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

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Knightstown, IN

Crime Watch Hog Roast April 22

Knightstown Neighborhood Crime Watch will host its annual hog roast on Saturday, April 22, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Hoosier Gym. Proceeds from the event, which will feature food and live entertainment, benefit the nonprofit crime watch organization.

KHS Rock for Riley Set for Friday, May 5

The Knightstown High School National Honor Society chapter will host its annual Rock for Riley fundraiser on Friday, May 5, 6-11:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Admission is \$5 and all proceeds benefit Riley Children's Hospital. Feature acts include Spectrum, Valley Wine & Spirit, Sexist Alexis, Cost of Attrition, 87 Southbound and Denomination X.

Charlottesville UMC Dinner April 29

Charlottesville United Methodist Church will hold its annual chicken and noodle dinner from 4:30-7 p.m. on Saturday, April 29, at the Charlottesville Lions Club on East CR 25-N. The dinner, available for a freewill offering, will also include green beans, mashed potatoes, salads, rolls, homemade pies and cakes and drinks.

Tri Elementary Enrolling April 24-25

Tri Elementary School will host kindergarten enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year Monday and Tuesday, April 24-25. Call the school at 765-987-7090, ext. 301, to register or to get more information.

KES Kindergarten Round-up April 18

Kindergarten Round-up at Knightstown Elementary School will take place Tuesday, April 18, noon-7 p.m. and Wednesday, April 19, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Parents can begin scheduling appointments for their children, who must be five years old by Aug. 1, by calling the school at 345-2151. Appointments take one hour each. The school has full-day kindergarten. Parents should bring each child's birth certificate and immunization record. The school is located at 8632 S. S.R. 109, Knightstown.

Knightstown Storytellers Sought for TV Show

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

Not only will a Muncie-based public television program feature the town of Knightstown in its next episode, but the people of Knightstown, by providing photographs, video footage and their own recollections, will be instrumental to the show's production.

Just over a dozen local citizens attended a meeting last Thursday in the Knightstown Town Council's chambers to learn more about WIPB-TV's *Now Entering ...* program. Early in the meeting, Michelle Kinsey, community engagement coordinator for WIPB, explained why Knightstown had been selected for the show's third installment.

"Why did we choose Knightstown? Because I was pretty darn confident there were a lot of people in this town with some great stories to tell," Kinsey said.

Unlike many other programs, *Now Entering ...*, Kinsey explained, relies on local citizens to tell the stories that make their small cities and towns unique.

"*Now Entering ...* is a project that tells the stories of the towns in our viewing area, but in a very different way," Kinsey said. "We could come to Knightstown, we could roll our truck in, pull our cameras out and tell the stories of Knightstown the way we see it, but that's not what we wanted to do."

"We want the people who live here to tell the stories that they're passionate about - and it could be anything and everything," Kinsey continued. "We have had so many different types of stories. It doesn't matter what the story is, as long as it's very important and you're passionate about it," Kinsey said.

Kinsey said Knightstown residents with a story to tell who want to participate in the show need to fill out a participation form and then start collecting photographs and film or video clips that can be used on the program. On Saturday, May 20, the show's producers will return to

Knightstown to conduct interviews of participants at the Hoosier Gym, and will then "lovingly craft" everything into the next episode of *Now Entering ...*

Sam Clemmons, a senior producer at WIPB-TV, provided some basic tips for those who plan to shoot video to accompany their stories. He urged people to use a variety of different shots and stressed the importance of taking good notes on a log sheet that will keep track of the content of the videos they submit.

In addition to video footage, Clemmons said the show's producers can also use older film formats, including 8-millimeter and High 8. However, he said it is easier for them if older film clips have already been transferred over to a DVD.

For those who don't have access to their own video camera, WIPB has left five video cameras at the Knightstown Public Library that can be checked out and used by those who want to submit material for the show. While there is no strict time for how long the cameras can be checked out, Clemmons recommended they be kept for no more than one or two days and then returned to the library for use by others.

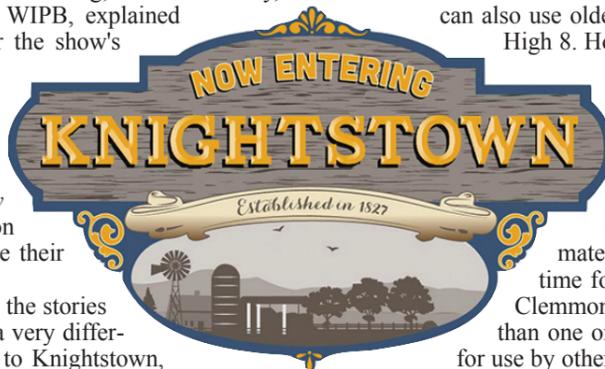
Another of the show's producers, Richard Collins, went over the basics of how to operate the video cameras. There is also a training video available online at the show's website, www.wipb.org/nowentering.

If assistance is needed with shooting video, Clemmons said that youth in the community can be a good resource.

"It's second nature to them," Clemmons said.

Still photographs are also an important element to the show, and Clemmons said producers will have a scanner with them at the Hoosier Gym on May 20. While every effort will be made to scan photos that day, he said if there is not enough time, it will be necessary to take the

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Local Vet Plans to Fight Felony Drug Charges

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

A local veterinarian is hopeful that he'll soon be able to put the more than two dozen felony drug charges he is facing behind him.

The Henry County Prosecutor's office filed 25 counts against James Wilson, owner of Knightstown Veterinary Clinic, 8562 W. U.S. Hwy. 40, in early February as a result of an investigation that began more than two-and-a-half years ago. Wilson, 63, is charged with 12 counts of dealing in a Schedule IV controlled substance and 13 counts of unlawful dispensation of a controlled substance.

According to court documents, investigators began looking into an instance of possible prescription fraud at a New Castle pharmacy in early August 2014. The prescription in question was for 60 1 mg tablets of alprazolam, which is often used to treat anxiety and panic disorders and is sometimes sold under the trade name Xanax, and authorized one refill.

Investigators noted that the name of the drug and the word "aggression," were both misspelled on the prescription form, which purported to be written by Wilson for Cassandra James' dog. The pharmacy also reportedly provided similar paperwork for similar prescriptions for the same drug that James had filled at the pharmacy in October 2013 and January 2014.

When questioned by police, James allegedly told officers that Wilson, who she said was her fiancé and employer, had written the prescriptions for her dog. She said the dog had bitten one of her children, although court documents indicate that New Castle-Henry County Animal Control was unable to find any report of a dog bite.

In the days that followed, investigators reportedly uncovered several other instances where James had turned in other prescriptions for alprazolam for her dog at other New Castle pharmacies and one in Knightstown. These prescriptions, all purportedly written by Wilson, dated back to August 2013.

In December 2014, James and her attorney, David Sadler, reportedly met with investigators. Court documents indicate that she told officers she had been working for Wilson since 2011 and that during that time he had written her multiple prescriptions for alprazolam for personal use treating seizures.

James allegedly told investigators that Wilson had authorized her to write prescriptions to herself and sign his name. After police served a search warrant at his Knightstown veterinary practice, she said he stopped writing her prescriptions, but would still give her the drug from his office supply. Court documents say she also told officers that Wilson gave other

female employees of his controlled substances and marijuana, and that a friend of her's had also obtained prescriptions from Wilson for alprazolam without even taking his dog into see the veterinarian.

According to what police included in their report, James said that Wilson had been treating her for a thyroid condition by giving her medication normally used for animals. Investigators allege she told them that Wilson would sometimes treat people who did not have insurance and were unable to afford to see a medical doctor.

In February 2015, members of the Henry County Drug Task Force and the Drug Enforcement Administration served a search warrant at Wilson's veterinary practice. Investigators took an inventory of drugs on hand and records showing drugs purchased over an approximately two-month period the previous fall.

Three days after the search warrant was served, Wilson and his attorney, Tony Saunders, met with law enforcement at the Henry County Sheriff's Department's Criminal Investigation Division. Upon being shown 20 prescriptions written for James between August 2013 and June 2014, Wilson reportedly said that 13 of those appeared to have been written by him.

Wilson allegedly told police that the alprazolam prescriptions

he had written to James, who he said at the time he planned to marry, had been to help control her dog's aggressiveness. However, according to investigators, Wilson had not seen James' dog since March 2013 for any aggression issues.

Investigators also reportedly asked Wilson about an alprazolam prescription made out to David Hobbs in May 2013. Wilson allegedly told police that Hobbs had been bitten by his dogs, but had not actually brought the dogs in for an exam.

Hobbs, according to police, had the prescription filled, and received one refill, at the CVS in Knightstown in May and June, then got two more refills at the Wal-Mart in New Castle in September and October. Wilson reportedly told police that Hobbs became angry when he refused to give him another prescription after that.

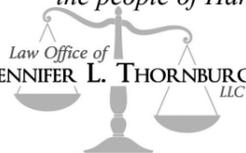
Interviewed in March 2015 at the Pendleton Correctional Facility, Hobbs reportedly told police that he had asked Wilson for anxiety medication for his dogs and that Wilson had written him the prescription for alprazolam. He said he had gone to Wilson because he had been under the impression that it wouldn't be difficult to get a prescription from Wilson.

Authorities also learned during See Charges, Page 14



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OBITUARIES

Carole Johnson
October 22, 1931 - April 7, 2017

Carole Johnson, 85, of Knightstown, passed away on the evening of Friday, April 7, 2017, at Golden Living Center - Brandywine in Greenfield.

She was born Oct. 22, 1931, in Lincoln, Neb., a daughter of the late Leslie and Edna Pearl (Bailey) Low.

Carole and her family moved to Knightstown in 1969 from Placerville, Calif. She worked at RCA in Indianapolis for 18 years. Carole and her husband, Francis Ervin Johnson, enjoyed riding motorcycles all over the U.S. and Nova Scotia, camping and fishing. In recent years, she enjoyed completing jigsaw puzzles.

She is survived by two sons, Timothy Alan Johnson of Knightstown and Steve (wife, Carol) Johnson of Spiceland; two grandsons, Brandon Johnson and Mike Johnson; and a sister, Lois Lovell of Knightstown.

Carole was preceded in death by her husband, Francis Ervin Johnson.

Private graveside services will be held in Glen Cove Cemetery with Rev. Gene Bennett officiating.

You may send the family a personal condolence at www.sprolesfamilycares.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Sproles Family Funeral Home in New Castle.

George M. Schatzlein
1924 - 2017



George M. Schatzlein, 92, of Fishers, formerly of Knightstown, died at the Green House Senior Living Cottages in Carmel last Thursday, April 6. A 1948 graduate of Indiana University, Schatzlein served as a bombardier/navigator in the U.S. Army Air Corps in the Pacific during World II, rising to the rank of captain.

Schatzlein joined his father in business in 1948, forming Knightstown Greenhouses, Inc. The firm grew roses and other flowers in hothouses and shipped them by bus throughout the Midwest. The business later transitioned into the George Thomas retail flower and gift stores, with more than a dozen locations in central Indiana. Schatzlein retired from George Thomas in 1990.

In 1972 Schatzlein, with his sons Michael and Gary, founded TRC Studios. TRC became the state's largest audio recording and production company, and operated in Indianapolis until Gary's death in 2001.

Schatzlein was a long-time member of the Knightstown Kiwanis Club and the Bethel Presbyterian Church, and a lifetime member of the American Legion.

He was preceded in death by his wife and business partner of 53 years, Helen, as well as by a son, Gary. He is survived by his son, Dr. Michael Schatzlein, of Nashville; six grandchildren; and seven great-children.

Private family services will be held.

Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service
is hosting a 6-week

Grief Support Workshop

The Grief Support Workshop will take place at Senior Living at Forest Ridge, 2800 Forest Ridge Pkwy., New Castle. The workshop will be at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday, starting March 28 through Tuesday, May 2. As a service to our community, this workshop is free and open to the public. Wanda Jones and Allen Collier will facilitate the meetings.

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The Town of Kennard is taking Bids for grass and weed removal on vacant and unkempt properties for the 2017 season. These lots are normally 10'+ high and can range from small to large lots. Bid accordingly.

Interested parties must provide your own equipment, gasoline, and other materials needed. You must also provide proof of both liability insurance and workers compensation insurance, if you have employees.

All interested parties are encouraged to submit their bids in writing to: The Town Of Kennard, Mowing Bid, P.O. Box 167, Kennard, IN 47351

Bid deadline is April 28, 2017 4-12, 4-19

LEGAL NOTICE

Legal Notice

The Town of Kennard is taking bids for construction of a basketball court. The size will be approximately 88' long by 54' wide. We will entertain asphalt, concrete, and other proven outdoor court mixtures. Must include the goals, two 12-foot benches, and official lines for high school size.

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4-12, 5-3

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The Town of Kennard is taking Bids for construction of a shelter house. The size will be 16'x24' with a metal roof and no walls. Must include six picnic tables and two static (non-mobile) charcoal grills. An image of what we would like built can be viewed on our website under bids.

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Condo & Son Funeral Home Changes Hands

George and Amy Condo have announced their retirement and sold Condo & Son Funeral Home to Paul and Kristin St. Pierre. Paul St. Pierre, a sixth generation funeral director, has been with Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service & Crematory in Pendleton for over 20 years, and been owner of Brown-Butz-Diedring Funeral Service & Crematory in Anderson for over three years.

"The community of Wilkinson and the surrounding communities are very important to my family," George said in a press release. "The St. Pierre family and our proven staff will allow the funeral home to continue to service our area as only a locally-owned and family-operated funeral home can."

Wilbur Wright Birthplace Subject of HKI Program

The Wilbur Wright Birthplace and Museum will be the topic of a program on Wednesday, April 26, at 7 p.m. Historic Knightstown, Inc. is sponsoring this program which will take place at the HKI Museum on the west side of the Knightstown Public Square.

Charlie Fields of the Wilbur Wright facility will present the program about the Wright family home, history, memorabilia, and other interests at the nearby Henry County historical site.

A short business meeting will precede the program for election and reelection of nominees for Historic Knightstown board of directors. All HKI members and general public are invited. Admission is free and light refreshments will be served.

According to St. Pierre, many of the costs associated with providing quality funeral services, such as vehicles, caskets, and professional staffing have increased over the past several decades. "Even though funeral costs have not increased as much as food, utilities and automobiles," he said, "the funeral profession has made every effort to keep funeral costs within the budget of American families."

"Here in Wilkinson," he continued, "the best way for us to control costs to local families is to

combine efforts. Both family firms have been serving Hancock, Madison, and Henry counties since the early 1900s, so they have great tradition and experience."

The name will change to Condo & St. Pierre Funeral Service & Crematory in the summer.

Regarding the name change, St. Pierre said many families prefer cremation disposition following funerals and memorial services as opposed to traditional ground burial. "We are taking this opportunity to include 'crematory' in our name to underscore the importance we



George and Amy Condo

place on this service."

St. Pierre has owned crematories (including one specifically for pet cremation) since 1994.

"The most important consideration was compatibility," George Condo said. "I have the greatest respect for Paul St. Pierre and the St. Pierre family, his staff and how he has managed his business over the decades. Our philosophies are very similar, and this will make the funeral home successful for years to come."

According to Condo, many local families have pre-arranged and prepaid funeral services with the Condo & Sons Funeral Home. He said these funds have been invested in state approved financial institutions, either insurance policies specially developed for pre-funding funeral arrangements, or in trust accounts approved by

the state of Indiana. "These trust funds and insurance policies will remain in tact, guaranteed, and are not impacted," Condo said.

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Easter Signals Welcome Change in Temp

"For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone;

The flowers appear on the earth;

The time of the singing of birds is come

and the voice of the turtle (dove) is heard throughout the land."

The great Shakespeare's poetry could not surpass the Bible's *Song of Solomon*. I cannot have too much poetry in my life.

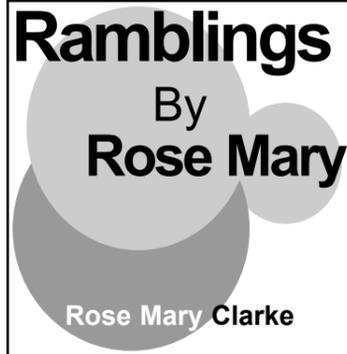
Flirtatious Lady Spring beckons me away from my to-do list. "Come out," she whispers seductively. "Come out to birdsong, the color and scent of flowers, and the sunrise's palette. Come out and warm your face in the sun." Yeah, right! There was snow in downtown Indy Thursday night, and it's in the 30s this morning. They're predicting 75 degrees for Sunday. That's spring in Indiana!

The special days that segment our lives come in Technicolor: Christmas is red, green, gold and silver; St. Patrick's Day is green; July 4 is red, white and blue; and Halloween is orange and black.

When I was a girl Easter was a rainbow palette of pastel dresses, fluffy white coats in which girls shivered, white gloves, and black patent leather shoes. Because my feet were so long, I had to wear ugly Buster Brown Girl Scout shoes until I was 12 when Mother discovered Stouts' Shoe Store in

Indianapolis. Easter meant candy and eggs that I dyed with Mother and later with Vicki.

Oh, oh, oh! The dawn has turned from deep rose to palest pink to cream ... Birds have a built-in detector that causes them to follow the changing of the sun's trajectory and migrate for thousands



of miles. I, too, feel a restless loosening within me and a lightening of my spirit.

During Mother's Easter feast, my siblings always repeated the story of the big chocolate rabbit that someone gave me during the Depression. Starved for candy, they thought, "Surely she'll give us a taste!" Instead, I named it "Bun" and dragged it around by its ribbon until it became battered and grubby. I saw a cartoon in which a chocolate rabbit that's minus its tail says to another, "My butt hurts!" "What?" says the other one

whose ears are gone,

Easter signaled that it was time to stow away our sleds and winter clothes. As if driven by instinct and without consulting each other, Wanda and I would put on our steel, sidewalk roller skates that clamped onto our shoes and tightened them with a skate key worn on a string around our necks. They had leather straps that we supplemented with strips of cloth to try to prevent them from coming off and causing us to take dreadful falls. The sound of spring that I most remember was the whir and clash-clash-clatter of our skates.

One of the Sterns girls - Betty? Virginia? - showed me how to turn somersaults on the trapeze in the schoolyard. I got scolded during first grade for hanging upside down and exposing my underpants while bystanders chanted, "We see London, we see France. We see Rose Mary's underpants!" That ended my plan to become a trapeze performer with the circus. (In our time, we wore dresses to school, and all teachers wore suits. What a difference from today!)

Linda Forst Linke, a memory buddy, wrote, "I remember falling off the trapeze at school. Knocked the breath out of me - thought I was dying. I fell out of a cherry tree in Susie Scudder's front yard - knocked the breath out of me -

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Spring Winds Add Fun, Misery to Cycling

I took a ride into the northwest part of Henry County Saturday. I waited until the temperature peaked and set out mid-afternoon, under sunny skies and a stiff southerly breeze.

Anyone who runs or bicycles can attest to the assistance a tailwind can provide. When cycling, my tendency is to ride a tailwind as far as I dare, knowing the further it pushes me with little effort, the harder I'll have to work coming home into the wind.

The first leg of my 36-mile ride took me east along County Road 200-S. Smooth and scenic, it drops down two miles outside Kennard, passing by some horses and mules before intersecting Duck Creek. From there, I went north on C.R. 400-W to freshly-paved C.R. 175-S.

This road, which runs east and west just south of Mt. Lawn Speedway, was in dire need of repair, and it's heartening to see the county take care of it. Now Kennard residents have a very nice and easy drive over to Westwood Park, just south of where 175-S terminates at 275-W, near the park entrance.

I often visit the park on my bike, but Saturday I wanted to enjoy that tailwind. So I went north on 275-W. I can't say enough about how much I enjoy cycling with a tailwind. I enjoy all road cycling, of course. But, a tailwind alters the entire experience for the better.

For starters, wind noise is greatly reduced, allowing for better music listening. The wind assistance also gives me a feeling of real power. Truly, there's nothing like the feeling of picking up speed with energy to spare. This is an unusual phenomenon for me, a large mammal whose sheer size impedes my progress and regularly quarrels with gravity.

So, Saturday's long, northbound leg was almost

sheer joy. The sun shined. Motorists were attentive and generous, some even giving a smile or wave as I passed. Further, my spinning feet and wheels caught the attention of no dogs, always a welcome bonus on a long country bike ride.

I made my way to Sulphur Springs and sat outside the Iron Kettle restaurant and devoured a Clif Bar, catching my breath on a short break. Traffic on U.S. 36 was slow, and I crossed with ease, staying on what was now C.R. 300-W.

Northwest Henry County's gentle, rolling hills gave me a great workout, in spite of the tailwind. But, I pressed northward, aiming for the Henry/Madison county line. Soon the topography flattened and I came up onto higher, more uniform terrain.

The wind was more pronounced there and, amid my carefree, tailwind-powered ride, the thought of plowing home through what would become a headwind began to surface.

I passed Henry County's northernmost county road in that area - 950-N, thinking there was at least one more east-west Henry County road to cross before Madison County. However, when I saw S.R. 67, I knew I was close to the county line.

The sun was still shining as I made my cautious U-turn at Madison County Road 700-S. If I'd gone another two miles north, I'd have breached the town limits of Progress, a tiny burg just off 67.

The dread of a long pull into a stiff headwind can be mighty, however, and I opted to head home just when I planned - at the Henry/Madison county line.

When I finally reached Kennard, after about 15 miles of labored progress into that stubborn gale, my relief was palpable. My early-season legs were hurting and I grabbed a cold beer to kill the pain.



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

It is tax time and although you may be thinking of ways to splurge with your tax refund, why not consider something more practical? By simply allocating a portion to vehicle maintenance and service, you will realize big dividends in the form of safety and dependability.

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To help you get the most out of your vehicle investment and protect its long-term value, visit the Car Care Council's website at www.car-care.org to order your free copy of the 80-page Car Care Guide and sign up for the free custom service schedule.

Rich White
executive director, Car Care Council

Dear Editor,

Reports of abuse and neglect have steadily risen since the Indiana Child Abuse Hotline (Hotline) was centralized in 2010. Last year, the Hotline received 225,152 reports of alleged child abuse or neglect, compared to 202,493 reports in 2014.

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month, and the Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS) works closely with local Hoosier child advocacy groups in each county to educate communities on the role we all play in protecting children from abuse and neglect. In short, if you suspect a child is being abused or neglected, don't wait! There is no need to spend time debating whether what you see or hear is abuse or neglect, just make the call to 800.800.5556. There are trained child abuse and neglect Family Case Managers to take your call and assess the information.

When DCS gets involved, our priority is ensuring child safety. If we are involved, that means a child has already been harmed by abuse or neglect. As of the end of February 2017, there were 23,289 children in need of services (CHINS). To put that number in perspective Bankers Life Fieldhouse (where the Pacers play) has a seating capacity of just over 18,000. That is 23,289 children too many!

This month, local DCS offices along with child advocacy groups are hosting events to provide resources to communities, in an effort to reduce the number of children that need DCS protection. Preventing child abuse and neglect is the responsibility of everyone in the community. Don't be afraid to make sure children in your community are safe.

Children are 100 percent of our future and deserve the best that communities can offer. We all have a part to play in protecting them, not just during the month of April, but every day. To find out where prevent child abuse events are being held in your community, visit <http://in.gov/dcs/3486.htm>.

Remember, if you see or suspect a child is in danger, don't wait; make the call to 800.800.5556, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year.

Mary Beth Bonaventura, director
Indiana Dept. of Child Services
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BITS & PIECES

◆Gospel singers **Larry Waters & Lifeboat** will perform at Knightstown Church of God, 405 North St., on Saturday, April 22, at 6 p.m. The concert is open to the public. Call 317-936-5849 or 765-345-7442 for more information.

◆The Knightstown High School National Honor Society chapter will host its annual **Rock for Riley fundraiser** on Friday, May 5, 6-11:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Admission is \$5 and all proceeds benefit Riley Children's Hospital. Feature acts include Spectrum, Valley Wine & Spirit, Sexist Alexis, Cost of Attrition, 87 Southbound and Denomination X.

◆Charlottesville United Methodist Church will hold its annual **chicken and noodle dinner** from 4:30-7 p.m. on Saturday, April 29, at the Charlottesville Lions Club on East CR 25-N. The dinner, available for a freewill offering, will also include green beans, mashed potatoes, salads, rolls, homemade pies and cakes and drinks.

◆Knightstown Friends Church, 214 E. Brown St., will host **Good Friday** at 7 p.m. April 14. The service will feature a message, choir singing and hymns. The Easter Sunday service on April 16 begins at 10:30 a.m. and features a message, choir singing, hymns and guest vocal soloists.

◆The Future of Carthage group is preparing its **Bridges, Bikes and Books Spring Blast**, a community event scheduled for Saturday, May 6. The event will feature a covered bridge bicycle tour, featuring two ride lengths, 14 miles and 42 miles. The 14-mile route includes one historic Rush County covered bridge, while the 42-mile route tours three covered bridges. Registration fee is \$25. More information can be found on the group's Facebook page.

◆The 2017 **Henry County Child Fair** will be held on Saturday, April 15, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the New Castle/Henry County Public Library on 15th Street in New Castle. This is a celebration for children of all ages and their families to explore the resources

available to them in our county. Over 20 booths will have information on their individual programs for families. There will be door prizes drawn during the event. The event is free and open to all families with children.

◆Eastern Hancock Elementary School will host **kindergarten round-up** on Thursday, April 13, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Call the elementary office at 317-467-0056 to schedule an appointment. Students must be 5 years old by Aug. 1, 2017. Parents will need to bring their child's birth certificate, shot record and a proof of residency on April 13.

◆MainSource Bank, 120 E. Main St., Knightstown, is hosting **free document shredding** through April 28. The shredding is being offered free, courtesy of the bank. The public is invited.

◆Tri Elementary School will host **kindergarten enrollment** for the 2017-2018 school year Monday and Tuesday, April 24-25. Call the school at 765-987-7090, ext. 301, to register or to get more information.

◆**Kindergarten Round-up** at Knightstown Elementary School will take place Tuesday, April 18, noon-7 p.m. and Wednesday, April 19, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Parents can begin scheduling appointments for their children, who must be five years old by Aug. 1, by calling the school at 345-2151. Appointments take about one hour each. Knightstown Elementary School has full-day kindergarten. Parents should bring each child's birth certificate and immunization record.

◆Knightstown Neighborhood **Crime Watch** will host its annual hog roast on Saturday, April 22, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Hoosier Gym. Proceeds from the event, which will feature food and live entertainment, benefit the nonprofit crime watch organizations.

◆**Beautify Knightstown, Inc.** offers a **welcome basket** to all new residents obtaining utilities via the Knightstown Utility Office. Any business, church or organization is encouraged to provide items for these baskets such as pens, cups,

magnets, key chains, coupons, brochures and etc. To contribute or for more information contact Kathie Rummel at 317-345-9660 Linda Lashbrook at lnlashbrook@gmail.com.

◆Knightstown Neighborhood Crime Watch will host its monthly **public meeting** on Monday, April 10, at 6 p.m. in the Hoosier Gym's east classrooms.

◆The ninth annual **Justin Steinwachs Memorial Car Show** will take place on Saturday, May 13, on Knightstown's Public Square. For more information, e-mail darlind49@yahoo.com.

◆The **Historic Knightstown museum**, located on the Public

Square at 22 N. Washington St., has new hours. The museum's new hours, beginning May 5-6, are 10 a.m.-2 p.m. each Friday and Saturday, or by appointment. For more information, or to schedule a museum visit by appointment, call David Steele at 765-345-7585.

◆**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 765-571-1662.

◆The **Parish Clothes Closet**, located in the basement of Bethel Presbyterian Church, 112 S. Franklin St., Knightstown, is open

the last Thursday of each month from 5-7 p.m.

◆The Knightstown **Head Start** program, located at the Hoosier Youth Challenge Academy, still has openings for age-eligible children for this school year. The program is also taking applications for the 2017-2018 school year. Call 765-529-4403 for more info.

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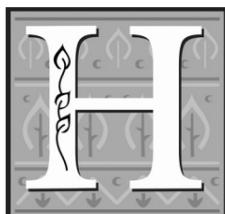
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5 N. French city

10 French holy women

14 Format for some exams

15 Dining option

16 Mosaic piece

17 Small Montana glacier

19 Revise text

20 "Sunday Morning" poet

21 Sink a ship

23 Yale grad

24 Abate (2 wds.)

25 "Mind ___ manners!"

28 F a m o u s Hitchcock film direction?

30 MGM's mascot

31 James Bond film *For Your Eyes ___*

32 Lower digits

34 Slender-billed Marsh dweller

38 Martini spirit

39 Aston Martin convertible

41 Accomplished *Pong* maker

44 Nigerian pop singer Jeff ___

45 Mao's successor

46 Folk singer — Belle Reed

48 Follower suffix

49 Let up

50 "You ___ have!"

54 Bad prefix

56 Earthenware

57 Most unsettling

61 Initial stake

62 Fatty acid type

64 One who gets things done

65 Bruce Lee's teacher

66 Matures

67 Gets it wrong

68 Dull sounds

69 A rolling stone's lack

DOWN

1 Supervisor

2 "I smell ___!"

3 Mall event

4 People as property

5 Shift one's weight toward

6 Rockers

Anderson and Astbury

7 British business suffix

8 Deceive (2 wds.)

9 Sign Up

10 Walks over (2 wds.)

11 Ebb and neap

12 Omit a sound

13 Big East university ___ Hall

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24 What one might do to a control knob (2 wds.)

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27 Arm bone

29 Italian town

33 Annoying person

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40 ___ to an end

43 Some wood shop tools

45 Meat counter buy

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50 Digging tool

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53 Divine female nature spirit

55 Actor Carney

57 Mild oath

58 Therefore

59 Observes

60 Hardy heroine

63 Large flightless bird

Solution to Last Week's Puzzle

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Free Activities for Kids and Families Offered at 'Child Fair'

Free interactive activities for kids and families will fill the lower level of New Castle-Henry County Public Library from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 15. Twenty-three booths from area organizations that serve families will have activities ranging from dental screenings to craft projects.

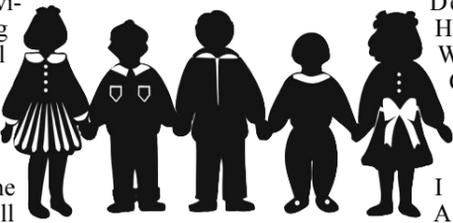
Participants are asked to sign in at the fair and will receive a door prize ticket, bag and a "passport." Door prizes will be awarded throughout the fair. Friends of the Library will give each participant a coupon for a free book from the Friends Book Sale Room. Families will have the opportunity to learn about services available in the community.

Organizations currently planning to attend include: 321Go Kids' Rehab, A.R.I.E.S., Boy Scouts, Building Blocks Preschool &

Kindergarten, CASA, First Steps, Freemason's Child Identification Program, Friends of the Library, Girl Scouts, Head Start, Henry County Community Foundation, Henry County Community Partners, Henry County Sheriff's

Department, Henry County WIC, Huffer Child Care Resources and Referrals, Indiana Adoption Program, Kane Loveridge Wellness Group, New Castle Area Special Services, New Castle-Henry County Public Library, New Castle Dental/Dental Training Program, Prevent Child Abuse (PCA), Salvation Army, and Victory Lane Camp.

For more information about events and services at New Castle-Henry County Public Library, visit www.nchcpl.org and follow the library on Facebook and Twitter.



K-town Plan Commission Meeting

The Knightstown Plan Commission will meet Monday evening to continue reviewing and discussing changes to the town's zoning ordinance.

Monday's meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. and 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. The meeting is open to the public.

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Multiple Responsibilities Keeps Knightstown Street Dept. Manager Brian Lane Hopping

by Logan Cox
for The Banner

"I do all road repairs, within capability," said Brian Lane, head of the Knightstown street department. "We don't have enough equipment to maintain whole streets. But I do road repairs, maintain storm drains, maintain street curbs and sidewalks."

Lane also does tree-trimming along the roads, alleys and sidewalks. He maintains all road and street signs. He is responsible for all of the snow removal and salting of the roads during the winter season. He also helps out with water leaks, reads meters and runs the street sweeper to clean the streets.

He has been part of the street department for seven years, as both its head and its sole employee. This means he does the job by himself, for the most part.

"I stay real busy, but I can only do one job at a time," he said. "I'm trying to get another dump truck and get another guy. So, if something big's going on, I can run two trucks at one time and get a lot more done.

I can never get ahead, you know? Too much to do for one guy. I do manage to get quite a bit of it done, but it's pretty much 'go,' nonstop ... which is OK, since it's not a horrible job. But, it is what it is."

Seven years ago, Lane was offered his role in the street department after the former department head stepped down. He accepted, mostly due to his past experiences as a street and road worker.

"I thought I'd give it a try, because I've done a lot of street work, back in the day anyway. I used to work with the electric department back in the early '90s," said Lane. "I'd done a lot of work with the street department back then, so I kind of know a lot of it anyway."

With so much work to do, Lane often finds himself jumping from one project to the next. He currently

plans on filling or patching up various potholes, sinkholes and other sections of damaged asphalt on the roads around town. He also has a collection of new speed limit signs that he intends to put up soon.

"I'll notify everybody when I'm getting ready to do this job," he said of the street repairs. "I can get it done faster without road traffic. It's just gonna be an inconvenience for everybody for a couple days."

According to Lane, Knightstown had eight sinkholes appear in the last year, as well as 12 the year before that.

"It's just where the ground has froze, thawed, froze, thawed, and it moves the ground underneath. And we've got a lot of heavy traffic - school buses, trash trucks. So our side roads just get weak and the sinkholes show up," said Lane.

Though he devotes as much of his time as possible to street work and repairs, he is often ordering new tools and other materials, or doing his best to maintain the tools and materials he already has on hand. With low finances and little help, this all takes quite a bit

of time.

The work currently being done in town by Miller Pipeline also interferes with Lane's regular street-sweeping job.

Yes, the work involved with being one of the Knightstown's primary department heads takes up a lot of his already busy schedule.

"Also, I'm one of three town works managers," he said. "We've been setting that up. There's a big road there to take care of ... the paperwork, the meetings, everything that goes along with being a manager. Some of that takes time away from my daily job, but we've got that under control."

Though he finds solace in the quality of equipment

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Carthage Historic Commission Meets Tonight

The Carthage Historic Preservation Commission is scheduled to hold its second meeting tonight at 6:30 p.m.

The group's formation was originally approved by the Carthage Town Council in the fall of 2015, and the council approved the appointment of five initial members this February. The first meeting was held last month, but, as previously reported in The Banner, the town council had to act just days after this meeting to remedy some early missteps.

When it first approved formation of the CHPC in October 2015, the council had done this by passing a resolution. However, state statute requires this action to be done through the introduction and adoption of an ordinance.

The town council voted unanimously at its March 13 monthly meeting to adopt an ordinance approving formation of the CHPC. The new ordinance also included language correcting misinformation about the qualifications of the commission's members that had been erroneously included in the original resolution passed in 2015.

Members of a town's historic preservation commission must, according to state statute, be residents of the town. This disqualified two of the five people the council initially approved in February to serve on the CHPC.

One of the two members in question, Kathy Gibson, who lives in Ripley Township, not far outside the town's boundaries, was out of state and did not attend the CHPC's

first meeting on March 1. At the March 13 town council meeting, it was revealed that a second CHPC member who did attend the March 1 meeting, Ripley Township resident Chris Ebbert, is also not a town resident.

With Gibson and Ebbert unable to serve, the CHPC is presently left with three members: Carthage Town Council member Ashley Davis; Kathy Gross; and Faith Green. The town council voted last month to reaffirm the appointment of this trio to the CHPC and clarified that they are only being appointed to two-year terms, while the replacements for Gibson and Ebbert, once chosen, will get full three-year terms.

State statute sets the terms for
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MEETINGS CALENDAR

Wed., Apr. 12 - Henry Co. Work Session meeting, 3:30 p.m., old circuit court room, New Castle

Wed., Apr. 12 - Henry Co. Commissioners meeting, 6 p.m., old circuit court room, New Castle

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

Wed., Apr. 12 - Rush Co. Council meeting, 9 a.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville

Rose Mary, from Page 4

thought I was dying. Susie had to climb down. She thought I was dead and ran into her house, screaming that I was dead. Big commotion - by that time I had begun to breathe again. Didn't stop me from climbing trees, however - either a strong sense of adventure or

Wed., Apr. 12 - Rush Co. Area Plan Commission meeting, 6 p.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville

Wed., Apr. 12 - Rush Co. Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 7 p.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville

Thurs., Apr. 13 - Hancock Co. Planning Commission tech committee meeting, 9 a.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield

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

slow learner. I prefer the former."

I'm grateful for the childhood that Linda and I shared where we had the freedom to risk banged-up knees, bumps and bruises and learn from experience. wclarke@mibor.net

FOLKWAYS

Federal Court Judge Dismisses Much of Shirley Woman's Lawsuit

by Jeff Eakins for The Banner

Thanks to a ruling by a federal district court judge in Indianapolis, a Shirley woman's lawsuit against the town, its town marshal, police department and town council president has been greatly pared down and now has only one defendant.

Judge Tanya Walton Pratt issued an order on Feb. 23 that granted a motion to dismiss plaintiff Cynthia Jackson-Watson's claims against the town, the Shirley Police Department and Town Council President Dennis Denney. The judge's ruling left Shirley Town Marshal Brian Pryor as the only remaining defendant in the lawsuit.

Jackson-Watson alleges in her lawsuit that Pryor sexually harassed, intimidated, stalked and slandered her, and also claims he provided false information about her to a state agency. Her lawsuit had further alleged that another Shirley officer, Josh Miller, falsely arrested her at her home on a charge of resisting arrest, and she claimed Denney and the town's attorney, Tracy Newhouse, did not respond to a formal complaint she filed with respect to these incidents.

Jackson-Watson's lawsuit seeks monetary damages to compensate her for "mental anguish," for being imprisoned in her home, medical costs for her family and court costs. She also indicates in her complaint that she would like criminal charges brought against Pryor for intimidation, stalking, sexual harassment and false informing to state agencies, and that she wants to see Pryor lose his job as town marshal.

In her Feb. 23 order, Walton Pratt noted that municipal police departments "are not suable entities" in Indiana in federal civil rights cases like Jackson-Watson's. Accordingly, she said the claims against the Shirley Police Department must be dismissed.

With respect to the claims against the town, Walton Pratt said Jackson-Watson must show that there was some official policy or custom of the town that led to the deprivation of her constitutional rights. Since the plaintiff's lawsuit does not allege the town of Shirley had any official policy or custom "that was the 'moving force' behind or resulted in the alleged deprivation of her rights," Walton Pratt said the town also needed to be dismissed as a defendant.

Finally, Walton Pratt said the claims against Denney must also be dismissed. Because the claims against the town have to be dismissed, she said any claim against Denney in his official capacity as president of the town council must also be dismissed. As for any claims against Denney in his individual capacity, Walton Pratt said dismissal would again be required since any inaction on Denney's part would be "insufficient to subject him to liability for the actions of Officer Pryor."

As previously reported in The Banner, Jackson-Watson had filed a motion with the court on Jan. 17 seeking permission to amend her original complaint to specifically request \$500,000 in damages. She also claimed ongoing violations of

her constitutional rights since the filing of her lawsuit, including the right to be free from unlawful searches and seizures.

As part of her Feb. 23 ruling, Walton Pratt denied Jackson-Watson's request to amend her original complaint. In her ruling, the judge noted the plaintiff's motion seeking permission to file an amended complaint had not been accompanied by a proposed amended complaint, as court rules require.

According to online court records, a status conference was held before Magistrate Judge Matthew Brookman on March 15. A telephonic status conference is set for May 16 and a settlement conference is set for May 23.

Due to her limited finances, the court granted Jackson-Watson permission to proceed in forma pauperis, and waived the regular fee associated with filing a lawsuit in federal district court. In late October, Jackson-Watson filed a

motion asking the court to appoint pro bono legal counsel to represent her at no cost, but the court, while saying it may rule otherwise at a later point in the proceedings, denied the request at that time.

Speaking to The Banner on Monday, Jackson-Watson told The Banner she is still continuing to represent herself in this matter. Due to what she characterized as ongoing harassment, she said she and her family have temporarily moved from their home in Shirley and are living elsewhere.

Pryor, who declined to discuss the case when previously contacted by The Banner, has, through his attorney, denied Jackson-Watson's allegations and asked that this case be set for a jury trial. At this point, the court has not set a trial date, and Brookman previously indicated that a trial date will only be scheduled if the case is not resolved by settlement or some pretrial motion or other ruling.

Summit Lake State Park Easter Egg Hunt Set for This Saturday

Summit Lake State Park will host its annual Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 15.

Activities run from noon to 2 p.m., with the egg hunt starting at 1 p.m. Prizes will be awarded for age groups 1-4 years, 5-8 years and 9-14 years.

Activities will also include face painting, cotton candy, a bounce castle and the Easter bunny.

The event is free after paying the standard park admission fee of \$7 per in-state vehicle or \$9 per out-of-state vehicle.

For more information, call (765) 766-5873.

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*Applicants should be a current collegiate education major in good standing with a 2.5 grade point average, or above and have completed at least 15 hours of undergraduate study. Preference will be given to those starting student teaching, or those who have completed student teaching.

Interested applicants must complete the application process and return the information to the scholarship chairperson by May 1.

The scholarship will be presented at the June 8 chapter meeting in New Castle. The recipient must be present in order to receive the award.

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Local Breast Cancer Programs Get Komen Boost

Susan G. Komen Central Indiana is investing nearly \$700,000 in nine projects to address the most critical needs for breast health and breast cancer in its 41-county service area.

Two programs serving Henry County got funding, one at Hancock Regional Hospital in Greenfield and another called the Interlocal Community Action Program Breast Health Education and Assistance Program. The programs serve women in Henry, Hancock and Rush counties, among others.

Each year in central Indiana, approximately 2,065 new cases of breast cancer are diagnosed and 420 women or men will die from breast cancer. Based on the needs of local communities, Komen Central Indiana developed two grant programs aimed at saving lives: the Education and Linkage to Care Program and the Continuum of Care Navigation Program. These programs fund strategies proven to educate and provide access to healthcare services and to guide breast cancer patients through treatment.

"Last fall, Susan G. Komen

announced a bold goal to reduce the current number of breast cancer deaths by 50 percent in the U.S. by year 2026," said Natalie Sutton, executive director of Komen Central Indiana. "We know that these two programs move us closer to that bold goal and save more lives close to home."

Since 1992, Komen Central Indiana has invested more than \$20 million in Community Impact Grants, providing leadership and direction within the community to meet the most critical needs and save lives.

These grants were awarded to community programs with the ability to make the greatest impact and to meet the greatest needs, as determined by an independent review panel.

Education and Linkage to Care Program

Four local programs were chosen to partner with Komen Central Indiana to deliver evidence-based education regarding breast health. These investments will help community members gain a better understanding of their personal risk of breast cancer, breast health services available through their insur-

ance plan or community resources, appropriate timing of screenings and how to access care without insurance or with limited coverage. These organizations, with support from Komen Central Indiana, also provide referrals for screening and diagnostic tests for their patients, including those who are at a higher risk of developing breast cancer in their lifetime.

The 2017 grant recipients for education and linkage to care programs are:

*Hancock Regional Hospital: Andis Women's Clinic. Hancock, Henry, Marion, Rush, Shelby counties.

*Interlocal Community Action Program (ICAP): ICAP Breast Health Education and Assistance Program. Delaware, Fayette, Henry, Madison, Rush, Wayne counties.

*Little Red Door Cancer Agency: Breast Health Education and Access to Care. Boone, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Johnson, Marion, Morgan, Shelby counties.

*YWCA of Greater Lafayette: YWCA Women's Cancer Program. Boone, Clay, Clinton, Fountain, Greene, Hamilton, Howard, Montgomery, Parke, Sullivan, Tippecanoe, Tipton, Vermillion,

Vigo, Warren counties.

Continuum of Care Navigation Program

Five local programs were selected to partner with Komen Central Indiana to guide patients through the breast cancer continuum of care from the point of diagnosis forward and to help breast cancer patients overcome barriers. The goal of Komen Central Indiana's patient navigation program is to ensure quality and timely access to treatment for all breast cancer patients living in central Indiana. Navigators funded through this program will lead

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Rural Communities Taking Action

The Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) announced Albion, Angola, Cumberland, Washington, and Brown County are semifinalists for Generation 5 of the Hometown Collaboration Initiative (HCI).

This initiative is open to self-identified communities of 25,000 or fewer people who want to develop a new generation of local leaders; promote the launch, survival and growth of small businesses and entrepreneurs; and/or enhance the natural and physical assets of their hometowns.

The HCI program is delivered by OCRA in a unique partnership with Ball State University's Indiana Communities Institute (ICI) and Purdue University's Center for Regional Development (PCRD). Together, these entities champion the core principles of HCI, especially working to gain broad-based input and buy-in that

is vital to the long-term success and sustainability of all community development initiatives.

The next step in the selection process will be site visits conducted by the HCI team later this month. Each of the semifinalist teams will have a 90-minute session during the visits to further elaborate on their opportunities for the program and how it can contribute to the long-term success of local community and economic development initiatives.

Finalist communities will be announced on or before May 4.

The finalist teams will then choose one of three educational tracks or "building blocks" in the HCI process:

Economy - Build a supportive community environment for small businesses and entrepreneurs.

Leadership - Prepare the next generation of leaders by equipping them with the knowledge, skills,

and confidence to make good things happen in their community.

Placemaking - Enhance community design and public spaces by building on the community's physical and natural assets.

Previous HCI communities are at varying stages of executing their projects; whether that be the HCI Foundation Phase (lasting 4-8 months), Building Block Phase (lasting 3-6 months), or Capstone Phase, the length of which depends on the proposed project. They include:

Generation 4: Bremen, Crawford County; Generation 3: Decatur, Logansport; Generation 2: Auburn, Orange County, Spencer County, Vermillion County; Generation 1: Corydon, Lebanon, Seymour, Perry County, Pulaski County, Rush County.

For information on the Hometown Collaboration Initiative, visit the HCI website or contact your OCRA Community Liaison.

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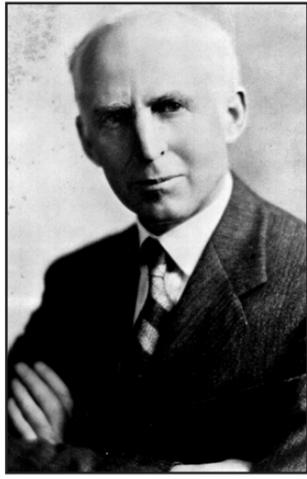
C.A. Beard Maintained Some Controversial Views

by Ronald G. Ballenger, Ph.D.

Why is the school corporation in Knightstown named Charles A. Beard rather than Knightstown School Corporation? This is a question heard from not only from those who do not live in Knightstown school area, but also from some of the area's residents themselves.

To answer this question one may review the history of the Beard family's involvement in the surrounding areas, including Grant City. It was here in 1874 that Charles A. Beard was born. His father, William H. (Henry Harrison) Beard, owned

farmland north of Grant City and was president of a local bank, most likely in Shirley. Charles engaged in the daily, difficult manual labor necessary on a farm in that era. Charles said, later in life, "I had so much exercise that I have needed none since."



On Nov. 1, 1886, William H. Beard sold some of this farmland to my great-grandfather, William Wilson Beeson, my paternal grandmother's, Goldie Ballenger, father. He, Mr. Beeson, became president of the Shirley bank, a position he held at his death, in 1912, due to an acci-

dent at a local feed mill in Greensboro.

Mr. Beard had moved the family to a farm closer to Spiceland so that Charles and his brother, Clarence, could avail themselves of the academic advantages of the Friends Academy located there. Apparently, "Charley" engaged in an undesirable prank in the eyes of the Academy and was expelled. He then attended the Knightstown public school and graduated from there in 1891.

Later that year, Charles and Clarence initiated a newspaper in Knightstown, the *Knightstown Sun*, in a new brick building on Main Street.

Charles Beard then attended and graduated from DePauw University in 1898. He had acquired a reputation as an excellent debater, orator, and editorialist.

Later, he attended Oxford and

Columbia Universities, earning a doctorate degree in history.

As a professor of history at Harvard University, he in 1913 authored his most seminal work, *An Economic Interpretation of the Constitution of the United States*. In this treatise Beard's primary thesis is that the Founding Fathers wrote the U.S. Constitution and its provisions, in the summer of 1787, as a political-economic document as a way to shape and serve, to an extent, their own economic and business interests. This interpretation varied significantly from the prevailing views of historians that the Constitution was motivated by Revolutionary righteousness, idealism, and anti-monarchism.

When one is asked why the school system is named after Charles A. Beard, one can respond that he and his wife, Mary Ritter

Beard, were two of the greatest, if not the greatest, historians of the 20th century.

Dr. Beard was the most articulate historian of the first half of the 20th century regarding the development of the American Constitution and of the motivations of the Founding Fathers.

Today, in the early part of the 21st century, Dr. Beard's scholarship is, again, gaining currency that the Constitutional Framers were motivated, in part, by economic self interest in the development of the provisions of the United States Constitution.

(A Knightstown High School graduate, Ron Ballenger grew up near Kennard. A retired clinical psychologist for the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs, he resides in Crown Point.)

Victory Lane Camp Invites All to Free Family Movie Night

Victory Lane Camp invites the public to a free family movie at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 22. The event will be in the auditorium at New Castle-Henry County Public Library. Victory Lane Camp will provide popcorn, candy, and drinks.

Victory Lane Camp is community serving families who have children with special needs. The community meets monthly for activities to encourage connection among families. Two summer camp sessions, held at Bradford Woods in Martinsville and Cornerstone Campground in New Castle, provide a family-centered experience.

The family movie time on April 22 is designed for all ages and abilities. To sign up for the event, visit www.VictoryLaneCamp.org/connections.

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LOCAL SPORTS

Lawhorne Pitches Shutout in KHS Softball's Win over Southwestern

George Lawhorne pitched a complete shutout in Knightstown varsity softball team's second game of the season April 4 on the road, defeating Southwestern Shelby 8-0.

Head coach Bret Mann said the Lady Panthers "struggled a little against the left-handed pitcher" on Southwestern's team but came up with "enough timely hits, bunts and stolen bases to manufacture eight runs."

Knightstown was also solid on defensive to hold the Spartans scoreless.

"We had no errors in windy conditions and several key defensive plays, including a diving catch by Vivian Goodpaster and a perfectly executed pick off from Jess Butler to Goodpaster at third base to end the sixth inning scoring threat," Mann reported.

The Lady Panthers took the early lead, putting a run on the board in the top of the first inning. Both teams were unable to bring any runners across the plate until

Knightstown caught fire in the fourth inning to score five runs, going up 6-0.

KHS scored two more in the top of the sixth and held on for the 8-0 win.

Lawhorne was named Player of the Game by Coach Mann, acknowledging her pitching effort and for her "several great plays defensively." She faced 28 batters in the seven innings she was on the mound, giving up just four hits, struck out three batters and walked one.

Sammi Eaks once again led the Lady Panthers at the plate, pounding out a triple and single for four RBIs with one walk.

Lawhorne posted two base hits and scored once.

Jess Butler hit a single with two RBIs and one run scored.

Goodpaster had a single, a sacrifice hit and was walked once. She scored two the Panthers runs.

Kaitlyn Jackson added a base hit while Robyn Clark got on base

See KHS Girls, page 14

Area High School Sports Schedule for Apr. 12-19

Note: Schedule subject to change due to inclement weather, rescheduling or postponements

VARSITY BASEBALL

- ◆Apr. 12 - Knightstown at home vs. Blue River Valley, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 12 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Indpls. Lutheran, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 13 - Knightstown away at New Palestine, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 13 - Tri at home vs. Union City, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 13 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Centerville, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 15 - Knightstown away at Eastern Hancock (doubleheader), 10 a.m.
- ◆Apr. 15 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Knightstown, 10 a.m.
- ◆Apr. 15 - Tri away at C.C. Lincoln, 9 a.m.
- ◆Apr. 17 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Lapel, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 18 - Knightstown away at Northeastern, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 18 - Tri at home vs. Eastern Hancock, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 18 - Eastern Hancock away at Tri, 5 p.m.

VARSITY BOYS GOLF

- ◆Apr. 12 - Knightstown vs. Rushville, Antler Pointe Golf Club, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 13 - Knightstown vs. New Palestine, Hawk's Tail of Greenfield, 4 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 13 - Tri vs. Eastern Hancock, Royal Hylands Golf Club, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 13 - Eastern Hancock vs. Tri, Royal Hylands Golf Club, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 14 - Eastern Hancock vs. New Castle, Westwood Golf Club, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 18 - Eastern Hancock vs. Triton Central, Royal Hylands Golf Club, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 19 - Knightstown vs. Centerville, Winding Branch Golf Course, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 19 - Tri vs. Hagerstown, Memorial Park Golf Course, 4:30 p.m.

VARSITY SOFTBALL

- ◆Apr. 13 - Knightstown at home vs. Cambridge City Lincoln, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 13 - Tri at home vs. Northeastern, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 13 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Warren Central, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 14 - Eastern Hancock away at Irvington Preparatory Academy, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 15 - Knightstown away at Blue River Valley, 11 a.m.
- ◆Apr. 15 - Tri away at Eastern Hancock, 10 a.m.
- ◆Apr. 15 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Tri, 10 a.m.
- ◆Apr. 17 - Knightstown away at Union Co., 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 17 - Tri away at Anderson Prep. Academy, 5 p.m.

- ◆Apr. 17 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 18 - Knightstown at home vs. Waldron, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 18 - Tri away at Monroe Central, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 18 - Eastern Hancock away at Morristown, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 19 - Knightstown, home vs. Rushville, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 19 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Daleville, 5:30 p.m.

VARSITY BOYS GOLF

- ◆Apr. 6 - Eastern Hancock vs. Greenfield-Central, Royal Hylands Golf Club, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 11 - Tri vs. Northeastern, Highland Lake Golf Course, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 12 - Knightstown vs. Rushville, Antler Pointe Golf Club, 4:30 p.m.

VARSITY GIRLS TENNIS

- ◆Apr. 12 - Knightstown at home vs. Hagerstown, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 12 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. New Castle, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 13 - Knightstown at home vs. Centerville, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 13 - Tri away at Union City, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 13 - Eastern Hancock away at Richmond, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 14 - Knightstown away at Southwestern Shelby, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 14 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Triton Central, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 17 - Knightstown at home vs. New Castle, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 17 - Tri at home vs. Lincoln, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 17 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Anderson Prep, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 19 - Knightstown at home vs. Crispus Attucks, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 19 - Tri away at Union County, 5 p.m.

VARSITY CO-ED TRACK & FIELD

- ◆Apr. 13 - Knightstown away at North Decatur Invite, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 13 - Eastern Hancock away at Shelbyville for 3-way with Triton Central, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 14 - Tri away at North Decatur Invitational, 5 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 15 - Eastern Hancock away at Randolph Southern for Small School Invitational, 10 a.m.
- ◆Apr. 17 - Tri away at Centerville, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆Apr. 18 - Knightstown at home vs. Anderson Preparatory Academy/Morristown, 5 p.m.

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LOCAL SPORTS

Senior Homer



Knightstown softball senior Robyn Clark was all smiles after she knocked a home run over the centerfield fence at the top of the fourth inning of the Lady Panthers' game at Eastern Hancock Tuesday night. Fellow senior Vivian Goodpaster also pounded a shot over the fence in the third inning, but KHS eventually fell to the Lady Royals 4-14 in six innings. Full story will be published in next week's issue. (Stacy Cox photo)

Lady Panthers Get 9-8 Win at Monroe Central

Knightstown's varsity softball team held strong through a seventh inning rally by host Monroe Central to get their third win of the season April 8, beating the Lady Golden Bears 9-8.

According to a report filed by head coach Bret Mann, his team wasted no time getting runs on the board.

Mann posted that "Georgee Lawhorne led off getting hit in the head the second pitch of the game. Vivian Goodpaster moved her over with a sacrifice fly. Back-to-back bunt singles by Jess Butler and Robyn Clark led to the first run of the game. After a walk to Sammi Eaks, Carmen Cleek had a sacrifice fly to score Butler. Then Courtney Carlton hit a deep blast to the centerfield fence to plate Clark and Eaks to take a 4-0 lead to open up the game."

Monroe Central had two runners on bases in the bottom of the first when, according to Mann, "a line drive to second baseman Kaitlyn Jackson led to a very rare 4-6-3 triple play" with Jackson flipping her caught ball to short-stop Cleek to put out the second base runner then over to Clark at first base for the third out.

Mann described the next several innings, "In the second inning, the Panthers struck for three more runs after Kiley Breece walked, Jackson laid down a sacrifice bunt, followed by a walk to Lawhorne and a double by Goodpaster.

"Monroe Central answered with a run in the second and three runs in the third to make an 8-4 Panther lead after three innings,"

Mann continued. "In the top of the fifth inning, (Courtney) Carlton reached base on an error. (Kiley) Breece advanced her with a bunt and Jackson laced a hit up the middle to give the Panthers their ninth and final run of the game."

With the Panthers up 9-4 after 5 1/2 innings, Monroe Central led off the bottom of the fifth with a single. The next batter smoked a ball up the middle that Lawhorne went to her knees and stabbed, threw it to second for the force out and Cleek fired over to Butler for the 1-6-3 double play."

The Lady Golden Bears were not done though and gave the Lady Panthers a scare with four runs in the bottom of the seventh but KHS was able to hold on for 9-8 win.

Lawhorne again pitched the entire game, facing 35 batters with two strikeouts and four walks. She gave up eight runs on 11 hits.

The team logged eight stolen bases with two by Eaks, and one each from Breece, Butler, Clark, Cleek, Arynn Darling and Lawhorne.

Butler got three hits with one RBI and one run scored. Carlton hit a double and a single for two RBIs. Goodpaster hit a double and single with one RBI and one run scored.

Clark had two base hits with an RBI and one run. Eaks and Lawhorne each scored twice and Darling scored once.

The win bumped up the Lady Panthers' record to 3-0 but face two ranked teams this week on the road at Northeastern and Eastern Hancock.

Eastern Hancock Softball Beats Lincoln, Shelbyville

Eastern Hancock's varsity softball team started the season ranked sixth in class 2A poll and followed that good news up with their first win at home April 4 over Cambridge City Lincoln, 12-5.

The Lady Royals knocked 10 hits, including a home run and a double by senior Peyton West, two doubles and two singles from senior Kaysi Gilbert and two doubles and a single by junior Micah Black.

Gilbert, Black and West combined for 11 RBIs. Black knocked in six runs, Gilbert brought in three and West had two RBIs.

Senior Brooke Walden and sophomore Faithe Webster each added a base hit.

Gilbert and West scored three of the team's runs while Walden and Webster both scored twice. Black scored once and freshman Skyla Smith also scored a run.

Pitching duties were split between sophomore Elise Bittinger and freshman Jessi Potts. Bittinger threw for three innings, facing 17 batters with two strikeouts. She gave up four hits and four runs. Potts pitched for four innings and came up against 18 batters. She walked one batter, allowed four hits and one run.

A few days later, the Lady Royals made big comeback to defeat Shelbyville 9-8 at home April 7.

The Lady Golden Bears had put four runs on the board to start the game and Eastern Hancock scored

one to put the score at 4-1.

Shelbyville went up 6-1 after the second inning but the Lady Royals held them scoreless over the next three innings and with three runs in the third, brought the score to 6-4.

After Shelbyville scored two more to increase their lead to 8-4, Eastern Hancock dug in and came up with four runs in the bottom of the sixth to tie the game up.

The Lady Golden Bears were unable to score in the top of the seventh, providing the Lady Royals the opportunity to claim the victory with a run in the back half of the seventh.

Gilbert, Black and West again dominated the EH offensive effort. Gilbert smashed two home runs for three RBIs. Black hit a homer and a single for three RBIs and West knocked out a home run and a single for two RBIs.

Smith hit a double and Walden, Bittinger, Webster and Megan Bever each added a base hit with Bever also knocking in one run.

Gilbert, Walden and West all scored twice. Black, Bever and Smith scored once.

Bittinger and Potts again shared time on the mound. Bittinger pitched five innings with one strikeout. She allowed eight hits and two runs. Potts threw for two innings giving up six hits and six runs. She struck out two batters and walked one.

The Lady Panthers are now 2-0 on the season.

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Super Hitter



Eastern Hancock's Micah Black knocks one of her two hits against Knightstown at home Tuesday evening. Black, a junior, has had a super start to the season with seven hits in 11 at-bats, including a home run and two doubles, and has 10 RBIs in just three games. The Lady Royals defeated Knightstown 14-4 in the April 11 game. Full story will be published in next week's issue. (Stacy Cox photo)

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LOCAL SPORTS

EH Baseball Starts Season at 1-2

Eastern Hancock's varsity baseball team is 1-2 after last week's action with a win over Forest Hills Eastern and losses to Indianapolis Cardinal Ritter and Shenandoah.

In their season opener on the road April 6, the Royals fell 1-11 to Cardinal Ritter.

The Raiders pounded the ball, posting 11 hits, while holding the Royals to just four hits.

Senior Clayton White got the start on the mound for the Royals and faced 12 batters in the two innings he pitched. He struck out one batter and walked two while giving up four runs on four hits.

Junior Andrew Knoblock took over but the Raiders were all over him right away. He came up against 14 batters, walked one while giving up seven runs on six hits. A.J. Muegge relieved Knoblock for the last two outs of the fourth inning.

Levi Majority, Devin Denny, Addison True and Jarett Lewis each had base hits with Majority bringing in Denny for the team's only run.

The one standout performance

of the game was with Lewis behind the plate. The Raiders attempted to steal five bases and Lewis thwarted all five tries.

The Royals bounced back in their home opener on April 8, defeating Forest Hills Eastern 6-1.

EH had the bats swinging against the Hawks, finishing with 10 hits.

Payton Wilkinson smacked two base hits with one RBI and Denny also hit two singles.

Majority hit an RBI-double and Easton Fields hit a single and had the team's only other RBI.

Muegge, White, True and Lewis had the Royals' other hits though Lewis also added a sacrifice hit and a fielder's choice.

Muegge scored two of EH's runs while Denny, True, Fields and Ryan Burris scored the other four.

White again was the starting pitcher and threw a complete game with 10 strikeouts and just one walk. In seven innings on the mound, White faced 23 batters and gave up only one run on one hit.

The Royals suffered their second loss of the season against near-

KHS Baseball Team Demolishes Waldron 20-1

Knightstown sophomore Jose Olivo threw eight strikeouts and allowed just one hit in four innings on the mound while the Panthers pounded out 11 hits, including a home run by senior Isaac McRoberts, to beat Waldron 20-1 on March 10 on the road.

The Panthers took the early 5-0 lead after the first inning, put 10 runs on the board in the second and added five more in the third to go up 20-0 at the end of the third. The Mohawks scored a run in the fourth inning before the game was called with impending bad weather.

Junior Owen Wiles was named Player of the Game by head coach Daren Hardesty. Wiles went 3-for-3, including a double. He scored twice and knocked in four runs.

McRoberts was walked twice but connected for a

three-run homer at his other time at bat.

Tyler Burton and Bruce Nichols each hit two-RBI doubles.

Levi Back put down a base hit and had two RBIs. Mason Carmichael and Bryan Newby each hit RBI-singles.

Olivo was walked once, reached base twice on error and had a base hit. He made each opportunity on base count, scoring four of the team's runs.

The Panthers were patient at the plate, drawing nine walks, and aggressive when they got on base. Back, Newby, Nichols, Wiles and Alex Brading each had a stolen base.

Knightstown's season record now sets at 2-0. The Panthers will host their first home game Wednesday against Blue River Valley. Game time is 5 p.m.

by rival Shenandoah, falling to the second Raiders team in a week 9-2 at home April 8.

Shenandoah jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first inning before Eastern Hancock put a run on the board in the bottom of the second. The Royals pulled within one with another run in the third. But, that would be last for the Royals while the Raiders were able to score a run in the fourth, three runs in the fifth and two more in the top of the sixth then hold tough for the 9-2 win.

Knoblock got the start on the mound for the Royals and faced 19 batters in the four innings he

pitched. He struck out two batters and allowed four runs on seven hits.

Fields, Muegge and True each took a turn on the mound in the remaining three innings. Fields struck out one batter and walked four while giving up three runs on one hit. True allowed two runs on two hits with one strike out and one walk. Muegge walked a batter and struck out two while giving up no hits or runs.

The Royals posted six hits with four doubles. Muegge had one of the doubles and a single with an RBI. Fields hit an RBI-double.

True and Lewis hit the other two doubles while Denny added a single.

The Royals struggled against Shenandoah senior pitcher Max McKee who struck out 12 of the 24 Eastern Hancock batters he faced over six innings.

Sophomore Tyler Alexander relieved McKee and struck out two of the three Royals he came up against.

Eastern Hancock has a tough week ahead with games at home against Lutheran, Centerville, Lapel and a doubleheader against Knightstown on Saturday.

Titans Face Tough Schedule, Suffer Three Straight Losses

Titans Fall to Rushville After 11 Innings

It took 11 innings for Rushville to finally take down Tri's varsity baseball team on their own field April 7.

The Lions put a run on the board in the first inning then went scoreless until they sent the game into extra innings with a run in the bottom of the seventh.

Tri scored a run in the fourth and had went ahead 2-1 at the top of the sixth. Both teams scored again in extra innings before Rushville, with two outs, scored the winning run at the bottom of the 11th inning.

Josiah Jackson got the pitching start again for the Titans and threw to 25 batters before being relieved by Peyton Wooten with two outs down in the bottom of the sixth.

Jackson struck out five batters and walked one while giving up three hits and one run. Wooten pitched through the eighth inning, facing 11 batters with four strike outs and one walk. He gave up two runs.

Freshman Dillon Stevens was called on to start the ninth inning. He pitched to eight Lions and struck out two while walking five. He allowed one hit and one run to get tagged with the pitching loss.

Jackson hit a double and two singles. Eric Bilby smacked two base hits and earned an RBI. Kyle Falck also had two singles and Mason Rottinghaus hit a single for an RBI.

Bilby scored one of Tri's runs while Jackson scored the other two.

Anderson Indians Down Titans 6-2 in Home Opener

After the long fight against class 3A Rushville the night before, the class 1A Titans turned around the following afternoon and hosted class 4A Anderson for their home opener April 8.

Tri was able to draw upon three other pitchers for the Indians match up but despite tallying nine strike outs, the three walked nine too and the Titans fell to the Indians 2-6.

Bilby started on the mound for Tri. He pitched five innings and struck out eight batters. But, he walked six Indians and gave up four runs on three hits. Mason Phelps pitched part of the sixth inning, striking out one batter and walking three. He allowed one hit and two runs before being relieved by Gage Rowe with two outs. The Titans put out the only batter Rowe faced.

Jackson again led the Titans at the plate with three base hits and an RBI with one run scored. Stevens had the team's only other hit. Chris Blake reached base on a fielder's choice and would score Tri's other run.

Tri Falls to Seton Catholic

Two days later, the Titans hosted Seton Catholic and suffered their third straight loss, going down 8-10 in the April 10 game.

The game started off on the right note with the Titans taking the early 2-0 lead at the end of one. But, the Seton Catholic caught fire in the top of the second, scoring five runs.

Tri was able to hold the Cardinals scoreless over the next two innings while putting a run on the board in the third and three more in the bottom of the fourth to retake the lead at 6-5.

Seton answered the Tri rally with three runs of their own in the top of the fifth. Tri tied it up by scoring two in the bottom of the fourth to put the score at 8-all.

The Cardinals again rose to the challenge, scoring two in the top of the sixth then held on to secure the 10-8 victory.

Rottinghaus got the pitching start for the Titans. He pitched five innings, facing 27 batters with one strikeout and one walk. He allowed

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Charges, from Page 1

the course of their investigation that drugs had been reported stolen from Wilson's veterinary practice in March and April 2013 and again in November 2014. The first incident reportedly resulted in the theft of a large bottle of alprazolam and three bottles of diazepam, an anti-anxiety drug originally marketed as Valium. Although James was reportedly seen on a surveillance video entering the office and turning off the alarm, Wilson told police he did not believe she had been responsible for the theft.

In a report made to the Henry County Sheriff's Department with reference to the April 2013 theft, Wilson had reported the theft of a bottle of Tramadol, an opioid pain medication, from a safe. Again, surveillance video apparently showed James in the building and entering the room where the safe was kept.

Wilson told authorities that he later found the Tramadol, but had discovered that more alprazolam was missing, as well as hydrocodone tablets and another medication containing oxycodone. Court documents indicate Wilson did not report these stolen drugs after he discovered them missing.

Finally, records reviewed when authorities searched his business indicate that Wilson had noted the theft of more alprazolam and hydrocodone in November 2014. His records also reportedly showed that he had taken 93 alprazolam tablets for his own dog between August 2014 and February 2015.

The 12 counts of dealing in a Schedule IV controlled substance charges filed against Wilson are Class felonies that can each result in up to eight years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. The unlawful dispensation of a controlled substance charges are Class D (or Level 6) felonies that can each carry a maximum sen-

tence of three years and, again, a \$10,000 fine.

Wilson has a pretrial conference scheduled for April 20 and his case is tentatively set for a jury trial at 9 a.m. on Monday, May 15. Wilson told The Banner on Monday his attorney expects the trial date to be continued, though not for long.

"I do feel like it will be resolved very quickly. ... I feel I'll be exonerated," Wilson told The Banner, saying he will fight the charges and has no plans to plead guilty. "... I will fight for my license till the end. They're not taking it under these circumstances."

Currently, Wilson's veterinary license, which is due to be renewed in October, is still in good standing with the state and he is able to continue with his practice. However, his Controlled Substance Registration, which had allowed him to prescribe and dispense controlled substances in his practice, expired in October 2015. Wilson told The Banner that he still has a state pharmacy license that allows him to write prescriptions for antibiotics, heart worm medications, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory medications and some painkillers.

James is also facing numerous felony charges as a result of this investigation. She has been charged with two Class C felony counts of burglary, six Class C felony counts of forgery, 19 Class D felony counts of possession of a controlled substance and one Level 6 (or Class D) felony of obtaining a controlled substance by fraud or deceit. Her pretrial conference and trial dates are tentatively set for the same dates and times as Wilson's.

Wilson told The Banner he is no longer engaged to James. He said he has a restraining order against her.

KHS Girls, from Page 11

at all four of her plate appearances. She was walked three times and reached base on error once. She scored twice and was credited with two RBIs.

Kiley Breece also reached base on an error and later scored the team's other run.

Knightstown was aggressive as usual when they reached bases, especially Clark who hustled for three stolen bases. Goodpaster, Breece and Aryn Darling each had one stolen base.

Knightstown moves to 2-0 with a busy week of tough games ahead.

Stories, from Page 1

photos with them, returning them to owners at a later time.

"The more we have to work with, the more we can use to tell your story with," Clemmons said.

The May 20 interviews at the Hoosier Gym will start at 9 a.m., Clemmons said. Participants, however, should plan on arriving at least half an hour early to get registered and go through a pre-interview.

"That's to help get your mind ready for the interview, and to get the interviewer ready," Clemmons said.

The interviews usually last about 10 minutes each, Clemmons explained. He recommended that participants wear comfortable clothing, but said they should avoid T-shirts with logos or images or text that might be deemed offensive. He also said they should avoid herringbone, plaids and stripes, keeping to simple patterns instead, and noted that bright red, white and black are colors that "video doesn't like."

After the May 20 interviews are finished, the show's production team will then get started putting together the episode.

"That's the fun part for us," Clemmons said. "... We want your story to look good. We want your town to look as good as possible."

Once the production team completes the episode, Kinsey said WIPB will host an advance screening for all of the show's storytellers. She said this provides a last chance to catch mistakes and make sure things like names are correct and that photos and video footage are correctly identified and included in the right place.

"It's an opportunity to make sure we get everything right," Kinsey said.

Approximately three weeks after the advance screening, the *Now Entering* ... Knightstown episode will debut on WIPB-TV during the station's fund drive. The local storytellers featured in the program will be invited to the WIPB's Muncie studio to work the phone bank that night, helping collect donations that will help underwrite the program's next episode.

"Trust me, it's one big party," Kinsey said.

The first episode of *Now Entering* ..., which aired last June, featured the city of Portland, the county seat for Jay County. The small Madison County town of Pendleton was the subject of the show's second episode that aired last month.

For more information about the *Now Entering* ... program or being a featured storyteller in the Knightstown episode, contact Kinsey at 765-285-5887 or e-mail her at mkinsey@bsu.edu. Details are also available online at www.wipb.org/nowentering/.

Historic, from Page 6

members of historic preservation commissions, which may have three to nine members, at three years. However, the initial terms of the original members may be set at one, two or three years in order to provide staggered terms that prevent all members' terms from ending at the same time.

Commission members voted at their March 1 meeting to appoint Davis as chairman. Dave Kieser of Kieser Consulting Group LLC, a Lawrence-based firm working with the town on planning and development issues, volunteered to keep minutes of the meetings and said the commission might appoint a secretary at its next meeting, but Green volunteered to fill that role with no objections from other members.

According to the resolution the town council passed in 2015 and the ordinance adopted last month, the historic preservation commission was formed to:

- *promote the educational, cultural, economic and general welfare of the public through the recognition, enhancement and perpetuation of sites and districts of historical and cultural significance;
- *safeguard the town's historic, aesthetic and cultural heritage by preserving sites and districts of historical and cultural significance;
- *stabilize and improve property values;
- *foster pride in the legacy of beauty and achievements of the past;
- *protect and enhance the town's attractions to tourists and visitors, and the support and stimulus to business they provide; and
- *strengthen the economy of the town.

One of the tasks the commission will have, Kieser explained at the March 1 meeting, is hearing requests for the designation of local properties as "historically significant" and issuing plaques to that effect. Such designations, he said, will not limit what owners can do with their properties, but could have the positive effects of people taking more pride in their homes and possibly even receiving some tax benefits.

Tonight's Carthage Historic Preservation Commission meeting will be held at Carthage Town Hall, 6 W. First St. The meeting is open to the public.

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Tri Baseball, from Page 13

four hits and eight runs.

Phelps came in for the sixth inning and walked two batters that resulted in two runs scored. Wooten relieved him and had one strikeout with no hits.

Jackson stepped up on offense with three hits and two RBIs and nabbed four stolen bases. Rottinghaus hit a double and single for two RBIs.

Bradyn Ellis had two hits and two RBIs. Blake reached base twice and Drew Mondrush and Rowe once each when they were hit by a pitch. Ellis, Falck, Mondrush, Phelps and Rowe drew a walk also.

Andrew Pierce scored two of Tri's runs while Blake, Ellis, Falck, Jackson, Mondrush and Rowe each scored once.

The Titans' season record dropped to 1-3 with the recent losses.

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Letters, from Page 4

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I don't know about anyone else, but my hard earned money is leaving.
Barbara Meade Spiceland
(The Banner inadvertently omitted a sentence from Meade's letter in last week's edition. The Banner regrets the error and any confusion it may have caused.)

Komen, from Page 8

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Street Dept., from Page 6

he has at his disposal, Lane has lamented the lack of help in his department for a long time.
"I've asked and complained, but the finances for my department just aren't there for a full-time guy," said Lane.
Lane is, nevertheless, able to find a few people in town who are willing to come and help lend a hand when he really needs it. He can often rely on other town workers, such as people from the water or electric department, to aid him whenever possible. This is not simple, though, as it usually means wearing one department thin in favor of another.
The work is never completely finished, and new problems arise every week, but Lane keeps working on it as much as he can.
"I enjoy my job tremendously," he said. "It is a lot to take on for one guy, but it's a small town and finances are limited. It's the only way we can do it. I just hope everybody appreciates what we do. I know you're not gonna please everybody, but I think we do a pretty good job with it."
Lane has lived in Knightstown his entire life. He graduated from Knightstown High School in 1989.

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