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NEWSPAPER

"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

## Car Show Moves to Knightstown

The ninth annual Justin Steinwachs Memorial Car Show will take place on Saturday, May 13, on Knightstown's Public Square. This year's show is being held in conjunction with Beautify Knightstown, Inc. For more information, e-mail [darlind49@yahoo.com](mailto:darlind49@yahoo.com).

## 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.

## Church of God Hosting The Rydells

Knightstown Church of God, 405 North St., will host The Rydells for the church's monthly singing. The Rydells will perform Saturday, May 20, at 6 p.m. The public is invited to a night filled with free gospel singing and fellowship. Call 317-936-5849 or 765-345-7442 for more information.

## Greensboro UMC Blood Drive May 20

Greensboro United Methodist Church will host the Indiana Blood Center's Bloodmobile for a blood drive on Saturday, May 20, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Appointments are not required. Call 765-686-5207 for more info.

## Spring Blast This Saturday in Carthage

The Future of Carthage group is preparing its Bridges, Bikes and Books Spring Blast, a community event scheduled for this 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. This event, a benefit for the Henry Henley Library, will also feature a bake sale, lunch and town-wide yard sales.

## Award-Winning Radio Personality Cara Denis Returning to Hoosier Roots at 97.1 Hank FM

Proving the old adage that sometimes you *can* go home again, Emmis Country WLHK (97.1 Hank FM) in Indianapolis recently announced the return of Cara Denis as music director and afternoon personality, taking over for the retiring JD Cannon.

Denis is a 2007 Knightstown High School graduate and the daughter of Lynn Gentry of Wilkinson. Cara is also the sister of Eastern Hancock student Cameron Denis and 2003 KHS graduate Lauren Kong.

Denis triumphantly came home to Hank FM after a successful five-year stint as on-air producer and morning co-host on Zimmer Radio Country KCLR Clear 99 in Columbia, Mo. Prior to that she was the producer of *Mornings With Dave O'Brien* on Hank-FM from 2010-2012.

"Timing aligned perfectly to bring Cara back to our team," said Hank's Fritz Moser. "Her success in Columbia speaks volumes. Cara knows being a great personality is more than just an air shift. It's important to be visible in the community and to continue the conversation online - she gets it. Cara is in the heart of our target demo and will add a great perspective to our music decisions."



This provided photo was taken at the Academy of Country Music Party for a Cause event in Las Vegas, Nev., on April 1. That night Denis and her co-host were presented with the award for winning ACM Personality of the Year.

"I'm so grateful for this opportunity with Hank FM - it's a dream come true," Denis, who starts on May 8, said. "I can't wait to become part of the communities I grew up around and contribute to this phenomenal team."

Denis was involved in Knightstown High School's Eder Vocational radio program led by Mike York. York's pride was evident when The Banner sought his comment on Denis's success.

"I am so proud of Cara as she returns home to her roots," York told The Banner. "She was destined for success while in high school. She was an integral part of the air staff during her two years at WKPW."

"She was always driven and motivated to do her best and the funny thing was," York continued, "she was a total wreck before going on-air, but when the mic went on, she was cool as a cucumber. I couldn't be more proud of her!"

Denis is the second Knightstown woman to achieve prominence in regional radio markets. Knightstown High School graduate Terri (Schram) Stacy is a veteran radio host and on-air personality at 93.1 WIBC, another Emmis Communications company in Indianapolis.

## Knightstown Council Votes to Outsource Payroll Services for Town Employees

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

The Knightstown Town Council has voted to give the town's clerk-treasurer permission to hire an outside firm to handle payroll for town employees.

With one member absent, the council voted 4-0 at its April 20 monthly meeting to approve Clerk-Treasurer Beth Huffman's recommendation that the town retain the services of Louisville-based Advanced Payroll Systems. She noted that some of the town's time clocks are outdated and don't work properly, resulting in handwritten notations on some town employees' time cards.

"I've been told the State Board of Accounts frowns on that," Huffman told council members.

The town will pay APS a one-time fee of \$1,137.40 for set-up and to reconcile old payroll data. As for ongoing costs, Huffman said the town will pay \$5,042 a year, which breaks down as \$127 per pay period, plus another \$145 a month for timekeeping.

Huffman said the town had been paying \$1,950 a year for the payroll software it had been using to process its own payroll. She

described that software as "quite cumbersome," and said it could take up to half a day for a town employee to process payroll.

"This seems pretty economical to me," Huffman said of APS's services.

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Council President Sarah Ward also appointed Huffman's husband, Dave, to a vacant seat on the town's five-member board of zoning appeals. Ward said that Dave Huffman will be replacing Randy Gross, who had to step down from the BZA as a result of moving outside the town.

In other business at the April 20 meeting not reported in last week's Banner, the town council:

- \*approved a new ordinance restricting parking in front of Knightstown Town Hall (see legal notice on Page 9);

- \*agreed to spend up to \$10,000 on sidewalk repairs in town during the remainder of the year, with cost

for repairs split 50-50 between the town and property owners;

- \*voted to spend up to \$20,000 to start work on street repairs in town;

- \*scheduled public hearings on unsafe properties at 236 S. Adams St. and 112 S. Madison St. for 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 18;

- \*approved Beautify Knightstown Inc.'s plan to place decorated bicycles around the town's public square and hang ornamental flags around town;

- \*agreed to have the town pay to relocate a backflow valve on the splash pad at Sunset Park if it is determined that town workers were the ones responsible for installing it incorrectly in the first place;

- \*turned down a request to have the town pick up the tab for the splash pad's monthly water bill;

- \*approved hiring Mike McCorkle as a part-time police officer;

- \*adopted an ordinance adopting an economic rider that will allow qualified commercial customers of the town's electric utility to be eligible for reduced electric rates if they are establishing new operations or expanding existing

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## Public Input Sought on County Plan

The public's input about the future of Henry County is needed. All are encouraged to attend a public open house on Wednesday, May 17, to give feedback and learn more about the Henry County Comprehensive Plan process.

Two sessions will be offered at The Hoosier Gym, 355 N. Washington St. in Knightstown. The first session is from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; the second is from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Anyone living or working in Henry County is welcome.

"We welcome anyone with passion, vision and drive for expanding upon all of the great things that Henry County has to offer future residents and businesses," said Brooke Thomas, lead technical planner of American Structurepoint, the firm hired by the Henry County Planning Commission to lead them in crafting the plan. "Key to the plan's creation and success will be the vision and values expressed by the larger community."

The open house will feature several stations. Participants will move from station to station at their own pace to learn more about the planning process. People also will have the opportunity to explore different land use possibilities and to voice an opinion on what they would like to see happen in the areas within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Henry County Planning Commission. Members of the planning team will also be available to answer any questions.

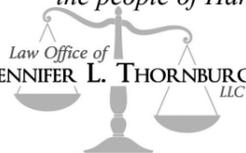
The Henry County Comprehensive Plan will include all unincorporated land within the county as well as the towns of: Middletown, Sulphur Springs, Springport, Mount Summit, Mooreland, Blountsville, Straughn, Lewisville, Spiceland and Dunreith. A comprehensive plan is a strategic guide for future development and growth. It is a roadmap for future that meets the unique needs and values of Henry County. It will cover topics such as land use, housing, economic development, education and workforce development, community services, and transportation.

For more information, visit [www.henrycountycompplan.com](http://www.henrycountycompplan.com).



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# OBITUARIES

**Shirley Arnette Clements**  
**December 10, 1935 - April 27, 2017**



Shirley Arnette Clements, 81, died April 27, 2017, in Knightstown, after a valiant battle with cancer. Her devotion to her family and faith supported her throughout her struggle and she now rests in peace.

She was born Dec. 10, 1935, in Ocala, Fla., the daughter of William Ephraim Arnett of Auburndale, Fla., and Wilma (Cushing) Arnette of Ocala, Fla., both who precede her in death. She graduated from Ocala High School in 1953 and went on to graduate summa cum laude from Nova University, where she received her bachelor's and master's degrees in psychology. The only thing more impressive than her academic achievements was her green thumb and perfect pound cake.

Shirley was married for over 50 years to Verne Clements, who precedes her in death, and together they raised two children. She is survived by her son, Scott J. (Heidi) Clements, of Woodstock, Ga.; her daughter, Melissa (Stephen) McCaffrey, of Knightstown; and by her six grandchildren, Justin Whiteside, Sarah (Michael J.) Pence, Ben Callahan, Colton Clements and Laura and Rachel McCaffrey.

Before her nine-year battle with cancer, Shirley was a pineapple-growing, roller coaster-riding, kayaking grandma that loved going on adventures with her grandkids.

Also surviving are her five siblings, Wynelle Glickstein of Winter Haven, Fla., Marvin (Mary) Arnette of Jacksonville, Fla., Janet Collins of Ocala, Fla., Wilma "Jimmie" (Darrell) McKinney of Fayetteville, Ga., and Sandy Hodge of Bentonville, Ark.; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Though an active member of her church community, it was Shirley's wish to forgo a memorial service. Arrangements have been entrusted to Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service, Knightstown Chapel. Memorial contributions may be made to Hancock Regional Hospice, 801 N State St. Greenfield, IN 46140. Condolences and memories of Shirley may be shared at [www.hinsey-brown.com](http://www.hinsey-brown.com).

## Business Development Efforts Lauded

The Indiana Small Business Development Center (ISBDC) recently celebrated its 2016 successes at its annual statewide network meeting. Ian Steff, executive vice president and chief innovation officer with the Indiana Economic Development Corporation and Aaron Vigil-Martinez, sr. advisor for Small Business & Entrepreneurship with the Indiana Economic Development Corporation, presented awards to top-performing staff members and centers.

East Central ISBDC received the Most Improved Center award for overall performance improvement and goal attainment in the previous year. The East Central Indiana ISBDC's business advisors helped 26 businesses start and attracted capital infusion of \$10,647,112.

Scott Underwood, business advisor with the East Central ISBDC, received an award for the largest change in sales. Underwood's clients reported more than \$3 million in increased sales

during 2016.

The East Central ISBDC provides no-cost, confidential small business consulting to 11 counties of East Central Indiana. Access these services by visiting [www.isbdc.org](http://www.isbdc.org) or calling 765-282-9950.

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operations with a capital investment of at least \$1 million; and

\*paid monthly claims totaling a little over \$200,000.

More information about the April 20 Knightstown Town Council meeting can be found in last week's issue of The Banner and in the memoranda and minutes of that proceeding. The latter public records should be available for inspection and copying at Knightstown Town Hall, 26 S. Washington St., during normal business hours.

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**Jeph Jacques**

## Two Retiring CAB Teachers to Be Honored

The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corp, together with the Classroom Teachers Association, are honoring two retiring teachers on Wednesday, May 17, from 3:15-5 p.m. in the Knightstown High School cafeteria. Fourth grade teacher Sandra Stohry and Family and Consumer Science teacher Nancy Watson are retiring after many years of service.

Stohry began her teaching career in fall of 1977 at Greene County Schools, where she taught kindergarten and third grade. She also served as principal there at the

elementary and high school. In addition, she was principal at Maple Park Elementary in Southwest Dubois County Schools.

In the fall of 1992 she became principal at Knightstown Elementary School. She also taught first, third and four grades at Carthage Elementary School. She currently teaches fourth grade at Knightstown Intermediate School. Stohry said that she especially enjoyed teaching kindergarten and first grade students. Her future plans include taking art classes,

traveling, volunteering and working on home projects.

Watson has taught Family and Consumer Science at KHS from 1992 to the present. Prior to that she was a stay-at-home mom and did clothing alterations out of her home. Her favorite memories of teaching include students' comments after field trips, their faces when they are proud of their projects, and their energy when focused on a project. Her future plans include camping, traveling, spending time with grandkids, and going to antique stores.

## Banner Corrects Erroneous News Story

The Banner misreported in last week's issue that the Kennard Town Council has scheduled a private meeting for this Friday. In fact, it is the Shirley Town Council that will be meeting in executive session. The Banner regrets its error and any confusion or inconvenience it may have caused.

According to notice issued by the town, the purpose of the 1 p.m. closed-door executive session, which will be held at Shirley Town Hall, 409 Main St., is so the

council can discuss strategy with respect to the purchase or lease of real property by the town. The Banner asked Teresa Hester, the town's clerk-treasurer, for infor-

mation about what land the town is considering purchasing or leasing and the purpose to which it would be put, but she declined to provide additional details.



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The following activities are at the Library:

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## Don't Delay; Tackle Your Dreams Today

*"The Moving Finger writes; and, having writ,*

*Moves on: nor all thy Piety nor Wit*

*Shall lure it back to cancel half a Line,*

*Nor all thy Tears wash out a Word of it."*

Translated by Fitzgerald - *The Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam*

Recently one Friday afternoon, Bill said, "The water heater has been rumbling, and now there's water on the garage floor. Bill is a talented handyman. Time was when he'd have ordered a new water heater and had it installed. This time he called Phil King.

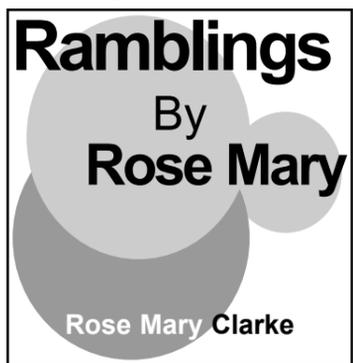
One of the smartest things that we did when we grew older was to develop a relationship with a trustworthy, prompt, cost-effective contractor. Newspaper ads help. We found Phil's handyman ad in the *Weekly View* under the title "Above Expectations."

Indeed! From installing new doors on our storage shed to repairing the roof to dealing with a leak in Bill's shower, he's done several jobs for us. Watching his interaction with Bill, I know that should I ever have to deal with maintaining our home, I can trust and rely on him.

Phil called J. Keys, the grandson of roofer Randy, whom I recommended to real estate clients. He bought a water heater that he

and a helper installed that same evening, after removing the old one. He returned the next day and reworked the dryer's vent pipe in the crawl space.

Recently, Bill woke up and saw a spot on the ceiling above his head. The roof was leaking, which was no surprise as it's in its teens.



When it was three years old there was a huge hail storm that shattered windows and damaged roofs on the Eastside. The insurance adjustor counted the pockmarks and said, "It isn't terminal, but I'm writing a check for it." Since it had been installed so recently and figuring that we could afford to replace it when needed, we blew the money on a trip to Paris. Now we thought that the piper must be paid. Yippee! Phil came, did some repairs and said that it's good for five more years.

I agree with Henry David

Thoreau that sometimes common sense should be uncommon sense. We could have been sensible and used that money to replace the roof, but going to Paris was wiser. I asked Bill if he had suggestions for this column. "Tell people to travel while they're young enough." He reminded me about Glen, who took a raft trip through the Grand Canyon. "Did you enjoy it," Bill asked. "Yeah, but I would have enjoyed it more if I'd been younger."

You youngsters of 60 or 70, close Facebook, put away your iPhones and iPads, turn off the TV and think - *really think* - about yourself. We've been responsible, frugal people who worked, raised our children and helped with our elders or grandchildren. However, we have continually kicked the can of our personal dreams into tomorrowland, but tomorrow never comes.

Before you are too old, ask yourself about your unfulfilled heart's desires. Do it now! Have you dreamed of going to Europe? Do it now! You can drive and get along without speaking the languages, or you can take a tour. Amtrak offers packages for American trips. If you're alone, invite a friend to go with you. Do you dream of creating art? Do it now! One of my former clients

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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Your recent "Blah Blah Blah" (April 19 - Wildlife Abounds ...) was well worth everyone's time.

I see to it that the brown snake that came into my garden years ago has a safe place to hibernate during winter. It has grown from 10 to 16 inches. Last year, another snake the same size went into a neighbor's yard. They killed it. Why? I'm not a killer of harmless creatures.

One day my son Jesse and I were driving along a country road when I noticed a skunk ambling along in an open field. What caught my eye was the young hound dog, close to the ground, tracking it 200 yards away. When that dog caught up with the skunk, it was ready. It sprayed that hound right in the mouth. That hound was "sick as a dog." Jesse and I just sat and watched the skunk mosey off into some brush, while the hound dog rolled, upchucked and pawed his head.

Once, a friend, Jesse, and I were fishing, when a big buck deer came out of the nearby woods. That buck deer looked at us, as if to say, "Thank God for fishermen." With that, the buck walked off a little ways and laid down in the stock field. The two pickup trucks left with hunters from the nearby woods within an hour - empty-handed.

A friend once told me how he stopped his car and watched a large flock of wild turkeys cross the road. Following these turkeys was a sly red fox. In about a minute, that fox came running back with six flying turkeys dive-bombing him hard.

Yesterday, I stopped my car, got out and rescued a painted turtle walking across St. Rd. 109. I drove out of my way to a safe hole of water to set it free.

When Jesse was a five-year-old, I took him mushroom hunting. It was only spring so we never found any, but I did find a big snake. It was sluggish, trying to sun itself. I said, "Jesse, I will pet that snake and let you pet it if you promise not to tell your mother." Jesse hesitated, but I held that measly four foot blacksnake down with my left hand and stroked its back. Jesse petted it too. But, first thing when we got home, Jesse ran in and shouted to his mom, "Hey mom, guess what? Dad let me pet a snake."

William O'Neal  
Shirley

## 'The Better Angels' an Interesting Lincoln Film

Fans of President Abraham Lincoln should take note of an interesting film that came out a few years ago. *The Better Angels* (2014) depicts Lincoln's childhood circa 1817 in the wilds of early Indiana.

Some may not appreciate this artsy black and white film by director A.J. Edwards, but historians and those who appreciate the work of award-winning director Terrence Malick are certain to covet this ethereal work.

Though the movie's ample footage of an undeveloped Hoosier countryside seem authentic enough, the entirety of filming took place in New York state. Rolling Southern Indiana hills, blossomed fields and rustic streams are all located on the Mohonk Preserve in New Paltz, N.Y. However, I believed it was Indiana, which is all that's important.

Nevertheless, this quiet and atmospheric film interestingly depicts young Lincoln's sparse and rather tragic childhood. There isn't much romance in his family's remote and utilitarian log cabin, which is later the scene of his mother's death, a result of disease.

His later life as a young nation's president and his resulting celebrity isn't hinted at whatsoever, as the realities of everyday life surviving in a gorgeous but unforgiving wilderness unfold.

Like Terrence Malick's own gorgeous and richly natured films, Edwards' *The Better Angels* relies on the ambience of nature's cathedral to drive home small moments in Lincoln's boyhood.

This reliance on images to tell the story is, admittedly, not for everyone. Some describe this storytelling method as too loose and disjointed, failing to deliver a coherent storyline. I somewhat agree with

that assessment. However, I like to think of such films as more experiential than normal Hollywood movies.

The critiques shouldn't deter Lincoln fans from this interesting, 95-minute glimpse into the vanished childhood world of an American icon. What the movie lacks in linear storytelling, it more than makes up for in nuanced character development and impeccable black-and-white photography.

### Superintendent's Corner

CAB Superintendent Jed Behny recently invited me to join him on his Saturday morning radio show *Superintendent's Corner* on Knightstown High School's WKPW 90.7 radio station. I was happy to accept his invitation. The episode airs this Saturday, May 6, at 8 a.m.

We recorded the episode several days ago, and I got a chance to see the radio station's complete studios, which are very professional. The program director, Mike York, has

done an outstanding job assembling a top-notch facility, complete with state-of-the-art electronics, multiple production booths and a dizzying array of glowing lights, curious knobs and other impressive-looking apparatus.

My talk with Behny was great, as usual. I'm long-winded and love to hear myself talk, so he could barely fit a word in edgewise. But, that didn't stop him from inviting me back for a follow-up interview.

I'm honored to have been asked to join in the *Superintendent's Corner* interview. Likewise, I was excited to get that tour of the WKPW studios. If you haven't seen them, take my word for it: They are truly a great addition to KHS.



Dear Editor,

The 2017 legislative session came to a close Saturday, April 22. Over the last four months, legislators addressed a variety of topics, such as cursive writing, state agriculture and Indiana's drug epidemic.

Of the 1,261 bills authored in the Senate and House of Representatives, 272 passed.

One bill that passed is House Enrolled Act 1001, which creates a \$32.3 billion balanced budget for Indiana over the next two years.

HEA 1001 funds all state government services while allowing us to stay within our means and maintain our standing as a national leader in fiscal responsibility.

A large portion of the budget focuses on enhancing Indiana's education system. Over the biennium, K-12 education will receive an increase of \$345 million, totaling 51 percent of the budget.

Legislators also allotted funds to those who have risked their lives to keep our state and country safe - Indiana's veterans. HEA 1001 increases the military service income-tax deduction from \$5,000 to \$6,250; removes the 60-year age limit on claiming retirement deductions; gives

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# BITS & PIECES

◆The May 13 Justin Steinwachs Memorial Car Show has **non-food vendor space** available on the Public Square. Contact Jan McGuire at 317-509-4039 for additional information.

◆Knightstown Church of God, 405 North St., will host **The Rydells** for the church's monthly singing. The Rydells will perform Saturday, May 20, at 6 p.m. The public is invited to a night filled with gospel singing and fellowship. Call 317-936-5849 or 765-345-7442 for more information.

◆The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corp, together with the Classroom Teachers Association, are honoring **two retiring teachers** on Wednesday, May 17, from 3:15-5 p.m. in the Knightstown High School cafeteria. Fourth grade teacher Sandra Stohry and Family and Consumer Science teacher Nancy Watson are retiring after many years of service.

◆Greensboro United Methodist Church will host the Indiana Blood Center's Bloodmobile for a **blood drive** on Saturday, May 20, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Appointments are not required and those who plan to donate should bring valid photo ID. For more information, call Roxie Dalton at 765-686-5207.

◆The Knightstown Parks and Recreation Board is sponsoring a **string art class** for adults at the Sunset Park shelter house from 6-8:30 p.m. on May 4, June 1 and June 15. Cost is \$5 per class and participants should bring a hammer and needle nose pliers. To reserve a spot, or for more information, call park board member Jan McGuire at 317-509-4039.

◆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.

◆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. This event, a benefit for the Henry Henley Library, will also feature a bake sale, lunch, townwide yard sales, and art contest with cash prizes. More information can be found on the group's Facebook page.

◆The Shirley Octagon House is open for **free tours**, by chance or appointment. To get a free tour by appointment, call 765-738-6736 or 812-583-0030.

◆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 lnashbrook@gmail.com.

◆The Hoosier Youth Challenge Academy will host its inaugural **golf outing** on Saturday, May 13, at Royal Hylands Golf Club, 7629 S. Greensboro Pike, Knightstown. Cost is \$75 per person and includes lunch. Call Doug Tompkins at 317--340-0925 for more information.

◆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 pro-

gram is also taking applications for the 2017-2018 school year. Call 765-529-4403 for more info.

*News items for Bits & Pieces may be submitted to*

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of School Trustees of the Charles A. Beard School Corporation will receive bids for dietary food until 3:00 p.m. on May 30, 2017, at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, Attn: Jody McMahel, 8139 W. US Hwy 40, Knightstown, IN 46148. At that time Bids will be opened and read aloud. Bids will be acted upon by the Board of School Trustees at its regular business meeting on Tuesday June 20, 2017.

Specifications are on file at the office of the Director of Food Services and are available upon request.

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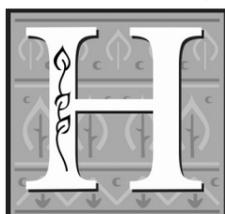
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## Little Free Library Unveiled on K-town's Public Square



Beautify Knightstown Inc. members Jan McGuire (left, at right) and Linda Lashbrook remove the sheet veiling the Little Free Library at last Saturday's dedication ceremony on the Knightstown Public Square. The "library," which is modeled after the gazebo on the square, was built by BKI member John Swartz (left) and the artwork was done by McGuire. (Jeff Eakins photo)

## Longtime Knightstown Family Joining Forces in New Automotive Repair and Customization Business

by Logan Cox  
for The Banner

Chew's Garage & Wrecker/Custom Fabrication Solutions (CFS) is a family owned and operated automotive and fabrication shop that does repairs and maintenance on late model cars and trucks as well as classic vehicles. They also deal in custom fabrication, custom frames, steel sales, welding and four-wheel drive lifts kits.

The business is currently comprised of Eddie Chew, his brother Mick Chew, and their cousin Kevin Chew.

"We've been in Knightstown all our lives. We want to make the community a good place, and we try to do our best quality work," Eddie said. "Quality is our biggest concern. It's not all about making money, it's about making things right."

Although Chew's Garage & Wrecker/CFS has only been open for about a year, it is not exactly a new business. At least, the garage and wrecker aspect isn't. In fact, the three Chews are currently carrying on the family business, since Chew's Garage is actually a business that is generations old.

As Eddie explained, it originally began as Chew's Southend Garage. Eddie, Mick and Kevin's grandfather started the business during the 1940s.

"We actually have an old invoice that says 1904, but the last digit is blank. The recent garage right now we started last year," said Eddie. "My dad, Kevin's dad, and all my uncles were in garage businesses throughout the years from... as long as they could pick a wrench up, basically."

Originally, Eddie and Mick Chew were planning on starting their own fabrication business, which would they would later call Custom Fabrication Solutions.

"It goes back to Indianapolis when we were working in a hot rod shop. We wanted to start our own business, and we talked about doing some fabrication work to do that. So we started it... and then his garage burnt, and that kind of put us behind," Eddie said.

Then Eddie and Mick partnered with their cousin Kevin, who was starting up the garage and wrecker service. Combining their ventures, the three restored

the business they had left behind, now under the name Chew's Garage & Wrecker/CFS.

"We all got away from it for a years, we all went our separate ways," said Eddie. "And we decided that we all wanted to come back. We wanted to bring the name back, and serve the community as best we can."

The Chews believe that, aside from the old school models we see around, there are no true hotrods on the roads these days. A goal of the fabrication side of the business is amending this.

"We're innovating tomorrow's hot rods," Eddie said. "So we're trying to come up with a way to give

someone a hot rod. To buy a kit that they can put together themselves and have a hotrod. Affordable hot rods. Because you've got the Challengers, the Dodges and Camaros and stuff, but you're talking \$30-\$40,000 cars. Hopefully we can do this where people can build it themselves and have under \$10,000 on them."

The Chew family's generational love of cars extends to car racing as well as maintenance. Eddie, Mick and Kevin have been involved in car racing for around thirty to forty years, as have several members of their family. Eddie claims that cars and racing have been a part of his life



since he was at least 6 years old.

Kevin is involved with wrecking work at Mt. Lawn Speedway. Eddie has worked for Champion Racing Association (CRA) for the last 13 or 14 years as a chief technical inspector, making sure all the cars are legal. Mick is also involved in technical work at Anderson Speedway. Their other brother, Jeff, is head tech for the Indianapolis Speedrome, in addition to working at CRA.

"There's always some aspect of racing we've been involved in," Eddie said, "Whether it's owning cars, my brothers driving cars, or being a race official."

Eddie, Mick and Kevin are all Knightstown residents, and have always lived in or around the area. As such, they all attended Knightstown High School.

Chew's Garage & Wrecker/CFS is now based out of Carthage, at 501 N. East St. The garage is open 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 565-8092.

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## MEETINGS CALENDAR

<p><b>Wed., May 3</b> - Kennard Town Council meeting, 7 p.m., Kennard Town Hall</p> <p><b>Thurs., May 4</b> - Henry Co. Planning Technical Review Board meeting, 9 a.m., office building conference room, first floor, New Castle</p> <p><b>Thurs., May 4</b> - Henry Co. Board of Zoning</p>	<p>Appeals meeting, 7 p.m., old circuit court room, New Castle</p> <p><b>Thurs., May 4</b> - Hancock Co. Drainage Board meeting, 8 a.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield</p> <p><b>Sat., May 6</b> - Shirley Town Council meeting, 8:30 a.m., Shirley Town Hall</p>
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**Rose Mary, from Page 4** —

teaches art at her eastside home. Do you want to learn cooking? Do it now! Take a cooking class. You want to write? Do it now, but you must do it every day!

The French poet Baudelaire called the clock a "sinister god." While our bodies slow down, time goes

ever faster! Tick-tock, tick-tock ... becomes tick, tick, tick, tick ... The artist Everett Ruess disappeared in the wilds of Utah when he was only 20. He wrote, "What time is it? It's time to live!"

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# FOLKWAYS

## Park Board Votes to Close Splash Pad Again

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

For the second time in three months, the Knightstown Parks and Recreation Board has voted to keep the splash pad water attraction at Sunset Park closed.

The park board's decision, first made at a meeting in January and then affirmed with a second vote last week at the park board's April 26 monthly meeting, was prompted by concerns over finances. Last year,

utility costs for the splash pad ran close to \$15,000 according to figures provided at prior park board meetings.

In an effort to reduce the splash pad's utility costs, the park board has asked the town council to have the town pay for the water portion of the utility bill. At the town council's April 20 monthly meeting, it once again rejected this request, noting that the town is experiencing its own financial difficulties.

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## Advance Wound Center Gets National Award

The Advanced Wound Center at Henry Community Health has been recognized with a national award for clinical excellence.

Current and former patients along with leaders, physicians and clinicians from Henry Community Health gathered recently to celebrate the Center of Distinction award, which was presented to the Advanced Wound Center by Healogics, the nation's leading and largest wound care management company.

The Advanced Wound Center achieved outstanding clinical outcomes for 12 consecutive months, including patient satisfaction higher than 92 percent, and a wound healing rate of at least 91 percent in less than 31 median days. Out of 630 centers eligible for the Center of Distinction award, 334 achieved this honor in 2017.

"I'm very proud of the team of physicians and staff we have here," says Matt Barrett, MD, medical director of HCH Advanced Wound Center. "They are a focused and dedicated group of people trying to make a difference for our patients with chronic wounds."

The center is a member of the Healogics network of nearly 800 centers, with access to benchmarking data and proven experience treating approximately 2.5 million chronic wounds. The Advanced Wound Center offers highly specialized wound care to patients suffering from diabetic ulcers, pressure ulcers, infections and other chronic wounds which have not healed in a reasonable amount of time. Some of the leading-edge treatments offered at the Wound Care Center include negative pressure wound therapy, debridement, application of cellular-based tissue or skin substitutes to the wound, offloading or total contact casts and hyperbaric oxygen therapy.

### About the Wound Care Center

Opened in October 2011, Henry Community Health Advanced Wound Center helps to heal wounds that haven't responded to traditional wound care. Wounds that do not heal can lead to serious infections and in extreme cases amputations and even death. The team provides expert, outpatient care for difficult wounds in the Advanced Wound Center located on the Main Campus. They provide advanced wound care treatments including hyperbaric oxygen therapy which promotes wound healing. For more information, visit [www.hchcares.org](http://www.hchcares.org).

### About Healogics, Inc.

Headquartered in Jacksonville, Fla., Healogics is

the nation's largest provider of advanced wound care services. Healogics and its affiliated companies manage nearly 800 wound care centers in the nation and saw over 300,000 new patients in 2016 through a connected network of partner hospitals and wound care centers, academic medical centers, and other post-acute sites. Healogics utilizes an evidence-based systematic approach to chronic wound healing to treat an underserved and growing patient population. A fund managed by Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, a private investment firm, is the majority shareholder of Healogics. For more information, visit [www.healogics.com](http://www.healogics.com).

## Formed in 1919, Nameless Creek Literary Club Still Holds Meetings

The Nameless Creek Literary Club will meet at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 10, at the home of Miriam Heath.

The program will be given by Denise Akers. Devotions will be led by Heath. The response to Roll Call will be "what color were your mother's eyes?"

The Nameless Creek Literary Club was organized Oct. 13, 1919. The purpose of this club is self-improvement, a splendor of special interest to women. It is associated with the Federation of Women's Clubs. For membership or general information regarding the club, contact Judy Brown at 936-5704.

## Viral Hepatitis Cases Skyrocket

More than 7,000 cases of viral hepatitis were reported in Indiana in 2015, and the number of reported acute hepatitis C cases has risen by 400 percent since 2010. Yet nearly three-fourths of people who have the disease are unaware of

their infection and are not receiving treatment, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) is encouraging

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# Local Business Owner Pleads Guilty, Avoids Jail

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

A Knightstown business owner has taken a plea agreement that lets him avoid serving any jail time for taking a woman's wallet from the checkout counter of the local Dollar General Store

in late October. Pursuant to an agreement reached with the Henry County Prosecutor Joe Bergacs' office last month and approved by the court yesterday, Jay Stearns, 53-year-old owner of the The Corner Bakery, 201 E. Main St., pleaded guilty to

the offense of conversion. While the offense is a Class A misdemeanor that could have resulted in up to a year in jail and a \$5,000 fine, Stearns, if he complies with the conditions of probation, will avoid both incarceration and a costly fine.

While the plea agreement calls for Stearns to be sentenced to a year in the Henry County Jail, the entirety of that sentence was suspended and Stearns was placed on formal probation instead. He will also be required to complete 10 days of community service and pay a \$15 fine and court costs of \$183.

According to allegations in court documents - which Stearns admitted were true during yesterday's court hearing - Stearns took a woman's wallet that had been left at the checkout counter of the local Dollar General Store, 9130 S. Mill Rd., on Oct. 28.

A police report prepared by Knightstown Chief of Police Duane Booth said surveillance video from Dollar General showed Stearns picking the wallet up off the counter and placing it in his pocket. When questioned about the incident a little more than a week later, Booth said Stearns initially denied knowing anything about the incident, even after Booth told him about the store's surveillance video.

After further questioning, however, Booth reported that Stearns

finally admitted he had taken the woman's wallet, then went and retrieved it from a drawer at his place of business and gave it to Booth. Stearns allegedly told Booth there had been \$222 in the wallet and he would have to go to ATM to get the money. Booth's report indicated Stearns returned to the police department with the money within 20 minutes, then returned the following day to tell him he had been taking medication and was not in his right mind.

In the report he submitted to the office of Henry County Prosecutor Joe Bergacs, Booth had asked that consideration be given to charging Stearns with theft over the Dollar General incident. However, instead of theft, Stearns was charged with the offense of conversion, a crime that is similar, but not identical to theft.

Both theft and conversion involve the exertion of unauthorized control over another person's property. Unlike theft, however, conversion does not require proof that the defendant intended to deprive the owner of the property of any part of its value or use, something that Bergacs told The Banner can make a case easier to prosecute.

Speaking to The Banner in late March, Bergacs explained that conversion is a Class A misdemeanor, as is the theft of property valued at less than \$750, which was the case with the Dollar General incident involving Stearns. In situations like that, Bergacs said his office will sometimes charge a defendant with conversion instead of theft.

"If it goes to trial, it's just easier to prove," Bergacs said. "And the penalty's the same."

Besides avoiding jail time and a costly fine, the other big benefit Stearns reaped as a result of his plea agreement is that the state agreed to dismiss charges pending against him in another case. As previously reported in The Banner, Stearns was also charged with conversion in March for allegedly taking doughnuts and a stack of foam take-out food containers from the Quick Pix gas station, 304 E. Main St., on the morning of March 2 without paying for them.

In his police report for that incident, Booth recounted that the Quick Pix manager told him it appeared Stearns had taken 42 doughnuts while only paying for two dozen. She also told Booth that Stearns had not been given permission to take the foam take-out food containers that surveillance video showed him going into the gas station's kitchen to get.

Booth said in his report that he spoke with Stearns about this incident at his place of business, and, at the request of the Quick Pix manager, issued a no trespass order barring him from the gas station. Stearns, according to Booth, asked to speak with him outside on the sidewalk.

Stearns allegedly told Booth he had paid for two dozen doughnuts, but the police report does not indicate whether Stearns admitted to taking more than that. As for the foam containers, Booth wrote that Stearns told him a Quick Pix employee said he "could have some," something the employee on duty denied.

As with the earlier case, Stearns was also been charged with conversion instead of theft with respect to the Quick Pix incident. In exchange for pleading guilty to taking the woman's wallet from Dollar General, Bergacs' office agreed to dismiss the conversion charge filed against Stearns over the doughnuts and foam containers he allegedly took from the gas station in early March.

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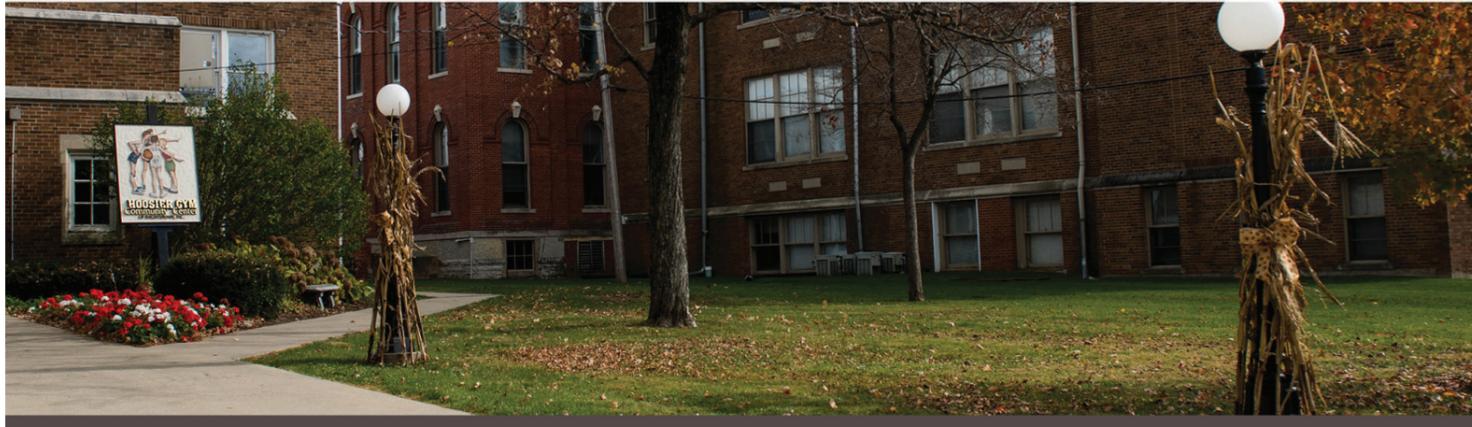
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# Former Kennard Clerk-Treasurer Gets Probation

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

A former Kennard Clerk-Treasurer accused of stealing more than \$80,000 from the town during her three years in office was sentenced to three years of probation last week after pleading guilty to a single count of wire fraud.

Karen Stanley, 49, served as the town's clerk-treasurer from August 2012 until her abrupt resignation in late October 2015, after law enforcement and the Indiana State Board of Accounts began investigating her. According to court documents, her scheme of regularly overpaying herself resulted in the theft of at least \$80,160 from the town.

An indictment filed against Stanley in April 2016 charging her with three counts of wire fraud alleged she had "falsely presented in Kennard's payroll system that she was entitled to a salary in the amount of \$33,000 per year" - double her \$16,500 annual salary. Federal prosecutors also alleged she had "presented falsified expense reports that included the unauthorized payroll amounts" to the Kennard Town Council at that body's monthly meetings.

According to the indictment, at least 58 paychecks containing unauthorized payments, drawn on the town's bank account at the Star Financial Bank in Shirley, were deposited in a personal checking account Stanley maintained at Huntington Bank in Columbus, Ohio. The three wire fraud charges filed against Stanley were related to a \$1,192.37 payment of town funds deposited into her bank account in Ohio in December 2012, and two similar incidents that occurred in May and August 2013.

Pursuant to the terms of an agreement reached with the United States Attorney's Office and approved during a hearing on April 25 by Judge Sarah Evans Barker, Stanley pleaded guilty to the wire

fraud count related to the December 2012 overpayment. In exchange for her guilty plea, prosecutors agreed to dismiss the other two wire fraud counts.

Normally, each count of wire fraud carries a maximum penalty of up to 20 years in prison, a fine of up to \$250,000 and three years of supervised release following any term of imprisonment. While the tendered plea agreement did not include a specific agreed upon sentence, the U.S. Attorney "agreed to recommend a sentence at the low end" of the federal sentencing guidelines, and Stanley's attorney argued for even less than that.

As The Banner previously reported, Stanley's legal counsel, Mario Garcia of Indianapolis, filed a sentencing memorandum with the court prior to last week's hearing in which he urged the court not to sentence her to prison. Instead, he argued that home detention for a period "at the lower end of the (sentencing) guideline range" would be more appropriate, followed by a period of supervised release and restitution paid to the town.

It appears that, for the most part, Garcia got what he wanted for his client.

According to the court's entry following last week's hearing, Stanley was sentenced to three years of probation. During the first three months of her probation, Stanley will serve weekends "in intermittent confinement," although the court's entry does not specify what exactly that entails or where that confinement will occur. After that, the court's entry says Stanley will spend the next two months on home detention, but whether that is weekends only or seven days a week is not clarified. Finally, during her sixth month of probation, Stanley will be required to do one day of community service per week.

In addition to her probation,

Stanley's sentence calls for her to pay a \$100 special assessment fee and restitution in the amount of \$89,412.27. Besides the \$80,160 she stole from the town through her salary overpayments, that amount also includes a little over \$9,250 in unpaid taxes and penalties related to her time in office.

Stanley's plea agreement says that the restitution in her case "shall be paid by the time of sentencing," although it is clear that the parties did not anticipate she would be able to do this. The agreement goes on to say that if the restitution is not paid within six months of when she enters her guilty plea, the government shall utilize civil forfeiture proceedings in an effort to recover property that can be used to satisfy the restitution order.

According to the indictment, the government intends to pursue forfeiture of any property "derived from proceeds traceable" to the unauthorized overpayments. If such property is not able to be located, the government could seek forfeiture of other "substitute property," as permitted by federal statute.

In a supplemental sentencing memorandum filed April 24, Garcia said Stanley intended to pay \$4,000 toward the restitution she owes to the clerk of the court on the day of her hearing. As of the news deadline for this week's issue, The Banner was unable to verify if that payment was, in fact, made.

The federal case against Stanley had been prompted by the results of a special investigation conducted by the Indiana State Board of Accounts and Indiana State Police. In addition to the salary overpayments and unpaid taxes and penalties, the SBOA said it thought Stanley should also have to pay the nearly \$14,000 that agency expended on its investigation. At this point, it is not clear what, if any, steps the SBOA might take to recover that amount.

The Banner attempted to contact Stanley's attorney and the Assistant U.S. District Attorney who handled this case to get comment on the sentence imposed by the court last week. As of the news deadline for this week's issue, neither had responded.

Jason Groce, president of the Kennard Town Council, offered

brief remarks to The Banner yesterday morning.

"I'm glad it's settled," Groce said. "I am satisfied with the court's decision and feel that we, as a town, finally have closure on this matter."

The Banner also reached out to Henry County Prosecutor Joe See Probation, Page 16



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**ORDINANCE NO. 042017**  
**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 73, SCHEDULE III, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF KNIGHTSTOWN, INDIANA**

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Knightstown, Indiana, has heretofore adopted Chapter 73, Schedule III, Parking Restrictions, for the control of parking within the incorporated limits of the Town of Knightstown, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the Town Council of the Town of Knightstown, Indiana, because of lengthy usage of parking spaces in front of Town Hall, individuals are unable to park in close proximity Town Hall in order to conduct their business with Knightstown, Indiana, or any of its utilities; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Knightstown, Indiana, believes it is in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Knightstown, Indiana, and the conduct of its citizens having business with Knightstown, Indiana, that parking be allowed for a limited period of time not to exceed one (1) hour within those parking spaces immediately adjacent to 24-26 South Washington Street, Knightstown, Indiana.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KNIGHTSTOWN, INDIANA, THAT:

**SECTION I**

Chapter 73, Schedule III(C), is hereby amended by adding the following:  
(14) Parking of a vehicle within all spaces adjacent to 24-26 South Washington Street shall not exceed one (1) hour per day.

**SECTION II**

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and due publication.

**SECTION III**

Introduced and filed on the 20th day of April, 2017. A motion to consider on first reading on the day of introduction was offered and sustained by a vote of 4 in favor and none opposed pursuant to I.C. 36-5-2-9.8.

Duly ordained and passed this 20th day of April, 2017 by the Town Council of the Town of Knightstown, Henry County, Indiana, having been passed by a vote of 4 in favor and none opposed.

TOWN OF KNIGHTSTOWN, INDIANA, BY ITS TOWN COUNCIL  
Voting Affirmative: Sarah Ward, Mitchell Roland, Valerie Trump, Kevin Knott  
Voting Opposed: None Absent: Roger Hammer  
ATTEST: Beth Huffman, Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer (5/03)

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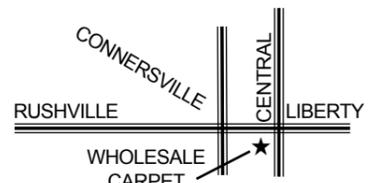
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# LOCAL SPORTS

## Despite Cold Gusty Winds, Panthers' and Titans' Bats Get Hot



Down 3-4 to start the bottom of the sixth inning, Knightstown freshman Jack Fort started a big rally for the Panthers with a big shot over the Titan outfielders for a stand-up double. Above, the Panthers were calm until Fort's hit picked up their spirits. The Panthers scored four runs in the sixth and then held Tri to one run in the top of the seventh to get the 7-5 win. (Stacy Cox photo)



Tri junior Mason Rottinghaus led the Titans at the plate against Knightstown on Monday with a double and two singles for two RBIs. Below, Isaac McRoberts smashes his fifth season homer (Stacy Cox photo)



By Stacy Cox

General Manager/Sports Editor

Knightstown and Tri varsity baseball fans were bundled up and endured gusty bitter winds for nearly two hours Monday evening. But, the unpleasant weather did not prevent the county rivals from giving fans another good game, one that was still up for grabs in the seventh inning. Knightstown held on for a 7-5 win.

Neither team could get much going at the plate in the first few innings, mostly due to the strong efforts at the pitcher's mound from both teams.

Tyler Burton threw a complete game for Knightstown, striking out 11 Titans, coming through with a strikeout more than once to help the Panthers out of a tough spot with runners on base. He walked three batters and gave up nine hits.

Drew Mondrush pitched five innings for the Titans before being relieved by Josiah Jackson in the sixth. Mondrush struck out six batters and walked three while allowing four hits and five runs. Jackson came in with Panthers on base and allowed a hit and two runs before closing out the sixth inning.

The two teams were scoreless through the first three innings before Knightstown's Owen Wiles smashed a solo home run in the bottom of the fourth to put the first run on the board for either team.

The Titans responded with four runs in the top of the fifth inning, taking advantage of some fumbled grounders on hard hits and out-hustling the defensive plays to go up 4-1.

Isaac McRoberts pounded a shot to the fence for a double in the bottom of the fifth for Knightstown. Burton then stepped up and knocked the ball over left-center field for his second home run of the season, bringing in McRoberts and pulling the Panthers within one, 3-4.

Knightstown held Tri scoreless in the top of the sixth. Freshman first baseman Jack Fort hit a double that got the Panthers pumped up. Ethan Yoder was put in to run for Fort and Alex Brading drove Yoder in on the next at bat. McRoberts then pounded the ball again, sending another one over the fence for his fifth home run of the season to score two more. Burton followed with a double and Kaunner Cleek drove Burton in with a single to put the Panthers up 6-4.

Tri was able to score one more in the top of the seventh but Burton kept his composure on the mound to bring home the 7-4 victory.

On top of his performance on the mound, Burton continued to lead the Panthers at the plate. In addition to his home run, he also hit a double and a single.

Wiles added two singles to his homer and Cleek had two hits in the game. Levi Back also hit a double.

Mason Rottinghaus led the Titans at the plate with a double and two singles for two RBIs. Shawn Melton had two base hits and two RBIs.

Eric Bilby hit two singles with one RBI. He scored two of the Titans' five runs.

Gage Rowe, Johnson and Mondrush each hit a single and scored the Titans' other three runs.

The win moved the Panthers' season record to 8-4 while the loss dropped the Titans' record to 5-8.



Knightstown junior Tyler Burton pitched all seven innings against Tri Monday night, striking out 11 batters. He also led at the plate for the Panthers with a home run, double and a single. (Stacy Cox photo)

# LOCAL SPORTS

## New Castle Too Strong for Panthers Last Week, Win 9-3

Knightstown's varsity baseball team got behind early in a matchup at home against New Castle April 24 and though they played solid baseball, they were unable to get enough going offensively.

The Trojans pulled out the 9-3 win.

"We came out a little flat tonight against a very good New Castle team," said head coach Daren Hardesty. "We never gave in but the hole we dug was too deep to get out of."

The big highlight for the Panthers was Isaac McRoberts who hit his fourth home run of the season and a triple for three RBIs. Tyler Burton continued to be effective at the plate with a double. Connor Brockman and Bruce Nichols had the only other hits for Knightstown.

Burton pitched five innings with two strikeouts and four walks while giving up six hits and eight runs.

Levi Back threw for the last two innings. He struck out one batter and walked one while allowing one hit and one run.



Isaac McRoberts (above) may be having a huge year at the plate with several home runs, triples and doubles but his leadership behind the plate has been crucial for the Panthers offense.

Levi Back (below) delivers a pitch in the final inning against New Castle last week. (Stacy Cox photos)



Owen Wiles has been a big factor for the Panthers this season both at the plate and in the infield. Wiles, a transfer student from Rushville, is new to the Knightstown baseball team this year. (Stacy Cox photo)



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# LOCAL SPORTS

## *Knightstown Girls Tennis Team Continues to Improve Skills*

Knightsdown's varsity girls tennis team continues to improve in recent matches, finding some successes.

### **KHS Girls Fall to Centerville**

On April 13, the Lady Panthers were challenged at home by Centerville and fell 0-5 to the Lady Bulldogs.

"Our ladies played hard but were overtaken in each event," said head coach Jack Potter.

Ally Wilfong, at No. 1 singles, lost in straight sets 1-6, 2-6.

At No. 2 singles, Emma Grubbs was defeated in both sets.

Potter said "Emma's ground strokes are really developing and can't wait to see her full potential come through."

Brooklyn Harding, at No. 3 singles, lost in straight sets as well 0-6, 1-6.

The No. 1 doubles team of Kamryn Reed and Abbie True fell 3-6, 1-6.

No. 2 doubles partners Kori Wright and Kaitlynn McIntyre lost today for the first time this season, going down in both sets 1-6.

"Even with the loss the spirits of the two ladies never wavered," Potter reported.

### **Southwestern Overpowers KHS**

The following day, April 14, the Lady Panthers traveled to Southwestern Shelby. The Lady Spartans defeated KHS 4-1.

Wilfong got Knightstown's only win, whipping her No. 1 singles opponent 6-4, 6-1.

Despite serving 12 aces, Grubbs fell 1-6, 2-6 at No. 2 singles.

Harding lost her No. 3 singles

match 1-6 in both sets.

No. 1 doubles team Reed and True put up a fight but ultimately fell 1-6, 7-6 and 1-6.

Wright and McIntyre, at No. 2 doubles, also bounced back from a first set loss 2-6 to win 6-0 in the second set before going down 2-6 in the third set.

### **Lady Panthers Lose Close Match to New Castle**

The Lady Panthers were back at home on April 17 against New

Castle.

The KHS girls had plenty of highlights but were edged out of the overall win, 2-3.

Wilfong took the first set 6-4 against her Trojan opponent but was fell 2-6 in the next two sets.

Grubbs won her No. 2 singles match 6-4, 6-2.

"Emma demonstrated the full tennis range, maneuvered her opponent left, right, up and back, took control of the net and

volleyed her way to victory," Potter reported.

Harding fell 1-6, 4-6 in her No. 3 singles match though Potter said she "is starting to find her groove now."

Reed and True whipped their No. 1 doubles opponent 7-5, 6-3.

Wright and McIntyre were defeated in straight sets 2-6, 1-6.

### **KHS Defeats Crispus Attucks**

On April 19, Knightstown's girls hosted Crispus Attucks and

dominated the Indianapolis team, winning all five matches.

Potter was very impressed with his team and how they conducted themselves.

"The Panther ladies not only demonstrated their tennis abilities," Potter stated, "but showed they have class to go with it. Even though the Lady Panthers strength was overwhelming for their opponents, they proved themselves by not lessening the experience for the other players."

Wilfong, Grubbs and Harding each defeated their Attucks singles; opponents 6-0, 6-1.

Reed and True won both sets 6-0 in No. 1 doubles.

Wright and McIntyre defeated their No. 2 doubles opponent 6-1 in both sets.

### **KHS Girls Beat Anderson Prep**

After weather postponed their match with county rival Tri on April 20, the Lady Panthers traveled to Anderson Preparatory Academy April 24 and came home big winners for the second straight match.

"The ladies played with haste," Potter reported after the match.

Wilfong again dominated her No. 1 singles opponent, winning both sets 6-0.

Grubbs took down her No. 2 singles opponent 6-3, 6-1.

Harding won 6-3 in both sets at No. 3 singles.

Reed and True defeated their No. 1 doubles opponents 6-0 in both sets.

Wright and McIntyre beat their No. 2 doubles opponents 6-2, 6-0.



Emma Grubbs won both her sets against her Crispus Attucks opponent in their April 19 match. (Stacy Cox photo)

## **Area High School Sports Schedule for May 3-10**

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

### **VARSITY BASEBALL**

- ◆May 4 - Eastern Hancock away at Anderson Prep. Academy, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆May 5 - Knightstown at home vs. Hagerstown, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 6 - Knightstown away at Lebanon Senior (doubleheader), 11 a.m.
- ◆May 6 - Tri at home vs. Shenandoah, 11 a.m.
- ◆May 6 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Daleville, 10 a.m.
- ◆May 8 - Knightstown at home vs. North Decatur, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 9 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Morristown, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆May 10 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. South Decatur, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆May 11 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Hagerstown, 5:30 p.m.

### **VARSITY BOYS GOLF**

- ◆May 3 - Tri vs. Centerville, Memorial Park Golf Course, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆May 4 - Eastern Hancock vs. Morristown, Royal Hylands Golf Club, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆May 4 - Tri hosting Tri Invitational with Blue River Valley/Cowan/Randolph Southern, Memorial Park Golf Course, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆May 6 - Eastern Hancock at Delta Invitational, Delaware Country Club, 1:30 p.m.
- ◆May 8 - Knightstown vs.

- Union County, Royal Hylands Golf Club, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 9 - Eastern Hancock 3-way with Shenandoah/ New Palestine, Hawk's Tail of Greenfield, 4 p.m.
- ◆May 9 - Tri vs. Lincoln, Memorial Park Golf Course, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆May 10 - Knightstown vs. Wes-Del, Royal Hylands Golf Club, 4:30 p.m.

### **VARSITY SOFTBALL**

- ◆May 3 - Knightstown away at North Decatur, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆May 3 - Eastern Hancock away at Frankton, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 4 - Knightstown away at Lapel, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 4 - Tri away at Liberty Christian, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆May 5 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Centerville, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆May 5 - Tri at home vs. Cambridge City Lincoln, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 6 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Lapel, 10 a.m.
- ◆May 8 - Eastern Hancock away at Shenandoah, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆May 8 - Knightstown away at Hagerstown, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 9 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Waldron, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆May 10 - Knightstown away at Union City, 5 p.m.

### **VARSITY GIRLS TENNIS**

- ◆May 3 - Knightstown away at

- Lapel, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 3 - Tri away at Centerville, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆May 3 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Muncie Burriss, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 4 - Knightstown away at Blue River Valley, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 6 - Knightstown at Henry County Tournament, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆May 6 - Tri away at Blue River Valley for Henry County Tourney, 9 a.m.
- ◆May 8 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Lapel, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 8 - Knightstown away at Northeastern, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 8 - Tri away at New Castle, 4:30 p.m.
- ◆May 9 - Eastern Hancock at home vs. Waldron, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆May 9 - Knightstown away at Union County, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 10 - Tri away at Lapel, 4:30 p.m.

### **VARSITY CO-ED TRACK & FIELD**

- ◆May 3 - Eastern Hancock away at Mt. Vernon for Hancock County Meet, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 3 - Tri away at Northeastern for 3-way with Union Co., 5 p.m.
- ◆May 5 - Knightstown away at Hagerstown Invite, 5 p.m.
- ◆May 5 - Tri away at Hagerstown, 5:15 p.m.
- ◆May 8 - Tri away at Union City, 4:30 p.m.



Kori Wright backhands a shot in her No. 2 doubles match with partner Kaitlynn McIntyre against Crispus Attucks at home April 19. (Stacy Cox photo)

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# LOCAL SPORTS

## Eastern Hancock Takes First, KHS Third in 3-Way Meet with Wapahani

Knightstown hosted both Eastern Hancock and Wapahani at a meet April 25.

The Royals took first with an overall score of 50. Wapahani scored 37 points while Knightstown got 15 points.

The individual results for Knightstown and Eastern Hancock each of the events are below. (Note: All of Knightstown boys' results were not available at press time.)

### GIRLS RESULTS

#### 100 meter dash

- 2nd - Abby Arnold, 13.65 (KHS)
- 3rd - Lexi Lewman, 14.09 (EH)
- 4th - Katie Janes, 14.26 (EH)

#### 200 meter run

- 1st - Elaine Suesz, 29.40 (KHS)
- 3rd - Aly Spaulding, 29.78 (EH)
- 4th - Katie Janes, 30.11 (EH)

#### 400 meter run

- 1st - Taylor Stine, 1:02.68 (EH)
- 2nd - Abby Arnold, 1:06.09 (KHS)
- 3rd - Elaine Suesz, 1:06.43 (KHS)
- 5th - Carissa Wicker, 1:12.45 (EH)

#### 800 meter run

- 2nd - Taylor Stine, 2:47.7 (EH)
- 3rd - Lainey Effing, 2:48.7 (EH)
- 4th - Elizabeth Moore, 2:49.56 (KHS)

#### 1600 meter run

- 1st - Lainey Effing, 5:59.69 (EH)
- 4th - Annie Floyd, 6:34 (EH)

#### 3200 meter run

- 3rd - Alexis Howard, 14:29.48 (KHS)
- 4th - Liberty Durham, 14:40 (EH)
- 5th - Grace McCartney, 15:32 (EH)

#### 100 meter hurdles

- 1st - Allison Sander, 18.01 (KHS)
- 2nd - Hannah Gates, 18.3 (EH)
- 4th - Elizabeth Moore, 19.41 (KHS)
- 5th - Whitney Bishop, 20.6 (EH)

#### 300 meter hurdles

- 1st - Hannah Gates, 51.40 (EH)
- 2nd - Candice Wyatt, 54.88 (KHS)
- 4th - Grace Muncy, 58.44 (KHS)
- 5th - Whitney Bishop, 59.16 (EH)

#### 4 x 100 meter relay

- 1st - Lexi Lewman, Katie Janes, Aly Spaulding, Whitney Bishop, 55.40 (EH)
- 3rd - Abby Arnold, Lexus Meredith, Emma Moore, Allison Sander, 55.70 (KHS)

#### 4 x 400 meter relay

- 1st - Hannah Gates, Aly Spaulding, Lainey Effing, Taylor Stine, 4:34.28 (EH)
- 2nd - Abby Arnold, Elaine Suesz, Elizabeth Moore, Emma Moore, 4:37.78 (KHS)

#### 4 x 800 meter relay

- 1st - Taylor Stine, Liberty Durham, Annie Floyd, Lainey Effing, 11:06 (EH)
- 3rd - Harley Peavler, Alexis Howard, Elizabeth Moore, Emma Moore, 11:35.84 (KHS)

#### Shot put

- 1st - Bailey Allen, 33'10 (EH)
- 3rd - Megan Marcum, 31'2.5 (EH)

#### Discus

- 2nd - Brayden Walters, 86'5" (KHS)
- 3rd - Jenna Smith, 85'10 (EH)
- 4th - Emily Wilson, 84'8 (EH)

#### High jump

- 1st - Allison Sander, 4'4" (KHS)
- 2nd - Daly Pelger, 4'4 (EH)
- 3rd - Grace Muncy, 4'0" (KHS)

### Long jump

- 1st - Allison Sander, 15'6" (KHS)
- 2nd - Elaine Suesz, 15'5" (KHS)
- 3rd - Lexi Lewman, 14'9" (EH)
- 5th - Aly Spaulding, 14'5.5" (EH)

### BOYS RESULTS

#### 100 meter dash

- 1st - Devyn Brinson, 11.10
- 2nd - Michael Watson (KHS)
- 5th - Chase Settergren, 12.44 (EH)

#### 200 meter run

- 1st - Jon Lukens, 24.38 (KHS)
- 3rd - Alvaro Cosmen Valero, 24.59 (EH)
- 5th - Blayze Sarber, 25.56 (EH)

#### 400 meter run

- 1st - Jon Lukens, 53.64 (KHS)
- 2nd - Alvaro Cosmen Valero, 53.81 (EH)
- 3rd - Blayze Sarber, 55.31 (EH)

#### 800 meter run

- 3rd - Corbin Jennings, 02:16.8 (EH)
- 6th - Connor Bennett, 02:25.9 (EH)

#### 1600 meter run

- 4th - Corbin Jennings, 05:11.2 (EH)

#### 3200 meter run

- 2nd - Skyler Schrope, 10:56.4 (EH)
- 3rd - Will Huffman, 11:18.8 (EH)

#### 110 meter hurdles

- 1st - Jayson Bowers, 17.14 (EH)
- 5th - Luke Splater, 19.25 (EH)

#### 300 meter hurdles

- 1st - Jayson Bowers, 42.81 (EH)
- 2nd - Devyn Brinson, 44.16 (EH)

#### 4 x 400 meter relay

- 2nd - Devyn Brinson, Jayson Bowers, Chase Settergren, Blayze Sarber, 3:49.78

#### 4 x 800 meter relay

- 2nd - Corbin Jennings, Riley Settergren, Connor Bennett, Skyler Schrope, 9:39.26

#### Shot put

- 1st - Reece Burkhart, 47'6 (EH)
- 2nd - Jared Boaz, 43'2 (EH)
- 3rd - Garrett Thomas, 40'6.25 (KHS)

#### Discus

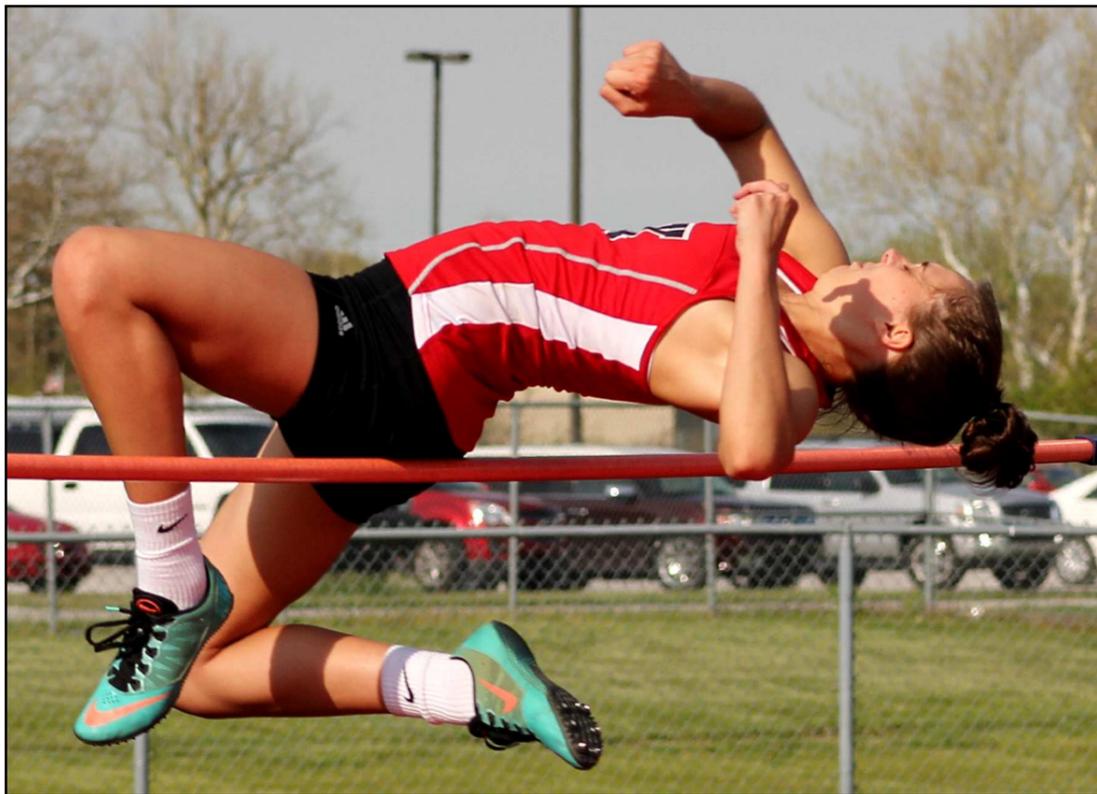
- 1st - Reece Burkhart, 131'10 (EH)
- 2nd - Garrett Thomas, 125'4 (KHS)

#### High jump

- 5th - Luke Splater, 5'2 (EH)

#### Long jump

- 3rd - Kyle Moore, 18'5 (EH)



Senior Allison Sander won the high jump for Knightstown in the three-way meet with Eastern Hancock and Wapahani April 25. (Stacy Cox photo)



Wapahani's Lexah Dornick (above) looks down to see Knightstown's Elaine Suesz get the first place finish in the 200m, with Eastern Hancock's Aly Spaulding taking third, at the April 25 meet between the three schools at KHS. Below, Knightstown's Lane Parker works to keep up with Eastern Hancock's Jayson Bowers in the hurdles at the same meet. (Stacy Cox photos)



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Indiana has 24 state parks and eight state-managed lakes eligible for field trip funding that will engage students in learning about Indiana's fish, forest, wildlife, natural habitats and conservation.

"These trips help children understand how previous generations viewed the significance of Indiana's natural and cultural resources, and at the same time let them make great memories that they will carry into adulthood," said Ginger Murphy, deputy director for stewardship for DNR State Parks.

The maximum grant award is \$250 per application. Applications are accepted from May 1-June 30 prior to the school year for which the grant is requested. Applications must be postmarked no later than June 30.

Applicants will be notified by Aug. 1 regarding potential grant awards. The grant application is at [IN.gov/inrf/educate.html](http://IN.gov/inrf/educate.html).

The INRF is accepting donations to the fund from individuals, businesses or anyone who supports the idea of getting kids outdoors.

The fund was established in memory of Tom Huck, a longtime DNR employee who was an ardent supporter of outdoor experiences for children.

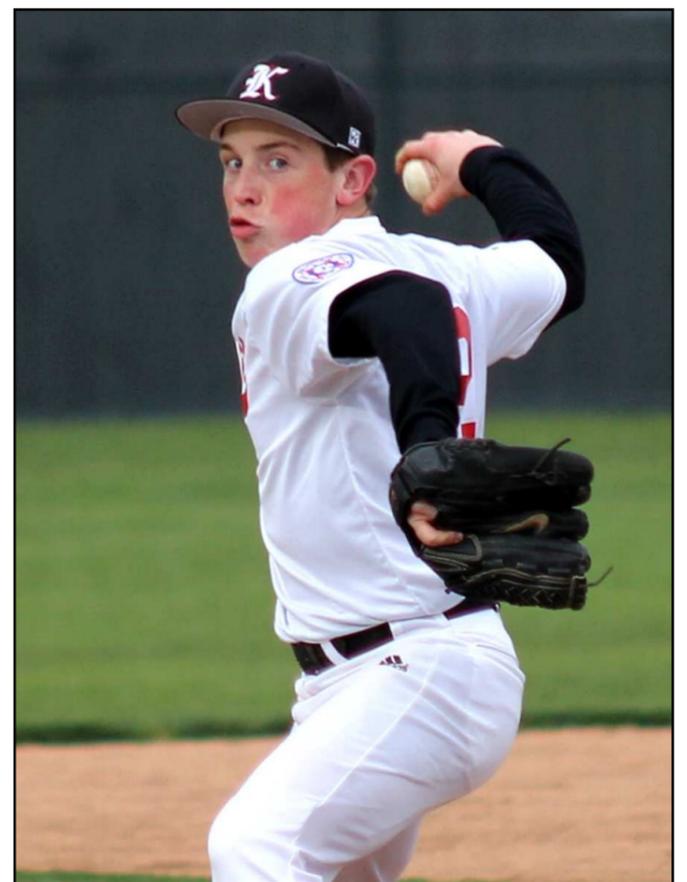
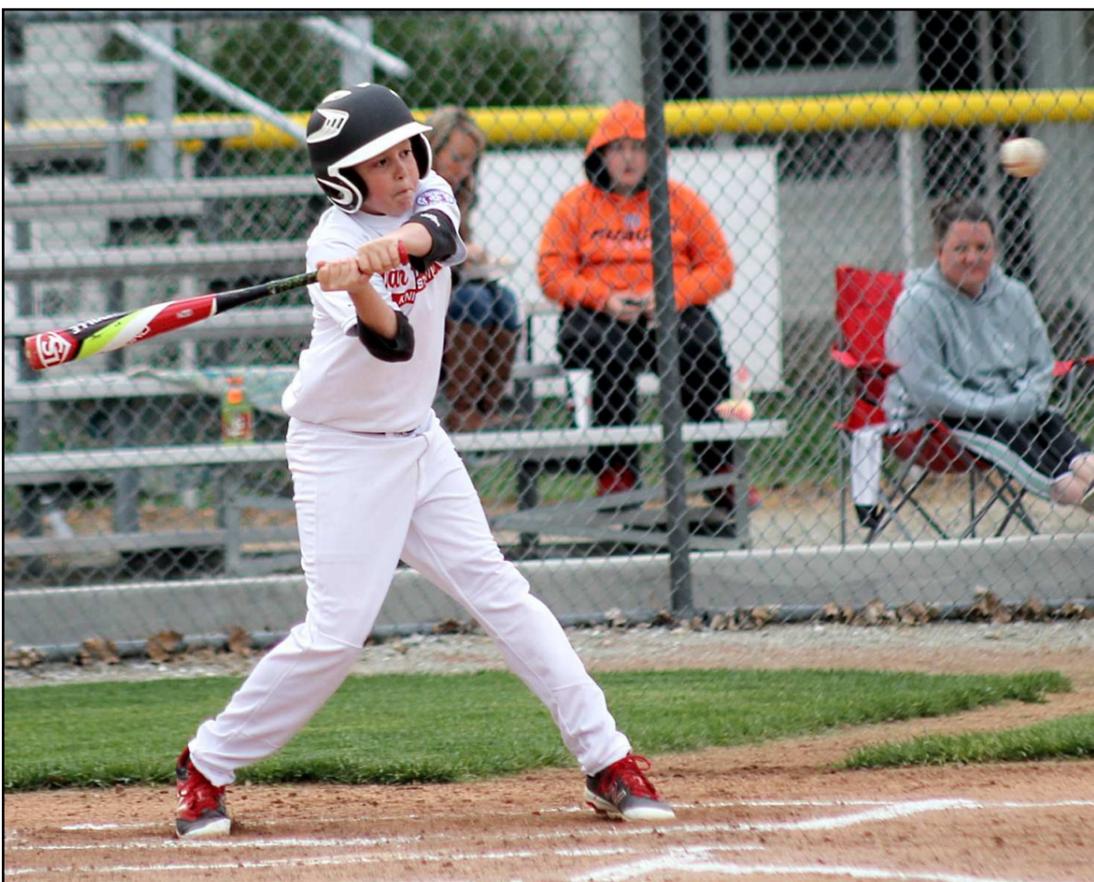
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## Middle School Panthers Having Successful Year So Far



Connor Pyle (left) got a hit at just the right time to move his Knightstown Intermediate School baseball team toward another win at a game in New Castle last week while Brock Corbett (right) keeps batters off-balance with a sweet curveball and strong fast balls on the mound for the Panthers. (Stacy Cox photos)

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\$910,000 per year to Veterans Service Organizations to help veterans seeking benefits; dedicates \$500,000 per year to help homeless veterans; and provides \$500,000 per year to create a pilot program aimed at helping veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder.

Those who work each day to protect our state are also being supported. The Indiana State Police, conservation officers and excise officers will receive a 10 percent pay increase in 2018 and a 14 percent increase in 2019.

Areas of Senate District 42 affected by bovine tuberculosis are also receiving assistance in the budget. In 2016, Fayette, Franklin, Rush and Decatur counties were faced with the cost of mandatory testing within a 10-mile radius of one infected animal in Franklin County. The federal government required this testing.

A total of up to \$80,000 will be allocated to the counties affected by bovine tuberculosis testing to help offset the expenses.

In the future, the state and counties will share the cost of mandatory testing for bovine tuberculosis.

If you have questions, comments or concerns regarding this topic or others, contact my office by email at Senator.Leising@iga.in.gov or by phone at 800-382-9467.

**Sen. Jean Leising (R-Oldenberg)**

Dear Editor,

In response to recent reports regarding an increase in drug impaired driving, Mothers Against Drunk Driving wants to remind the public that drunk driving is still the biggest cause of traffic deaths and injuries in the nation.

The Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) released an update last week to its 2015 drug impaired driving report. As a result, some media coverage has suggested that drugged driving has overtaken drunk driving in terms of traffic fatalities.

There is no doubt that drugged driving is a serious problem. In 2015 MADD expanded our mission to include drug impaired driving with a commitment to continue serving victims of both drunk and drugged driving. In addition, MADD advocates for policies based on research and science to help prevent alcohol

and drug impaired driving.

According to the GHSA report, drugs were found in 43 percent of drivers tested in fatal crashes compared to 37 percent in alcohol involved crashes. This does not mean that more crashes were caused by drugged driving than drunk driving.

Here's why:

\*The tests for drugs and alcohol and the data reported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Fatal Accident Reporting System (FARS) are completely different. They do not provide an apples to apples comparison.

\*FARS estimates alcohol deaths through Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) tests and through statistical models that estimate BACs for drivers missing test results. There is a scientifically demonstrated correlation between the BAC level and impairment.

\*FARS does not have a similar way to establish impairment by drugs or apply a similar formula for presence of drugs or drug impairment when a test result is missing. Further, drug testing procedures vary considerably by state and even within states.

\*Tests for drugs (other than alcohol) are conducted on a limited pool of drivers — often only when presence of drugs is suspected. Therefore, a jurisdiction that tests more drivers may have a higher percentage of drivers who are known to be drug-positive.

If drivers with any presence of alcohol were considered, the death toll attributed to alcohol use would be even higher.

Tests for drugs (other than alcohol) can detect presence of a wide range of drugs, from illegal substances to over the counter and prescribed medications which may or may not have been misused. And unlike alcohol, there is no measure of the amount of the drug.

The presence of drugs found in a driver's system does not mean impairment, nor does it imply that drug use was the cause of the crash. Drug tests may not reflect recent use, but use days ago. Currently, there is no way to distinguish presence of drugs and impairment.

**Colleen Sheehy-Church, national president Mothers Against Drunk Driving**

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## Spiceland's Sharon Day Entertains Tri Kappa Ladies



Sharon Day of Spiceland presented an informative and entertaining presentation entitled "Meet the Dulcimer" to the Knightstown Tri Kappa sorority ladies at their April meeting. Day is shown holding a dulcimer, near a mountain dulcimer.

### Splashed, from Page 7

The largest part of the splash pad's utility bill is the sewer portion. The park board had considered seeking a waiver from the state that would have allowed water from the splash pad to be dechlorinated and disposed on the surface or sent to a nearby creek. However, Park Board President Suzee Neal said she was told by someone with the Indiana Department of Environmental Management that such a waiver, even if granted, would not be guaranteed for subsequent years.

The town council did agree to help the park board out by agreeing to pay for the relocation of a backflow valve on the splash pad if it is determined town employees were responsible for installing it incorrectly in the first place. While the town had agreed to pay up to \$600 for this work, Neal told the park board that the bid for the work submitted by the park handyman, Dave Huffman, last year, was no longer good and that Huffman was no longer interested in doing the work.

The park board voted at last week's meeting to contact Irrigation Services, the other company that submitted a bid for the backflow valve work, and see if they would still be willing to do the work for the price they quoted last year. Their bid for the work had been closer to \$1,000.

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

- \*voted to have bushes removed from in front of the park shelter house;
- \*agreed to look into hosting a fishing tournament at the park lake the same weekend as Jubilee Days;
- \*OK'd spending up to \$100 to make plumbing repairs to restrooms in the lower part of the park; and
- \*voted to have park board member Jacob Hart further research the idea of using park sponsorships as a way to increase revenue.

More information about the April 26 meeting of the Knightstown Parks and Recreation Board can be found in the memoranda and minutes of that proceeding. Those public records should be available for inspection and copying at Knightstown Town Hall, 26 S. Washington St., during normal business hours.

### Viral, from Page 7

Hoosiers to get tested for the disease and learn how to prevent it during Hepatitis Awareness Month in May.

"Hepatitis is a serious illness, yet it's one that can easily be prevented by getting vaccinated and avoiding sharing items like syringes, razors and toothbrushes," said State Health Commissioner Jerome Adams, M.D., M.P.H. "Knowing your risk factors and getting tested are critical steps toward protecting your health."

Hepatitis A is contracted by ingesting fecal matter of an infected individual. Hepatitis B and C are spread through contact with infected blood, by sharing razors, toothbrushes, contaminated syringes and other injection drug equipment or diabetes testing equipment, and by sharing needles used for tattoos and body piercing. Hepatitis B and C can be passed from mother to baby during pregnancy and childbirth.

Hepatitis A is an acute illness and resolves on its own, but hepatitis B and C can persist for decades. All can have no symptoms or mild symptoms, which can include nausea, anorexia, fever, malaise, abdominal pain, jaundice and dark urine.

Safe and effective vaccines are available for hepatitis A and B. Medications are available to cure hepatitis C, but they are extremely costly and may not be covered by all insurance companies. Health officials recommend a one-time blood screening for hepatitis C for everyone born between 1945 and 1965, as well as an annual screening for those at increased risk.

Hoosiers can take an online hepatitis risk assessment by visiting the CDC website at <https://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/riskassessment/index.htm>.

# AIC Recovery Housing Recipient of Annual RCCF 'CIRCLE' Fund Grant

The afternoon of Sunday, April 23, 28 donors to Rush County Community Foundation's CIRCLE Fund gathered at the Kenneth L. Earnest Family Conference Room at Rush Memorial Hospital to select the fund's fourth annual grant recipient. Congratulations to Rush AIC Recovery Housing, Inc., this year's recipient of \$12,000.

Rush AIC Recovery Housing, Inc. (AIC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation created to address the housing needs of individuals in Rush County's Drug Court program. The AIC is amid renovations of a blighted home at 430 N. Harrison St. that, once completed, will be utilized for temporary housing for Drug Court participants in need of a safe, drug-free home to maintain their sobriety. Specifically, this home will be available to those involved in the Drug Court that have proven they are ready to change their lives. The \$12,000 CIRCLE Fund grant distribution will assist renovations of the home.

Presenting to the CIRCLE Fund donors, Prosecutor Phil Caviness, Judge Brian Hill, Police Chief Craig Tucker, and current program participant Evan Kennedy emphasized the importance of providing a safe, drug-free residence for individuals trying to become sober. Kennedy, clean for 14 months, touted the Drug Court program and staff as lifesavers. Since being involved in the program, he has stopped using drugs, obtained his driver's license, retained custody of his three children, and gained full-time employment. Without

the intensive Drug Court program and 24/7 support available, he isn't sure he would have been successful. Now committed to impacting the lives of those striving to become sober, Kennedy has assisted the Drug Court with making support groups available in Rush County five days of the week and he has been actively involved in the beginning phase of renovation to the AIC recovery house. Upon receipt of the award, Caviness said, "We are so amazed and grateful to receive the CIRCLE Fund Grant. This grant will make our project a reality, and we believe that the house will help change lives and improve our community for years to come."

Aside from determining this year's grant award recipient, the Sunday afternoon CIRCLE Fund gathering provided an opportunity for donors that had given \$300 or more to enjoy fellowship, desserts and hear a report from the 2016 grant recipient, the Rush County Historical Society. The Rush County Historical Society spoke about the impact the grant funds made for the Gowdy House Museum and Carriage House. In addition to the improvements made at the museum, the funding enabled more tours of the facility for Rush County students.

The CIRCLE Fund's "Chicks Improving Rush County Life", was created in 2013 to invite women to be a part of making a positive impact that will substantially enhance various program in Rush County. The Founding Donors of this Fund are all either current or

past members of the Board of Directors who saw a need within our community. "We wanted to create a welcoming CIRCLE of women who combine their resources to support improving lives in Rush County," states Founding Donor Betsy Williams. "Powerful giving back to the community starts with an idea and gains momentum with enthusiastic member participation," stated Founding Donor Shelly King. Founding Donor Heather Meckes adds that "Together we can make a much bigger impact. We welcome one and all to join the CIRCLE." Dawn Netherly, a first-time contributor to the Fund, stated, "I liked getting to know more about what was happening in the community and being a little responsible for making some great projects even better."

If you would like the opportunity to make an impact on some of the great projects in Rush County, RCCF encourages folks to consider a contribution to the CIRCLE Fund. An annual contribution of \$300 provides \$240 towards grant funding and \$60 towards the endowment, ensuring your dollars not only make an immediate difference, but a difference in the future as well. Donors contributing \$300 are included in events and voting for the grant recipient.

For additional information on the CIRCLE Fund, or any other Fund at the Rush County Community Foundation, contact our office at 765-938-1177, visit us at 117 N. Main St., Rushville, IN 46173, or online at [www.rushcountyfoundation.org](http://www.rushcountyfoundation.org).

## State Road 38 Safety Improvement Work Starts Monday

E & B Paving plans to close State Road 38 starting on or after May 8 for a traffic safety improvement project at the intersections of State Road 38 and Henry County Roads 275 and 300 West.

The \$1.6 million construction contract will straighten the alignment and lower the elevation of State Road 38 to increase sight distance near the intersections of Henry County Roads 275 and 300 West. The intersections are located about three miles west of State Road 3 and less than one mile east of State Road 234. A westbound State Road 38 right-turn lane to northbound County Road 300 West will also be built.

Construction will close State Road 38 for about six months. During the closure, state highway traffic will be detoured south to I-70. Two other closures on State Road 38 will extend the detour between State Road 109 (Exit 115) and U.S. 35 (Exit 149) for through

highway traffic. Other state and local roads remain open for motorists with local destinations.

The intersections at County Roads 275 and 300 West will be rebuilt in two phases. County Road 275 will close May 8. County Road 300 West will not close until after August 14. The project is expected to be open to traffic by the end of 2017.

### Other projects on State Road 38

State Road 38 is closed for a \$5.3 million pavement replacement and rehabilitation project in New Castle between State Road 3 (Memorial Drive) and 31st Street. For more information about this project, go to <http://www.in.gov/indot/3560.htm>.

State Road 38 is scheduled to close on or after May 15 for a 90-day bridge construction project between U.S. 35 and Centerville Road in Wayne County.

## Educators Can Apply for State Park Field Trip Grants

Educators interested in taking students, grades K-12, on field trips to an Indiana state park or state-managed lake in the 2017-2018 school year can receive financial help through the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation (INRF).

The Discovering the Outdoors Field Trip Grant Program is for public, private, parochial or home-

school educators, according to INRF director Jody Kress.

"Part of our mission at the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation is to encourage educational programs of DNR," Kress said. "The field trip grant program helps future generations understand the

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## ISDA Hosting Livestock Certification Training

The Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) will hold a Certified Livestock Producer training session in Greensburg on June 19, 2017, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The program is open to all species and sizes of livestock operations, and recognizes producers that go above and beyond in their farm management practices in the areas of environmental stewardship, animal well-being, biosecurity, emergency planning and community relations.

"There are many benefits to

becoming a Certified Livestock Producer, such as meeting with the fire department and having an emergency plan," said Ted McKinney, ISDA director. "This is an excellent way to show your neighbors and community that you are doing things right."

To complete the certification, producers must develop a biosecurity plan with their veterinarian, meet with their local fire department and create an emergency plan, complete self-assessments in various subject areas, as well as

participate in their industry's quality assurance program (F.A.R.M., Beef Quality Assurance, Pork Quality Assurance, etc.).

Certified livestock producers receive a variety of discounts from program sponsors, including Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance, Townsends Sales Livestock Equipment, Cherry Brother Designs Farm Source Systems (Farm emergency plans) and Cowco Inc.

Livestock producers interested in attending the training session should contact Kimmi Devaney at [KDevaney@isda.in.gov](mailto:KDevaney@isda.in.gov) or 317-450-3570. The deadline to register is June 14. More information will be sent to producers after registration.

Visit [www.in.gov/isda/2395.htm](http://www.in.gov/isda/2395.htm) for more information.

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Bergacs, who had previously said he had not ruled out possibly charging Stanley at the county level with theft and/or official misconduct for the crimes she committed while Kennard Clerk-Treasurer. Now that Stanley's federal case has been resolved, he said he intends to take a closer look at the matter.

"Hopefully, in the next week or two, I'll have a decision," he said.