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

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## Octagon House Fish Fry July 8

The Jane Ross Reeves Octagon House Foundation in Shirley will host its annual fish fry on Saturday, July 8, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., at the Shirley Masonic Hall, located at First and Varner streets. The event will feature full meals, including drinks and dessert, as well as sandwiches and homemade pies. Carry-out service will be available, as well as tours of the Octagon House.

## Church Hosting 'Devine Vision'

Knightstown Church of God, 205 North St., will host Devine Vision for its monthly singing on Saturday, July 15, at 6 p.m. For more information, call 317-936-5849 or 765-345-7442.

## Mays Consignment Auction July 8

Mays Community Academy will host a consignment auction to benefit the charter school on Saturday, July 8, at 9:30 a.m. Consignments will be accepted beginning June 26, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the school, unless otherwise arranged. For consignment pay-out amounts and other information, call auctioneer Ken Skaggs at 765-561-5973 or the school at 765-645-5577.

## Vendors Needed for Food Pantry Benefit

Vendors are now being sought for a Christmas in July event and craft sale benefitting the Knightstown Food Pantry. This event, which is open to craft vendors, direct sale vendors and local businesses, will be held 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, July 22, at Knightstown Elementary School. For more information contact Rita Wyatt at 765-571-0256 or ritawo256@gmail.com, or Terri Hamilton at 765-571-0285 or thamilton5235@gmail.com.

## Markleville Jamboree Slated for Aug. 3-5

The Markleville Jamboree and town rummage sales in the park will take place Aug. 3-5. Vendors, parade participants and volunteer stage entertainers are being sought. For more information, call Dianna at 317-258-5438 or email dianna-adora@aol.com or call Betty at 765-623-3553.

## Overhauled Zoning Code Nearing Completion

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

If the Knightstown Plan Commission sticks to the schedule it has set for itself, it could be ready to vote in less than two weeks on a complete overhaul of the town's zoning code and zoning map.

Much of the eight meetings the plan commission has held since March have been spent looking over zoning and land use provisions from other communities. Members of the Knightstown Plan Commission have undertaken this task with a goal of finding ways to improve Knightstown's nearly 30-year-old zoning code and other provisions dealing with land use.

The plan commission's next meeting, which is open to the public, is set for Tuesday, July 12, at 6:30 p.m., in the back meeting room of Knightstown Town Hall, 26 S. Washington St., accessible from the building's west side. At this meeting, the group is expected to undertake a final review of proposed revisions to the town's zoning code and zoning map.

Then, the following Monday, July 17, the plan commission has scheduled a special meeting and a public hearing for 7 p.m., at which commission members will receive comments and questions about the proposed changes to the zoning code and zoning map from local citizens. This proceeding will be held in the Knightstown Town Council's chambers at 28 S. Washington St.

According to the plan commission's legal notice for the July 17 public hearing, the purpose of the amended code is to expand the types of zoning designations; create general provisions regarding the zoning code; create regulations within each zoning designation; create use regulations; create development standards; create design standards; create regulations regarding planned unit development zoning designations; and provide processes for when and in what manner and at what cost permits are to be obtained, and provisions regarding enforcement of the code. The zoning map, the legal notice states, is being amended to apply the new zoning designations to property within the town's incorporated limits.

A copy of the proposed amended zoning code and zoning map are available for inspection at Knightstown Town Hall and Knightstown Public Library,

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## Fire Department Gets Grant for New AED Equipment



The Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Department recently received a \$3,500 grant from TransCanada that will be used to purchase two new automated external defibrillators (AEDs) like the unit Fire Chief Eric McDaniel is holding above at the Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Board's June 28 meeting, as well as extra bags for the equipment and a trauma kit. Also pictured above are TransCanada Field Technician Matt Fox (center, left) and (l-r) fire department members Corey Johnson, Jerry Kopp, Erv Olsheske, McDaniel, Alex Turner, Craig Richey and Wes Smoot.

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

The Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Department will be purchasing two new automated external defibrillators (AEDs) with the proceeds from a recently-awarded grant.

Fire Chief Eric McDaniel announced at the June 28 monthly meeting of the Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Board that the department had received a \$3,500 grant from TransCanada. In addition to the two new AEDs, McDaniel said the grant money, applied for in April, will also be used to buy extra bags for the equipment and a trauma kit.

McDaniel reported that the AEDs have already been ordered and that he was expecting delivery of them this week or next. Training on the new equipment, he said, would take place this month.

In a bit of good news for the department, McDaniel told the fire board that a complaint he made to BP with respect to late fees on fuel bills resulted in BP crediting the department for \$500. He also said a representative from BP apologized for the late fees and for the company's slow billing practices that sometimes saw billing statements being mailed out two or more days after they had been printed.

McDaniel said the department will resume going to BP for fuel until the \$500 in credit has been used. Depending on the number of runs, he said this could last a few months.

In other business, McDaniel advised the board that Randy Anderson, head of the town's water utility, told him the town is going to be painting fire hydrants and affixing metal reflective bands at the top of them. The bands, he explained, will help fire-

fighters locate hydrants and will also help them identify the size of the water line feeding the hydrant, with a blue band designating a four-inch line, and white bands for hydrants with lines larger than that.

McDaniel told the fire board he would like to see a dry hydrant installed at Lake Haven. Such a device, he said, would allow firefighters to draw water from the lake to use on fires in the area.

"I would really like to see us get that implemented," McDaniel said. "... It would be good for a lot of people."

Fire Board President and Wayne Township Trustee Randy Overman said that dry hydrants like McDaniel was proposing are located all over Wayne County. He said he would contact the person in charge of the Lake Haven home owner's association and see if they would be interested in having a dry

hydrant installed.

The fire board also approved payment of three claims at last week's meeting totaling \$762.63. Of that amount, \$108 was for a pump repair, \$474 was for an electronic dispatches system for July through the end of the year and \$180.63 was for fuel purchased between May 5 and June 4.

McDaniel said plans for the fire department's annual golf outing, scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 19, were going well. So far, he said 17 teams have registered.

More information about the June 28 meeting of the Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Board can be found in the memoranda and minutes of that proceeding. Those public records should be available for inspection and copying at the fire department, 30 S. Washington St., Knightstown.

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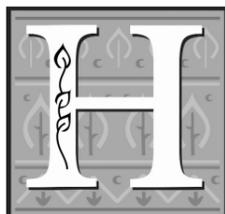
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# OBITUARIES

**Nadine P. Spence**

**January 20, 1939 - July 2, 2017**



Nadine P. Spence, 78, of Knightstown, passed Sunday, July 2, 2017, at Hancock Regional Hospital. She was born Jan. 20, 1939, in Carter County, Ky., a daughter of Orville and Daisy (Richmond) Pendlum.

Nadine retired from Hancock Regional Hospital where she was a nurse's aide. She had previously owned a beauty shop in Carthage and a bakery in Knightstown. She and her husband were beekeepers, sold honey and were members of the Indiana Honey Bee Association. Nadine enjoyed gardening and selling the produce at the farmer's market. She also enjoyed quilting and made beautiful quilts. She was an exquisite wood carver and was a member of the

National Wood Carving Association. She attended the Knightstown Church of God.

In addition to her father, Nadine is survived by her husband of 60 years, Carl Spence of Knightstown; two sons, DeWayne (Mary) Spence of Maple Valley and Randy Spence of Knightstown; four grandchildren, Holly Spence of Greenfield, Daniel Spence of Wilkinson, Justin Spence of Ft. Campbell, Ky., and Ashley (Jacob) Martin of Montrose, Colo.; a sister, Marlene (Jim) Woodcock of Greenfield; three brothers, Jerry Lee (Nina) Pendlum of Athens, Ala.; Mitchell (Carol) Pendlum of Greenfield and Roger Ray (Cindy) Pendlum of Greenfield; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Daisy Pendlum; a brother, Gilbert Pendlum; and her grandparents.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, July 7, at Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service, Knightstown Chapel. Burial will follow in Glen Cove Cemetery. Friends may call from 5-8 p.m. Thursday. Memorial contributions may be given to the Knightstown Church of God. Condolences and memories of Nadine may be shared at [www.hinsey-brown.com](http://www.hinsey-brown.com).

**Max R. Manche**

**July 23, 1929 - June 26, 2017**

Max R. Manche, age 87, of Columbus, Ohio, died Monday June 26, 2017, at the Heartland of Dublin and is now with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Max was born on July 23, 1929, in Carthage and was a graduate of the Carthage High School Class of 1947.

He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Judith A. (Beach) Manche; his three children, Craig (Diane) Manche, Lynn (Jason) Call, and Carol-Lynn Manche; two stepchildren, Mark (Vickie)



Pifer and Lisa (Bob) Kannal; 10 grandchildren

Isabel and Luke Manche, Taylor, Presley and Zane Call, Brandie, Ashley and Clay Pifer, and Bobby and Mike Kannal; four great-grandchildren, Neven, Erin, Rowan, and Corbin Kannal; a sister, Bonnie (Charlie) Roland; a brother, Ross (Bonnie) Manche; his sister-in-law, Cheryl DiGuillo; many nieces, nephews and friends; and his four-legged love, Zoey.

Max is preceded in death by his first wife, Dorothy; a sister, Rosemary; a brother, Lawrence; and his parents, Raymond and Mabel (Miner) Manche.

He retired after 25 years with Massey-Ferguson; 10 years with Air Filter Service; and 10 years as a bus driver with Dublin Public School System. Max was a member of Worthington United Methodist Church; a member and two-time president of the Worthington Shrine Club; past member and commander of the Legion of Honor; member of University Lodge No. 631, F&AM; and a member of the AASR Valley of Columbus Scottish Rite. He served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and recently participated in Honor Flight.

Friends called July 2 at Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home, 515 High St., Worthington, from 4-8 p.m. A funeral service was held at the funeral home on July 3. Entombment at Union Cemetery to follow. Condolences to [www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com](http://www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com). In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donation in Max's memory be made to the Shriner's Hospital. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.



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**Robert H. Wright**  
**March 31, 1924 - July 3, 2017**



Robert H. Wright, 93, of Arlington, passed away on July 3, 2017. He was born in a log cabin on March 31, 1924, the son of, Harvey and Hazel (Holtsclaw) Wright.  
 Robert was a 1941 graduate of Solsberry High School. He was drafted in 1943 and served his country in the U.S. Army during WWII. After WWII was over, he went on to Purdue University to get his master's degree in agriculture. He was a high school biology and agriculture teacher at Solsberry, Carthage and Knightstown high schools until he retired in 1986.  
 On March 30, 1952, he married Kathryn Mildred Winchester. Together they had three children, Catherine, Robert and Brenda. Robert loved gardening, woodworking, travel and spending time with his family. He was a 4-H club and FFA leader for 36 years and a deacon at East Street Christian Church.

Survivors include three children, Catherine A. Woodward, Robert L. (Louise) Wright and Brenda K. (Ed) Padgett; four grandchildren, Christy (Brian) Moline, Courtney Wright, Ethan Wright and Joshua Padgett; and two great-grandchildren, Ava and Morgan Moline.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; five brothers; and a sister.  
 A visitation for family and friends will be held at the Gilliland-Howe Funeral Home on Saturday, July 8, from 1 p.m. until the time of the funeral at 1:30 p.m. Rev. David Bonne will be officiating. Burial will follow at Arlington East Hill Cemetery in Arlington. Memorial contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society or East Street Christian Church in Carthage. Online condolences can be made to the family at [www.gilliland-howe.com](http://www.gilliland-howe.com).

## Two Shot in Kennard; Shooter Jailed



**Brandon Swift**  
 Main Street last Thursday afternoon.

Two Kennard residents are recovering from multiple gunshot wounds in Indianapolis hospitals following a double shooting on that town's Main Street last Thursday afternoon.

Police say James Brandon Swift, 40, allegedly shot his estranged wife, 33-year-old Sarah Swift and 34-year-old Caleb Broad, both of Kennard, in front of Sarah Swift's Main Street home.

Brandon Swift has since been charged with two counts of attempted murder and has been lodged in the Henry County Jail since Fishers police arrested him in Hamilton County in the early morning hours

of June 30. He fled after the shooting, which occurred at approximately 5:10 p.m. Thursday, June 29.

Brandon Swift, who has faced previous criminal charges dating back to 2000 and as recently as 2011, was scheduled to have an initial hearing in Henry Circuit Court 1 at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, July 5.

Kennard residents were startled to hear not only multiple law enforcement vehicles descending on the small, rural community, but

also two medical helicopters. One chopper, a StatFlight aircraft from St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis, landed just west of Main Street, behind the Swift home, in a field near the former Kennard Elementary School.

A second medical helicopter landed near the first, but quickly departed without a patient. Minutes later, a team of medics and volunteer firefighters wheeled Sarah  
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## It's Still America, and We're Still Free!

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Whose heart hath ne'er  
within him burn'd,  
As home his footsteps  
he hath turn'd..."*  
- William Wordsworth

I'm bummed out by all the carping, sniping, finger-pointing, nit-picking, hype, and just plain falsehood uttered by the parade of pontificating, posturing, pandering, puffing pundits and reporters who even talk through speeches, explaining what I'm perfectly capable of understanding. I've almost stopped watching the so-called "news."

I spent many summer evenings on the front porch with my parents. Swinging gently, they'd chat: "Well, here we are already at the 4th of July." ... "You know, Earl, I was thinking. Even though we had the Depression and World War II, we've been pretty lucky here in America."

"You're right about that. Sometimes I wonder how our forefathers beat the English. And then to come up with a system of government where ordinary people like us can speak freely, own property, and choose our leaders rather than having dictators! I read an

article about George Washington that said that they offered to make him king, and he turned it down." "I shudder when I think about that photograph that Orville took of the stacked-up bodies of starved prisoners when his outfit liberated a concentration camp. I wonder what would have happened to Europe

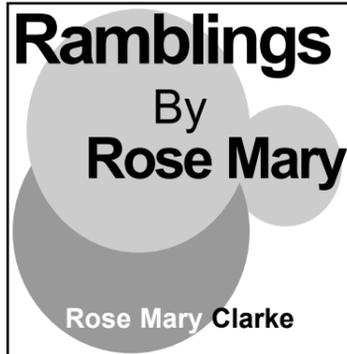
Founders and revered them. The reality was more complex, according to David McCullough in his fine biography of John Adams who said, "We were about one third Tories, and one third timid, and one third true blue."

There were bitter arguments. One of the most popular delegates to the Continental Congress was John Dickinson, the governor of Pennsylvania. He opposed independence and argued so vehemently with Adams that they quit speaking. He threatened to lead his supporters into breaking away from the Congress. Others also shunned Adams.

Then the publication of *Common Sense* roused the members of Congress, and Dickinson became unpopular in his turn. He refused to vote for independence, but absented himself from the voting so that the Congress could speak with one voice. Even though he was ill and exhausted, he rode off at the head of the first troops to march out of Philadelphia. He is one of my heroes, the likes of which we rarely see today.

These days people swear they'll leave America if they don't have their way, although I've yet to see them do it! Perhaps they should move to Saudi Arabia where

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and the far East without America's help." (Orville Jones was one of my brothers-in-law.)

"The birthday of a new world is at hand." - Thomas Paine, *Common Sense* (January 1776)

The American Revolution was a triumph of compromise that some no longer honor. These days it's chic to say that the Constitution is no longer relevant and that its authors didn't care about people.

When I was a girl people believed in the wisdom of the

## Class C Fireworks: Light Fuse, Get Away

As a kid, trips out west with my parents were punctuated with the excitement of being able to buy fireworks. Back then, exploding and flying fireworks were mostly forbidden in Indiana.

Up until the late '80s, I think the laws remained unchanged. The closest place to find the "good stuff" was Tennessee. Some families in our neighborhood weren't shy about heading down south on a day trip for the sole purpose of amassing a huge stockpile of illegal fireworks.

We never did the Tennessee trip, but, as I said, our trips out west brought us to several fireworks buying opportunities.

Men seem drawn to fireworks, explosives, guns, etc. We were no different. My dad always enjoyed fireworks and made sure we had decent fireworks around July 4.

I remember one time, on our lonely sojourn across flat, bleak Kansas, my brother, Chris, and I got excited upon seeing a 24-hour fireworks stand. The gleaming, neon-lighted retail stand stood out like an oasis of fun in the state's otherwise nondescript landscape.

Dad, of course, was as infected with excitement as we were, so we stopped short of the Rocky Mountains and shopped the remote fireworks stand. Inside the air conditioned store was a dazzling array of all the "good stuff," wrapped in shiny cellphone and red paper.

There were Roman candles, bottles rockets by the gross, enormous bricks of Black Cat and Thunder Bomb firecrackers, and circular drums of "lady fingers" - those smaller firecrackers we loved so much. They even had M-80s and other large crackers.

It must've looked like Christmas morning to me and my brother. I was always particularly drawn to the large skyrockets that showered sparkles or emitted a loud, piercing whistle as they shot skyward trailing a

massive shower of sparks, smoke - all in a loud, ripping WHOOSH!

We made our purchases that afternoon and headed west again, bearing out the monotony of western Kansas. But, buying fireworks and not being able to light them is like getting a new fishing pole in February: It won't do you much good when there's snow on the ground.



Sensing our frustration and, of course, wanting to "sample the goods" himself, ol' Dad aimed our '77 Plymouth Fury off the main highway and onto a remote country road. We couldn't see any homes or businesses for miles, so this is where Dad thought we might alleviate our boredom by trying some of our newly-purchased fireworks.

Now, this probably did nothing for my Mom's boredom. Women aren't generally entertained by the simplistic booms and whistles of imported Chinese fireworks. But, she endured our mischief, knowing this respite from the boring highway would quiet us restless kids for a few more hours.

So, there we were there, somewhere in rural Kansas, setting off shrieking Black Cat bottle rockets in the middle of an empty wheat field. In all that openness, neither the rocket's whistle nor pop amounted to much - not like back in our neighborhood with all those houses around that echoed the sounds.

We also unwrapped several packs of Thunder Bomb firecrackers and let them pop off, the acrid, but welcome smoke wafting over us in the dying light of a Kansas sunset.

Little memories like that fill my brain. And sometimes, as the wilting, colored embers of July 4 fireworks melt into the summer night sky, I imagine myself back in that Kansas farm field with my family.

## GUEST COLUMN

The Railroad Connection

By

Dr. Ronald G. Ballenger

The end of railroads in Kennard, Shirley, and Knightstown left the dross of isolation, separation and despair. Now desolate spaces and ill kept buildings remind one of a time that once was, but will never again be. The railroads that once nourished small towns, as well as much more, are gone, along with the businesses that were dependent on them.

The nature of small towns in Indiana and particularly in Henry County was greatly altered by the demise of the railroads through Kennard, Shirley and Knightstown. Grain elevators closed; tomato canning factories and fertilizer facilities were affected by not only the railroads' absence, but also by the forces of nature. Kennard and Shirley are nearly bereft of services and businesses now, where there once were vibrant communities with train stations, schools, banks, churches, groceries, furniture stores, gas stations, civic organizations, sports teams, shoe cobblers and restaurants. These are gone.

Little has, over the decades, filled the voids left by these businesses. Civic organizations, such as the Lions Club, churches and schools, are also gone - victims, partially, of the loss of the connective, nourishing tissue that railroads provided. Highways that supplanted the rail systems bypass the towns that had once been connected by the rail systems throughout Indiana and Henry County. These towns now subsist on the efforts of small shops, antique stores, fast food restaurants located at the interstate exits, and businesses located far distances from the town themselves. Business owners in the small towns, upon retirement or death, cannot be replaced by soliciting new owners. The lack of commercial enterprises and salient opportunities cause youth to seek their livelihoods at greater distances than their parents and grandparents experienced. The bonds that once wove the communities together are frayed, if not totally sundered, and the spiral of descent continues to this day.

The advent of internet business has, and will continue to accelerate the spiral of loss and deterioration of small towns. How the towns, now in puerile condition, will manage the loss such that they do not experience the fate of small towns located in the western United States after the silver and gold mines closed in the latter part of the 19th and early 20th centuries, is unclear.

Trying to develop statewide, if not national, policies to meet this severe and complicated challenge requires an informed populace who choose representatives who obtain sufficient, accurate information upon which to make proper, important decisions on difficult questions for the benefit of the greater majority of the population.

This means thinking that is similar to the creative thinking of 160 years ago that developed the now defunct railroads. The small towns of Henry County await this life-giving thinking now! Otherwise, the death spiral will continue. Clearly, this is a time and place that requires that interdependence among various levels of society be nurtured by clear-thinking individuals such that a more sustainable economic and ecological environment is developed. This could mean not relying solely on corporate interests to address this issue but also include, in significant ways, employees and labor in the development of educational and economic policies at the county, state and national level. By doing so, employees can be educated and trained in areas that could bring economic life back to the small towns of Henry county and others of Indiana. This will require cooperation between and among groups that have significant economic and political differences. For the wellbeing of all small towns - not just Kennard, Shirley and Knightstown - these types of creative interventions should be made and made soon.

(Dr. Ronald Ballenger, Ph.D., is a Knightstown High School graduate and a retired U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs clinical psychologist.)

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# BITS & PIECES

◆Mays Community Academy will host a **consignment auction** to benefit the charter school on Saturday, July 8, at 9:30 a.m. Consignments will be accepted beginning June 26, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the school, unless otherwise arranged. For consignment pay-out amounts and other information, call auctioneer Ken Skaggs at 765-561-5973 or the school at 765-645-5577.

◆Greensboro United Methodist Church will host a **blood drive**, featuring the Indiana Blood Center's Bloodmobile, on Saturday, July 15, 9 a.m.-noon. Appointments can be scheduled at [www.donorpoint.org](http://www.donorpoint.org). No appointment is required, however. Those who plan to donate should bring valid photo identification. For more information, call Roxie Gorman at 765-686-5207.

◆The dedication ceremony of a concrete Memorial Bench in honor of **Henry County Historian Ulysses E. "Bud" Bush** will be Sunday, July 9, at 2 p.m. at Memorial Park overlook on the south side behind the saddle club grounds in New Castle. Bush was born in 1941 and passed away in October 2012. He was an Army veteran serving in Vietnam and retired from the Chrysler factory. Friends John Hancock and Mark Orr started seeking funds among friends, family and citizens that love history to make a lasting tribute to Bush for his remarkable historic works. Bush's concern for the care and preservation of pioneer cemeteries lead to locating and compiling a book about all the cemeteries and to organizing the Henry County Cemetery Commission a non-profit volunteer group to help township trustees maintain the cemeteries.

◆Knightstown Neighborhood **Crime Watch** will meet Saturday, July 8, at 1 p.m. in the Hoosier Gym's east classrooms. The meeting is open to the public.

◆The Jane Ross Reeves Octagon House Foundation in Shirley will host its **annual fish fry** on Saturday, July 8, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., at the Shirley Masonic Hall, located at First and Varner streets. The event will feature full meals, including drinks and

dessert, as well as sandwiches and homemade pies. Carry-out service will be available, as well as tours of the Octagon House.

◆Vendors are now being sought for a **Christmas in July event** and craft sale benefitting the Knightstown Food Pantry. This event, which is open to craft vendors, direct sale vendors and local businesses, will be held 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, July 22, at Knightstown Elementary School, 8632 State Rd. 109. Booth rental for 10 ft. by 10 ft. space is \$25, or \$30 if electricity is needed. Vendors are asked to donate one non-perishable item for the food pantry, or make a monetary donation. For more information contact Rita Wyatt at 765-571-0256 or [rita-wo256@gmail.com](mailto:rita-wo256@gmail.com), or Terri Hamilton at 765-571-0285 or [thamilton5235@gmail.com](mailto:thamilton5235@gmail.com).

◆**Vacation Bible School** will be held at the Knightstown Christian Church July 9 thru July 13. Theme of this year's program is "Discovering the God of the Universe." Children who have finished preschool to those entering the sixth grade are invited to attend each evening from 6-8:30 p.m. The kids will present a program for the public on July 14 beginning at 7 p.m. For more information or for transportation, call 765-534-3975.

◆The **Markleville Jamboree** and town rummage sales in the park will take place Aug. 3-5. Vendors, parade participants and volunteer stage entertainers are being sought. For more information, call Dianna at 317-258-5438 or email [diannaladora@aol.com](mailto:diannaladora@aol.com) or call Betty at 765-623-3553.

◆The **Women's Circle of Friends Giving Circle Grant** is available to 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations serving Henry County. Applications are available now on the Henry Co. Community Foundation website at [www.henrycountycf.org](http://www.henrycountycf.org), and are due to the foundation office by Monday, July 31, at 5 p.m. Three finalists will be invited to the Grantmaking Gala on Sept. 12 to make a five-minute presentation about their organization. At

the gala, the members of the Giving Circle will select the final recipient of the grant, comprised of their collective donations. For more information, call 765-529-2235 or visit [www.henrycountycf.org](http://www.henrycountycf.org).

◆Anyone wishing to donate books (for adults or children) or become a **Little Free Library** steward or sponsor, may contact Jan McQuire at 317-509-4039. Stewards maintain the LFLs with support from Beautify Knightstown. Sponsors purchase the little library and may choose to steward it or ask BKI to provide a steward.

◆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 of Knightstown, Charlottesville, Carthage and Wilkinson. The baskets can be obtained at the Knightstown Utility Office. Any business, church or organization is encouraged to provide items for these baskets such as pens, cups, magnets, key chains, coupons, brochures and etc. To contribute or for more information contact Kathie Rummel at 317-345-9660 Linda Lashbrook at [lnlashbrook@gmail.com](mailto:lnlashbrook@gmail.com).

◆The **Historic Knightstown museum**, located on the Public Square at 22 N. Washington St., has new hours. The museum's new hours, beginning May 5-6, are 10 a.m.-2 p.m. each Friday and Saturday, or by appointment. For

more information, or to schedule a museum visit by appointment, call David Steele at 765-345-7585.

◆**Alcoholics Anonymous** meets weekly, on Tuesdays, at 7:30 p.m. at the Hoosier Gym (enter on East side). Meetings will continue each Tuesday at the same time and location. For more info, call 765-571-1662.

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

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

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

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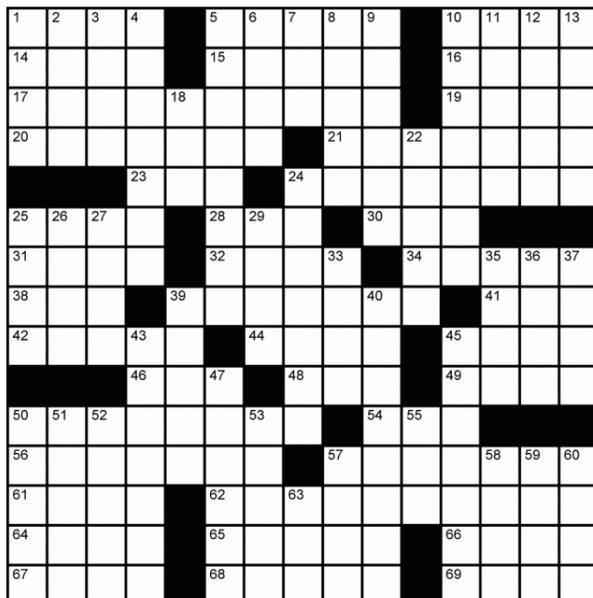
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**Former KHS Cheerleader Haley Morgan Takes Over as Panther Cheerleading Coach**

by Logan Cox

Knightstown High School's varsity cheerleading coach position has recently been assigned to Haley Morgan, a Knightstown native and former KHS cheerleader.

"I feel very excited," said Morgan. "I'm looking forward to the opportunity of being the varsity coach. Our future is very bright, I believe."

Morgan coached junior-varsity cheerleaders prior to taking over varsity this year.

"I am the varsity coach," she said. "So I'll coach the varsity team, and we have Madison Irwin and Macy Burton that are volunteer coaches who are helping with junior-varsity. And then Kenzie Richmond coaches the junior-high cheerleaders."

Morgan is going into the position with confidence, not only from her previous work as a coach but also from her own time as a cheerleader in school.

"I cheered in high school for four years," said Morgan. "I had a great experience as a cheerleader at KHS. It taught me how not only to be a cheerleader, but to be a better person by teaching me skills such as being responsible, organized and accountable to myself, my teammates and my coaches."

Morgan was on the state finalist cheerleading team for four years.

"My experience as a cheerleader is one that reminds me of a positive and enjoyable time in my life. I was able to make many memories with my teammates and friends," she said.

According to Morgan, her path as a cheerleader began as she learned from her aunt, Jana Burton, a former Knightstown High School cheerleading coach, who led the squad to multiple state titles.

"As my oldest niece, Haley began attending practices with me as soon as she could walk and talk," Burton said. "She was always on the sidelines watching every move the girls made and taking it all in.

Little did I know, she was clearly watching every move I made as well and would be walking in my shoes as the head coach someday."

Burton has great faith in Morgan's ability as a coach, having a keen understanding of her niece's drive and work ethic.

"Haley was an extremely hard worker who balanced playing basketball and cheerleading," said Burton. "She would attend two hours of basketball practice and come straight to two hours of cheer practice without ever complaining. She came into every practice ready to work and always gave 110 percent."

Morgan still draws heavily on her aunt's coaching style and the things she learned from her over the years.

"She has kind of guided me and changed me into a productive cheerleading coach," said Morgan. "I still have a love for the sport and for my athletes."

Burton coached cheerleading at KHS for 21 years before retiring. Now, however, she is pleased to know that her niece will be taking over the program.

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**MEETINGS CALENDAR**

**Wed., July 5** - Spiceland Town Council meeting, 6 p.m., Spiceland Town Hall

**Wed., July 5** - Kennard Town Council meeting, 7 p.m., Kennard Town Hall

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

**Mon., July 10** - Rush Co. Commissioners meeting, 9 a.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville

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

**Mon., July 10** - Eastern Hancock School Corp.

board meeting, 7 p.m., administration building

**Tues., July 11** - Knightstown Public Library Board meeting, 4:30 p.m., at library

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

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

**Wed., July 12** - Knightstown Planning Commission meeting, 6:30 p.m., town hall annex, 26 S. Washington St. (purpose of meeting for final review of zoning ordinance)

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

Rose Mary, from Page 4

women must wear shrouds; China where they can confiscate and tear down your home without notice; the Congo where rape is a weapon of war; North Korea whose people are being starved to develop an atomic bomb; Mexico where they live in fear of vicious drug lords; Venezuela where food stores are empty; or some of the European countries whose economies are failing.

I am no Pollyanna wearing rose-colored glasses or wandering in a fog. I am well aware of the many problems such as the opioid epidemic here in Indiana and

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| <p><b>Tuesday, July 11</b></p> <p>5-5:30 pm - Check-in for Sewing &amp; Consumer Clothing Notebooks (Closed judging)<br/>                 5:30-7 pm - Judging begins for Sewing<br/>                 7:30 pm - Sewing &amp; Consumer Clothing, Fashion Revue Judging</p> <p><b>Wednesday, July 12</b></p> <p>6-6:30 pm - Check-in All Foods &amp; Microwave Cooking Projects<br/>                 6:30 pm - Foods Judging</p> <p><b>Thursday, July 13</b></p> <p>5-6 pm - Crafts Check-in (*Crafts include Basketry, Ceramics, Construction Toys, Freelance, Giftwrapping, Holiday Crafts, Leather, Model Building, Needlecrafts including Crocheting and Knitting, Painting, Drawing, Recycling, Scrapbooking, and 4-H Memories) at WG Smith Building<br/>                 6 pm - Judging begins (Note: State Fair judging closed)<br/>                 7 pm - All Species Set-up</p> <p><b>Friday, July 14</b></p> <p>3:30-5:30 pm - ENTER ALL REMAINING 4-H PROJECTS, MINI 4-H &amp; CLOVERBUD PROJECTS<br/>                 3:30-5:30 pm - ENTER REGULAR 4-H PROJECTS (All other projects include Aerospace, Beekeeping, Child Development, Collections, Computer, Electric, Entomology, Family Camping, Forestry, Genealogy, Geocaching, Home Environment, Microbiology, Personality, Photography, Reading, Safety, Shooting Sports, Small Engines, Soil Conservation, Sportsfishing, Sports Posters, Tractor, Travelogue, Vet Science, Weather, Welding, Wildlife and Wood Science)<br/>                 5:30-6:30 pm - SET UP PROJECTS<br/>                 6-6:30 pm - JUDGES MEETING<br/>                 6:30 pm - JUDGING</p> | <p><b>Saturday, July 15</b></p> <p>8 am-3 pm - Set up the Smith Building<br/>                 9 am - <b>4-H DOG SHOW</b> (Show Arena)<br/>                 7 pm - <b>FAIR KICKOFF PROGRAM</b> (Following kick-off, open Smith Bldg.)<br/>                 9-10:30 pm - DANCE (Smith Bldg. closes at 10)</p> <p><b>Sunday, July 16</b></p> <p>11 am - <b>OUTDOOR COOKING</b> (4-H &amp; Adult) Annex<br/>                 1-8 pm - Smith Building Open to the Public<br/>                 2:30 pm - <b>5TH ANNUAL ICE CREAM CRANK-OFF</b><br/>                 4 pm - <b>SUNDAY NIGHT BARROW SHOW</b> (show arena)<br/>                 6-7 pm - Extension Homemakers Open Show Project Check-in</p> <p><b>Monday, July 17</b></p> <p>9 am - <b>POULTRY &amp; PIGEON SHOW</b><br/>                 9 am-9 pm - Smith Bldg. Open to the Public<br/>                 8-9:30 am - Extension Homemakers Open Show Project Check-in<br/>                 Noon-9 pm - <b>Extension Homemakers Open Show</b><br/>                 Noon-5 pm - Blood Draw; Open Show Judging (closed)<br/>                 1 pm - Mini 4-H Swin Show/<b>SWINE SHOW</b> (show arena)<br/>                 4 pm - Farm Bureau Young Farmers Pedal Pull<br/>                 6 pm - 4-H Foundation Pie &amp; Barrel Auction</p> <p><b>Tuesday, July 18</b></p> <p>9 am-9 pm - Smith Bldg. Open to the Public<br/>                 9:30 am - Mini Rabbit/<b>RABBIT SHOW</b> (rabbit barn)<br/>                 11 am - Mini Dairy/<b>DAIRY SHOW</b> (show arena)<br/>                 Noon-9 pm - <b>EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS OPEN SHOW</b><br/>                 1 pm - Mini Beef/<b>BEEF SHOW</b><br/>                 1-3 pm - Pet Microchipping \$15 (done by Henry Co. Humane Society)</p> | <p><b>Wednesday, July 19</b></p> <p>9 am - <b>GOAT SHOW</b> (show arena)<br/>                 9 am-Noon - <b>Extension Homemakers Open Show</b><br/>                 9 am-9 pm - Smith Bldg. Open to the Public<br/>                 1-1:30 pm - <b>CATS &amp; SMALL PETS SHOW</b> (Smith bldg. dwnstrs)<br/>                 2 pm - <b>SHEEP SHOW</b> (show arena)<br/>                 7 pm - <b>FARMER OLYMPICS</b> (show arena)</p> <p><b>Thursday, July 20</b></p> <p>8:30 am - <b>HORSE &amp; PONY SHOW</b><br/>                 9 am - 8 pm - Smith Building Open to the Public<br/>                 7 pm - <b>ROUND ROBIN CONTEST</b> (show arena; swine released following Round Robin)</p> <p><b>Friday, July 21</b></p> <p>6-9 am - Release Projects<br/>                 8:30 am - <b>HORSE &amp; PONY SHOW</b><br/>                 4:30 pm - <b>PORK CHOP DINNER</b> (Swine Boosters)<br/>                 6-9 pm - Release Projects<br/>                 6 pm - <b>4-H LIVESTOCK AUCTION</b><br/>                 8 pm - <b>SALE OF CHAMPIONS</b></p> <p><b>Saturday, July 22</b></p> <p>9 am - <b>FAIRGROUNDS CLEAN-UP</b></p> |
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Photos by Stacy Cox



## Camp July 17-19 for Girls Youth Basketball

Knightstown varsity girls basketball coach Charity Smucker announced dates for a free youth basketball camp on July 17, 18 and 19.

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The three-day camp will run for two hours each day, 6-8 p.m.

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## Morgan, from Page 6

"I have no doubt Haley and her staff will do amazing things, and I can't wait to see what the future of the Knightstown cheerleading program brings," said Burton.

But Morgan is drawing from her own firsthand experience as a cheerleader most of all, which is still fresh in her mind.

"(My past cheerleading experience) has affected my coaching in the way that I not only want my cheerleaders to become better athletes but to become even better people," she said.

Morgan graduated from Knightstown High School in 2011. She has lived in Knightstown all her life.

She just accepted a job at Centerstone Foster Care Select in New Castle as a family support specialist, in addition to being the new KHS cheerleading coach.

"I'm just looking forward to a great year," said Morgan. "Our program is growing, and I want to continue to help keep it on an upward path. I look forward to counseling and coaching cheerleaders for awhile."

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### Zoning, from Page 1

5 E. Main St., during regular business hours. Written objections filed with the Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer by 4 p.m. on July 17 will be considered and oral comments concerning the proposals will be permitted during the public hearing.

Immediately following the public hearing, the plan commission is expected to take action on the proposed revisions to the zoning code and zoning map before adjourning its special meeting. If the plan commission votes to certify the proposed changes, they will then be sent to the Knightstown Town Council for that body's approval.

The Knightstown Town Council has issued a public notice indicating it is expecting to have a recommendation from the plan commission to consider during the council's July 20 monthly meeting. State statute gives the town council the option of approving the plan commission's recommendation, reject-

ing it or amending it.

If the town council approves the plan commission's recommendation, the revised zoning code and zoning map will take effect just like any other town ordinance that has been passed. If the town council rejects or amends the plan commission's recommendation, it will be sent back to the plan commission for further consideration.

If the plan commission approves any amendments made by the town council, or fails to act on them within 45 days, then the amendments made by the council would take effect. Should the plan commission not approve the town council's rejection or amendments, the town council's action would still take effect if confirmed by the council by a second vote; but if the town council's second vote were to fail, the plan commission's original recommendation would be the one that becomes effective.

### Kennard, from Page 3

Swift out on a gurney and loaded her into the StatFlight aircraft, which quickly departed.

Stunned residents looked on, some recording the spectacle with cell phones, others huddled in small groups, unsmiling mouths agape.

Once the choppers departed, attention turned to the Main Street shooting scene, blocked off 100 yards to the north and south by yellow "police line" tape. Motorists detoured the thoroughfare on side streets as law enforcement officers from multiple agencies collected evidence, took photographs, interviewed witnesses and canvassed nearby homes in search of other possible witnesses.

The investigation kept Main Street closed for several hours as investigators scoured the area and wrapped up their on-site inquiry.

While no condition reports

regarding Sarah Swift have been released, she is thought to be recovering after at least one surgery.

Caleb Broad apparently bore the brunt of Brandon Swift's rampage. Monday, Roger Bland, Caleb's father, said in a Facebook post that Brandon Swift shot the two with a .380 handgun equipped with a 15-round clip.

"(Sarah's) next door neighbor witnessed the shooting," Bland said. "... 15 round clip ... 13 into Caleb, and two into Sarah."

Bland said Broad is facing multiple surgeries to "rebuild his right arm and wrist" and that one surgery had already taken place. "The doctors pulled a partial bullet out of his neck this morning," Bland said Monday. "They were unwilling to probe deeper, because it was next to an artery. He was able to stand and walk a few feet!"

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Bland said Broad will also have to undergo spine and back surgery. "God saved him from certain death," said Bland. "The doctors say that he should not have lived."

A resident who said she's a long-time friend of Sarah Swift said she and Brandon Swift were near divorcing.

The anonymous resident said Sarah Swift told her Wednesday, July 28, that her divorce from Brandon was pending and that he had threatened to "come back and do something he couldn't take back if she didn't make things right."

Banner sources said Broad was at the Swift home helping Sarah repair a door or change a lock when the shooting, which took place in front of the home, occurred.

Thursday evening, some Kennard residents were anxious, since the alleged shooter hadn't yet been caught, nor his identify revealed.

"We've never had anything like in Kennard," the resident said. "Except during the tornado back in '74. You know when there are three cops in Kennard, something bad has happened."

Police eventually identified the shooter as Swift. He was later caught in Hamilton County and transported to the Henry County Jail.

At press time, Sarah Swift and Broad were still recovering.

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### Budget, from Page 12

are here for the right reasons."

Fire board members David Millhoan and Mitch Roland, who also sits on the Knightstown Town Council, made and seconded, respectively, a motion to approve the proposed 2018 budget as presented, including the added \$5,000 for the incentive pay. With no stated opposition or abstentions from the fire board's other three members - Overman, Van Hoy and Knightstown Town Council President Sarah Ward - the motion passed 5-0.

Pursuant to an ordinance adopted by the town in late 2008 and a resolution adopted by the township in early 2009, the fire board is supposed to submit the fire department's proposed annual budget to the Knightstown Town Council and the Wayne Township Board by June 1 each year. Because the fire board failed to vote on the proposed 2018 budget at its May 24 meeting, it was unable to meet this deadline.

This is not a new problem for the fire board. Besides 2016 and 2015, the only other time since 2009 that the fire board had approved a proposed budget and had it to the Knightstown Town Council and Wayne Township Board by the June 1 deadline was in 2011.

Once the town council receives a proposed budget from the fire board, the budgeting procedure then calls for the town council to approve, reject or amend the budget and forward it to the Wayne Township Trustee by July 1. This deadline, too, has now been missed, with the town council not expected to vote on the fire department's proposed 2018 budget before its July 20 monthly meeting.

Following the town council's vote on the fire department budget, the Wayne Township Board will then consider it. If the township board does not approve the budget received from the town, then a committee consisting of one town council member and one township board member is to be formed to resolve any differences.

# Local Fire Board Approves 2018 Department Budget

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

The Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Board voted unanimously last week to belatedly approve the fire department's proposed budget for 2018.

The fire board's five members voted at their June 28 monthly meeting to pass the \$162,300 budget draft. Wayne Township Trustee Randy Overman, president

of the fire board, said this was the same budget the fire board had approved for 2016 and 2017.

Allocations in the proposed budget include: clothing allowance (\$26,900); compensation (\$5,000); office supplies (\$500); truck fuel (\$3,000); fire department supplies (\$2,000); legal (\$2,000); training (\$3,000); grant writer (\$3,000); recognition (\$2,000); communication (\$2,000); advertising (\$400);

fire and liability insurance (\$15,000); utilities (\$6,000); equipment repair (\$26,500); building rent (\$15,000); and equipment (\$50,000).

While the total amount of the proposed budget is the same as the this year's and last year's, there had been one change in how the money would be allocated. As Overman first pointed out at the fire board's May 24 monthly meeting, \$5,000 had been taken from the equipment allocation and added to the one for clothing allowances, increasing that line item from \$21,900 to \$26,900.

Fire Chief Eric McDaniel is wanting to use the extra \$5,000 in the clothing allowance allocation to offer financial incentives to the department's volunteer members. Based on the current number of firefighters, McDaniel said the department would be able to pay about \$161 to members participating on just 15-percent of the

department's runs, and additional \$161 payments to those with participation rates that reach 25 percent and 35 percent.

"You see this all over," McDaniel told fire board members. "... These (incentive) programs are popping up day-in, day-out."

According to numbers McDaniel provided at last week's meeting, the fire department responded to 243 calls for assistance last year. As of last Wednesday, he said the department was well on pace to exceed that total, with 187 runs already for this year.

At the previous month's meeting, Fire Board Vice President Jeff Van Hoy, who is also a member of the Wayne Township Board, questioned the need for incentive pay. A former member of the fire department himself, Van Hoy had said he and others he served with "never needed to be paid to participate."

In his response to Van Hoy at

the May meeting, McDaniel had noted that the fire department responds to more runs now than it did in years past. He had also said that today's volunteer firefighters have more responsibilities and are required to have more training.

"Honestly ... the problem is we're not getting volunteers," McDaniel told the fire board at the May 24 meeting. At last week's meeting, he said the department had 21 members, and that an additional three or four could be added as soon as next month.

While McDaniel said he supports having an incentive pay program, he assured fire board members that if they disagreed and didn't approve including it in next year's budget, there would be no negative repercussions.

"If this does not get approved, our run participation is not going to change," McDaniel said. "Our guys

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The Knightstown Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on July 17, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Council Chambers located at 28 S. Washington St., Knightstown, IN. The purpose of said hearing will be to discuss a complete revision of the Knightstown Zoning Code and the Knightstown Zoning Map pursuant to Indiana Code 36-7-4-604, 36-7-4-607, and 36-7-4-608 et seq. The geographic areas to be controlled by the revised Zoning Code and Zone Map are the incorporated limits of Knightstown, Indiana. The purpose of the amended Code is to expand the types of zoning designations, create general provisions regarding the Zoning Code, create regulations within each zoning designation, create regulations, create development standards, create design standards, create regulations regarding planned unit development zoning designations, provided processes when and in what manner and at what cost permits are to be obtained and provisions regarding enforcement of the Code. The Zoning Map is being amended to apply the new zoning designations to property within the incorporated limits of Knightstown, Indiana.

A copy of the proposed amended Zoning Code and proposed amended Zoning Map are available for inspection in the Town offices located at 26 S. Washington St., Knightstown, IN, during regular business hours and the Knightstown Public Library. Written objections that are filed with the Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer by 4:00 p.m. on July 17, 2017, will be considered and oral comments concerning the proposal will be heard at the time of the hearing. The hearing may be continued from time to time as deemed necessary by the Knightstown Plan Commission. An individual requiring special accommodations to attend and participate in the aforementioned hearing should notify the Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer at (765) 345-5977. (7/5)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that on July 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., the Knightstown Town Council intends to consider the recommendation of the Knightstown Plan Commission regarding the adoption of a revised Zoning Code and revised Zoning Map. A copy of the proposed revised Zoning Code and Zoning Map is available at the Town Hall located at 26 S. Washington St., Knightstown, IN, during regular business hours or the Knightstown Public Library. If a citizen requires special accommodations to attend said Council meeting, they should contact the Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer on or before 4:00 p.m. on July 20, 2017. All persons should be advised that this is not a public hearing, but only notification of the Town Council's intention to consider the recommendation of the Knightstown Plan Commission and the possible adoption of an ordinance enacting the revised Zoning Code and revised Zoning Map. (7/5)



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