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Knightstown, IN

Carthage Church Hosting Dinner

Carthage Community Church, 511 E. Second St., will host "Laughter is the Best Medicine," a special dinner event with comedy duo Danny and Kristin, at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 19. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$35 per couple, with ticket holders eligible to participate in a raffle. For more information, contact Sally Campbell at grousewi@yahoo.com, and include "tickets" in the subject line.

K-town Farmers Market Now Open

The farmers market is open on Knightstown's Public Square every Saturday 8 a.m.-noon from now through mid-October. Vendors offer locally-produced breads, fruits, vegetables and more.

Pizza Fundraiser to Aid Shooting Victims

The town of Kennard will host a fundraiser for recent shooting victims on Monday, July 24, 5-7 p.m. at town hall. The Papa John's pizza trailer will be on site, selling food. Proceeds will be given directly to the victims' "gofundme" accounts. To make a donation directly to the account, go to www.kennardin.com.

Wesleyan Church Kids Event July 29

Knightstown Wesleyan Church will host a back-to-school event for local children on Saturday, July 29. Aimed at helping local students get the supplies they need for school, a variety of school-related items will be available. Carnival games and surprises are also in store. The event will take place rain or shine. The church, which will serve hot dogs and popcorn, will also hold a pie sale in conjunction with the back-to-school event.

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.

Carthage Lands \$40k Grant for Comprehensive Planning

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

The Carthage Town Council learned last week that the town will be receiving a \$40,000 grant from the state to pay for hiring a consultant to help create a comprehensive plan for the town.

Dave Kieser, owner of Kieser Consulting LLC, a Lawrence-based firm working with the town on a variety of planning and development-related issues, shared this good news at the council's July 10 monthly meeting. He said he was expecting paperwork from the state's Office of Community and Rural Affairs, the agency that awarded the grant, to arrive later that week or this week.

The terms of the grant, Kieser explained, require the town to provide a 10-percent contribution, with OCRA then providing a 90-percent match. With OCRA providing \$40,000, he said the town's portion will be a little less than \$4,500.

The next step will be for the town to select a firm to hire to help town officials come up with a comprehensive plan. The town of Knightstown, which received the same OCRA planning grant as Carthage, chose Kieser Consulting for this task, which Knightstown completed earlier this year when it's town council voted to approve the town's revised comprehensive plan.

Kieser also updated the council at the July 10 meeting on the downtown improvement project on which his firm is assisting the town. While bids for the project, which includes installation of 10 new street lights, eight curb ramps, new trash receptacles, planters, benches and bike racks, were due June 22, he said none were received.

"The basic reason for that is a lot of contractors are busy right now ... on bigger projects," Kieser said. Kieser said his firm had contacted around 30 contractors. He said several of them suggested the town re-advertise for bids in August, when their workloads are beginning to lighten.

"So, that's what we're going to do," Kieser said.

The council was also advised by Kieser that the application for another grant his firm is trying to help the town secure - a Community Crossings grant from the Indiana Department of Transportation - was due July 14. He said he hoped to hear by late August whether the town will be getting this grant, a "75-25" match that could see the town getting

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Riding the Pain Train



The annual Ride Across Indiana (RAIN) took place Saturday, as many Banner readers probably noticed. Over 1,000 cyclists pedaled across U.S. 40, passing through towns along the National Road. The lead group (above), which included a Knightstown man, came through Dunreith at approximately 12:45 p.m. Though they didn't stop for rest, hundreds of others found respite at the Dunreith Volunteer Fire Station, where cold drinks, friendly people and other refreshments were available. (Eric Cox photos)



Plan Commission Certifies Revisions

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

With just four members present, the Knightstown Plan Commission voted Monday to certify revisions to the town's zoning code and zoning map and send them to the Knightstown Town Council with a favorable recommendation.

Monday's vote, which came after a public hearing that lasted about 30 minutes and a special meeting that lasted nearly two hours, is the culmination of nearly four months of work spread over a dozen or so meetings. The Knightstown Town Council is expected to consider the plan commission's recommendation at Thursday's regular monthly meeting, and could vote to approve the revised zoning code and zoning map that night.

At over 200 pages, the revised zoning code is much more substantial than the nearly 30-year-old 20-

page code it will replace if the town council approves it. During Monday's public hearing, former town employee Linda Glenn, who serves as secretary for the town's board of zoning appeals, questioned whether the revised code might be too much for Knightstown.

"I don't know if you're going to like what I have to say," Glenn told the plan commission.

"That's OK," Gregg Morelock, the town's attorney, told Glenn. "It's not a popularity contest. That's why we're here."

"I'm just not sure if it's going to work for our small town," Glenn said. "... I think it is going to be very, very difficult to follow for a small town."

"I'm kind of stunned by it myself, but I understand why we did it," plan commission Vice President Bill Bergmann told Glenn. He said having an updated

zoning code is more important for future development that may come to Knightstown.

Plan commission member Roger Hammer had expressed similar sentiments to Glenn's last week at the plan commission's July 12 meeting, calling expansion of the zoning code to over 200 pages "a significant change." He said he thought the revised zoning code looked "like a problem getting solved that we don't have."

"Because you have no development," Morelock said. Just moments earlier in that meeting, he had said that revising the zoning code was an effort "to bring (Knightstown) into the 21st century."

"This whole thing is to protect the town," Dan Lake, a planning consultant from Kieser Consulting Group LLC, Lawrence, told Hammer at the July 12 meeting.

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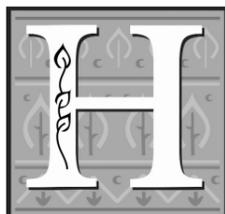
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OBITUARIES

Sharon Ann Halcomb

March 13, 1944 - July 16, 2017



Sharon Ann Halcomb, 73, of Knightstown, passed away Sunday, July 16, 2017, at Hancock Regional Hospital following a brief illness. She was born March 13, 1944, to the late Howard and Elizabeth (Foster) Houchins.

A 1962 graduate of Spiceland High School, she attended Wilkinson Church of Christ. As a loving homemaker, Sharon enjoyed cooking, especially for her family, flower gardening and horseback riding. She enjoyed watching her grandchildren participate in sports activities as well as 4-H, as her grandchildren were her #1 hobby.

Survivors include her husband of 55 years, Charles Halcomb of Knightstown, whom she married June 7, 1962; her four children, Gary (Jean) Halcomb of Dunreith, Randy (Julie) Halcomb of Spiceland, Scott (Jennifer) Halcomb of Knightstown and Lesley (Matt) Tice of Greenfield; 14 grandchildren, Jared, Nathan, Mitchell (Ashley) and Luke (Krysten) Halcomb, Brittany (Brad) Logan, Ryan Halcomb (Cassie Hammer), Taylor, Paige, Mallory, Brody, and Wyatt Halcomb, Audrey, Walker and Nolan Tice; five great-grandchildren, Jeron, Gavin and Kaydence Logan and Kendyl and Kyrie Halcomb; a sister, Joan (Bob) Clapp of Spiceland; and a brother, Larry Houchins of Spiceland.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a grandson, Jackson Tice, and another infant grandchild.

Services are Saturday, July 22, at 11 a.m. at Wilkinson Church of Christ with Pastor Dan D'Angelo officiating. Burial will follow in Glen Cove Cemetery. Friends may call 4-8 p.m., Friday, July 21, at Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service, Knightstown Chapel. Memorial contributions may be given to Wilkinson Church of Christ, 7293 N. St. Rd. 109, Wilkinson, IN 46186. Condolences and memories of Sharon may be expressed at www.hinsey-brown.com.

Thomas Taylor

October 29, 1941 - July 16, 2017



Thomas Taylor, age 75, of Knightstown, passed away Sunday, July 16, 2017, at his residence. He was born Oct. 29, 1941, in New Castle to the late Joseph Wayne and Edna Mae (Faine) Taylor.

He retired from Delco Remy following 28 years of service. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and had attended Primitive Baptist Church in Hagerstown. Thomas enjoyed playing softball, umpiring, pitching horse shoes, and he was an avid bowler and loved fishing. He especially enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren. He served in the United States Army for three years.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Virginia Taylor of Knightstown; four children, Rick (Eileen) Taylor, Tonya (Glenn) Snyder, Herbert (Vickie) Taylor and Jenny Mae (Jeff) Adams; 13 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; three brothers, Clark Taylor, Mike (Jane) Taylor and Kneale (Debbie) Taylor; four sisters, Nancy (Walter) Thompson, Dot (Scott) Raines, Joett (Rusty) McQuinn and Connie (Carl) Pollitt; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Patricia Belcher and Louise Jenkins; an infant sister, Martha Taylor; and his father and mother-in-law, Herbert Gillam and Velma Tryon.

Services are at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 22, at Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service, Knightstown Chapel, with Pastor Randy Gross officiating. Burial will follow in Glen Cove Cemetery. Visitation is 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, July 22, at the funeral home. Memorial Contributions may be given to the Alzheimer's Association, 50 E. 91st St., Ste. 100, Indianapolis, IN 46209-4830. Condolences and memories of Thomas may be expressed at www.hinsey-brown.com.



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Blight Clearance Program: city of Batesville, town of Farmersburg, city of Marion, town of Roann

Main Street Revitalization Program: city of Brazil, town of Cicero, town of Georgetown, town of Pendleton, city of Vincennes

Public Facilities Program: town of Lakeville, city of Lawrenceburg, city of Logansport, town of Napoleon, city of Rochester, city of Rockport, city of Union City, Clinton County, Daviess County, Jennings County, Marshall County, Randolph County, Starke County

Stormwater Improvement Program: town of Camden, town of Fairview Park, city of Linton, town of Oolitic, city of Seymour, town of Summitville, town of Worthington

Wastewater Drinking Water Program: town of Centerville, town of Chalmers, city of Clinton, town of Coatesville, town of Edinburgh, town of Flora, town of Lynnville, town of Medaryville, town of Monon, town of New Ross, town of Owensville, town of Patoka, city of Salem, town of Shirley, town of Uniondale, town of Winamac, Howard County

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Mary Josephine Graham
July 16, 1932 - July 16, 2017



Mary Josephine Graham, 85, of Morristown, formerly of Carthage, Speedway and Sun City, Ariz., passed away July 16 at Morristown Manor. She was born July 16, 1932, in Carthage, to the late Louis and Grace (Howard) Henderson.

A graduate of Carthage High School, she graduated from nursing school at Indiana University. She worked as a registered nurse and then after moving to Arizona in 1990 with her husband, she became a real estate agent. She was a former member of Speedway Christian Church in Speedway.

Survivors include a sister, Margaret Levitt of Fortville; three brothers, Raymond Henderson of Florida, Charles Henderson of Greenfield and Dick Henderson of Jeffersonville; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Jack L. Graham in 2004; two sisters; and four brothers.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 22, at Glen Cove Cemetery in Knightstown with Rev. Joe Ridenour officiating. Burial will follow. There will be no calling hours. Memorial contributions may be given to the charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements have been entrusted to Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service Knightstown Chapel. You may share a condolence or memory of Mary at www.hinsey-brown.com.

K-town BZA Skips Reorganization

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

Although the public notice issued for Monday's Knightstown Board of Zoning Appeals meeting indicated it had been called for "reorganizational" purposes, no reorganizing was done.

Monday's meeting, the group's first of 2017, had been scheduled for 7:15 p.m. in the town council's chambers at 28 S. Washington St. That is the same location where the Knightstown Plan Commission had held a public hearing on efforts to revise the town's zoning code and zoning map at 6:30 p.m. and was in the process of conducting a special meeting that had started at seven.

At a little past 7:30 p.m., Sarah Ward, president of the Knightstown Town Council, asked Kevin Richey, president of the plan commission, if the BZA could have about five minutes to hold its meet-

ing and "try to organize." The plan commission voted to temporarily recess its meeting so the BZA could conduct its business.

Ward, who is not a member of the BZA, called that meeting to order and chaired it. She told the four BZA members in attendance - Bruce Brown, Dave Huffman, Bill Windsor and Ed Wright - that Marion Adkins had resigned his seat on the BZA, leaving a vacancy that needs to be filled.

Ward asked the other members of the BZA to keep looking for someone to replace Adkins. Linda

Glenn, the BZA's secretary, noted that there is a risk of the BZA getting deadlocked in a 2-2 tie until a fifth member is found.

"Well, what can we do?" a frustrated Ward said. "Nobody cares. ... As I said, I'm just fed up."

If someone is found by Thursday, Ward said an official appointment could be made at that night's monthly town council meeting "as long as it's a living, breathing body that lives in Knightstown." She noted that there are no restrictions on political party

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Reconnecting with Old Friend a Good Jolt

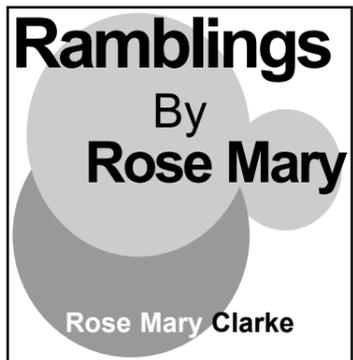
To me, life is not a straight line. It's circular and wheels back upon itself. I'll be peacefully going along ... going along ... going along on my customary path, pretty much living in today, when "Pop!" I'm catapulted into a synthesis of my distant past, middle past and the present. That's a wonderful thing about the human intellect: We are physically bound to the present, but time has no boundaries in our mind.

I have many acquaintances, but few real friends. Relatives may become estranged, and acquaintances move on or drop you. There is no friend like an old friend. The friends that we made during the formative years are always there, no matter how rarely - if ever - we meet. We have a direct line to each other's hearts. There's still a bond with my high school girlfriends, the Nine Nifty Nicitinos, and I have never been out of contact with Sarah Ward.

Sometimes fond friends disappear for years and leave a vacancy in one's life. My best college friend, John Board, and I lost contact for many years after he moved to Montana. Then we became reconnected a few years ago via e-mail, have chatted a few times on the phone, and he even spent a night with Bill and me. Wanda

Frazier Smith, my neighbor chum-along with Sarah, my oldest friend - and I became reconnected a few years ago. Our paths had diverged when I went to college, and she came to Indianapolis to work and live.

Bill, Vicki, Tom and I recently spent a weekend at a Michigan



lake at the summer home that Bill's California nieces inherited from his brother and sister-in-law. Clarke relatives from California, Michigan and Indiana have gathered there for a July reunion for several years.

Bill's niece, Lynn, brought a scrapbook that she started after the family spent a few days at a hotel in Tucson to celebrate the millennium. The day after we arrived, the women went out to sun by the pool. Bill's nieces are all "real

readers," as Granny called people who read voraciously.

I said, "Why don't we start an e-mail book group? We'll call it 'The Happy Bookers'." This was in the early days of e-mail, and we went crazy e-mailing each other. We'd choose a book to read and comment on it and related things.

We all read *The Divine Secrets of the Ya-ya Sisterhood*, a charming novel about a group of girls in Louisiana. I was amazed when I came across one of the first e-mails that I'd sent in 2000 about a ya-ya who had been my friend. Gigi was a cute, warm-hearted, kind girl whom everybody loved. She moved away, and her loss was a great sadness to me.

She was also Wanda's close friend, and we often wondered what had become of her. Then Wanda called a year ago. "One of my cousins ran into Gigi and got her telephone number." The three of us arrived at 11:30 for lunch at the Legend in Irvington, and we had so much to say that we didn't leave until 4 p.m.! I felt that something that had been missing was restored to me at this new turn of the circle of my existence.

I feel a kinship with the unknown American Indian woman upon whose chant Anita Williams

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4-H Amazing in Every Sense of Word

There she was, a tiny little 5-year-old girl holding a lanyard wrapped around the head of a 500-pound dairy cow.

They're both young. At only a few months old, the cow is enormous, easily twice the height of the dainty cowgirl leading her into the Frank Shuler Show Arena at the Henry County 4-H Fair Tuesday.

One wrong step and that animal could step on and break that little girl's foot, or worse. Yet, the two-legged creature didn't seem bothered by the size disparity. Her dad at her side, she pressed on and into the show ring, the cow strolling calmly beside her.

Children who grow up around livestock are often very matter-of-fact in their dealings with these relatively enormous creatures. Those of us who aren't quite as comfortable around them are often astonished at the ease with which they handle these creatures.

But, relaxed as these cows often are, they sometimes get riled up and jerk their heads around, not wanting to be led on a rope around a strange environment in which they are sometimes anxious.

For just a few seconds, that little girl's animal got excited and it jerked her around a little before her dad got it under control. That little bit of jerking upset the child. Her little face got red and she cried a little. Who wouldn't at that age? It must've hurt.

But, it's what happened next that I found interesting. Her dad took the lanyard and I'm not sure what he said to that tyke, but she wiped off the tears, took that lanyard, and kept on showing that animal. She recovered and carried on.

Of all the little triumphs and successes showcased at the Henry County 4-H Fair, I think that is my favorite moment, so far. That youthful resilience and

the courage - to not only attempt controlling the animal in the first place, but to also rebound from a challenging and painful episode - is part of what makes 4-H a special program for children.

They can't just give up and go home. These projects and animal programs require guts and fortitude and responsibility. Yes, many of them have smart phones, but there's no air conditioning and the animals don't take care of themselves. A tremendous amount of work is required - full time.

These kids are tough as any athlete, even at very young ages. Lots of farm kids wear jeans, even when it's 95 and humid. What they do requires long pants and boots. It's hard work. They're brown from the sun and their fingers bear the grimy remnants of their own breakfast and maybe their animals', too. They don't care. It's just life to them.

I grew up in the city with soft, clean hands. Farms were out in the country, and I'm not even sure my high school had an FFA chapter, let alone 4-H. Ignorant as we were, we sometimes made fun of rural people.

Boy were we wrong. We may have had some grit, too, but I wasn't involved in anything that would reveal that kind of character or challenge my ability to persevere at that level or that age. I hate overuse of the word *amazing*, but 4-H is truly that.

I salute these kids and look on them with a kind of awe and reverence I usually reserve for firefighters and combat veterans. At that age, I would've been sitting in a corner picking my nose and playing with G.I. Joe.

And here these kids are, raising, caring for and showing these enormous, beautiful animals and so much more. Parents, do yourselves and your kids a big favor - Get 'em involved in 4-H!



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

While this summer's lane closures and orange barrels are a visual reminder that Indiana adopted a landmark road funding bill in the recent legislative session, it's also worth noting that state lawmakers passed a host of new bills that pave the way for stronger and safer Hoosier kids.

Several of this year's most promising new laws rely on youth-serving individuals and organizations to address the safety and well-being of our children, the very network the Indiana Youth Institute exists to serve.

There are clear links between the soundness of a child's mental health and school readiness, academic performance, and long-term health and success. Many areas of Indiana simply don't have enough service providers in their communities to meet the persistent demand for assistance. In Indiana, there are 9,011 licensed mental health care providers, one for every 730 residents. House Enrolled Act 1391 and Senate Enrolled Act 59 aim to increase the number of professionals available to treat those in need by adjusting the licensure requirements of many behavioral health professionals, including social workers, addictions counselors and mental health counselors.

These bills are designed to make it simpler for people with professional licenses in other states to become licensed in Indiana. They also make available a new bachelor's level licensure standard in some behavioral health sectors. Indiana graduates a large number of bachelor's level social workers every year, and the opportunity to be licensed creates an incentive to work in the field, hopefully also in Indiana. Matt Brooks with the Indiana Council of Community Mental Health Centers, notes the promise of both bills: "The real goal is to expand the opportunity to provide a stronger (mental health) workforce."

School employees, especially teachers, unquestionably play a leading role in the lives of our children. Yet we cannot ignore the infrequent but distressing cases of teacher misconduct. Dr. Jennifer McCormick, Indiana's Superintendent of Public Instruction, says creating environments where "children are protected and feel secure is a key element in students achieving success." HEA 1079 aims to increase safety by requiring expanded criminal background checks for school employees. Not only must schools conduct thorough checks on new employees, they also must complete updated checks every five years.

The bill was widely supported as a positive step, but experts caution expanded background checks are not a cure-all.

Teresa Meredith with the Indiana State Teachers Association reminds us of our larger duty: "All of us - every person in society, every community person - has a responsibility to do everything they possibly can, to protect the children in our society."

One of our greatest child safety concerns in Indiana is how many Hoosier teens have considered or attempted suicide. Recent data shows that Indiana ranks third nationally for the number of high school students that have considered suicide within the past year. The Marion County Commission on Youth worked closely with legislators to pass HEA 1430, which requires schools to train teachers on suicide awareness and prevention.

HEA 1430 also designates the Division of Mental Health and Addiction

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◆Carthage Community Church, 511 E. Second St., will host "Laughter is the Best Medicine," a **special dinner event** with comedy duo Danny and Kristin, at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 19. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$35 per couple, with ticket holders eligible to participate in a raffle. For more information, contact Sally Campbell at grousewi@yahoo.com, and include "tickets" in the subject line.

◆Knightstown Wesleyan Church will host a **back-to-school event** for local children on Saturday, July 29. Aimed at helping local students get the supplies they need for school, a variety of school-related items will be available. Carnival games and surprises are also in store. The event will take place rain or shine. The church, which will serve hot dogs and popcorn, will also hold a pie sale in conjunction with the back-to-school event. Rhubarb, apple, cherry, blueberry and Hoosier Creme pies will be sold for \$10 each. Proceeds from pie sales will pay for more school supplies.

◆Raysville Friends Church, 9219 S. Meridian St., will host a **block party** for the entire community on Saturday, July 22, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. School supplies will be given out. There will also be food and games. The public is invited.

◆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-wyatt256@gmail.com, or Terri Hamilton at 765-571-0285 or thamilton5235@gmail.com.

◆Participation in this year's **summer reading program** at New Castle-Henry County Public Library has surpassed last summer's participation, with more than 880 people reading and attending programs to win prizes. The library is celebrating with an End-of-Summer Carnival from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, July 29, in the library's auditorium. All ages are invited to enjoy live music from Island Breeze, an Indianapolis-based trio with a Caribbean flare. The event will also include free Sno-cones, games, and prize drawings. It isn't too late to participate in the summer reading program. Registrations and prize entries are available in the Children's Library, at the main service desk, and on the bookmobile. All entries are due by 5 pm on July 29. For more information about events and services at New Castle-Henry County Public Library, visit www.nchcpl.org and follow the library on Facebook and Twitter.?

◆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 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, 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.

◆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 lnashbrook@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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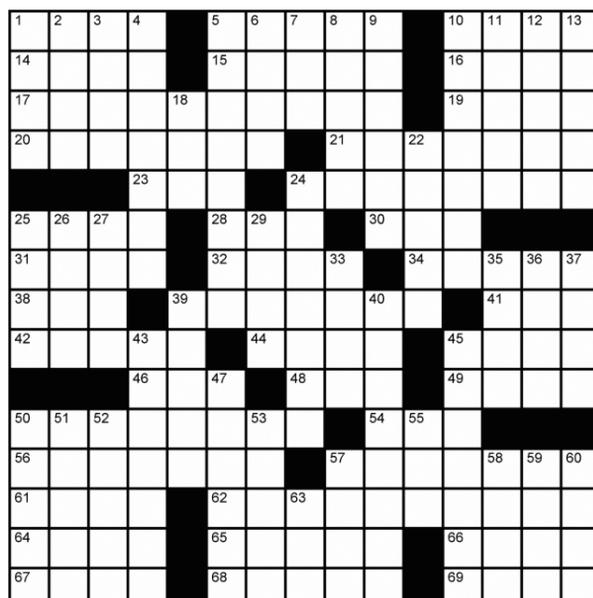
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Propelled by Faith, Family and Friends, Jay McDaniel Rocks the Bike Like No Other

by Logan Cox

"If you go out for a five mile run from your house, you're only going to see like a two and a half mile radius of your house, because you've got to run back. But if I go out on a 25-mile or 30-mile bike ride, I can go out for a 15-mile radius, which opens up going down roads you don't normally go down, seeing things you don't normally see," said Jay McDaniel, Knightstown resident and a four-year cyclist. "That's where the enjoyment is - the adventure of going out and seeing things you haven't seen before."

McDaniel has taken part in the Ride Across Indiana (RAIN) event three times now. In this year's event, which took place Saturday, he came in 17th out of 1,018 registered cyclists.

RAIN is a one-day bicycle ride across the state of Indiana. It features a 160-mile course that mostly runs along Historic National Route 40, beginning on the campus of Saint-Mary-of-the-Woods College in Terre Haute and crossing the state to Earlham College in Richmond.

McDaniel shared his thoughts on placing 17th. "When you first start like that, your head's all about, you know, going out with the lead group. Because you don't want to get going and not have enough energy until the end and suffer the rest of the way. That's always in the back of your mind when you first start to do something like that. So I was real happy about being able to stay with the lead group until the end."

He began his journey as a cyclist after joining a spin class hosted by Eric Cox at Knightstown Family Fitness. The more he went to spin class, the more immersed McDaniel became in the world of cycling.

"They talked me into getting a bike," he said. "I started from there, and I just kept adding a little bit

more, a little bit more, learning more about the sport. I did research and stuff on how to train smarter."

However, McDaniel's four years of riding a bicycle are not the sum total of his passion for fitness.

"Before I got into cycling I did two or three mini-marathons," said McDaniel. "In the previous eight years, I did a lot of weightlifting. Then I transferred over to a more cardio type workout: running, biking, that type of stuff, instead of heavy weights."

Necessity is also somewhat of a factor in his rigorous training and work ethic. While serving in the United States Marine Corps, McDaniel was seriously injured after a car pulled in front of him as he was out riding a motorcycle on the base.

The process of recovery was fed by a need for self-improvement, even in the face of his sudden disability. This, in turn, fed into the sort of friendly competition he is fond of.

"If somebody does an hour workout, I feel like I have to do a two-hour workout so that I stay competitive with them. You know, because I am at a disadvantage," he said. "Plus, it's just more fun when you compete with people. Even girls do it, but men have that drive to compete more-so."

McDaniel admits that he derives much of his inner strength and drive from his loving wife and children, as well as his religious faith, his friends and his fellow cyclists.

"During that last RAIN, my son and my wife gave me two fresh water bottles and a regular Coke. Just seeing them at Mile 128 there in Greenfield kind of gave me my second wind to make it to the end with the lead group," said McDaniel. "Just knowing they were there supporting me."

He is aware that his need to push himself can
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MEETINGS CALENDAR

Thurs., July 20 – Hancock Co. Planning Commission plat committee meeting, 8:30 a.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield

Thurs., July 20 – Henry Co. Planning Commission, reg. monthly meeting, 6:30 p.m., old circuit court room, New Castle

Thurs., July 20 – Knightstown Town Council meeting, 7 p.m., town council chambers, 28 S. Washington St.

Mon., July 24 – Rush Co. Commissioners meeting, 9 a.m., courthouse assembly room, Rushville

Tues., July 25 – Hancock Co. Planning Commission monthly hearing, 6:30 p.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield

Wed., July 26 – Henry Co. Council meeting, 3:30 p.m., old circuit court room, New Castle

Wed., July 26 – Henry Co. Commissioners meeting, 6 p.m., old circuit court room, New Castle

Thurs., July 27 – Hancock Co. Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 6:30 p.m., courthouse annex room 101, Greenfield

Thurs., July 27 – Shirley Visionaries meeting, 7 p.m., Shirley Vol. Fire Dept., 212 Main St.

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Young Farmer Award Winners, Finalists Named

Finalists have been selected for two of Indiana Farm Bureau's Young Farmer awards, the Excellence in Agriculture Award and the Achievement Award. These state awards are conducted as a part of the American Farm Bureau Federation Young Farmers and Ranchers Award competition.

The Excellence in Agriculture Award recognizes outstanding young Farm Bureau members who do not derive the majority of their income from an owned, production-agriculture operation, but who actively contribute and grow their involvement in Farm Bureau and agriculture. Winners must be voting members of Indiana Farm Bureau between the ages of 18 and 35.

Winners of the Excellence in Agriculture award receive a John Deere Gator, a \$3,000 cash prize and an all-expenses paid trip to compete at the national contest, held during the American Farm Bureau annual convention. Runners-up receive a \$1,000 cash prize from Indiana Farm Bureau

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The three finalists are:

Jeff Demerly

Jeff grew up working on his family's row crop farm and was actively engaged with FFA and 4-H. After graduating from college, he became removed from the agriculture industry, but a few years later, he felt the pull to join the ag industry. With the help of his wife, he created his own agricultural retail business. Their business sells, markets and promotes seed inputs and crop insurance risk management and provides general profit consulting.

Jonathon and Derika Spaetti

Jonathon and Derika each grew up on family farms and have always been passionate about agriculture. Jonathon is a fourth generation farmer who purchased his own farm at 20 years old and now works alongside his dad and uncle. Derika currently works full time as a high school math teacher and focuses much of her time away from her job helping to grow the

family's farm operations. They're passionate about advocating for agriculture to people of all ages, especially children.

Ben and Casey Shireman

Casey grew up on a small family-owned produce farm, and Ben's family established a small hatchery, selling chicks, ducks and turkeys, while he was young. After several years out of the agriculture industry, the couple decided to start a small garden that later evolved into 20 acres of crops and produce. Casey works at a local community bank and is a crop insurance agent for one of the bank's subsidiary companies. Ben works for a diesel engine remanufacturing firm where he is the warehouse manager.

The Achievement Award recognizes and rewards outstanding young Farm Bureau members whose farm management techniques and commitment to their communities set a positive example for others involved in production agriculture. Winners must be voting members of Indiana Farm Bureau between the ages of 18 and 35 and earn the majority of their income from production agricul-

ture.

The winners of the Achievement Award receive a \$6,000 cash prize, 250 hours free use of one M-Series tractor and an all-expenses paid trip to compete at the American Farm Bureau annual convention. The winners will also be awarded the David L. Leising Memorial Award. Runners-up receive a \$1,000 cash prize from Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance.

The three finalists are:

Matthew and Brianna Chapman

Matthew Chapman is a third generation farmer. He and his family farm over 3,000 acres of land and manage two 4,000-head swine barns, all while owning a commercial trucking company. Matthew works full time on the farm while Brianna operates two retail flower shops. Matthew and Brianna both majored in agriculture in college and have been able to excel in many aspects of the agriculture industry.

Brent and Ashley Reed

The Reeds are no strangers to agriculture. Brent and Ashley both come from fourth generation family farms and have been involved in

farming from a young age. They now operate 2,000 acres of land together while also being seed dealers. While they did not start their farm operation on their own, they've worked diligently to manage and maintain the resources they have acquired. Brent and Ashley are always looking for new ways to expand and grow their farm.

Neal and Lydia Wolheter

The Wolheters have been farming since childhood. Neal grew up on a grain farm and Lydia grew up on a small cattle and horse farm. The couple met and began dating just before high school, attended college together and moved back home where Neal joined his family farm full time and Lydia started a career outside of agriculture. Today, the Wolheters farm over 4,500 acres of land and go above and beyond to make sure their farm is as successful as possible.

The winners of both contests will be announced on the Indiana Farm Bureau Facebook page on Tuesday, August 8. All finalists will be recognized at the INFB state convention in December.

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BID OPENING:

Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud on August 10, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. Owner's local time at the office of the Superintendent of schools, 8139 W. US 40, Knightstown, IN 46148. Bids received after that time will be returned unopened.

CONTACT OF OWNER:

Contact of the Owner shall be coordinated through Martin Truesdell, at the contact information set forth in this Notice. Mr. Brian Woods, Director of Technology for Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation, may be contacted at (317) 727 1087 for the purpose of arranging access to the facility for a pre-bid visit. Potential Bidders, manufacturers or product representatives that make direct contact with any other Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation employee or School Board Member shall risk disqualification.

PRE-BID MEETING:

A pre-bid meeting shall be conducted on August 2, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. Owner's local time. Interested parties may assemble at the Knightstown Community High School Baseball Field, on the south west corner of the H.S. site 8149 W. US 40, Knightstown, IN 46148. A walk thru of the site shall follow. Responsive Bidders are encouraged to attend.

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Quentin Colip of Knightstown stands with one of the Holsteins he'll be showing this week at the Henry County 4-H Fair

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Jackson Lukens cuddles his dog, "Bo."



Kinzie King (above) of Knightstown listens to a judge talk about her 4-H gift wrapping project as her mom, Lindsay, watches. As a member of the Swine Club, Kenzie will also be showing pigs this week. Swine Club leader Larry White (left) goes over the 4-H week schedule with Jacob Hanna of Kennard.



Projects, Foods, Animals, Fashion ... All are in Store at Henry County 4-H Fair



Baden Bond, Mason Hall and Morgan Hall (l-r), all of Knightstown, trim a goat they plan to show Wednesday, July 19, at the fair.



Model building judge Nathan Criswell of Milton examines a Chevy Camaro built by Jace Wilkerson of Knightstown.



Poultry barn chickens look around nervously as their turn beneath the judge's eye approaches.



This year's Henry County 4-H Fair ambassadors are Emma Grubbs, a 2017 Knightstown High School graduate, and Elizabeth LaMar, who will be a senior at Blue River Valley High School this year.



Levi Jones of Knightstown discusses his handwoven basket during crafts judging at the Henry County 4-H Fair recently. Jones is a member of the Wayne Township Clever Clovers 4-H Club.

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Former New Castle Employee Facing Felony Theft Charges

A former city of New Castle employee is facing a felony theft charge in connection with her alleged personal use of a city credit cards and city charge accounts.

Candace Hill, a former purchasing agent for the city, was charged with one count of theft, a Level 6 felony, on June 1. If convicted, Hill could face up to three years in prison and a \$10,000 fine, but she could also see the felony reduced to a misdemeanor and wind up with a suspended sentence and probation.

In a report issued last Wednesday, the Indiana State Board of Accounts noted that Hill had used store charge accounts and city credit cards to make \$816.97 in purchases between Sept. 20 and Dec. 30, 2016. The agency said Hill purchased personal items, cell phone minutes, Visa gift cards, Visa gift card reloads and grocery items.

The SBOA said there was also \$173.38 in late fees and interest resulting from Hill's failure to submit receipts or claims for these personal charges that had left them unpaid. According to the SBOA, Hill has reimbursed the city a total of \$990.35.

Hill was terminated from her job on Dec. 31. According to correspondence to the SBOA from David Copenhaver, attorney for the city of New Castle, Hill was let go for "budgetary reasons," and her alleged thefts were discovered after her employment with the city ended.

The SBOA placed some of the fault for Hill's unauthorized purchases on internal control weaknesses that prevented their earlier discovery. Copenhaver said in his response to the agency that Hill's activities "were routinely reviewed" and a full audit after her termination led to the discovery of the unauthorized purchases.

"While the City is pleased that its internal controls worked effectively in this matter, it would agree that it should continue to take steps to improve those internal procedures as recommended by your audit," Copenhaver told the SBOA. "It will do so."

Despite having repaid these funds to the city, the SBOA noted that copies of its report were being sent to the state attorney general and to the Henry County Prosecutor. When The Banner contacted Henry County Prosecutor Joe Bergacs on Monday about this matter, he revealed that his office had already filed theft charges in early June.

A pretrial conference is scheduled for Aug. 30, and a jury trial is tentatively set for Sept. 27. Efforts to reach Hill for comment were not successful.

Rush County GOP to Fill Carthage Vacancy

Registered Republicans interested in filling an upcoming vacancy on the Carthage Town Council are asked to submit a letter of interest to the chairman of the Rush County Republican Party by Friday, July 28.

As reported in last week's Banner, Bill Davis, president of the Carthage Town Council, announced at the July 10 monthly council meeting that he would be stepping down from the council at the end of this month. He and his wife have sold their home and will be moving away

from Carthage.

After being appointed by the town council's other members in the fall of 2012 to replace a council member who had resigned less than a year after being elected, Davis was elected to a full four-year term in 2015. The person chosen to replace him will complete that term, which runs through the end of 2019.

While state statute normally calls for the Rush County GOP to call a caucus to select a replacement when one of their party members resigns from a town council,

that will not be the case here. Because there is only one Republican precinct committee person for the town of Carthage, state statute allows the party chairman, Rush County Prosecutor Phil Caviness, to forgo the caucus and select Davis' replacement himself.

Caviness told The Banner yesterday that he would like to have letters of interest submitted to him at P.O. Box 621, Rushville, IN 46173, no later than Friday, July 28. For more information, Caviness can be contacted at 765-938-9511.

Carthage Has Three New Reserve Policemen

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

The town of Carthage now has three new volunteer reserve police officers.

Danny Baker, Carthage's part-time town marshal, announced the new additions to the Carthage Police Department at the July 10 Carthage Town Council meeting. Baker introduced the council to two of the new reserve officers, Steve Zimmerman and Travis Spence, and said a third, Jeremy Green, was unable to attend that night's meeting.

Baker said that he and council members Ashley Davis and John Hancock, who is also a CPD reserve officer, interviewed five applicants on June 27. He said they decided to hire three, which, with the recent resignation of reserve officer Keith Baker, the chief's son, gives the department seven reserves.

Zimmerman, Baker told the council, had already completed required prebasic training and was already working shifts and patrolling. Baker said Zimmerman, who worked for him as a reserve officer in Knightstown when Baker was police chief there, is a good officer.

Both Spence and Green, Baker said, still need to

complete their prebasic training. He also said the pair will also need to log a requisite minimum of "ride-time" hours as a passenger with another officer before being allowed to patrol on their own.

Baker told the council he plans to have all reserve officers sign a statement agreeing to work a minimum of 16 hours each month. In the past, reserves failing to meet this benchmark has been a recurring problem.

"That way, we'll have that in writing to fall back on," Baker said. "We never had that before."

In other police news, Baker told the council that the CPD's first annual golf outing is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 12, at Royal Hylands. He said all proceeds raised from this event will go toward purchasing needed equipment for department. Anyone interested in participating should contact Baker at 565-6062.

Baker's monthly report said the CPD responded to 32 calls during June, but a detailed breakdown included in the report only listed 30 for the month, with no arrests made or citations issued. The department used nearly 106 gallons of gas for the month, but Baker was unable to list the miles driven in his patrol car due to an "odometer problem."

Trump Resignation Still Not Official; County Clerk Not Notified

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

Nearly four weeks after announcing her plans to resign, Knightstown Town Council member Valerie Trump's official written notice of resignation has still not been received by the office of the Henry County Clerk, as state law requires.

As previously reported in The Banner, Trump announced her resignation at the conclusion of a special council meeting held June 22. She said that she had taken a job in Florida, where her daughter and daughter's family, which includes Trump's two young grandchildren, live, and that she and her husband, Bruce, would be moving there.

To vacate her council seat, state statute requires Trump, a Republican, to submit her notice of resignation to the office of the Henry County Clerk. Once the clerk's office receives this, it will then forward it to county's GOP chairman, Todd Hiday, who will have 30 days to call a Republican caucus to select Trump's replacement.

The office of the Henry County Clerk advised The Banner yesterday that it had still not received Trump's notice of resignation. According to Deputy Clerk Nancy Marcum, efforts to select a replacement for Trump have been unable to move forward because of this.

Until Trump submits her notice of resignation, there is no vacancy on the Knightstown Town Council to fill. In the

absence of Trump doing this, another state statute authorizes the council to hold a special meeting at which it can vote to declare a vacancy on the council as the result of her moving outside town limits.

If the town council is forced to declare that Trump vacated her seat by moving out of town, it would then forward notice of its vote to the county clerk. Then, the county clerk would notify the county GOP of the need for a caucus to fill the vacancy on the council.

Trump was elected in 2014 to her current term, which runs through the end of 2018. Persons interested in applying to replace her are urged to contact GOP Chairman Hiday at 765-521-3707.

Revisions, from Page 1

Having an updated zoning ordinance, he said, would help provide for orderly development and minimize legal problems.

By Monday's public hearing, Hammer's criticisms appeared to have softened. While he said he still has concerns about fees for permits, Hammer said he had read the entire revised zoning code and thought it was "a good document" that would help protect the investments of owners of local homes and businesses.

Addressing Glenn's concerns about the complexity of the revised zoning code, Lake said he worked with another town that is smaller than Knightstown but that had a zoning code similar to the revised one being considered here. He said he had worked to simplify things as much as possible and thought town officials and employees, local citizens and contractors would all be able to figure things out.

Turning to the proposed zoning map, Wayne Township resident John Swartz, a member of the Charles A. Beard School Board, asked about a few areas that were designated as being zoned for agriculture: Glen Cove Cemetery; Knightstown High School; and Knightstown Intermediate School.

Lake explained that cemeteries and schools are acceptable uses on land zoned for agriculture. He told Swartz that CAB would run into no zoning problems if the school board decided at some point that it wanted to build a new school near KHS.

After the conclusion of Monday's public hearing, the plan commission met for nearly another two hours, going over the revised zoning one last time and noting needed corrections. The meeting was, at times, hard to follow, with two or three different conversations going on simultaneously between plan commission members, Lake and Morelock, and Swartz talking in the audience to other members of the public throughout much of the meeting.

A couple of issues discussed extensively by the plan commission Monday had to do with the parking of commercial vehicles on residential property and fencing requirements for homes with swimming pools.

The revised zoning code had said commercial vehicles weighing more than 16,000 pounds would only be allowed on private residential property if kept in an enclosed area. While he said he didn't have problems restricting heavier commercial vehicles, Hammer expressed concern over placing limits on smaller ones.

"We've got to be careful not to shut down someone's livelihood," Hammer said.

After much discussion, the plan commission agreed to allow up to two commercial vehicles that weigh no more than 10,000 pounds to be parked on residential property. Commercial vehicles that are heavier than that would be prohibited completely unless kept within an enclosed structure.

"I would really like to know how many

people we just affected," Hammer said after agreement was reached on those changes. "... It might be more than you think."

Plan commission member Ed Wright asked Morelock whether the town would be obligated to provide parking areas for commercial vehicles that would not be able to be parked on private residential property in an area that is not enclosed. Morelock said the town is not responsible for that.

"Those are choices you have to make," Morelock said. "You have to think about neighbors and everyone else, not just that one property owner."

Ben Bowling, the town's building inspector, urged the plan commission to insert language into the revised zoning code that would extend fencing requirements for homes with swimming pools to include even shallow pools of a nonpermanent nature. He said these can still pose a safety risk to young children.

Morelock told the plan commission that he thought the town should follow state regulations when it comes to fencing for homes with swimming pools. Saying he thought, parents, children and homeowners all share responsibility when it comes to swimming pool safety, he said he didn't think it would be a good idea for the town to enact restrictions that are stricter than those already put in place by the state.

As he had told the plan commission at earlier meetings, Morelock said again Monday

that he thinks new restrictions on signage in town "will be the biggest source of issues" with respect to the revised zoning code. Unless covered by an exemption in the zoning code, he said all signs will require a permit.

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.

The plan commission's next scheduled meeting will be Monday, July 31, 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. Like all plan commission meetings, this proceeding, which will involve discussion of fees under the revised zoning ordinance, will be open to the public.

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LOCAL SPORTS

Tri's Dillon Stevens Leads New Castle 14U All-Stars to N. Indiana Babe Ruth State Title



Dillon Stevens pitched for Tri in the Henry County Tourney championship game against Knightstown May 20. (Stacy Cox photo).

Tri's Jarod Stevens and Knightstown Incoming Freshmen Brock Corbett, Miles Mann Also on Team

Tri sophomore Dillon Stevens led the New Castle 14U All-Star team to a Northern Indiana Babe Ruth state title on Monday evening in Tipton.

Stevens pitched all seven innings in the state championship game against Logansport, giving up just one run on two hits while striking out six batters with one walk to get the 4-1 victory.

After the eight games played this month for the New Castle 14U team, Stevens leads the team at the plate and from the mound. He has pitched five games, 16 of the 42 innings the team has had, allowing only one run and five hits with 13 strikeouts and two walks. Stevens leads the team with 16 hits in 23 at-bats, including five doubles. His success at the plate resulted in topping the team in RBIs (14) and runs scored (15) over the eight-game period.

Dillon's twin brother Jarod plays on the team along with incoming Knightstown freshmen Brock Corbett and Miles Mann.

Mann's triple in the state title game drove in one run and Mann is one of the team's top batters.

The New Castle 14U team will compete at the Ohio Valley Regional Tournament for the second straight year, in Mattoon, Illinois.

KHS Parent Meeting Aug. 2

The Knightstown Athletic Department will hold a meeting for parents of student-athletes in grades 7-12 who plan to play any sport this school year.

The mandatory parent meeting is set for Wednesday, Aug. 2, at 7 p.m., in the high school cafeteria.

Following a half-hour presentation by the athletic department, each sport will break off and hold their own meetings with parents.

Unlike in previous years, this will be the only parent meeting held by the athletic department during the school year. The athletic department will not be holding three individual season meetings though each sport will still have their own parent meeting before their seasons begin.

Student-athletes should see their respective coaches with any questions.

The athletic department reminds all athletes must have their physical form and concussion/cardiac arrest form on file by Aug. 1 (no exceptions).

Cardinal Greenway 2017 Bike Fest July 28-30

Cardinal Greenway Bike Fest 2017 is a new cycling event. In conjunction with the city of Muncie and Bike Muncie, Cardinal Greenway Bike Fest 2017, presented by Old National Bank, is an exciting three-day event of cycling, entertainment, and recreation on July 28, 29 and 30.

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The event begins Friday evening, July 28, with a Critical Mass Community Group Ride from the Historic Wysor Street Depot to Downtown Muncie for

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Saturday, July 29 is Tour Day, an entire day of self-led biking tours of Cardinal Greenway and White River Greenway, and additional led tours of various interesting sites of Muncie.

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For more information about the event or to read about recent tourney action, visit the groups's website at knightstownyouthsportsinc.com.

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Pendleton 6U All-Stars won the Second Annual Barry Elzey Baseball Bash for their age bracket Sunday and posed along with runner-up Knightstown after the 6U tourney ended.



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Knightstown 10u All-Star Team Goes Undefeated to Win Barry Elzey Tourney



Knightstown 10U All-Stars won the Second Annual Barry Elzey Baseball Bash for their age bracket Sunday and posed along with runner-up Shenandoah after the 10U tourney ended. (Stacy Cox photo)



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Carthage, from Page 1

\$61,365 from INDOT and the town providing \$20,455 to go toward resurfacing a little more than three-fourths of a mile of local roadways.

Kieser also advised the council that the town's historic preservation committee will hold its next meeting, which is open to the public, on Wednesday, July 26, at 6 p.m. in the Henry Henley Public Library. He also reminded the council the library will be recognized on Aug. 7 at the Indiana State Fair for its inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places.

The council also heard at its July 10 meeting from Tyler Edon, an agent with Pence Brooks & Shepherd Insurance of Greenfield, about concerns the town's insurer has about some of the playground equipment at the town's McNabb Park. If the issues aren't addressed, he said the town may find its premiums going up.

"What they really want to see is effort," Edon said of the town's insurer. "... They're not trying to tell you to have this fixed tomorrow."

Besides the playground equipment, Edon also said the insurer had concerns about the condition of the walkway and steps right outside Carthage Town Hall. Council President Bill Davis told Edon that issue is being addressed.

The council also heard from Kathy Gibson from the Future of Carthage about the local group's plans for their second annual Freedom Festival, scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 23. Gibson told the council there will also be festival-related events taking place in the days leading up to the festival.

The festival's queen contest will be held Wednesday, Sept. 20. Gibson said girls ages 14-19 who live in Carthage or in areas of Ripley Township outside the town are eligible.

Some possible new events this year, Gibson told the council, could include a euchre party on either Sept. 21 or 22, a cake walk, a Saturday night dance, a kayak/canoe event on the Big Blue River, a talent show and a 5K walk/run. Carthage Town Marshal Danny Baker also said the Carthage Police Department plans to cosponsor a car show with Chew's Garage the day of the festival.

The council voted to approve the closure of portions of Mill and Main streets on Sept. 23 for the Freedom Festival. Council members also agreed to have the town take care of trash receptacles and portable toilets for the event.

Gibson also told the council that a spring fundraiser FOC held for

the Henry Henley Public Library had been a success. She said over \$900 was raised for the library and that the group hopes to hold a similar event next year.

In other business at the July 10 meeting, the Carthage Town Council: *heard a brief update from Bob Bullock, the town's building inspector, on his ongoing efforts to address several problem properties in town;

*approved comp time of 35.75 hours for Josh Douglas, the town's

works manager, and 33 hours for town employee Hershel Kaster;

*received a monthly police report from Baker;

*approved paying \$16,592 to Ortman Drilling & Water Services Inc. of Kokomo to repair a motor on a pump for one of the town's two water wells;

*received a complaint from town resident William Imel regarding a commercial-sized trash dumpster that had been placed on his property on North Winters

Way; and

*OK'd payment of monthly claims and approved minutes from the council's June 12 regular meeting and June 22 special meeting.

More information about the July 10 Carthage Town Council meeting can be found in the minutes and memoranda of that proceeding. Those public records should be available for inspection and copying at Carthage Town Hall, 6 W. First St., during normal business hours.

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Letters, from Page 4

as the statewide coordinator for suicide prevention programs. DMHA's Director, Kevin Moore, sees this as an opportunity to bring together the many agencies and organizations working to prevent youth suicide: "This bill sends a very clear message that this (suicide prevention) is important, not just to legislators, but this is important to the citizens of Indiana." DMHA plans to fill the newly created position of statewide suicide prevention coordinator by mid-summer and submit a report to the legislature by the end of the year.

Dr. McCormick applauded both HEAs 1430 and 1079 as "pivotal to accomplishing our goals, ensuring our educators are equipped with the best training possible and addressing the needs of the whole student."

Many experts agree that each of these laws represent a step in the right direction, and most are encouraged that our state legislature recognized the importance of taking new steps to address well-documented social and emotional needs of our children. But we should not get too comfortable—the proposed federal budget includes severe cuts to many of the programs that greatly benefit our kids. As always, more work remains to ensure that each Indiana child has a clear, smooth road to a safe, healthy and successful future.

Tami Silverman, president and CEO
Indiana Youth Institute affiliation for BZA appointees.

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affiliation for BZA appointees.

While state statute says BZA members are to select a chair and a vice chair at their first meeting each year, neither this nor any other

organizational matters were addressed Monday. The BZA meeting was adjourned after less than five minutes, and the plan commission resumed its meeting.

Jay, from Page 6

sometimes be too consuming and, as a consequence, he strives to maintain a balance between time spent training and time spent with his family.

"It still is hard to train as much as I do and still get family time in," he said. "So I've had to go out and buy an electronic trainer so I can maximize my time on the bike, because that family time is really important."

McDaniel lives in Knightstown with his wife, Tracey, their son, Matthew, and their daughter, Cora.

He attended Eastern Hancock schools and graduated in 1986.

Outside of his fitness and competitive activities,

McDaniel also works at St. Francis Health in Indianapolis.

"I work on MRI's and CT machines when they break down," he said. "They call it a radiation equipment specialist."

McDaniel continues to ride his bike and seek out adventure, while always leaving time for family and friends. Combining the two activities is also something he enjoys.

"That's one thing bicycling has over running - It's more of a social thing. You can talk to people while you're riding," said McDaniel. "It's a lot more social."

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SILVER SPONSOR - \$300

Sponsors will receive a full page ad in the All-Sports Program along with your name on the scrolling board in the gymnasium.

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BRONZE SPONSOR - \$250

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