew up a couple of blocks away. She wrote a note about her memories when she saw the real estate

information. After all these years, she still remembers a Halloween party in the attic and the cubby hole in Vicki's bedroom.

A home is more than boards and bricks . . . More to come.

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MEETINGS CALENDAR

Wed., Sept. 14 - Hancock Co. Council meeting, 8:30 a.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield

Wed., Sept. 14 - Henry Co. Drainage Board meeting, 9 a.m., county office building suite 107, New Castle

Wed., Sept. 14 - Rush Co. Council meeting for budget adoption, 9 a.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville

Wed., Sept. 14 - Henry Co. Commissioners meeting, 6 p.m., old circuit court room, second floor of courthouse, New Castle

Wed., Sept. 14 - Rush Co. Area Plan Commission meeting, 6 p.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville

Wed., Sept. 14 - Rush Co. Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 7 p.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville

Thurs., Sept. 15 - Hancock Co. Planning

Commission technical committee meeting, 9 a.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield

Thurs., Sept. 15 - Henry Co. Planning Commissioners meeting, 6:30 p.m., old circuit court room, second floor of courthouse, New Castle

Thurs., Sept. 15 - Knightstown Town Council meeting, 7 p.m., town council chambers, 28 S. Washington St.

Mon., Sept. 19 - Rush Co. Commissioners meeting, 9 a.m., courthouse room 103, Rushville

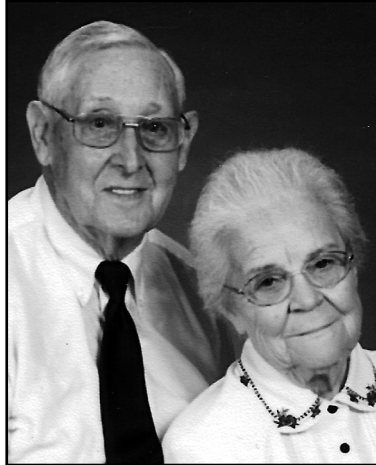
Tues., Sept. 20 - Hancock Co. Commissioners meeting, 8 a.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield

Tues., Sept. 20 - Charles A. Beard Memorial School board meeting, 7 p.m., high school media center

Tues., Sept. 20 - Rush Co. Health Dept. board meeting, 7 p.m., Health Dept. office at courthouse, Rushville

FOLKWAYS

Charles and Bertie Darling Celebrating 70th Anniversary



Charles Retired from K-town Elevator; Bertie Worked at Russell Drugs in Shirley

Charles and Bertie Darling will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary with family and friends on Saturday, Sept. 17, from 2-4 p.m. at the Greensboro Nazarene Church Fellowship Hall.

The Darlings were married Sept. 12, 1946, at Mt. Summit. Charles is from Cadiz originally, while Bertie is from Burkesville, Ky. Charles and Bertie are 91 and 86, respectively.

Charles served in World War II and retired from Knightstown Elevator in 1990, after 42 years of service. Bertie worked for Russell Drugs in Shirley.

The couple has three sons, Gerald (Darlene) Darling, Mack (Sharon) Darling and Danny (Maria) Darling. They have several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

The Darlings are members of Greensboro Nazarene Church. Family and friends are invited to come help the couple celebrate their seven-decade wedding anniversary.

Middletown Legion Hosting Veterans Benefits Seminars

Military veterans in and around East Central Indiana are invited next week for a special service session at American Legion Post 216, located at 450 N. 10th St. in Middletown.

National, state and local teams from The American Legion will be in town to discuss veteran's benefits and service to the community.

All wartime veterans in these areas are invited to Post 216 to learn more about the American Legion and veteran benefits. Membership and veteran information staff will be available from noon to 6 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 23, and Saturday, Sept. 24, along with members of American Legion posts in the surrounding area to kick off this community based veteran service campaign.

A Veteran Service Officer will also be available noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24, to assist all veterans with claims or veteran support-related questions.

In keeping with the over 98-year tradition of the American Legion, the rejuvenated American Legion posts in this county will focus on community service and assistance to veterans. The scope and nature of the posts' community service will be determined by its members and input from the local community.

"Service! That's what the American Legion is all about," said James B. May, commander of the American Legion for the Department of Illinois. "We exist to help each and every veteran, their families and the communities they live in."

"East Central Indiana is an ideal place to strengthen partnerships between the veterans and the community," May added. "The people

here care about their community and supporting our nation's veterans. Now, wartime veterans have a vital organization with which they can make a difference."

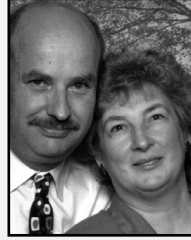
Since its inception in 1919, the American Legion has been a key advocate for veterans' benefits, children and youth, patriotic American values, a strong national defense and quality-of-life issues for those serving in today's armed forces.

The organization, which spearheaded the original GI Bill, has been advocating reform of the veterans health care system under its GI Bill of Health. Creation of the federal forerunner of the Department of Veterans Affairs as well as the agency's ascent to cabinet-level status is due in part to the American Legion's advocacy. The American Legion was also instrumental in the establishment of the Veterans Home Loan, veterans hiring preference and just compensation to veterans suffering from illnesses related to their military service, including those whose ailments stem from exposure to Agent Orange and mysterious Persian Gulf origins.

Equally aggressive are the American Legion's efforts to instill values in young people through numerous programs, including American Legion Boys State, American Legion Boys Nation, Junior Shooting Sports, the National High School Oratorical Contest, American Legion Baseball, Teenage Suicide Prevention and Child Health. The American Legion has supported Scouting since 1919. Many American Legion posts also support Junior ROTC high school units and fundraising for children and youth.

(John 17:13-19)

Serving Where We Live



by Rev. Gail Whitmire
Knightstown First Wesleyan Church - 765-759-5944

"My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of it." (John 17:15, 16).

Jesus was an action hero! At age 30, He left home and hearth to go and spread the message of God and put it into action. Certainly, not everyone welcomed Him, but He went into the world. He knew His work was to minister to the world, in-the-world, even though that wasn't His permanent home.

Many who have followed after Christ have made the decision to minister wherever there is a need. These brothers and sisters of ours have forgone success by the world's standards, to serve wherever God

sent them. We know the names of some of them: the Apostle Paul, Saint Teresa, Billy Graham. They have added much in the way of a Christian influence because they chose to work for whatever change they could make in the world where they were placed. Heroes of the faith don't hide away on a mountaintop to contemplate their knowledge; they get out into the harvest fields where the people are.

You and I have a place of ministry waiting for us. Some of us will share Christ by preaching or teaching; others will offer hospitality; you may be called to send cards of encouragement. And we can all be prayer warriors. However you are able to witness for Christ, remember that if you are obedient to His calling, He will be pleased with your willing heart. In the long run, none of us has a ministry that is more important than another's. God needs you where He has placed you.

Homemakers on the Go Club Celebrates 50-year Anniversary and 50-year Members

Tuesday evening, Aug. 23, 20 members of Homemakers on the Go Club met at Carthage Community Church for the first meeting of their new year.

A surprise celebration took place just prior to the meeting where several long-time members were recognized.

This club was started 50 years ago and four members were charter members and have been in the club all 50 years. They are Judy Neal, Janet Cooper, Pat Bundy and Judy Muir. Several other members were also recognized as Claire Mercer and Charlotte McClurg were also Charter members, with Charlotte McClurg having been the first president. Rita Leisure has been an extension homemaker for 50 years, first in Food, Fad and Fashion and then later in Homemakers on the Go.

The refreshment table was decorated with a gold tablecloth,

beautiful yellow flowers and candles. Delicious punch and decorated cake was served to all. The four 50-year members were presented with special recognition gifts and Claire Mercer entertained with a short talk about various memories the club has been involved with.

The business meeting and social time followed with plans made for the Queen Contest at

Carthage Freedom Festival and plans discussed for the club to make an appearance at the Freedom Festival Parade, October 1. The lesson, "How to Get a Good Night's Sleep", was given by Ann Reddick. As always, others are welcome to visit a meeting and join if they want. The club meets at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month at Carthage Community Church.

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OBITUARIES

Richard Earl Fletcher
 December 25, 1932 - September 9, 2016

Richard Earl Fletcher, age 83, of Greenfield, went home to be with the Lord on Sept. 9, 2016, at Kindred Transitional Care and Rehabilitation in Greenfield. He was born on Dec. 25, 1932, in Greenfield as the son of John I. Fletcher and Etta Mae (Cox) Branson. He was a kind and gentle man with a good sense of humor. He was well liked by everyone he met.

Richard was a lifelong resident of Hancock County. He graduated from Greenfield High School in 1950 and then served his country in the U.S. Airforce during the Korean War where he was a military policeman from 1951-1955. During his early adult life, he was a restaurant owner of the G-2 Café in Knightstown, a private investigator, a dock manager for Overhead Door Corporation, had a private pilot's license, and helped his stepfather with farming.

He married Carol Jean (Grigson) on April 30, 1964 in Knightstown. Richard worked as a journeyman ironworker for Ironworkers Local 22 for 27 years before retiring in 1991, when he then went on to work for Indiana Precision Technology (IPT) for seven years and at Arrowhead Golf Course.

Richard attended Curry's Chapel United Methodist Church, where he served a Sunday school teacher and later as a superintendent for several years. He served as a school board member for Eastern Hancock Schools in the late 1970s and oversaw the construction of the current elementary school. He enjoyed mowing, taking pictures, and caring for all of the homeless animals he took in over time.

Richard is survived by his wife of 52 years, Carol Fletcher of Greenfield; children Angela (Mike) Ennis of Arvada, Colo., Marilee (Michael) Ganesan of Frankfort, Ky., Jada (Chad) Royer of Springville, and Bill (Autumn) Fletcher of Wilkinson; and seven grandchildren, David, Syrus, Ethan, Samara, Saben, Benny and Carolyn.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John Ira Fletcher and Etta Mae Branson; siblings John (Margie) Fletcher, Barbara Joann (Dale) VanHoos, Pat (Don) Rehfuss and Charles (Arlene) Fletcher; stepmother, Zatha Fletcher-Haney; stepfather Robert Branson; stepsiblings Ann Holmes Chapman and Neil Haney.

Per Richard's wishes, he will be cremated. The committal of the ashes will take place during a graveside service on Friday, Sept. 23, at 3 p.m. at Glen Cove Cemetery in Knightstown, with military honors. A Celebration of Life Open House will occur that same day from 5 to 8 p.m. at the home of Bill and Autumn Fletcher, 8911 E. 650-N, Wilkinson.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent directly to Hancock County Humane Society at 214 East Main Street, Greenfield, IN 46140; Hancock County Senior Services, Inc. at 1870 Fields Blvd, Greenfield, IN 46140; or to Mental Health America of Hancock County at 98 East North State, Greenfield, IN 46140. Friends may share a memory or send a condolence at www.erleweinmortuary.com or email condolences to sympathy@erleweinmortuary.com. Arrangements are being handled by Erlewein Mortuary & Crematory in Greenfield.

Mounds State Park Hosting Archaeology Day

Learn about the history buried below the surface of Mounds State Park during Archaeology Day, Sept. 24.

Archaeology Day runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. outside the visitors center on the historic Bronnensberg Home lawn.

Visitors can see items that have been unearthed at

the park, try to identify artifacts, watch Ball State University archaeologists work on an active project, and bring artifacts from home for identification by the Upper White River Archaeological Society. There also will be children's activities.

For more information, call 765-649-8128.

Victory Lane Camp's Annual Chili Cook-off Also Features Auction

Victory Lane Camp is gearing up for a Chili Cook-off from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24, at South Memorial Drive Church of God, 3800 S. Memorial Dr., in New Castle. This year's cook-off also features a bake sale auction and a euchre tournament.

Participants can enter a pot of chili or donate \$1 for each vote. The entry fee for the euchre tournament is \$5. All proceeds benefit Victory Lane Camp's Family Scholarship Fund, which enables families who have children with special needs children to attend camp.

Victory Lane Camp is a community of people from all types of backgrounds and abilities.

Centered around families who have children with disabilities, connections made between families lead to lasting friendships.

"Our Chili Cook-off has become a tradition that the Victory Lane Camp community looks forward to every year," expressed VLC founder Brett Fisher. "It's also an opportunity for those who have a casual interest in what we do to learn more and get to meet some of the incredible families involved in Victory Lane Camp."

To sign up for the Chili Cook-off, visit www.VictoryLaneCamp.org/connections or call Tiffany at 765-591-4191.

DNR Public Meetings Feature Discussion of Bovine TB in Deer

The DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife has scheduled two public meetings to discuss a management and surveillance plan in response to the recent finding of bovine tuberculosis in a wild white-tailed deer.

The first meeting is at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the Franklin County Government Center, 1010 Franklin Ave., Brookville, IN, 47012.

The second meeting is at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 21 at the Dearborn County Fairgrounds, 351 East Eads Parkway, Lawrenceburg, IN, 47025.

DNR deer biologist Joe Caudell will outline the plan for deer hunting season that establishes a management zone in part of Fayette County and all of Franklin County, and a surveillance zone in part of Dearborn County.

Hunter-harvested deer in those zones will be subject to periods of mandatory and voluntary submis-

sion to biological check stations so they can be tested for bovine tuberculosis.

The Indiana State Department of Health will provide information on human health concerns at the meeting, and the Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH) will share information about domestic animals.

In April, BOAH identified bovine tuberculosis (bTB) at a Franklin County cattle farm. The infected cattle herd was depopulated, and BOAH partnered with the DNR and USDA Wildlife and Veterinary Services to test free-ranging wildlife on the cattle farm. A 2-year-old doe that was culled in August as part of the surveillance effort was diagnosed with bTB, marking the first time the disease has been found in a wild animal in Indiana.

Library Now Open Sundays

New Castle-Henry County Public Library is now open on Sundays from 1-5 p.m. Sunday hours continue through the fall, winter, and early spring months.

On Friday, Sept. 30, the library will be closed all day for staff training. Regular hours will resume at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 1.

Many library services, including

book reservations and renewals, are available at www.nchcpl.org.

Pumpkin Fest Sept. 24-25

Whitetail Tree Farm hosts its fourth annual Pumpkin Fest from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24, and 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 25. The event features live music, hayrides, a corn maze, farm animals, and an updated playground. Vendors selling food and crafts will be set up both days and the farm's gift shop will also be open.

Saturday's live performance will begin at 5 p.m. featuring Walker County, a sister duo from Sulphur Springs. Ivy Dene and Sophie Dawn have been touring the Midwest for nearly a decade and are signed to Warner Music Nashville. Prices for Saturday are \$10 for teens and adults and \$5 for ages 4 to 12. Ages 3 and under are free.

On Sunday, Grace Notes will perform at 1:30 p.m., and Denomination X performs at 3 p.m. Prices for Sunday are \$5 for ages 4 and up. Ages 3 and under are free.

Tickets are available during business hours at the Henry County Chamber of Commerce. Tickets will also be available at the farm on the day of the event. Whitetail Tree Farm is located between New Castle and Muncie, just off of State Road 3. For more information, visit www.WhitetailTreeFarm.com or follow Whitetail Tree Farm on Facebook.

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Returning 2015 participants' registration fee is \$25. Registration fee for all others is \$30, if received by Sept. 14, and \$35 after Sept. 14. Registration will continue up until the morning of the event. Shirts and, in particular, shirt sizes - are not guaranteed to participants who register after the pre-registration deadline.

Registration and check-in will begin the day of the ride, Saturday, Oct. 1, at 8 a.m.

More about the Raintree Ride, as well as a print-and-mail registration form can be found at

www.hchcin.org/events.html

The Raintree Ride is open to young and old alike. It is fun and challenging for all riders, no matter their level of experience. It's also a great event in which families can ride together.

All proceeds from this event will go toward developing the recreational trails system in Henry County being designed and constructed under the supervision of and through efforts put forth by Healthy Communities of Henry County, a 501(c) 3 not-for-profit committed to enhancing the quality of life in Henry County.

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Attorney General Offers Tips for Hoosiers Looking at Purchasing an Automobile

Whether it's new or used, buying a car or truck is one of the most complex and expensive purchases one can make. While it's great to get a good deal, doing a little homework and research can help buyers avoid problems with vehicle purchases.

The office of Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller offers the following tips to Hoosiers who are considering purchase of a car:

1. Ensure you get a good deal - The Office of the Indiana Attorney General offers a list of rights for consumers when purchasing a new or used car. Review these rights carefully to avoid being duped into buying a less than ideal vehicle.

2. Understand your financing - Know the exact price of the car, the amount being financed and the total finance charge. Always research your options to make an informed and educated decision.

3. Know when you should receive your title - At the time of purchase, confirm the location and possession of the title. If you have made all agreed upon initial payments, including delivery of a trade-in vehicle (if applicable), car dealers and individuals are required to deliver the title at the time of sale or delivery within 31 days of the sale (IC 9-32-4-1(a)(2)).

4. Beware of odometer and sal-

vage fraud - It is best to have a professional mechanic look at the vehicle before purchase; however, if this is not possible, pay attention to things like the upholstery and carpet matching the miles, oil change and other service stickers, dashboard repair or replacement, different colors of paint, and door and/or hinge replacement.

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LOCAL SPORTS

Panther Tennis Team Defeats Blue River 3-2

Knightstown's varsity boys tennis team moved to 3-1 on the season after defeating Blue River Valley 3-2 at home Aug. 29.

In No. 1 singles, A.J. Dalton lost a close match 4-6 and 6-7.

Lucas Haase pounded his opponent in the No. 2 singles match, winning 6-0 and 6-1.

Collin Ferree secured the Panther victory with his win at No. 3 singles.

Coach Steve Dalton reported,

"After winning the first set 6-4, the Blue River player rallied to go up 4-3 in the second set. Ferree dug in and won the next three games to hold the court 6-4 and wrap up a "W" for the Panthers."

The No. 1 doubles team of Ethan Roberts and Chase Manley fell in their match 1-6, 1-6.

But, the No. 2 doubles team of Jack Sather and Dallas Edwards came up big, winning their sets 6-1 and 6-2.

KHS Wrestlers Hosting All-You-Can-Eat Chili Dinner

Knightstown's varsity wrestling team is hosting a chili dinner at the high school Friday, September 16 from 5-7 p.m.

The fundraising event is set to take place prior to the football game with Eastern Hancock.

The dinner is all-you-can-eat for a \$5 ticket. Besides chili, desserts and drinks will also be available.

Any questions should be directed to wrestling coach Jared Evans.

KHS Boys Soccer Team Lose Three

Knightstown's varsity boys soccer team suffered a big loss on the road Sept. 1 at Delta. The Eagles defeated the Panthers 10-1.

Knightstown's only goal came in the first half when, according to the coach's report, "Jordan Richardson scored off an excellent cross from Ronnie Schaeffer."

On Sept. 6, the Panthers traveled to Union County and fell to the Patriots 0-7.

Knightstown took another loss at Rushville Sept. 12, losing to the Lions 0-6. Richardson came close to scoring late in the game but Rushville's goalkeeper made a nice stop. Jon Lukens posted 12 saves as goalkeeper for the Panthers.

KHS Volleyball Drops Three at Wapahani Invite

Knightstown's varsity volleyball team faced three tough challenges at the Wapahani Invitational Aug. 27.

The Lady Panthers got clobbered by Shenandoah in the first match of the tourney 14-25 and 16-25.

Candice Wyatt led the Lady Panthers with two kills, one ace, three digs, one assist and seven serves received.

Vivian Goodpaster had one ace and three digs with eight serves received. Kamryn Reed made one kill, two digs and six assists.

Paige Halcomb had two digs with eight serves received. Courtney Carlton got two kills.

Maggie Smith made one kill and received two serves successfully.

Dharma Holder served one ace and came up with two digs.

Hailey Marshall had one dig and received three serves. Trinidad Newby received two serves.

In the second match, the Lady Panthers were defeated by tourney host Wapahani 12-25 and 6-25.

Wyatt had one kill, one block and three digs with six serves received. Reed contributed five assists and made one dig.

Carlton made two kills and one dig. Smith got two kills and received two serves. Vivian Goodpaster had three digs with eight serves received. Alyssa Northern got one dig and received five serves.

Newby had one dig and received two serves. Halcomb and Marshall each received three serves. Elexus Goodpaster received one serve.

The Lady Panthers fared a bit better against Adams Central in the third match of the day but ultimately came up short, losing to Lady Flying Jets 22-25 and 14-25.

Wyatt posted four kills, one ace, one block and seven digs with four serves received.

Vivian Goodpaster came up big with nine digs and 12 serves received.

Holder made three kills and Reed had nine assists with one ace and one dig. Halcomb served one ace and had five digs with six serves received. Smith got one kill and three digs with eight serves received.

Newby got one kill and four digs. Marshall made two digs and received five serves. Northern had one kill and one dig while Carlton also had a dig.

The invitational results moved the Lady Panthers overall season record to 3-5.

Panthers Come up Short in 4th Quarter, Fall to North Decatur

It was a close game throughout but a final push by North Decatur Friday night in the fourth quarter gave the Chargers a 21-17 win over the visiting Knightstown football team.

After recovering a Chargers' fumble on their own 27-yard line, the Panthers got on the board first with a 34-yard field goal by Kyler Schaetzle about halfway through the first quarter. The Panther defense stayed strong for the rest of the quarter, allowing KHS to keep the 3-0 lead.

The Panthers couldn't get much going offensively in the second quarter and it appeared they might hold on to the lead but the Chargers broke out with a 31-yard touchdown run with just over a minute left in the half. The extra kick was good to give North Decatur a 7-3 lead at halftime.

The Chargers scored again early in the third quarter to go up 14-3. But the Panthers responded with a

48-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Tyler Burton to freshman Max Muncy. Schaetzle's extra point attempt was successful to bring the score to 14-10.

The Panthers came up with their second fumble recovery to take over at the 33. Then Burton hit Muncy again for a 25-yard touchdown pass and Schaetzle was good again on the extra point to allow the Panthers retake the lead 17-14.

Despite some good drives by the Panthers in the fourth quarter, Knightstown failed to reach the end zone. With just over four minutes remaining, the Chargers ended a drive with a two-yard touchdown run. Their extra point gave the Chargers the 21-17 lead and they held on for the win.

The loss dropped the Panthers' season record to 1-3. Knightstown will host big rival Eastern Hancock this Friday, Sept. 16.

KNIGHTSTOWN INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Passing

Tyler Burton - 8 of 16 for 133 yards, 2 touchdowns (longest 48 yards)

Rushing

Richie Nelson - 17 carries for 73 yards, 1 fumble
T. Burton - 8 carries for 17 yards
Jon Simmons - 8 carries for 17 yards

Receiving

Max Muncy - 3 receptions for 78 yards, 2 touchdowns (longest 48 yards)
Richie Nelson - 4 receptions for 34 yards
Tucker Personett - 1 reception for 21 yards

Interceptions / Sacks / Recoveries

T. Personett - one sack for 7-yard loss
Lane Parker - 1 pass deflected
Conner Brockman - one sack for 7-yard loss, 1 fumble caused

Garrett Thomas - 1 fumble caused

Zach Clark, Dawson Smith - 1 fumble recovered

Returns

N. Walsh - 1 kickoff return for 33 yards
Devyn Schaetzle - 1 kickoff return for 2 yards

Kicking

Kyler Schaetzle - 2 points after touchdowns, 4 kickoffs for 131 yards
T. Burton - 3 punts for 98 yards

Total Tackles (solo+assists)

Garrett Thomas - 19 (13 solo); T. Burton, J. Simmons - 12; Steven Heady - 9; Bryan Newby - 7; Bruce Nichols - 5; C. Brockman, Dalton Moss - 4; Z. Clark, Thomas Pursley, Dawson Smith - 3; Charlie Moore, L. Parker, T. Personett - 2; M. Muncy; R. Nelson - 1.

The Hoosier Hardwood Photo Project to Launch Oct. 1

Henry County's rich basketball history will be on display when the Indiana Historical Society (IHS) launches a new photo exhibit on Saturday, Oct. 1. The exhibit, called The Hoosier Hardwood Photo Project: A Journey to Indiana's Historic High School Gyms, will highlight the work of photographers Michael E. Keating and Chris Smith.

"In 2013, we began a journey to document some of the places where high school basketball has lived," said Smith. "By the summer of 2016 we had traveled more than 10,000 miles in all kinds of weather, visited 130 gyms, watched countless hours of basketball and shot more than 150,000 digital frames."

The photographers chose 42 of those images to be included in the exhibit at the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center in Indianapolis. Like the collection as a whole, the photographs highlighting Henry County will reveal a wide-range of Hoosier basketball moments.

The images will take visitors inside gymnasiums in Knightstown, New Castle and Spiceland. While different in size and scope, each plays a valuable role in its community.

Visitors can also hear stories from the road when IHS holds a special behind-the-scenes event with Keating and Smith. The program will take place Saturday, Oct. 8, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., at the History Center.

Throughout the run of the exhibit (Oct. 1-Nov. 12), The Hoosier Hardwood Photo Project will be included with admission to the Indiana Experience, open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. The History Center is located at 450 W. Ohio St. in downtown Indianapolis.

For more information about this exhibit, presented by Roberts Camera, call (317) 232-1882 or visit IHS online at www.indianahistory.org.

Photographer Michael E. Keating and his wife, Sarah, live near Cincinnati and have two grown children. Keating, a former newspaper photojournalist, retired from The Cincinnati Enquirer in 2012. In his career as a photojournalist that began in Evansville, Indiana, at the Sunday Courier and Press, Keating was named Indiana Photographer of the Year in 1977.

Keating won numerous National Press Photographers Association Awards during his Enquirer years and an Emmy for his photography in 2010. Publication of a book, Cincinnati Shadow & Light, highlights Keating's career as a photojournalist. Keating began work on The Hoosier Hardwood Photo Project after a suggestion by his friend and partner in this project, Chris Smith.

For 33 years, Chris Smith has traveled the United States and Caribbean making images for Fortune 500 companies and editorial outlets such as National Geographic Traveler, Smithsonian Magazine, and the Wall Street Journal. He and his wife, Elise, live on a farm ten miles east of Milan, Indiana, in the long shadow cast by the Mighty Men of 1954.

Gyms featured in The Hoosier Hardwood Photo Project include:

- *Anderson High School Gymnasium, Anderson
- *Former Bedford High School Gymnasium, Bedford
- *Bird Cage, Washington Catholic, Washington
- *Brown Gymnasium, Madison
- *Caston Junior-Senior High School, Caston
- *Columbus North High School Gymnasium, Columbus
- *Comer's Dairy Barn, Osgood (Barn holds remnants of old Lawrenceburg gym)
- *Crispus Attucks High School Gymnasium, Indianapolis
- *Former Dupont High School Gymnasium, Dupont
- *Former Economy High School Gymnasium, Economy
- *Greensburg Armory, Greensburg
- *Former Holton High School Gymnasium, Holton (Tornado damage in March 2012)
- *The Hoosier Gym, Knightstown
- *Huntington North High School Gymnasium, Huntington
- *Jasper High School Gymnasium, Jasper (Pictured in 2016, post-roof repairs)
- *Former Little York Gymnasium, Little York
- *Former Loogootee High School Gymnasium

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LOCAL SPORTS

Lady Panthers Bounce Back with Two Wins

Knightstown's varsity volleyball team bounced back from a disheartening day at the Wapahani Invite with a 3-0 win over Irvington Preparatory Academy Aug. 30 and a 3-1 win over Waldron Sept. 1.

KHS defeated Irvington at home 25-12, 25-8 and 25-19.

Candice Wyatt once again led the Lady Panthers with nine kills, two aces, two blocks, five digs, two assists and one serve received.

Paige Halcomb served nine aces, made one assist seven digs with six serves received.

Courtney Carlton had four kills, three aces, four digs and one assist.

Kamryn Reed posted 11 assists, three kills, seven aces, one block and three digs.

Trinidad Newby had three kills, four digs, one assist and seven serves received.

Vivian Goodpaster made four digs with two serves received.

Hailey Marshall had two digs with four serves received and Dharma Holder had one dig with one serve received.

Maggie Smith received three serves.

Freshman Sierra Heady, playing in her first varsity match, served one ace.

The Lady Panthers beat Waldron on the road 25-16, 25-18, 15-25 and 25-13.

Wyatt had a huge night for Knightstown with 14 kills, two aces, one block, three assists and 13 digs with eight serves received.

Reed contributed 24 assists, served two aces and had six digs and one kill.

Freshman Trinidad Newby posted her best match of the season, finishing with six kills, five aces, one block, one assist and 16 digs with nine serves received.

Vivian Goodpaster served five aces and made 23 digs with 16 serves received.

Carlton posted three kills, two aces and three digs.

Smith made five kills and received four serves.

Halcomb served two aces and got six digs with seven serves received.

Holder had two kills and received one serve.

Alyssa Northern added one kill and Elexus Goodpaster received one serve.

Following the two wins, the Lady Panthers improved their season record to 5-5.

Royals Give Homecoming Crowd Plenty to Cheer for in 51-8 Victory

Eastern Hancock's varsity football team whipped Indianapolis Broad Ripple 51-8 last Friday night for the school's homecoming.

The Royals scored a whopping 30 points in the first quarter and 21 more in the second quarter then held on for the win. Broad Ripple scored their only

points in the final minutes of the fourth quarter.

With the win, the Royals move to 15th in the AP Media poll and 12th in the Indiana Football Coaches' poll.

Eastern Hancock's season record improves to 2-2. The Royals travel to Knightstown Sept. 16.

EASTERN HANCOCK INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Passing

Jarett Lewis - 6 of 9 for 61 yards, 1 interception

Rushing

Devin Denney - 7 carries for 75 yards, 2 touchdowns, one fumble

A.J. Muegge - 4 carries for 77 yards, 4 touchdowns

Payton Wilkinson - 3 carries for 50 yards

Devyn Brinson - 2 carries for 11 yards

Chase Settergren - 2 carries for 7 yards

J. Lewis - 4 carries for 2 yards, one touchdown

Andy Locker - 1 carry for -4 yards

Blayze Sarber - 3 carries for -9 yards

Spencer Maxwell - 1 conversion for 2 points

Receiving

P. Wilkinson - 2 receptions for 34 yards

A.J. Muegge - 3 receptions for 32 yards

D. Denney - 1 reception for -5 yards

Interceptions / Sacks / Recoveries / Fumble

Jake Hancock, Brandon Francis - 1 sack

Riley Settergren - 1 pass deflected, 1 fumble

recovered

Jayson Bowers - 1 interception for 30-yard gain, 1 fumble recovered

Returns

S. Maxwell - 1 punt return for 25 yards

A.J. Muegge - 1 kickoff return for 19 yards

Luke Splater - 1 punt return for 17 yards

Kicking

A.J. Muegge - 4 points after touchdowns, 8 kick-offs for 265 yards

Victor Olivo - 1 point after touchdown

D. Brinson - 1 punt for 45 yards

Total Tackles (solo+assists)

Brandon Francis - 6; Reece Burkhart, Clayton

Cochard, Spencer Maxwell, Jacob Miller, Luke

Splater, Tyler Vandervliet - 4; Chandler Anderson, J.

Bowers, R. Settergren - 3; D. Brinson, Gabe Lawler,

Dakota Linton, Andy Locker, B. Sarber, P.

Wilkinson - 2; Joe Billerman, William Flora, Garrett

Friesen, J. Hancock, Wesley Myers, Craig Rifner - 1.

Titans Suffer First Loss to Wes-Del

Tri's varsity football team ran into a tough Wes-Del squad last Friday that ended the Titans undefeated season. The Warriors, also undefeated, held on for a 12-7 win on their home field.

The game got off to a terrible start for the Titans when the Warriors scored on the first possession of the game. A two-point conversion attempt failed but the Warriors were on the board with six.

The Titans were on the brink of tying the game up when Wes-Del

intercepted Tri quarterback Drew Mondrush in the end zone.

Then, Josiah Jackson jumped on a Warrior fumble but the Titans were unable to take advantage, ending the first quarter with the Warriors still up 6-0.

The Titans' attempts to reach the end zone fail in the second quarter but their defense holds the Warriors to keep the score at 6-0 at halftime.

Tri starts off the third quarter with a nice drive that ends with David O'Neill taking the ball in

for the Titans' first touchdown. He completes the extra kick to give the Titans a 7-6 lead.

Wes-Del comes back with a long drive to score six more. The Warriors attempt at a conversion fails but they go up 12-7.

The Titans try to tighten up the score in the third with a field goal but the Warriors block it. Neither team is able to break through the defense to score again and Wes-Del holds on for the 12-7 win.

The loss moves the Titans' season record to 3-1.

TRI INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Passing

Drew Mondrush - 3 of 7 for 25 yards, 1 interception

Rushing

David O'Neill - 23 carries for 149 yards, 1 touchdown

Nick Wilson - 7 carries for 29 yards

Tristin Goodwin - 3 carries for 13 yards

D. Mondrush - 3 carries for 3 yards

Receiving

Eric Bilby - 1 reception for 15 yards

Seth Butler - 1 reception for 8 yards

Masen Phelps - 1 reception for 2 yards

Interceptions / Sacks / Recoveries / Blocks

Deven Jones - 2 sacks

Josiah Jackson - 1 fumble recovery

Total Tackles (solo+assists)

Kyler Burchett, Austin Stroud - 7; Garrett Fields,

Tristin Goodwin, Alex Melton - 6; Parker Smeltzer,

Logan Stephens, Nick Wilson - 4; Austin Fowler,

Deven Jones, Drew Mondrush - 3; Eric Bilby, Josiah

Jackson, David O'Neill, Masen Phelps - 2.

Hundreds of Photos from 4-H Fair, K-town Homecoming Posted

More than three dozen photos from the Knightstown homecoming parade and powder puff football game have been posted to The Banner's website.

Also recently posted to www.thebanneronline.com is the e-edition version of The Banner's 2016 Henry County 4-H Fair special supplement.

Along with the 4-H e-edition are 388 photos taken by Banner publisher Eric Cox during his time covering the fair. All the photos are available for purchase.

Lady Titans Move to 5-4

Tri's varsity volleyball team got another road win Aug. twothree, defeating Randolph Southern three-0.

The Lady Titans beat the Lady Rebels twofive-twoone, twofive-nine and twofive-twowo.

Addy Edwards led the way for the Lady Titans, serving six aces and making seven kills and two blocks.

Payton Moore also had a great game with eight kills, seven blocks and one assist.

Kierstyn Conyers got six kills and one dig.

Breanna Reece had three kills, one ace and three digs.

Kaley Harrison provided 14 assists and had four digs.

Allison Kingery had one kill and four digs while Kirsten Falck made two digs.

On Aug. 25, Tri traveled to Lapel where they lost 0-3. The Lady Bulldogs beat the Lady Titans 25-17, 25-7 and 25-15.

Reece led the Lady Titans with six kills, one ace, six digs and one assist.

Moore made four kills, one block and one dig.

Conyers got two kills, two blocks, three digs and one assist.

Edwards had two kills, one

block, two digs and one assist.

Falck came up with 12 digs, one kill and two assists.

Harrison had six digs and seven assists. Kingery posted one kill, one ace and seven digs.

The Lady Titans recovered from their loss at Lapel with a 3-1 home win over Union Aug. 31.

Tri lost the first set 14-25 then fought hard to top the Lady Rockets in the next three sets 26-24, 30-28 and 28-26.

The Lady Titans saw several outstanding performances.

Conyers finished with 13 kills, 15 digs and one block.

Edwards also had 13 kills along with three aces, one block, three digs and one assist.

Moore also had a stellar match with 12 kills, one ace, three blocks, one dig and one assist.

Kirsten Falck made 24 digs and Reece had nine kills, three aces, eight digs and one assist.

Harrison contributed 27 assists with one kill and eight digs.

Kingery had one kill, one ace and 10 digs.

Makenna Hawk came up with three digs and Auburn Harvey had two digs.

The Lady Titans improved to 5-4 on the season.

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LOCAL SPORTS

Stewart Takes Founders Days 100 at Mt. Lawn Speedway

by Gib Chew
for The Banner

Strauch's own Tony Stewart held off Dustin Sapp of Indianapolis as they wove through lapped traffic to win the Founders Day 100 for the Van Hoy Oil Thunder Cars at Mt. Lawn Speedway Sept. 11, the track's season finale.

Brandon Mefford kept Jeff Lane at bay to take the Big O Tires Street Stock feature, Austin Kares won the Super Kart Feature and Adam Lee was the Sunnyside Motors Compact winner.

Along with the exciting racing, Mt. Lawn honored many of those who make the races possible, inducting two new members to the Mt. Lawn Hall of Fame.

Steve Davis of New Castle and LJ Lines of Lewisville were the 2016 inductees.

Davis has been building cars to race at Mt. Lawn since 1957 after starting to build drag racing cars in 1950. He has owned many track championships and built cars for many of the most well-known drivers in the area.

"I am honored," Davis commented. "I just want everyone to realize that I did not do this alone, it takes a lot of people to get one of these cars ready, and I have had a lot of help over the years."

When asked who his favorite driver was, Davis smiled and replied, "All of them were my favorite driver, when they didn't tear my car up."

Lines began his racing career in 1960, driving his own Flying Stock. From there he drove his own Semi Late Model built with the help of Mt. Lawn Hall of Famer Jim Hardy. Lines then drove the famous yellow 57 Chevy #76 late model owned and built by Hardy. He eventually got hooked up with Davis and the pair competed in Late Models and Modifieds.

Lines has won four Raintree 100 titles and numerous track championships at Mt. Lawn and Anderson Speedway.

The State Farm Street Drags were won by Nick Pollett.

Kicking off the racing festivities, the Sunnyside Motors Compacts featured a tight race between New Castle's Lee and Richmond's Andy Jennings.

Lee and Jennings battled through most of the race with Jennings out in front. As the cars entered the first turn on the white flag lap, Lee and Jennings tangled, with Lee on the inside and Jennings ending up against the long turn wall and Lee in the lead.

Lee held on at the green-white-checker restart with Tom Gossar, Jr. of Markleville finishing second and Brian Slavey from New Castle finishing third. Gossar took the trophy dash. Andy Jennings is the 2016 Season Champion for the Sunnyside Motors Compacts.

The Super Kart feature had close racing with Austin Kares out running through the field to take the lead with three to go and holding off Drake Stencil as Stencil marched to take second on the last lap coming from fifth place just four laps earlier. Kenny Raney was

third, Cody Rinehart fourth and Cody Kennedy fifth. Kares also won his heat race. Chuck McGinnis won the other heat race.

Ryan Amonett of New Castle seemed to have the car to beat in the early going of the Big O Tires Street Stocks feature, but he was taken off the track with an oil leak on the 11th lap. Navigating through several early spins on the track (several cautions in the first 13 laps) race winner Brandon Mefford of Spiceland took the lead on the 12th lap and raced to the win in the 50 lap race.

Knightstown's Jeff Lane chased him for much of the race but could not catch him as Mefford won. Markel's Jake Hinton took third, Bremen native JJ Schafer came home fourth and Anderson's Jake Owens was fifth. Kevin Claborn won the Street Stock Trophy Dash.

"I wish my Dad (William Mefford) could have been here to see this. I miss him. I could not have done it without Timothy, my sponsors and friends and family," Mefford remarked. "I was kind of worried when Jeff Lane got behind me, but I could pull him out of the short turn, so I stayed out front and just ran hard all the way."

Lane was crowned the Season Champion with his second place finish. "It's always nice to win a championship. Tonight I was slow through the short turn and could not catch Brandon," said Lane.

The marquee event of the night was the Van Hoy Oil Thunder Cars Founders Day 100 in remembrance of Dr. George W. Sweigart and George A. Sweigart. The race featured 22 cars to start and close racing action.

Markleville's Randy Hoppes jumped from his fourth row starting spot to take the lead on the first lap. Frankie Oakes from Cambridge City tracked Hoppes down and passed him on a restart on the 11th lap, following Claborn breaking an axle on the front stretch and taking Shawn Evans of Kennard up into the wall in the first turn. Jameson Owens from Indianapolis took the lead on a restart on the 15th lap after Dale Harper's machine found the wall. Owens held the lead until Stewart passed him on a restart on the 33rd lap.

From there, Stewart stayed in the lead with Owens right on his tail until lap 54 when he got slowed up by lapped traffic and Owens snuck by Stewart. Stewart came storming back on lap 56 to take the lead for good. Both Owens and then Dustin Sapp pushed Stewart as he was never able to drive away from them. Sapp finished second, Owens was third as the only three cars on the lead lap. Jim Walker finished fourth and Stewart's son AJ Stewart finished fifth. With the win, Stewart also took the Season Championship.

"I have to thank my family, my sponsors, Van Hoy Oil for making this possible," Stewart stated. "I knew if I came out and won the race then I won the championship, and to win over drivers like Claborn, Sapp and Owens makes this that much more fun. They are

Lady Panther 8th Graders Win County Title



Knightstown's eighth grade volleyball team poses after defeating Blue River Valley to win the Henry County title Sept. 10. (Photo provided)

Knightstown's eighth grade volleyball team defeated Shenandoah 25-20 and 25-9 in the first round of the Henry County Tourney on Saturday, Sept. 10.

The Lady Panthers then went on to beat Blue River Valley 25-21 and 25-10 in the championship match to claim this year's county title.

Rena Witham led Knightstown with 16 kills, eight digs, six aces and one block.

Emilie Moss served seven aces and had four kills and eight digs.

Paige Personett finished with six kills, seven digs and one ace.

Brachelle Wisner contributed 27 assists and had four aces and three kills.

Cara Mullen had four digs and five aces. Keira

Leisure added 4 digs.

Knightstown's seventh grade volleyball team lost to Blue River 22-25, 25-14 and 11-15 in the first round but defeated Tri in the second round 25-19 and 25-17 to place third in the county tourney.

Alicia Knapp led the seventh grade team with six digs, six aces, one kill and three assists.

Jordyn Plank served 20 aces and made two digs and three assists.

Mallory Halcomb finished with four aces, four digs, two kills and two assists.

Avery Bever had three digs, three aces and an assist.

Grace Jones got two kills and three aces.

Josie Koehler made two kills, an ace and a dig while Gwen Dyer added three aces and a dig.

tough guys to beat, and they really push me to be my best."

"It was a great night," track promoter Rick Sweigart stated. "We had a good year, big crowds back at the track, and over 20 Thunder Cars tonight. Thank you to everyone who came out this year and made this possible. We are very hopeful of returning in 2017."

The Founders Day 100 was the last race of the year at Mt. Lawn. Future plans will be announced on the website, www.mtlawn.com, and on Facebook and Twitter.

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KHS Golfers Get Two More Wins

Knightstown's varsity girls golf team topped Wapahani in a duel meet Aug. 29 at Hickory Hills Golf Course.

KHS posted a score of 222 with Wapahani just three points behind at 225.

Sammi Eaks shot a 41 and Daisy Hoffman scored a 56.

Lauren McCorkle finished with a 59 and Kori Wright posted a 66.

The following evening on Aug. 30 the Lady Panthers were home at Royal Hylands in a three-way meet with Greensburg and Rushville.

The KHS girls placed third with 208. Greensburg scored 184

and Rushville edged out the Lady Panthers with a 205.

Eaks posted a 42 and Hoffman tied her career low with a 47.

McCorkle scored a 59. Kira Smith shot a 60 and Wright finished with a 66.

The Lady Panthers won another duel meet on Sept. 1 at North Branch Golf Course against North Decatur.

Knightstown scored a 209 and North Decatur shot a 215.

Eaks led the way for KHS with a 44. Hoffman scored 48 and McCorkle had a 54. Wright improved her game, scoring a 63.

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*Sept. 16 - Knightstown hosting Eastern Hancock, 7 p.m.
 *Sept. 16 - Tri away at Northeastern, 7 p.m.

Football - Junior Varsity

*Sept. 19 - Knightstown away at Hagerstown, 6 p.m.
 *Sept. 19 - Tri at home vs. Centerville, 6 p.m.
 *Sept. 19 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Alexandria Monroe, 6 p.m.

Co-Ed Cross Country - Varsity

*Sept. 15 - Tri away at Waldron (with Oldenburg), 4:30 p.m.
 *Sept. 17 - Eastern Hancock away at Yorktown Invitational, 10 a.m.
 *Sept. 20 - Knightstown away at Connersville, 5:30 p.m.
 *Sept. 20 - Eastern Hancock away at Hancock County Meet, New Palestine H.S., 5 p.m.

Girls Golf - Varsity

*Sept. 14 - Knightstown vs. Hagerstown And New Castle, Hagerstown Golf Course, 4:30 p.m.
 *Sept. 15 - Eastern Hancock vs. Centerville, 5 p.m.

Boys Soccer - Varsity

*Sept. 15 - Knightstown at home vs. Anderson Prep. Academy, 5 p.m.
 *Sept. 19 - Knightstown at home vs. Indiana Math & Science Academy West, 6 p.m.
 *Sept. 21 - Knightstown at home vs. Seton Catholic, 5 p.m.

Girls Soccer - Varsity

*Sept. 14 - Knightstown at home vs. Wapahani, 5 p.m.
 *Sept. 20 - Knightstown away at International School Of Indiana, 5:30 p.m.

Boys Tennis - Junior Varsity & Varsity

*Sept. 14 - Knightstown at home vs. Crispus Attucks, 4:30 p.m.
 *Sept. 14 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Blue River Valley, 5 p.m.
 *Sept. 14 - Tri away at Centerville, 4:30 p.m.
 *Sept. 15 - Tri at home vs. Randolph Southern, 5 p.m.
 *Sept. 15 - Eastern Hancock away at Morristown, 5 p.m.
 *Sept. 17 - Knightstown and Tri away at Henry County Tourney, Shenandoah H.S., 9 a.m.
 *Sept. 20 - Tri away at Eastern Hancock, 5 p.m.
 *Sept. 20 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Tri, 5 p.m.
 *Sept. 21 - Knightstown at home vs. Triton Central, 4:30 p.m.
 *Sept. 21 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Anderson High School, 5 p.m.

Volleyball - Junior Varsity & Varsity

*Sept. 14 - Knightstown away at Daleville, 6 p.m.
 *Sept. 14 - Tri away at Centerville, 6 p.m.
 *Sept. 15 - Knightstown at home vs. Shenandoah, 6 p.m.
 *Sept. 15 - Tri away at Monroe Central, 6 p.m.
 *Sept. 15 - Eastern Hancock away at Southwestern, 6 p.m.
 *Sept. 17 - Knightstown (varsity only) hosting Panther Invite, all day starting at 9 a.m.
 *Sept. 17 - Tri (JV only) hosting Tri Invite, all day starting at 9 a.m.
 *Sept. 17 - Knightstown (JV only) away at Tri Invite, all day starting at 9 a.m.
 *Sept. 17 - Eastern Hancock away at Tri JV Invitational, all day starting at 9 a.m.
 *Sept. 19 - Knightstown at home vs. Southwestern Shelby, 6 p.m.
 *Sept. 21 - Tri at home vs. Eastern Hancock, 6 p.m.
 *Sept. 21 - Eastern Hancock away at Tri, 6 p.m.

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of service announced. I believe there were 187 of us, and sad to say, many were in wheelchairs. There were wheelchairs for every veteran needing one. I am proud to say I walked it all. Last, but not least, a special thanks to my guardian, Myla Wilkerson. Myla, you made my day!

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BMV, from Page 4

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"BMV has been issuing refunds since before the current lawsuit, which Mr. Levin claimed was filed to benefit BMV's customers. Mr. Levin also claimed to be representing the best interests of Hoosier taxpayers. This request for the

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Budget, from Page 1

town submits to the DLGF. Knightstown's park board, however, has for several years ignored this mandate, leaving it to the town's clerk-treasurer to prepare the park board's proposed budget for the coming year.

At Monday's meeting, Park Board President Suzee Neal announced that she and new board member Jan McGuire had met last Friday with Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer Beth Huffman to discuss the park board's budget. She provided a handout to the other board members showing a proposed budget that resulted from that meeting.

"We went as big as we possibly could," Neal said.

The budget has 11 line items, the largest one being \$35,000 for building repairs and improvements, including installation of a deck at the park shelter house. The other proposed expenditures are: repair/maintenance supplies (\$2,000); fire/liability insurance (\$4,560); utilities (\$18,000); equipment maintenance (\$10,000); ground maintenance (\$9,000); trash contract (\$864); other services/charges (\$7,000); shelter house deposit refunds (\$7,500); salary (\$3,000); FICA/Medicare (\$270).

The park board's newest mem-

ber, Jacob Hart, attending his first meeting since being appointed by the town council last month to fill the vacancy left by Ed Johnson's recent resignation, asked Neal how the proposed 2017 budget compared to last year's. While Neal told him it was about a 30-percent increase across the board, it appears that the total increase is actually 54 percent.

Last year, the proposed budget Knightstown submitted to the state for 2016 sought permission to spend \$70,000. The final budget order issued by the DLGF ended up cutting the park board's portion of the town budget nearly 10 percent, reducing it to \$63,063, and Neal said she expects a reduction for the 2017 budget as well.

"We're never going to get that," Neal said of the \$97,154 budget, which she described as "really high." If the state were to approve just \$70,000 for next year, Neal said she "would be thrilled."

Over the past several years, the portion of Knightstown's overall property tax rate that goes to fund the park board's budget has fluctuated widely, from just over 4 cents to a little under 15 cents per \$100 of taxable property. Neal said at Monday's meeting that one

of the goals she, McGuire and Huffman had was to try to keep the rate close to the rate for this year, which was just under 6 cents.

Board Vice President Bruce Brown and board member Ashley Lapham made and seconded, respectively, a motion to approve the proposed 2017 budget presented by Neal. With support from Neal and Hart, the motion passed 4-0. McGuire, the board's fifth member, was not present for this vote; she was attending a Wayne Township budget adoption meeting next door and missed most of the park board meeting.

After learning the township board meeting had concluded, Neal briefly left the park board meeting to go and get McGuire. When they returned, McGuire told the park board she had some "good news" on the park board's request for township help paying to replace the roof at the Sunset Park shelter house.

McGuire said Wayne Township Trustee Randy Overman told her to have the park board get three estimates on the roof work and that he would convene a special township board meeting to consider the matter once that's done. She said Overman and the township board

did not pledge a specific amount of financial assistance, but had told her it would be a "reasonable amount."

In other business at Monday's meeting, the park board:

*OK'd payment of monthly bills;

*approved renewal of its yearly contract with Republic Services for trash pick-up in the park;

*tabled issues dealing with wi-fi service in the park and relocation of a backflow valve on the splash pad;

*voted to waive the shelter house rental fee for the Psi Iota sorority, which will be conducting family interviews there later this month in connection with its annual Cheer Guild program;

*approved McGuire's use of the shelter house for adult painting classes on Oct. 27, Nov. 18 and Dec. 16, with the shelter house rental fee waived; and

*scheduled the park board's next meeting for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25, at the park shelter house.

More information about Monday's 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.

Friends of Library Book Sale Set for Saturday, Sept. 17

Friends of the Library will host a book sale from 12-4 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 17, at New Castle-Henry County Public Library. During the sale, children's books and romance books will be 10 for \$1. Credit/debit cards are accepted at the basement checkout (\$5 minimum) during the sale.

Friends of the Library operates a book sale room on the library's lower level with books, magazines, movies, and music. The upper level book shop has like-new items. Both locations are open any time the library is open. All proceeds benefit Friends of the Library, which helps to support the services and activities of New Castle-Henry County Public Library.

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Festival, from Page 1

Group, a Lawrence-based firm working with the town on a variety planning and development issues. The council agreed to pay KCG \$3,500 to prepare a Pavement Asset Management Plan, the completion of which is necessary in order for the town to be able to apply for a Community Crossings grant through the state's Department of Transportation.

Kieser said INDOT's Community Crossings program provides grants that match local

contributions dollar-for-dollar. He provided handouts showing recent grants awarded to 101 Indiana counties and local communities, with the awards ranging from \$10,000 to the \$1 million given to 22 recipients.

Henry, Hancock, Shelby and Wayne counties and the city of Anderson were among those receiving Community Crossings grants worth \$1 million. Greenfield received \$982,912.34, Delaware County got \$981,336.58,

Rushville was awarded \$827,366.70 and Rush County got \$127,000.

KCG has already proven successful at helping the town get grant money, including a \$40,000 planning grant from the state and a \$97,700 federal grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Office of Rural Development. The latter, along with a \$6,000 grant from the Rush County Community Foundation, will help pay for downtown improvements that will

include new streetlights, handicap accessibility sidewalk ramps, planters, trash receptacles, benches, restriping of road and sidewalk crossings, and engineering, design and inspection fees.

Kieser said that he, Carthage Clerk-Treasurer Linda McMahan and Davis will soon be meeting with a representative from the USDA's Office of Rural Development to go over the details of that grant. He also told the council his firm expects to submit

an application to the RCCF by November for a \$25,000 grant the organization will be awarding to commemorate its 25th anniversary.

More information about Monday's Carthage Town Council meeting can be found in the memoranda and minutes of that proceeding. Those public records are available for inspection and copying at Carthage Town Hall, 6 W. First St., during normal business hours.



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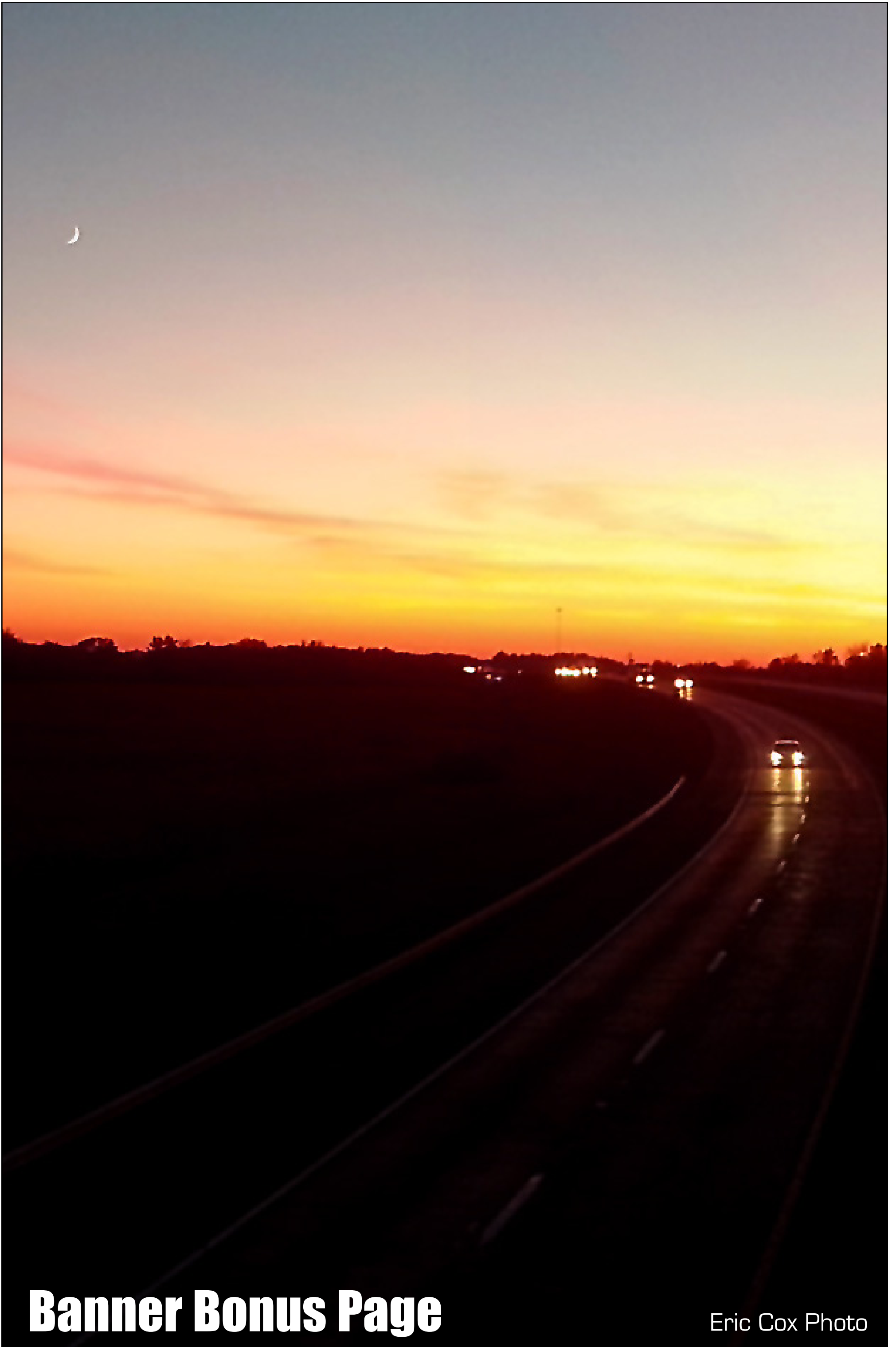
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