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- Sir Winston Churchill

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## Banner Offices Moving, Downsizing

The Banner office, 24 N. Washington St., Knightstown, is moving and downsizing. The mail slot at that address will remain viable until the end of May. However, one small Banner office will remain active inside the old Citizens National Bank build near the northeast corner of Main and Jefferson streets (104 E. Main). Banner Publisher Eric Cox said decreased walk-in traffic combined with increased online transactions have made the newspaper's office less active and unnecessarily costly. The Banner phone number (345-2292) and all email addresses will remain active. We encourage customers to contact us with questions, etc.

## KUMC Yard Sale May 30 thru June 1

Knightstown United Methodist Church's fellowship hall will be the site of a yard sale Wednesday, May 30, through Friday, June 1, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The church will be accepting a free will offering of items that will be sold at the sale. Families in need will be able to pick up items at no cost.

## Richard Sitler Photo Seminar June 15-16

Knightstown native Richard Sitler will host a photography seminar at the Hoosier Gym on Friday and Saturday, June 15-16. To find out more about the event, find Sitler on Facebook.

## KUMC Run/Walk Benefits The Harbor

Knightstown United Methodist Church is hosting a 5k run/walk to benefit The Harbor, a new teen resource facility in Knightstown, on Saturday, June 16, at 8 a.m. at Knightstown High School. All proceeds benefit the facility, former Jehova Witness Kingdom Hall, 9002 W. U.S. Hwy. 40. Event sponsorships are still available for \$25 and \$50, with sponsors being printed on event T-shirts.

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## CVS Alcohol Permit OK'd by State

The state has approved a permit allowing the Knightstown CVS to see beer, wine and liquor.

According to Jeff McKean, the attorney representing CVS, the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission voted at its May 15 meeting in Indianapolis to approve the permit. Prior to that, the Alcohol Beverage Board of Henry County had held a public hearing on, and approved, CVS's permit application on May 2.

McKean told The Banner on Tuesday that the CVS permit is currently being held in escrow. He said the permit will not be activated until the store has readied itself to begin alcohol sales and Indiana State Excise Police have conducted a final inspection of the premises.

According to McKean, the Knightstown CVS needs to redesign a portion of the store's interior and get some new fixtures to accommodate the alcohol sales. He said he thought this work would be finished sometime within the next 45 days.

As previously reported in The Banner, another Knightstown business is also seeking a permit allowing it to sell beer, wine and liquor.

National Road Coffee Company LLC, which lists its address as 111 E. Main St. and is also represented by McKean, has filed an application for an alcohol sales permit with the IATC. Online records for the agency indicate the company has a public hearing before the Alcohol Beverage Commission of Henry County next Wednesday, June 6, at 10 a.m. in the old circuit courtroom on the second floor of the Henry County Courthouse, 101 S. Main St., New Castle.

For at least 10 days prior to the June 6 hearing in New Castle, National Road Coffee Company,

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## Local Fire Department Receives New Vehicle Designed to Fight Grass Fires



"Grass 28" is the designation for Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Department's new truck.

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

The Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Department has received a new grass truck it ordered last fall.

The truck – a 2018 Ford F-350 Super-Duty outfitted with a plethora of fire-fighting features – was purchased from 1st Attack Engineering Inc., a Waterloo, Ind.-based company that builds custom off-road emergency vehicles. Fire Chief Eric McDaniel said the price on the new truck was around \$87,000, paid for with fire department fund.

Purchase of the new truck, which will be used to respond to field and ditch fires that cannot be easily reached with the department's other larger vehicles, had been approved last October by members of the Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Board. That body presently consists of two Knightstown Town Council members, the Wayne Township Trustee, a Wayne Township Board member and a Wayne Township citizen.

McDaniel had advised the fire board last fall that the department's grass truck, which was about 30

years old at the time, was having "some very serious problems." He said the tank was rusting and leaking and, he felt, not structurally sound, and also said the truck was having some electrical issues.

Information McDaniel previously gave The Banner showed that a little over \$32,000 of the new vehicle's cost was to be for the truck itself. The balance of the price was for 1st Attack's conversion work on the truck, which included installation of a 250-gallon water tank, three mounted storage boxes, a 9,000-pound multi-mount winch, and numerous other features.

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"This is awesome!" McDaniel told fire board members last week at their May 23 monthly meeting as he showed them the new truck. "We greatly appreciate it." The new truck has three water nozzles and a spray bar mounted to the front. McDaniel said all of the truck's features are "very easy to operate" and "a major improvement" over the old grass truck. He also said the department would likely use the new truck to respond to basic medical calls as well.

"It's a lot easier to take this than the rescue truck," McDaniel said.

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# New Castle Teacher Honored

Angela Miller, first grade teacher at New Castle's Sunnyside Elementary, is the recipient of the 2018 Teacher Excellence Award.

Miller was awarded a certificate of recognition and award on May 25 from the Henry County Community Foundation (HCCF).

The Teacher Excellence Award is the highest honor the Foundation can bestow on an individual in education. The honor is designed to recognize teachers who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to inspire students to reach for difficult and lofty goals. Persons to be recognized have earned the respect of students, parents and peers through sustained effort, high moral standards and the likelihood of enduring beneficial effects on the students with which they have worked.

Miller's nominator spoke highly of her commitment to the students in her classroom, writing about how she makes the material come alive for the students in her class when they enter the room each day. "She uses stories and books to make ideas and concepts become meaningful to her students. They are drawn in by the way she reads a story or explains an idea, so that they make a real connection – and that's when the learning takes place, the community foundation said."

According to HCCF, Miller is a teacher who appreciates students for who they are: "Her classroom is a place of inclusion for everyone," HCCF said. "By her own example, students in her class become accepting, kind, and understanding of each other. She is a role model

of exemplary character and her students see it every day. Because she cares about every student, the message is understood by her students that first grade is a safe place and free of ridicule. Her classroom is a place where students feel free to take risks as they learn."

Any current, full-time educator of a public school within Henry County was eligible for nomination and the winner was selected by judges outside the county. This award is sponsored by an endowment at the foundation.

"We have many outstanding educators in Henry County and we are honored that donors in our community want to recognize these teachers and let them know how much we appreciate their great work," said Beverly Matthews, president of the foundation.

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U.S. 52 will be closed on or after June 1, weather permitting, for nine miles starting near I-465 in Indianapolis going southeast near New Palestine, for a chip sealing operation.

Traffic will be detoured via I-465, U.S. 40 and S.R. 9 during the closure. The full closure will prevent damage to both vehicles and roadway and increase the quality of the finished roadway.

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# Local Fire Department Changes to Comcast

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

The Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Department will be dropping Ninestar as its Internet, TV and telephone service provider, opting, instead, to go with Comcast.

Fire Chief Eric McDaniel advised members of the Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Board of the coming switch to Comcast last week at their May 23 monthly meeting.

As previously reported in The Banner, McDaniel had discussed his concerns about Internet service, especially with respect to communication equipment upgrades that were being made, at the board's April meeting. Wayne Township Trustee Randy Overman, the fire board's president, had suggested at the April meeting that any decision about switching to Comcast be left to McDaniel. While the fire board

never formally approved that suggestion, members also did not express any disagreement to it.

Last week, at the May 23 meeting, McDaniel confirmed that he had decided to switch to Comcast for the fire department's Internet, TV and telephone services. He said he thought the department's monthly bill would be around \$180, with the initial contract being for three years.

In April, McDaniel had told the board he thought the Comcast bill would be about \$50-\$60 less a month than Ninestar. At last week's meeting, he said he'd run into a problem in trying to determine how much Ninestar charged for comparable services.

McDaniel said he had recently discovered that Ninestar had been charging the fire department for long-distance calls. He said the fire department's contract with Ninestar, however, was supposed to have included unlimited long-

distance service.

"We have been paying – for years, years and years – for long distance calls," McDaniel said. "... So, we've been paying quite a bit of money." He said Ninestar had agreed to go back to the beginning of 2018 and adjust the fire department's bills to correct for the overpayment on long-distance calls.

McDaniel also advised the board that new communication equipment needed for when the county starts providing dispatch services for the fire department, the Knightstown Police Department and Southwest Ambulance Service has been ordered. He said it is expected to arrive by the end of June and be installed and operational by mid-July.

Overman told the fire board that he had inspected a ventilation fan at the fire station that is not working properly. He said he thought it sounded as if a bearing

had gone bad, but said he had not been able to actually reach the fan to do a closer inspection.

Due to concerns about whether the faulty ventilation fan can safely be reached, Overman recommended installing a new vent on the building's roof. He said he thought his company could do this job for under \$500.

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

\*approved payment of monthly claims totaling \$4,277.35; and

\*was told by Overman that a proposal to obtain new 800-megahertz radios for the department, an issue that had been discussed at the April meeting, would be tabled for now.

More information about the May 23 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 station, 30 S. Washington St., during normal business hours.

## Local Park Board Holding Special Meeting

The Knightstown Parks and Recreation Board will hold a special meeting this Thursday.

The meeting, which is open to the public, is scheduled for 7 p.m. It will be held in the shelter house at Sunset Park.

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which plans to operate as 111 East Main Wine Room, is required to post an orange sign advertising the hearing at the location of the new business. A local excise officer will also need to do a final inspection before next week's hearing in New Castle.

According to documents on file with the Indiana Secretary of State's Office, National Road Coffee Company was formed as a business entity in late January. Mark Gregory is listed the registered agent for the new business.

After the local hearing is held in New Castle on June 6, if there is a favorable vote, the permit application will then be forwarded to the

IATC for its next commission meeting in Indianapolis, which could be as soon as Tuesday, June 19. If the IATC gives final approval

to this application, the permit to sell beer, wine and liquor could be issued in as little as three days after that meeting.

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# Banner PERSPECTIVES

## Perception Everything in This Life

A light fog hung over the countryside, and as the sun rose, its rays tried to sweep it away. A recent morning bike ride took me through a wispy, visible vapor that speckled my sunglasses with water droplets.

Fog is strange, especially a light one. It can be easily seen from a distance, but when one is inside a fog, it's harder to detect.

It's like living in a bubble. Inside, everything seems normal; outside the bubble, however, it's obvious you were once inside it.

Perspective is difficult sometimes. It's often hard to see things from another perspective, just as it's difficult to perceive a light fog when it envelops us.

As I rode along in that earthbound cloud, I thought about what I might look like to others outside the fog. Did they think I was crazy for riding when visibility is limited? Were they even able to see me?

I pedaled on and as I did, the vapor seemed to recede. Or did it? I was moving, too, so maybe it was stationary and I was leaving it behind? Difficult to tell. Again, perception and context were at play. Was I above it now, crossing over I-70 on Kennard Road?

I'm not normally this philosophical on my morning commute. The pre-coffee Eric and the post-coffee Eric are very different. Yet, the early morning cardio bolsters my thinking in ways caffeine does not. Ergo, my senses were piqued and I think that led me to ponder this question of perception.

I applied this "fog logic" to my own, personal political views. My views are my bubble - my little fog cloud that I sometimes can't tell that I'm inside. Those

outside this bubble, of course, see me trapped in there, new ideas not penetrating, fresh thinking not occurring, dogma wildly ricocheting.

But, what if I pop that bubble and let new ideas and thoughts flow freely? Will that release me from this fog bank? It very likely will liberate me, at least philosophically, but maybe morally and ethically, too?

Hard to say.

Employing empathy - that is to say, trying to see things from another's perspective - is a slippery slope indeed. If I look at the world - my world - through another person's lens, will it effect the way I feel and what I believe? Do I have the courage to risk that? After all, I am comfortable now believing what I now believe.

If I leave my comfort zone, will I ever be able to return to my long-held beliefs and traditions that offer so much familiar comfort? Is it possible to believe in both?

I try these little exercises sometimes - inserting myself into someone else's bubble so that I can attempt to sample some of their world, walk a country mile in their shoes. Some call it playing Devil's Advocate, which is another way of saying that one is making their opponent's arguments.

Devil or no devil, that's a healthy exercise for anyone. Find someone you disagree with and put yourself in their place; try seeing things from their perspective.

It's quite likely you'll learn a lot about yourself, as well as your opponent. Plus, when the fog finally lifts, you'll see that you may have imprisoned yourself in a bubble of your own creation.



## Never Too Much Beauty in Our World

(This column was originally published on June 11, 2008.)

*"The world is too much with us. Getting and spending, we lay waste our powers.*

*Little we see in nature that is ours. We have given our hearts away"*  
- Wordsworth

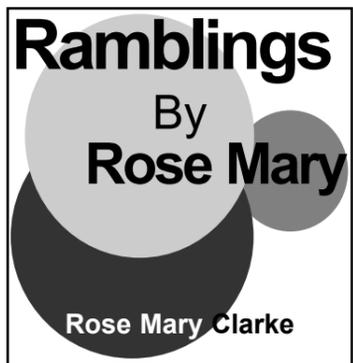
I'm not rambling away from my intention to write about the travels of Rosa and Paul Angelone. It's just that I view my life as an integrated whole in which each new event or experience causes me to reflect on others.

Here I go again, clucking around like an old biddy! It says in the Bible that man cannot live by bread alone, meaning that we must nourish our spirits as well as our bodies. I think that we pay a high price, getting and spending in order to acquire the external and transitory trappings of affluence. We give our hearts to expensive cars, trinkets and toys, brand-name clothing, fattening restaurant meals and elaborate homes.

"I don't have time!" is a cry heard throughout the land: No time to cook, invite friends to a party or dinner, chat with our spouses, or volunteer. We don't have time to read for our own pleasure, let alone read or tell stories to our little children and grandchildren. We let them fill their minds with electronic games rather than taking the time to instill in them a sense of

beauty and real-life adventure. We shouldn't wonder why they have so little time for us when we had so little time for them.

I cannot have too much beauty in my life. The arts nourish my inner being's spirituality. I rarely read poetry, but certain poems that I have stored away provide a banquet for my intellect, nourish my spirituality and make music in my



mind's ear. A good poet can sum up in a few lines ideas that would take a novelist hundreds of pages.

My mother had only an eighth-grade education, but could recite by heart her favorites such as "Abou ben Adhem." She recited it to me from the time I was a small child until her elder years, and it had an impact on the way I view humanity.

The real Ibraim ben Adhem was a Muslim sultan who gave up his throne after a dream and devoted his life to good works. In the poem,

he awakened to a vision of an angel writing in a book. "What writest thou?" "The names of those who love the Lord." "And is my name there?" "Nay, not so." "Then write of me that I love my fellow man." The angel reappeared the next night and showed him the golden book: "And lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest!"

One of my favorites is Robert Frost's *The Road Not Taken* in which the poet looked down two paths - the one that most people walk and one overgrown with grass. He chose to become a poet, saying, "And I - I chose the path less traveled by, and that has made all the difference." Most of us don't have the courage to set off by ourselves on the less-traveled path.

Like all living creatures, we are born weak and defenseless. First our parents and families protect and nurture us. Then we are "brought up" so that we may have manners and morals, and educated so that we become self-sufficient, productive members of society. With the best of intentions we tie our children to trellises as if they were roses or tomatoes and then try to prune them into the shape that we desire so that they will grow to be like every other plant in the garden.

Obviously we need to teach children acceptable manners and conduct lest they become

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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

May 30, 1868, marked the first Decoration Day, when thousands of people decorated more than 20,000 graves of those who lost their lives during the Civil War. That day began what we now call Memorial Day, which has been considered a national holiday since 1971.

Memorial Day, which is celebrated on the last Monday in May, recognizes those in the Armed Forces who made the ultimate sacrifice for the United States and our freedom. Below are the number of Americans who lost their lives during battle in some of America's wars, according to data by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs:

- \*4,435 died in the American Revolution (1775-1783);
- \*2,260 died in the War of 1812 (1812-1815);
- \*1,733 died in the Mexican War (1846-1848);
- \*140,414 Union soldiers and 74,524 Confederate soldiers died in the Civil War (1861-1865);
- \*385 died in the Spanish-American War (1898-1902);
- \*53,402 died in World War I (1917-1918);
- \*291,557 died in World War II (1941-1945);
- \*33,739 died in the Korean War (1950-1953);
- \*47,434 died in the Vietnam War (1964-1975); and
- \*148 died in the Persian Gulf War (1990-1991).

The number of men and women we lost is saddening, and these numbers do not even reflect the thousands of non-theater (not in combat) deaths that occurred. Additionally, nearly 7,000 Americans have died since 2001, according to data by the United States Department of Defense.

I am proud of the brave, selfless individuals who showed their true devotion to our country. It is because of their sacrifice that we are able to live in a society where we can exercise our freedoms to speak freely, worship as we choose, assemble peacefully and petition the government with our grievances.

This Memorial Day, as we celebrate with our family and friends, let us pause and take time to remember those who so bravely laid down their lives for our country.

Sen. Jean Leising  
(R-Oldenberg)

Dear Editor,

As 2018 marks the centennial of the end of World War I, on this Memorial Day, it is important that we recognize an unsung hero of the First World War, who rose to become third-in-command of the American Expeditionary Force in France. His name may not be very well known nationwide, but his name should be near and dear to our hearts here in Indiana.

At the beginning of our Civil War in 1861, Omar Bundy was born in New Castle. He had just turned 18 when he entered West Point, from which he graduated in 1883 as 49th in a class of 52 (admittedly, my class rank wasn't much better!). He was commissioned an Infantry officer and put on what was known in those days as, "frontier duty." His service included Ft. Lapwai in the Idaho Territory, Ft. Missoula in the Montana Territory, and Ft. Meade in the new state of South Dakota, to include a campaign against the Sioux Indians. He also attended Infantry & Cavalry School at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.

When the Spanish-American War broke out in 1898, Captain Bundy and his troops went to Cuba, where they fought at El Caney, for which he

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◆Knightstown artist Jan McGuire will again host **youth art classes** in the Sunset Park shelter house, 120 S. Hill St., this June and July. The classes are open to children age 4 and older. Children must be accompanied by an adult guardian. The classes are free and last from 3-5 p.m. On June 7, kids can take the "It Takes a Village" class, which will have them coloring in various Knightstown buildings drawn in Dr. Seuss's style. "Christmas in June" is the theme of the June 14 class, which features Christmas tree ornament making. Classes will also be offered June 21, July 5, July 12, July 19 and July 26, with the last class focusing on basket weaving.

◆The **Nameless Creek Literary Club** will meet at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13, at the home of Beverly Muegge. For more information regarding the club, contact Judy Brown at 936-5704.

◆Knightstown United Methodist Church is hosting a **5k run/walk** to benefit The Harbor, a new teen resource facility in Knightstown, on Saturday, June 16, at 8 a.m. at Knightstown High School. All proceeds benefit the facility, former Jehova Witness Kingdom Hall, 9002 W. U.S. Hwy. 40. Event sponsorships are still available for \$25 and \$50, with sponsors being printed on event T-shirts.

◆Greenfield First Presbyterian

Church, 116 W. South St., will host the **35th annual Strawberry Festival** on Friday, June 1, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Proceeds from the event support the Hancock Food Pantry, Love Inc., Boys and Girls Club, Meals on Wheels, Hancock Senior Services, Edelweiss Equine Assisted Therapy, Hope House and FUSE. Advance tickets, which can be purchased at McCleerey's Sporting Goods or Ye Olde Head Shoppe, are \$3. Tickets are \$4 on the day of the festival.

◆Faith Chapel Independent Baptist Church is hosting a **yard sale** on Saturday, June 2, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the first house west of Knightstown High School on the south side of U.S. 40.

◆**Knightstown United Methodist Church's** fellowship hall will be the site of a yard sale Wednesday, May 30, through Friday, June 1, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The church will be accepting a free will offering of items that will be sold at the sale. Families in need will be able to pick up items at no cost.

◆Knightstown native Richard Sitler will host a **photography seminar** at the Hoosier Gym on Friday and Saturday, June 15-16. The workshop, which will revolve around photographing basketball, is limited to the first 15 participants. The course, for which there is a fee, is open to professional or beginning photographers age 16

and older. To find out more about the event, find Sitler on Facebook.

◆A summer kids' event called **Shipwrecked VBS** will be hosted at Carthage Community Church June 4-8. Kids at Shipwrecked VBS will also participate in a missions project. Shipwrecked is for kids from 6-8 p.m. Children age 3 and up are invited to participate. For more information, call Delaine Thomas at 765-570-2973.

◆Patrons of the **Knightstown Public Library** are no longer able to use their old library cards because the library doesn't have access to its old system. Instead, patrons wishing to check out materials after this date need to apply for a new Evergreen library card, and will need to show a picture ID before they can check out anything.

For more information about this, contact Library Director Linda Davis at 345-5095.

◆The Shirley Octagon House is open for **free tours** each Sunday through October, 2-4 p.m., excluding holidays. To get a free tour by appointment or for more information, call Virginia Harrell at 765-738-6736.

◆Historic Knightstown Inc. has announced **summer hours** for the museum on the west side of Knightstown's Public Square. Effective now, the museum's open hours are 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on each Friday and Saturday - or by appointment. Contact David Steele at 765 345-7585 for visitation by appointment or for scheduling a special event.

◆**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.

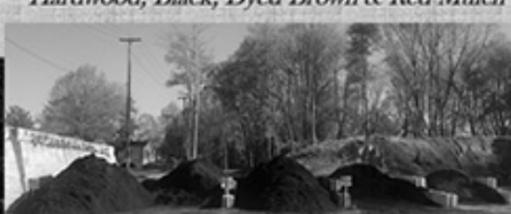
◆The **Parish Clothes Closet**, located in the basement of Bethel Presbyterian Church, 112 S. Franklin St., Knightstown, is open the last Thursday of each month from 5-7 p.m.

◆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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## Greenfield Resident Linda Davis Says She Found Her Dream Job at the Knightstown Public Library

by Logan Cox  
for The Banner

Linda Davis is fulfilling a dream she has had for years as the new director of the Knightstown Public Library. The position was made official in February, having previously acted as interim director since August of last year due to the library's prior director falling ill.

"It's just something that I've always wanted to do," said Davis. "I always wanted to go back to school and become a librarian. So after I got my five children raised, I went back to school. It had always been my choice to be a librarian."

While earning her education from Ivy Tech, Davis spent much of her time at the Knightstown library.

"I actually came here and did my practicum in the last semester of school at this library," she said. "Several of the papers I had to write at the library, I came in and interviewed the prior director. She was just so sweet and easy to work with, so helpful. So when it came to do my practicum, I had asked if her if she would take me on. Basically, that means I come here and work part-time. I had to write about that for last semester."

She was offered a part-time job at the library when her college practicum was at an end, having studied there from January to May.

"And it just worked out that when she got sick I

was the only one here with the education to be able to take over the interim director's position," said Davis.

Davis graduated from Ivy Tech in May of 2017, and from Thomas Carr Howe High School in 1979.

Prior to working at the library, she had been a stay-at-home mom and paid the bills through various part-time jobs and small businesses of her own, even employing her skills as an avid gardener.

"I did flowers, things like that where I could stay at home," she said. "And I had a little cleaning business.

That's how I got through school. Of course, I always spent a lot of time at the library with my children when they were young."

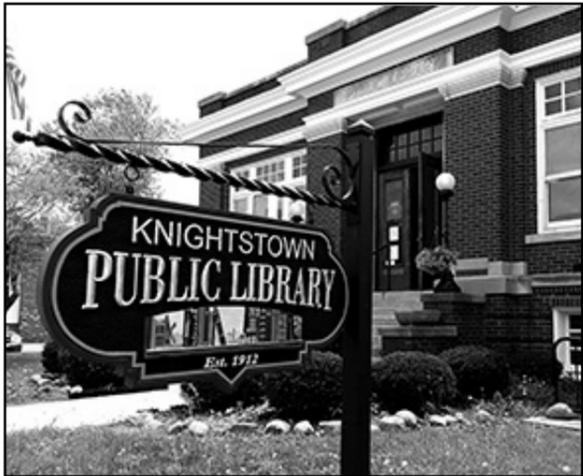
According to Davis, she has always wanted to work at a small-town library in particular.

"It's very ironic how it all came to be. When I was in school, I wrote different papers about it. I wanted to work in a small town library. I really didn't want to work in a gigantic library like Hancock County or anything like that. I just wanted a very small setting," said Davis. "I loved old architecture, so this is the perfect place for me. I love everything about it, the community, the work, I love it all."

She is also an avid reader, and has a fondness for nonfiction especially.

"I love biographies; I love classic literature,"

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asset as a member of their audit committee.

Huffman had told council members at their April 19 monthly meeting that she had been asked to join this IMPA committee. Ward said at the May 10 meeting that the council wanted to commend Huffman for this.

"So, that is an honor," Ward said. "... We're quite pleased, and that's a nice recognition."

Ward also singled out local businessman Joe Peacock of CFH Enterprises for praise at the council's May 10 meeting. She said that Peacock had donated some mulch for use in the playground area at Sunset Park, as well as the equipment and workers to help spread it.

"We appreciate that kind of community service," Ward said.

## Council President Ward Says 'Knightstown Curse' Alive, Well

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

During her tenure as president of the Knightstown Town Council, Sarah Ward has tried to encourage the members of the community's various organizations to work together and support each other.

In comments made at a recent council meeting, however, she made clear that she doesn't think those efforts are succeeding.

At the outset of the council's May 10 monthly meeting, Ward said she had been "very disappointed" in the attendance at the recent dedication ceremony for the Hoosiers-themed mural, a project initiated by local nonprofit Beautify Knightstown Inc. BKI held the event, which also served as a fundraiser for the town's splash pad water attraction at Sunset Park, at the Hoosier Gym on May 5.

"I ... felt for a brief time that the

'Knightstown Curse' was going to leave us, that curse being that we absolutely will not work together with groups," Ward said. "But, I found that it's very alive and well, and that's to the detriment of this community and to the discouragement of the people who work in the trenches and get little or no recognition for doing the work. So I'm very disappointed about that."

On a more positive note, Ward recognized Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer Beth Huffman, who was recently selected to serve on the audit committee for the Indiana Municipal Power Agency, the wholesale power provider from which Knightstown and 60 other Indiana communities purchase their electricity. Ward noted that the town has had disputes with IMPA in the past, and said the agency had recognized that Huffman could be an

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## Duke Working in Henry County

Duke Energy's economic development consultants have selected six Indiana locations to participate in the company's 2018 Site Readiness Program.

The locations include, among others, a 143-acre site along East County Road 400-S near the interchange of State Road 3 and I-70 in Henry County.

The Site Readiness Program identifies, evaluates and improves sites in the company's service territory for potential industrial development.

"Duke Energy is honored to select these communities for participation in the 2018 Site Readiness Program," said Erin Schneider, director of economic development for Duke Energy Indiana. "We are eager to contribute resources to help promote economic development, jobs and quality of life for these regions."

Duke Energy will present its findings for each site - including a detailed report and conceptual drawings - to city and county officials when the studies are completed later this year. Economic development organizations in each location will also receive a check for \$10,000 from Duke Energy to help implement the recommendations.

After each site's state of readiness has advanced, Duke Energy's business development team will strategically market those sites nationwide to companies looking to expand or relocate their operations.

Ideal properties for Duke Energy's Site Readiness Program are typically 40 acres or larger, served by the utility, or a vacant industrial building of at least 20,000 square feet identified to support renewed industrial growth and sustainable development in a community.

Duke Energy Indiana's overall economic development program has been consistently named by *Site Selection* magazine as one of the nation's "Top 10 Utility Economic Development Programs." Since 2008, the company has participated in the creation of nearly 20,000 jobs with a total capital investment of approximately \$4.5 billion.

For more information about Duke Energy Indiana's economic development programs, visit [locationindiana.com](http://locationindiana.com).

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self-centered louts. However, when I watch the eagerness, open-mindedness, individuality, optimism and spontaneity of children I wonder if we should try to be more like them, rather than pruning and training them to become like us.

We say - even to young adults - "We know what's best." "We'll help you." "You have no common sense!" Then we complain when they are weak. Thoreau said that common sense is that sense that men have when they are asleep. I think that often common sense is based on fear - fear of failure, fear of being "different" and the fear of loosening ourselves from the comfortable trellis of convention to which we are bound.

**The Henry County Health Department is gearing up for Healthy Homes Month this June by reminding you of the eight principles of a healthy home: dry; pest free; contaminate free; ventilated; clean; safe; and maintained. Here are this week's Healthy Homes Tips:**



### Let Your Home Tell You When A Health Risk Exists

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### Make Your Home Energy Efficient

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- Health Benefits: Reduces contaminants, improves comfort, may improve respiratory health, pest problems and allergens

### Incorporate Healthy Homes Strategies into Renovation Projects

- Work safely, address existing and prevent future problems in your home

For more tips, download the Healthy Homes Basics App for Apple or Android, or visit [www.hud.gov/healthyhomes](http://www.hud.gov/healthyhomes) or the National Center for Healthy Housing at [www.nchh.org](http://www.nchh.org).

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# FOLKWAYS

## 'Libraries Rock' Theme of Eight-week Summer Reading Program at County Library

"Libraries Rock" is the theme for the summer reading program at New Castle-Henry County Public Library. The eight-week program begins with a kickoff event from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, June 2, in the parking lot at the library. All ages are invited to the event, which will feature an inflatable obstacle course, sno-cones, and other activities.

This year's summer reading program will be completely online, allowing participants to track reading minutes throughout the summer.

Beginning May 26, patrons will be able to visit [nchcpl.beanstack.org](http://nchcpl.beanstack.org) to access Beanstack, the online tool for logging minutes. There is also a free app available for mobile device users. Library staff will be available to answer questions and help patrons log in to Beanstack, if needed.

Summer reading is open to all ages and participants can visit the bookmobile or the library to select materials to read. There will be a drawing for age-specific prizes at the program's conclusion on July 28.

The bookmobile will host special programs throughout the summer including Crafts with Krystal for adults and teens, Kidsongs with Keegan, and Storytime & Crafts with Lynn. In the library, the Children's Library will host Marvelous Mondays, Drop-In Crafts, and Family Storytime. The library is also a kids summer lunch program location on Tuesdays from noon-1 p.m. Teens can attend a variety of events on Thursdays at 4 p.m., and there are also events happening for ages 18 and up on Tuesdays at 6 p.m.

Summer reading will conclude

with an "End of Summer Celebration" from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, July 28. This event will include many water-centered activities.

For more information about summer reading or to find event details, visit [www.nchcpl.org](http://www.nchcpl.org) and follow New Castle-Henry County Public Library on Facebook and Twitter.

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## Chip Sealing Will Close U.S. 36

U.S. 36 will be closed on or after June 5, weather permitting, for nine miles, between S.R. 109 near Emporia to S.R. 3 near Mt. Summit, for a chip sealing operation, according to the Indiana Department of Transportation. The project should be completed by the end of June.

Traffic will be detoured via S.R. 109, S.R. 38 and S.R. 3 during the closure. The full closure will prevent damage to both vehicles and roadway and increase the quality of the finished roadway.

Any loose aggregate will be swept away after the chip sealing operation is complete.

## Carthage Reading Program Starts June 9

Readers of all ages will explore all things musical this summer as Henry Henley Public Library in Carthage presents "Libraries Rock" during their summer reading library program. Activities may include group games, musical crafts, art projects, science experiments and more.

The 2018 Summer Reading Program is open to young people, preschool through young adult, with programs, prizes, story times, a reading club and more. Families are invited to join the Read-to-Me portion of the program. Registration for "Libraries Rock" begins on June 9 at the Carnival Kick-off event at 10:30 a.m. For more information, call the library at 765-565-8022. All programs are free of charge.

## Beverly Muegge Hosting June 13 Nameless Creek Literary Club Meeting

The Nameless Creek Literary Club will meet at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13, at the home of Beverly Muegge.

The program will be led by Denise Akers. Muegge will lead the devotions. The response will be: How many times have you moved?

For more information regarding the club, contact Judy Brown at 936-5704.

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Be advised that the Board of Commissioners of Henry County will conduct a public hearing on a petition filed by the Dennis R. and Cheryl Y. Stillions Keystone Trust in which the Dennis R. and Cheryl Y. Stillions Keystone Trust requests that Henry County vacate a public way described as follows:

All of the area of land, consisting of approximately 339 feet in length, more or less, between Parcel No. 014-10228-00 and Parcels No. 014-010235-00 and 014-10237-00 located within Knightstown Lake Addition, Wayne Township, Henry County, Indiana.

Any person objecting to the vacation of the above real estate may object based upon the grounds set forth in Indiana Code 36-7-3-13. The hearing shall take place on June 13, 2018, at or after 6:00 p.m. during the Board of Commissioners' regular meeting in the Henry County Courthouse, former Circuit Court courtroom, 101 South Main Street, New Castle, Indiana.

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# Trent, Neal, Sapp Take the May 5-0's at Mt. Lawn Speedway



Winners of Mt. Lawn Speedway's first events of the season pose by their cars. (Photos provided)



A driver making his first trip to Mt. Lawn and a long-time veteran at the track were among the winners at the May 5-0's, the kickoff to Mt. Lawn Speedway's 2018 season.

The racing was close on the hot sunny day at the track. With Vore's Welding and Steel CRA Late Model Sportsman Powered by JEGS, FasKarts, Midwest Cage Karts, Stock Compacts, Van Hoil Oil Thunder Cars and Adams Enterprises Pro Compacts all competing after the State Farm Insurance Street Drags raced to find the fastest and bravest fan to bring their car onto the track for one-on-one racing.

Danny Trent took the lead on the 28th lap and held off Chris Shannon to take his third lifetime Vore's Welding and Steel CRA Late Model Sportsman Powered by JEGS victory in the 2018 series opener. After inclement weather postponed the first races of the year, a warm sunny day allowed the series to begin the 2018 campaign. This was Trent's first time at Mt. Lawn.

"I had a bad start and got shuttled back to about fourth. After Dave Duncan and Shawn Amor crashed out, I took the lead," Trent said from Victory Lane. "The 32-car (Shannon) ran me really clean. This is a great track. I want to run him more. The pits are great; it is a nice track."

Tony Brunke took the lead on the first lap before Dave Duncan drove past to take the lead out of Mt. Lawns infamous short turn on the second lap. Duncan held the lead setting a blistering pace as he was followed closely by Fast Qualifier, Shawn Amor.

As Duncan and Amor were racing closely, attempting to pass slower cars, they came together with Duncan colliding with the outside wall in the first turn. Duncan was unable to continue. Amor remained on the track but was forced to retire as the right-side body of his car was flying loose during the race.

Trent took the lead as the cars came to green. Shannon fought to get to the front and caught Trent, but was unable to pass. "I could catch him, but we were so even I just could not get around him," Shannon stated following the race.

Mt. Lawn veteran Kent Carson finished third for his highest finish in a Vore's Welding and Steel CRA Late Model Sportsman Powered by JEGS event. Tony Brutti was fourth and Zachary Tinkle was fifth (also his highest finish with the series).

Terry Neal took the lead on the 15th lap and stayed

there as he lapped the field in the Adams Enterprises Pro Compacts feature, passing Brian Slavey and running away in a race with very few caution flags. Slavey was second, and he had lapped everyone else on the track. Joe Jennings and Mark Jennings battled it out for third with Joe finishing ahead of Mark to take third while Mark came home fourth with Brett Smith coming home fifth. Eddie Claborn was fast qualifier.

"I have so many people to thank," Neal enthusiastically stated in Victory Lane. "This means so much to me. I have been coming out here for a long time. My father raced go karts here."

Randy Hoppes took the lead on the first lap of the Van Hoy Oil Thunder Car race but could not hold it as Dustin Sapp passed him for the lead coming out of the short turn to take over on the second lap, a lead he never gave up. Chasing Sapp most of the race AJ Stewart could catch him, but not pass him, then spent the last 15 laps of the race holding off a hard charging Ronnie Rose. Rose caught Stewart but could not get past him despite staying right on his tail. Jameson Owens finished fourth and Mike Worrell finished fifth. Fast qualifier, Tony Stewart, made a rare mistake on the track and found the back-stretch wall as the cars were three wide, ending his night early.

"I worked on it to get ready for the last time, but then it rained, so I got it ready for tonight," Sapp stated. "I tried to work away from the others, I knew it would be bunched up behind me so I just put the hammer down."

Alex Abbott held off Fast Qualifier, Justin Mefford, to win the Stock FWD feature. Abbott took the lead on the third lap from Jeff Marlow who had jumped to lead on the first lap. Mefford fought to second on the fourth lap. Abbott kept out front from there to get the win. Mefford was second, Randy Owens third, Derek Lane fourth and Dustin King fifth.

Fred Gormon Jr. took the State Farm Insurance Street Drags title.

Joe Sullivan winning the FasKarts feature. The Midwest Cage Kart feature winner will be announced later.

June 10 will see the Indiana-Ohio Thunder Car/Hobby Stock Shootout 50 lap feature at Mt. Lawn Speedway, with Pro Compacts, Stock Compacts, Midwest Cage Karts all racing on one big night. For more information go to [www.mtlawn.com](http://www.mtlawn.com) or Mt. Lawn's Facebook, Twitter or Instagram pages.

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## Library, from Page 6

she said. "I love good fiction - something with a good storyline. *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* is one of my favorite stories, a fiction story. I love something that I can learn from, I love anything that I can learn from."

I always look at a book and say, 'Hmm, I have very limited time so I want to make sure I'm really getting something from what I'm reading.'"

Davis and her family have lived in Greenfield for 22 years, but she is originally from Indianapolis and moved to Greenfield from Warren Township.

"It was right when they were trying to do the year-round school," said Davis. "So, because I had five children spread out, part of the kids would be in school year round and part would have been on a normal schedule. I just didn't want to split my family up like that, so we began seeking another place to live

and we ended up in Greenfield."

She first discovered the library she would one day direct during one of her and her husband's regular visits to Knightstown.

"My husband and I have always just loved to come out to Knightstown, get an ice cream at the Frosty Boy and just walk the community. That's actually how I first came to this library," she explained. "I love to visit old libraries. We were having an ice cream and walking, and we just popped in here and took a look around. Everything just kind of fell into place. It's really a crazy story."

"I just feel like this is where I'm meant to be," said Davis. "I think everything happens the way it did for a reason. Like I said, I love the position, I love the community and I can't imagine being anywhere else."

## 13th Annual Hoosiers Reunion All-Star Classic This Friday

*Eastern Hancock's Addison True to Play*

Knightstown's Historic Hoosier Gym, movie home of the "Hoosiers" Hickory Huskers, will once again host the Hoosiers' Reunion All-Star Classic.

The 13th annual girls' and boys' doubleheader classic will take place Friday, June 1. The girls' game starts at 6 p.m. with the boys' game following at 8 p.m.

The boys' coaches are Daniel Cox of New Castle and Jerry Hoover of Blackford. Coaching the

girls' teams are Julie Shelton, Mt. Vernon and Tod Windlan.

The evening is highlighted by 2018 Indiana Miss Basketball Amy Dilk of Carmel, who will attend the University of Michigan. There are nine other girls who will participate on June 1 that were also selected as 2018 Indiana All-Stars, along with other top female stars.

The Boys' game, the second of this Hoosiers' Reunion All-Star Classic doubleheader, features two future Indiana Hoosiers, Damezi Anderson (South Bend Riley) and Robert Phinisee (McCutcheon). They are joined by a half dozen more 2018 Indiana All-Stars and other star players.

Eli Streeval of class 1A state champion Morristown will participate as well as Eastern Hancock's Addison True. New Castle's Niah Williamson and Cambridge City Lincoln's Garrett Pumphrey will also be participating in the event.

Coordinating this event are Kip Wesner, publisher of Hoosier Basketball Magazine and Bob Garner, events coordinator of the Historic Hoosier Gym in Knightstown. To purchase tickets (there are only 600 seats, all reserved), call 317-925-8200 or 765-465-2569 or email [hoosierbllmag@att.net](mailto:hoosierbllmag@att.net).

All four team rosters for both the girls' and boys' Hickory Huskers and Terhune Tigers teams will be announced later this month.

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# Lady Panthers Win First Sectional Title Since 1988

Thirty years.

It's been that long since Knightstown's varsity softball team claimed a sectional championship.

But, last Thursday, the streak was broken when the Lady Panthers defeated sectional host Triton Central 8-3 to win the team's first sectional trophy since 1988.

After first defeating Heritage Christian in the first game of the sectional, buoyed by a grand slam from Jess Butler, the Lady Panthers moved on to face their longtime rival, Eastern Hancock.

KHS pitcher Sidney Vise was in quite a groove throughout the sectional and her performance on the mound for Knightstown was key to their dispatching of the Lady Royals, 2-0, last Wednesday.

Vise threw eight strikeouts and three walks while giving up only three hits in the Lady Panthers victory.

Knightstown had five hits in the game. Becca Haney had two singles with one RBI and Makenna Leisure hit an RBI-single.

Courtney Carlton and Lexy Goodpaster also had base hits.

The following day, the Lady Panthers traveled again to Triton Central, this time for the title game against the host school.

Vise was in control on the mound from the start and enjoyed solid fielding from her teammates. She struckout four batters and kept the Lady Tigers scoreless until the end when Triton Central rallied in the bottom of the seventh to score three runs.

Carlton drilled a two-run home run in the fifth inning that fired up the crowd and team.

Haney had another good night at the plate with a double and single for one RBI.

Vise helped her cause with two hits and an RBI.

Goodpaster had two singles and the team also saw hits from Jess Butler, Allyson Hauk, Leisure and Kaitlyn Jackson. Leisure and Jackson earned an RBI each. Cara Mullen and Trinidie Newby also drove in a run.

The sectional wins improve the Lady Panthers record to 16-13.



Knightstown's softball team poses with the sectional trophy following their 8-3 victory over Triton Central May 24. The team includes (front, l-r) assistant coach Melisa Mann, Chloe Kwisz, Andi Skinner, Kaitlyn Jackson, Sidney Vise, Cara Mullen, Lexy Goodpaster, Allyson Hauk and (back l-r) Makenna Leisure, assistant coach Adrian Darling, Courtney Carlton, Trinidie Newby, assistant coach Jason Kopp, Mattie Manning, head coach Bret Mann, Emily Adams, Dharma Holder, Alyssa Northern, Emilie Moss, Becca Haney, Jess Butler and assistant Georgee Lawhorne. (Stacy Cox photo)

## Lady Panthers Semistate Bound

After winning their first sectional title since 1988, Knightstown's softball team continued to shock and thrill fans with a come-from-behind 4-3 win over Centerville late Tuesday in regional 21, earning the team's first trip to semistate.

More from the regional win will appear in next week's Banner or view photos and videos on our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages.

The KHS girls will travel south for Saturday's semistate games at Forest Park High School in Ferdinand where they will face Milan.

Like Knightstown, the Milan Lady Indians were ranked in the top 20 early in the season but soon fell off the top teams' list.

On Tuesday night, Milan defeated Henryville, a team ranked in the top five all season, to advance out of the regional.

Please refer to our social media accounts or check in at knightstownathletics.com for details about Knightstown's semistate game. The Lady Panthers are scheduled to play the first semistate game at 11 a.m. The game between Speedway and Tecumseh will follow with the winners of the two games competing for the semistate championship, and the chance to go to the state final, at 7 p.m. (Tecumseh actually defeated Tri 3-0 last year in the state championship game in class 1A, causing the team to be moved up a class level.)



Jess Butler and Makenna Leisure hoist the Lady Panthers' first sectional championship trophy in 30 years for fans gathered at the high school gym following the team's return from their game at Triton Central. (Stacy Cox photo)



It was obvious from the moment the ball hit the bat that it was out of the park. This awesome two-run homer by senior Courtney Carlton in the top of the fifth inning of Thursday's sectional championship game put KHS up 6-0. The Lady Panthers would go on to win 8-3. (Stacy Cox photos)



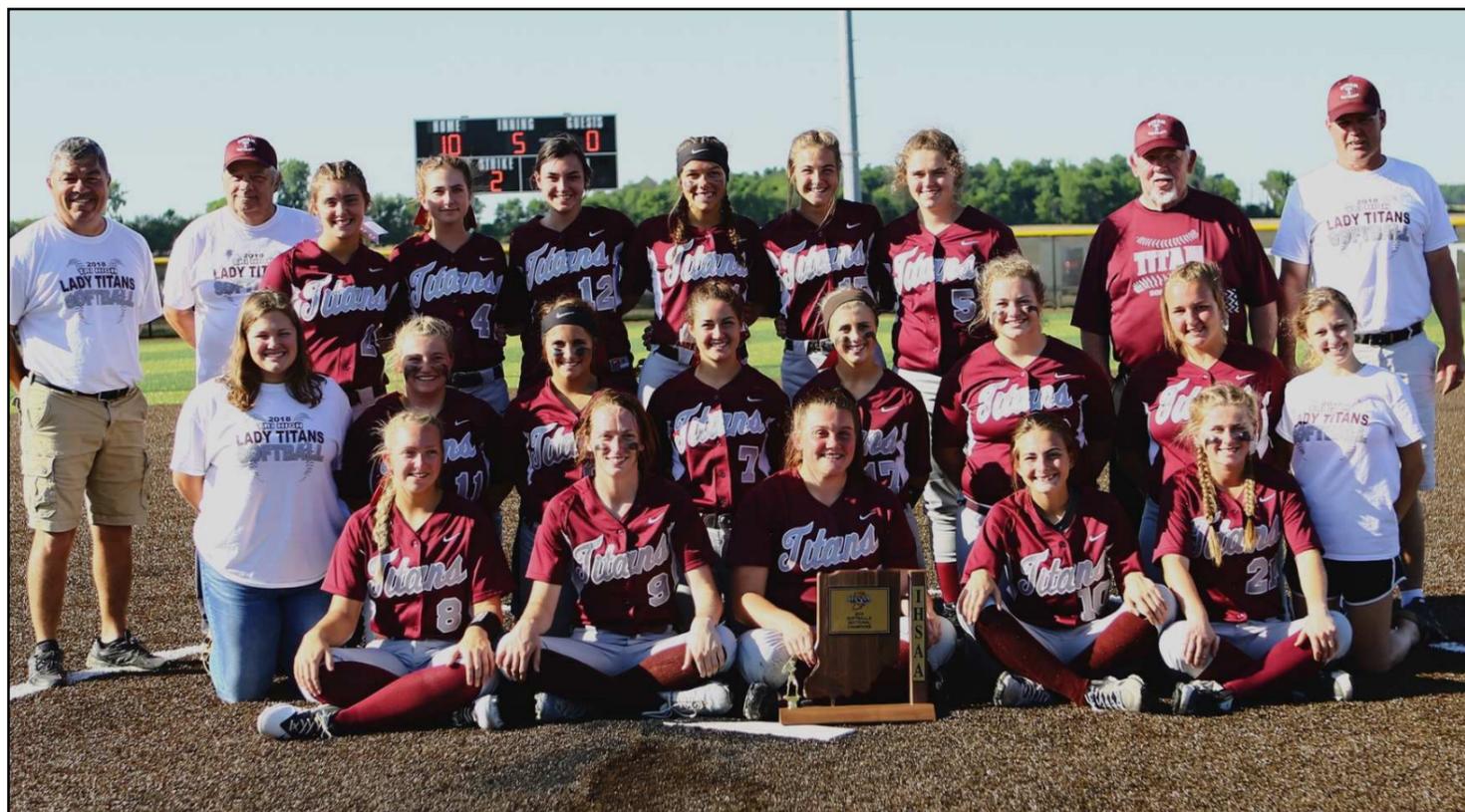
2017 Knightstown graduate Georgee Lawhorne chokes back emotion as she tells the current softball team how proud she is of them following their sectional championship Thursday night. The former Lady Panther pitcher congratulated the players for accomplishing "what I never could," she said.

Knightstown juniors Kaitlyn Jackson and Sidney Vise flash the winners' (and winning) smiles following their sectional victory Thursday night at Triton Central.



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# Tri Girls Knock Off No. 1 Lincoln, Beat Seton Catholic to Win Fifth Straight Sectional Title



Tri's softball team won its fifth straight sectional title at home May 24, defeating Seton Catholic 10-0. The Lady Titans team includes (front, l-r) Breanna Reece, Payton Moore, Kierstyn Conyers, Destiny Taylor, Lauren Bouslog and (middle, l-r) manager Madeline Hoover, Taylor Craft, Abi Busby, Kennedy Peggs, Kaley Harrison, Zoie Prince, Madison Hill and manager Georgia Glandan and (back, l-r) co-head coach Duke Falck, assistant Jim Brumfiel, Kali Barber, Cheyenne Lee, Hannah Frost, Cassidy Stewart, Chloe Gentry, Ana Sorrell, assistant Bill Tyler and co-head coach Bryan Peggs. (Carrie Falck photo)

## Lady Titans Run-Rule Seton Catholic to Earn Title

Tri softball team used another dominating pitching performance from Payton Moore to win its fifth straight sectional title, 10-0, over Seton Catholic May 24.

Moore had 10 strikeouts in the five-inning game. She also went 3-for-4 with a double and two triples. She scored on each of the triples on throwing errors coming back into the infield. The second triple ended the game in the bottom of the fifth.

Tri scored early, plating four runs in the first inning. Destiny Taylor reached on a dropped fly ball by the Cardinals center fielder. Taylor then stole second and third to put herself in scoring position.

Moore popped out on the infield, then Lauren Bouslog was hit by a pitch to put runners on the corners. Bouslog stole second to put two in scoring position. Kierstyn Conyers then reached on a dropped third strike to load the bases for Kaley Harrison.

Harrison ripped a ball to right center field getting by both outfielders. She was able to get an inside the park grand slam.

In the second inning, Tri put two more runs on the board to expand their lead.

Breanna Reece lead the inning off with a double to left field. Cassidy Stewart reached on an error to put runners at first and second. Taylor then sacrificed both runners to second and third setting up two runners in scoring position with Moore coming to the plate. She hit a double, scoring both runners and giving Tri a 6-0 lead.

In the third inning, Tri tacked on one more run. Abi Busby led off the inning with a walk. Cheyenne Lee came in as a courtesy runner for Busby. Lee stole second base to put herself in scoring position. Chloe Gentry then singled to drive in Lee for another Titan run.

In the fourth, Tri scored their eighth run of the game off of a Moore triple and a Bouslog single to left field.

After the Titans retired the Cardinals in the top of the fifth, with one

out, Stewart led the inning off with a triple. Taylor hit a sacrifice fly to allow Stewart to cross the plate safely. Then Moore ripped the ball to the right center field gap. On her way to third, the ball was overthrown to the short stop allowing Moore to score without breaking stride.

"Even though we didn't play our best, it is very satisfying winning the title again," said co-head coach Duke Falck. "With the emotional game last night, final exams, and everything else going on this time of year, it makes it tough on these kids. They gutted it out and now we have to get ready for Wes Del."

Moore pitched all five innings for Tri, striking out 10 batters and walking just one. She gave up just two hits.

The sectional championship game victory improved the Lady Titans' season record to 23-2.

## Tri Girls Take Down No. 1 Lincoln in Sectional Semifinal

After defeating Randolph Southern 10-0 in five innings for the first round sectional game, the Lady Titans had to face class 1A's top-ranked team, Cambridge City Lincoln.

The Lady Golden Eagles had handed the Lady Titans one of only two losses in the regular season and, now with home field advantage, Tri was ready for the challenge.

Tri had just four hits in the game but with solid pitching from Moore backed by reliable fielding, the Lady Titans defeated the No. 1 Lincoln 1-0 in a nailbiter of a matchup.

Moore pitched the entire game, throwing seven strikeouts and one walk. She allowed just two hits.

Harrison singled to get on base and moved to third after a Lincoln error trying to put Gentry out. Harrison scored the team's only run on a passed pitch.

Taylor had a double in the game and the team also got hits from Reece and Bouslog.

## Lady Titans Returning to Frankfort Semistate

Tri's softball team continued its spectacular season with a 4-3 win at Wes-Del Tuesday evening, winning their fourth straight regional title.

More from the regional win will appear in next week's Banner and fans can view photos on our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages.

Tri's girls will face a familiar foe at when they travel to semistate at Frankfort High School. The Lady Titans will once again have to get past Frontier High School to advance.

In 2016, Frontier defeated the Lady Titans 11-8 in the first game of the semistate. But, Tri's girls got some payback last year when they knocked Frontier out of the tourney with a 5-2 victory in the first game of semistate action before going on to beat South Central 4-3 to earn a trip to the state final. Now, the Lady Titans will be the team defending a title.

The Lady Titans are scheduled to play the first semistate game at 11 a.m. The game between Pioneer and Fremont will follow with the winners of the two games competing for the semistate championship, and the chance to go to the state final, at 7 p.m. Saturday night.

Please refer to our social media accounts or check in for additional details that may come up this week on Tri's semistate game.

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Tri pitcher Payton Moore (left) had a tremendous performance on the mound during the sectional to lead the Lady Titans to their fifth straight sectional title this week. Moore threw back-to-back shutouts, including holding class 1A's top-ranked Lincoln to just two hits in the semifinal. Moore was backed up by many good plays in the field. Above, shortstop Kaley Harrison attempts to get a Lincoln player out at second base. (Stacy Cox photos)

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# 'Farm World' Joins 'Hoosier Ag Today' in Operating Annual Agriculture Show

Hoosier Ag Today, Indiana's premier agricultural radio network, and *Farm World*, one of the oldest and largest weekly farm newspapers in the Eastern Corn Belt, have jointly purchased the Indiana-Illinois Farm and Outdoor Power Equipment Show from Richard Sherman, who has operated the show the past 39 years. The show will be held Dec. 11-13 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds.

Sherman announced in March that he no longer intended to operate the show. "When Farm World newspaper and Hoosier Ag Today heard about this decision, we were both disappointed," said Gary Thoe, publisher of *Farm World*. "We felt the show was an important marketplace for farmers, agricultural professionals, agricultural companies, and agricultural educators in Indiana and the surrounding states."

"The show is a tradition that thousands of Indiana farmers and businesses count on, and we felt it was important to see that tradition continue," said Gary Truitt, President of Hoosier Ag Today. "There is a lot of uncertainty right now about the farm economy, so we felt it was important to make a bold statement about the future of Indiana agriculture and the future of Indiana farm families. We believe the future of agriculture is strong and sustainable and that this show will help growers and their suppliers to be productive and profitable in that future."

That future will be driven in large part by tech-



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nology and innovation. Thus, the show will focus a great deal on new technology and product innovation in farm equipment, seed genetics, precision agriculture, bio-science, robotics, sensors, big data, artificial intelligence, and more. "This is not a gathering of geeks, but a practical showcase of the latest technology and innovation that farmers can take home and put to work in their operations," said Truitt. To reflect this, the name of the show has been changed to The Indiana Farm Equipment and Technology Expo. The show will be interactive, with daily live demonstrations of new products and technology as well as an expanded series of educational seminars. One tradition will not change, however, admission to the show is free.

Toni Hodson of *Farm World* has been designated Show Manager and will work with exhibitors to help them secure the best locations in what is expected to be a sold-out show. For details on exhibit space, contact 1-800-876-5133, ext. 280 or thodson@farm-worldonline.com.

The combined media resources of Hoosier Ag Today and Farm World will be used to promote the event across the Eastern Corn Belt. A wide variety of Indiana farm organizations have been invited to participate in the event. A special show website that will keep farmers and exhibitors updated on the latest developments surrounding the show will be launched soon.

## Vehicle, from Page 1

Wayne Township Trustee Randy Overman, who serves as president of the fire board, said the fire department's old grass truck will likely be stripped of any equipment that may still be able to be used and then sold. He said the fire board would need to advertise that it was taking bids for the truck.

Jeff Van Hoy, who sits on both the Wayne Township Board and fire board, said he didn't think a 30-day window for taking bids on the old grass truck was a long enough time, and suggested 60 days instead. McDaniel said he planned to present more information about getting rid of the old grass truck at the fire board's June meeting.

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was awarded the Silver Star, and took part in the siege of Santiago de Cuba. Towards the end of the war, he was sent to the Philippines. He then taught military law at Ft. Leavenworth. He was sent back to the Philippines to help put down the Moro rebellion. In 1907, Bundy returned to the United States, where he held various stateside assignments until 1917. This included commanding a regiment along Texas' border with Mexico during the instability of its revolution.

In May 1917, Bundy became commander of the 1st Brigade of the 1st Expeditionary Division, then sailed with his troops to France, as the United States entered World War I. In August he became commander of the 2nd Expeditionary Division, occupying the Toulon and Troyon sectors near Saint-Mihiel, along with operations in the Aisne-Marne area. In May 1918, during the German spring offensive, Bundy's unit saw action at Chateau-Thierry. Every soldier knows they can get in trouble for disobeying a direct order. However, when Bundy's French commander told him to fall back, he refused. Instead, he and his men counterattacked and drove the Imperial Germany Army to Belleau Wood. As a result, French Field Marshall Ferdinand Foch ordered all forces on the Western Front to successfully counterattack! Germany signed the armistice in a train car in Compiègne on November 11, 1918. The French awarded Major General Bundy the Croix de Guerre (Cross of War) and Commander of the Legion of Honor.

Omar Bundy returned to a hero's welcome parade in New Castle on December 2, 1918, which the mayor proclaimed as "Bundy Day." He died in 1940. His widow died in 1953 and left \$400,000 to the city of New Castle, for which Bundy Auditorium was constructed in honor of him. To this day, Bundy Auditorium hosts not only school events, but over the years has also hosted "Circle the State with Song," a televised U.S. senatorial candidates' debate, and other state and regional-level cultural events.

As an Infantryman in World War I, Omar Bundy was the ultimate Doughboy. In a few months, the restored Doughboy statue will be returned to Henry County's Memorial Park. When a new military museum in the basement of the W.G. Smith Building is dedicated on Veterans Day, a century to the day after the armistice that ended World War I, please remember Major General Bundy and his family's contributions to eastern Indiana.

**Nate LaMar**  
New Castle

## Dear Editor,

I read about the proposal to replace three tornado warning sirens with a single, louder one with significant concern.

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If the existing sirens can be heard adequately all over town, it may be best to simply replace them. But if there are to be any significant changes it would be foolish to spend money without the advice of a qualified professional.

On the subject of emergency warnings, there are companies that will send out telephone calls and activate special features of cell phones for emergency notification. These services are fairly inexpensive and probably should be considered in addition to sirens.

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