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- Sir Winston Churchill

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Freedom Fest Seeks Pageant Contestants

The Future of Carthage organization is seeking contestants for the 2018 Miss Carthage Freedom Festival contest. Miss Carthage Freedom Festival applications are available at Pavey's gas station and the Henry Henley Public Library. Requirements include: grades 9-12 and currently living in Ripley Township, with a three mile radius beyond township borders, or home address is a Carthage address. Deadline for applications is Sept. 5. Completed applications may be returned to the Henry Henley Public Library.

KHS Class of 1978 Reuniting Sept. 8

The Knightstown High School Class of 1978 will hold its 40-year class reunion Saturday, Sept. 8, at Knightstown American Legion Post 152. Classmates are asked to bring a small door prize with that drawing at 7 p.m. A 5-6 p.m. meet-and-greet at the Legion is also on the schedule with dinner from 6-8 p.m. For more info, contact Donna Tauber 765-987-7565.

Greensboro Health Fair Set for Sept. 15

The 18th annual Greensboro Health Fair will be held Saturday, Sept. 15, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Greensboro Community Building. For more information, please call Roxie Dalton at 765-686-5207.

Norfleet Open Golf Tourney Sept. 9

The 36th annual Norfleet Open Bill Shockley Memorial golf tournament will be held at 9 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 9 (rain date Sept. 16), at Tri County Golf Club, 8710 N. County Rd. 400-W, Middletown. The entry fee for this fundraiser, which benefits Forest Ridge Cancer Center in Henry County, is \$100 (due by Sept. 7) and includes cart, greens fee and lunch. To sign up, contact Ken Norfleet at 765-425-6797

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Knightstown Inks \$1.6 Million Deal to Repair, Maintain Electric Utility

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

The Knightstown Town Council voted last week to pay an outside firm a little more than \$1.6 million to fix critical issues and provide five years of routine maintenance for the town's electric utility.

The company that will be getting the town's business is IMPA Service Corp., a subsidiary of the Indiana Municipal Power Agency, the wholesale provider of electricity to the town's utility. While town officials had initially hoped the town might be able to get by with just the five-year maintenance agreement, IMPA and ISC representatives said more is needed.

Addressing council members at an Aug. 28 special meeting, Frank Smardo, IMPA's senior vice president of engineering, said he and ISC Vice President/General Manager Joe Schmidt had driven around town a few days earlier. Following a cursory inspection of the electric infrastructure, he said they no longer felt the regular maintenance program alone would be able to address critical problems they found.

Several pages of a 24-page packet Smardo gave the

council contained color photos of various problems he and Schmidt had observed. These included an electric pole with a cross arm that had rotted, low-hanging power lines covered in vegetation, trees grown up into power lines, a melted insulator and a utility pole with a sizable hole in it.

Before moving on to regular maintenance work, Smardo recommended the council approve an emergency action plan that would allow ISC to address some of the most pressing issues. He said the goal would be to raise the quality of the electric utility from poor to average, then move on to regular routine maintenance.

According to Smardo, the emergency action plan ISC proposed would focus on resolving four problems: raising power lines in seven areas where they are too low or encroaching against structures; immediate replacement of 18 utility poles deemed to be at risk; trimming back vegetation that is contacting or covering power lines in 84 areas; and repairing broken cross arms, insulators or other equipment on 16 other utility poles that are otherwise in generally good condition.

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Knightstown Settles Building Lawsuit

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

Three-and-a-half years after being sued over its alleged mishandling of the razing of an East Main Street building, the town of Knightstown appears to have reached a settlement in the case.

Last week, at the conclusion of a lengthy special meeting called primarily to deal with issues involving the town's electric and water utilities, Knightstown Town Council President Sarah Ward announced there had been a settlement. While she did not reveal many details of the settlement's terms, she did state that part of the deal involves the town taking ownership of the "Old Lodge" building at 34-38 E. Main St. that had been

the subject of the lawsuit.

The plaintiff in the case, Dudley Wainscott, Woodland Park, Colo., sued the town in February 2015. He claimed there had been missteps in how the town and Shroyer Bros., a Muncie-based company the town hired, handled the spring 2013 demolition of the building at 32 E. Main St., which had formerly housed Hopkins Furniture and, more recently, The Bullet Hole gun shop.

Wainscott alleged the town and Shroyer Bros. failed to make repairs to a common wall the razed building shared with the "Old Lodge" building, which he owned, and said that failure led to mold damage in his building. He also claimed the town and Shroyer Bros. created a nuisance by not properly

containing and removing asbestos and vacuum tubes containing mercury in the building that was demolished before work began.

In early 2016, the trial court had granted summary judgment mostly favoring the town, based in part on a determination that Wainscott had failed to file a proper tort claim notice with the town before filing his lawsuit. But, the Indiana Court of Appeals reversed the trial court's ruling on this issue in February 2017, concluding that a letter Wainscott sent the town prior to suing had satisfied the tort claim notice requirements.

Attorneys for the town had asked the Indiana Supreme Court to grant transfer and overrule the

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Town Will Shell Out \$117k for Water Tower Fix

by Jeff Eakins
for The Banner

With the town's water tower leaking, the Knightstown Town Council has agreed to contract with a Greenfield company to repair the leak and provide 10 years of maintenance on the tower.

Council members voted last week at their Aug. 28 special meeting to approve a 10-year preventative/protection program with Leary Construction Co. The total cost of the plan is \$117,000, with \$25,000 paid to Leary in each of the first three years, followed by \$6,000 annually for the final seven years of the agreement.

When he spoke to the council in June, Bill Reimann, a sales manager for Leary, told the council his firm will drain the tower, then sandblast the inside. Once the leak is repaired, the inside, which currently has a wax coating, will receive two coats of an epoxy that Reimann said seems to work better and is becoming a more popular choice with communities.

"That should give you a good 10 years, and you may be able to make it last 15 years," Reimann told the council in June.

Work on the 52-year-old 250,000-gallon tower would likely start by mid-October, Reimann said at last week's meeting. Depending on weather, he said the work, which would also include power washing the outside and applying one coat of primer and one coat of paint, would likely take about 30 days.

In addition to repairing the leak in the tower, recoating the inside and the exterior work, the 10-year plan also calls for Leary to inspect the tower yearly and to wash it out every other year. The exterior work on the water tower comes with a three-year warranty, while the warranty for the interior work is 18 months.

Because of the amount of money involved, the town's attorney, Gregg Morelock, had previously told the council that the town would need to obtain price quotes from three different companies. Randy

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KHS HOMECOMING 2018

Knightstown High School will host its annual homecoming celebration with a Main Street parade at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 19, and a football game against Cambridge City-Lincoln on Friday, Sept. 21, at 7 p.m.

The parade begins at Knightstown Intermediate School. Organizations that would like to have a float in the parade may call KHS Assistant Principal John Boyer at 345-5153.

Student float themes include Medieval times for elementary school students; ancient Greece for intermediate school kids; and the decades of '80s (freshmen), '60s (sophomores), '20s (juniors) and '50s (seniors) for KHS.

Following the parade, an open house at KHS will let parents and citizens see student-decorated hallways.

Other post-parade festivities include the annual Powder Puff football game, a punt-pass-kick contest for KES and KIS students, and a special meal deal.

At the Sept. 21 homecoming football game, the 1988 KHS softball and 1958 basketball teams will be honored.

For more information, call the high school at 345-5153.



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Lorena K. "Kate" Logan
March 7, 1948 - September 1, 2018

Lorena K. "Kate" Logan, 70, formerly of Morristown, passed away Saturday morning, Sept. 1, 2018, at Flatrock River Lodge in Rushville. She was born March 7, 1948 in Rushville to the late Theodore and Norma (Bowden) Brooks.

Kate was raised in Carthage and spent many years of her life in Morristown. She had been employed at Randall Textron Corp. in Morristown and the Durbin Hotel in Rushville. Kate enjoyed reading and her cat, Fluffy.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Jeff (Belinda) Logan of Connersville and Cheryl (Jeff) Pennington of Morristown; four grandchildren, Ashley and Kyle Pennington, and Sean Logan and Meagan (Landon) Hartley; six great-grandchildren, Kenzie, Kayden, Kyson, Jackson, Norah and Mila; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Phil Brooks, and a sister, Carolyn Minoque.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 5, at Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service, Knightstown Chapel, with Pastor Eric Boling officiating. Burial will follow in Carthage Cemetery. Visitation will be from 12-2 p.m. Wednesday, prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the American Lung Association of Indiana, 115 W. Washington St., Ste. 1180S, Indianapolis, IN 46204-3419. You may express condolences or share a memory of Kate at www.hinsey-brown.com.

Beverly Kay Jackson
March 24, 1937 - September 1, 2018



Beverly Kay Jackson, 81, of Spiceland and formerly of Knightstown, passed away Saturday, Sept. 1, 2018, in Indianapolis. Kay was born in Shelbyville on March 24, 1937, to the late Glen and Lora (Meloy) Mohler.

She was a 1955 graduate of Shelbyville High School. Kay grew up with music and played instruments in the Shelby County Farm Bureau and high school bands.

Kay married Donald R. Jackson on July 22, 1956, and he survives. She lived in Knightstown for many years. Kay and Don reopened and operated Knightstown Locker for many years and she was a devoted homemaker and housewife. Kay was a faithful Christian and was baptized at Mt. Pisgah Church and was a current member of Center Christian Church. She sang in the choir and was a member of the Loyal Workers since 1964 and enjoyed giving back to the church. Kay went on the 2000 Holy Land Tour, which was the highlight of her Christian life.

Kay is survived by her husband, Don, a son, Jeff Jackson and wife Risa of Indianapolis, sister, Marilyn Denny also of Indianapolis, 4 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents Kay was preceded in death by a daughter, Janet Kay Jackson and her brother Steven Mohler.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 5, at Center Christian Church. Pastor Darryl Denny will preside. Friends are welcome to visit from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. that same day at the church, prior to the service. Burial will be in Center Cemetery. In Lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Center Christian Church. Arrangements were entrusted to Moster Mortuary.

State Police Receive New Portable Breath Testers

The Indiana State Police (ISP) have a new tool to enforce alcohol-impaired driving this Labor Day weekend. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and Indiana Criminal Justice Institute recently purchased 777 portable breath test devices for

use by ISP troopers.

In every state, it is illegal to drive with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher. In Indiana, drivers under 21 with a BAC of .02 or higher are

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'Doggy Swim' Saturday at Summit Lake

The inaugural doggy swim day will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, at Summit Lake. Smokey Bear is scheduled to come out of hibernation at 10 a.m., depending on the weather.

Cost is \$10 for one dog and \$5 for each additional dog. You can save \$5 with a donation of dog food. The kibble will go to the Henry County Humane Society. All monetary donations will benefit Summit Lake naturalist pro-

grams. Support two great causes, and let the dogs enjoy the last dip of the summer.

Those who register dogs in advance will get a treat for their fur baby. All well-behaved dogs are welcome. Documentation of current vaccinations is required. Dogs must be leashed when not in the lake; retractable leashes are not allowed. One dog per person. Multi-dog families must have only one dog per family member.

Standard gate fee of \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle applies. For more information call 765-766-5873 or visit on.IN.gov/summitlakesp.

Summit Lake State Park is at 5993 N. Messick Rd., New Castle, IN 47362.

September is National Voter Registration Month

Indiana Secretary of State Connie Lawson is reminding eligible voters that September is National Voter Registration Month. Hoosiers who need to register should do so today at www.Indianavoters.com or on a smart phone using the Indiana Voters app.

"With only nine weeks to go until the general election on Nov. 6, there is no time to waste in verifying your voter registration and polling location," noted Lawson. "Voting is a privilege we enjoy as citizens and getting ready to vote in Indiana is simple and straightforward."

The nation's secretaries of state established September as National Voter Registration Month in 2002 to encourage voter participation and increase awareness of state requirements and deadlines for voting. Eligible citizens who are 18 years of age or older may sign up at their county voter registration office, online at www.IndianaVoters.com, or through the Indiana Voters app (available for Android and Apple users).

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CAB School Board Deals with Personnel Matters

The Charles A. Beard School Board approved several personnel matters at its Aug. 21 monthly meeting.

Notices of resignation were received and accepted from six employees, including two Knightstown High School teachers. According to the personnel report approved by school board members, KHS teachers Kevin Miller (phys ed) and Jared Evans (math) have stepped down, with Miller's resignation effective July 31 and Evans' effective July 18.

The other four employees who resigned were Caleb Helderbrand (Knightstown Intermediate School full-time custodian), Christopher Poindexter (bus driver), Amber Paul (Knightstown Elementary School Cub Club Director) and Tony Benefiel (KES special education aide). Helderbrand's resignation took effect Aug. 24, while Poindexter's was effective July 19, and Paul's and Benefiel's took effect, respectively, on July 11 and July 20.

The school board approved the hiring of three new teachers at the Aug. 21 meeting: Nancy Newtown (KIS seventh grade math); Nick Fowler (KHS Ag/FFA); and Nicholas Murray (KHS phys ed). The board also OK'd changes in assignment for CAB employees Jennifer Veach, who will now serve as the student interventionist at KES, and Therese Hamilton, who will become a Title I teacher at KES.

Other new hires approved by the

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subject to fines and a license suspension for up to one year.

Since 2017, more than 2,600 portable breath tests have been purchased for 150 law-enforcement agencies across Indiana. The Alco-Sensor FSTs also include passive sniffers that can sense alcohol in the air around a person or an open container.

Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

With thousands upon thousands of Hoosier families taking to their cars for end-of-summer barbecues, football games, lakes and pool parties, Labor Day weekend is one of the deadliest times of the year for impaired-driving deaths.

ISP is joining law-enforcement agencies across Indiana and the nation to enforce impaired-driving laws through Labor Day as part of Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over. Expect to see increased sobriety checkpoints, roving patrols and saturation patrols.

Getting arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated (OWI) means going to jail and losing your driver's license. The average cost? About \$10,000, including car towing, attorney fees, fines, court costs, lost time at work and other hefty expenses. For more information, visit <http://on.IN.gov/drivesober>.

Drive High - Get an OWI

Impaired driving includes more than alcohol, and there is no quick field test for the many prescription, over-the-counter and illegal drugs that can impair drivers. This year, the police officers highly trained to recognize and enforce drug-impaired driving were issued Android tablets to simplify documentation for prosecution.

school board that night included Marla Green (KES special education aide); Brenda Loveall (kitchen substitute); Judy Tompkins (KHS classroom assistant); Carla Sturm and Jessica Dupke (KIS instructional assistants); Brady Harrison (KES Cub Club co-leader); Sadie Roberts (KES Cub Club assistant); and Jodi Herr (substitute bus driver).

Also getting approval from the school board were several

extracurricular and departmental assignments: Julie Lewman (first grade team leader); Honey Hunt (second grade team leader); Kristin Crawford (third grade team leader); Leslie Spooner (KES Jump Start teacher); Jill Tully and Katie Taylor (junior class sponsors); Maggie Schwartzkopf and Angie Plank (senior class sponsors); Kristi Williamson (student council sponsor); Kelly Hall (freshman class sponsor); and Jane Selvidge (KES

Cub Club co-leader).

In other personnel-related matters, the school board also voted at its Aug. 21 monthly meeting to approve an updated list of employment category classifications and corresponding pay ranges for each position. Superintendent Jed

Behny told the board two changes included the addition of a technology assistant position and substitute bus drivers, and he emphasized that the board's approval would not change current pay levels for any employees.

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Freddy Zeilinga and I have made zero progress on our aforementioned crawdad boil. I put my trap out one time in Duck Creek, north of Greensboro, but to no avail. The cheap dog food I'd purchased as bait merely floated on the water's surface. Crawdads are bottom dwellers and feeders, so it's likely they didn't even notice the free feast I supplied.

Since then, it's either been too hot for fishing or too rainy. I stay out of the creeks and rivers when rains occur, lest I get swept away and never heard from again.

That outcome would surely excite a number of Knightstown people - particularly those in local government. But, they'll just have to wait. I'm not going away until those railroad tracks are removed from town streets. So, suffice to say, y'all are stuck with me until the end of time.

Zeilinga and I did go fishing Monday evening in Big Blue River. It was a hot and humid evening, but that didn't diminish the river's beauty. We waited until about 6 p.m. to wade into Big Blue's cool shallows, casting for small-mouth bass.

Freddy struck first, pulling a young largemouth bass out of a deep hole. His method of using night-crawlers on a medium size hook paid off once again. He attaches a small, split-shot sinker about a foot above the hook and lets the rig drift downstream with the current.

I've seen that pay off for him more than once. On one expedition, Zeilinga landed a channel catfish,

smallmouth and largemouth bass and even a few creek chubs using that bait.

Monday, we were wading the river, chatting and enjoying the evening. The fish weren't very active on our hike downstream, but they got hungry as we headed back up, with the sun setting quickly.

I'd tried a variety of artificial lures - a Beetle Spin, soft plastics, a crawdad-colored, floating Rapala - not much happened. I got few bumps and no real hits. So I changed lures again, this time opting for a small, bright plug that wiggles and bounces along the bottom when retrieved.

Freddy and I were talking away while casting and not paying too much attention to the fishing since it was so slow. But, that's when a small-mouth hit that plug and snapped me back into fishing mode.

It wasn't a big one, but anyone who knows smallmouth bass is aware of their strength and fighting ability. This fish was no different and, although it wasn't large, it still put up a valiant struggle.

I'm a catch-and-release guy most of the time, and I don't eat anything that comes out of Big Blue River. But, it was great watching the fish swim back into the current relatively unharmed.

A few more small fish were caught Monday evening. Freddy and I agreed that the lack of fish didn't detract from a beautiful Labor Day evening. Sometimes good company and conversation are the only bait I need for a good fishing trip.



Dissent a Precious American Right

(Originally published, July 30, 2008)

Last week I contrasted America's freedom of expression and its economic system with the repression of Islamic theocracies and the poverty of the people and the cult of personality of countries such as North Korea where the people sing paeans to their "dear leader."

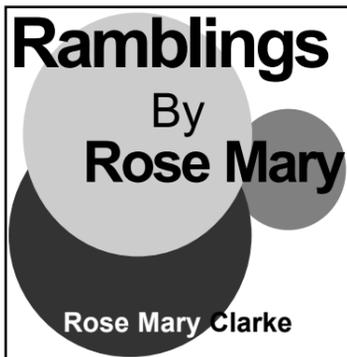
It doesn't bother me that people here exercise their freedom of speech to criticize leaders or point out the ways in which America could be improved. There is much room for improvement, and we all should be involved. However, it angers me when they forget how fortunate they are to have the precious right to dissent, and when they see only the negatives about America, which are greatly outweighed by the positives. It strikes me that their cup is always half empty, never half full.

One of my friends with whom I enjoy debating politics and social issues because we can do so without losing our tempers or calling each other unpatriotic or stupid, quoted Sinclair Lewis: "Fascism comes in the form of a cross wrapped in a flag." Many decry Christian fundamentalism these days. However, I think that fascism comes in the form of a charismatic leader who "knows what's best,"

wrapped in unattainable promises.

Every bit as much as the conservative Christian fundamentalists, the far left, too, are seeking a "great man," a new Moses to lead us out of the desert into the Promised Land, set things right, lay down some new laws, and tell us what to do - all for our own good, of course.

While musing about our situa-



tion here in America, I haven't forgotten about the travels of Paul Angelone, whom I interviewed over a year ago. Other topics intervened so that I didn't write about him. Also, I worry about drying up and running out of ideas. The material about Paul was my back-up - words in a saving account, so to speak. When I'm finished with his material I'm going to be ready for something less serious, and we shall go on a delicious gastronomic excursion through the South.

Then it's back to Italy to finish our trip with Vicki!

I've never visited the Far East, but 25-year-old Paul Angelone spent a year in North Vietnam after graduating from Ball State with a degree in architecture. Eck! Here I go, revealing my aging mindset. I wasn't much older than Paul when the war in Vietnam occurred. We thought of it as two countries - north and south.

"Your children live in the house of tomorrow which you cannot enter - even in your dreams." - Kahlil Gibran's *The Prophet*

It's good to perk myself up and challenge myself mentally by listening attentively to those who are younger than I rather than continuing along in the comfortable old rut of inflexible mindset, opinions and visions. Each new generation thinks that it's going to reinvent the world, establish peace and plenty and improve humanity. I tell myself that those who are young today are going to be running things in a few years. Not too soon, I hope, because I'd just as lief get the hell out of here before they do!

I wish them luck because no matter how sincere they are in their desire to change things for the better, they'll quickly learn that change is not as easy as it seems. If I remember the Bible correctly,

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

The Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program (RMAP), a sliver of the farm bill, is at risk. Alongside small businesses across the country, we're asking Congress to support and restore funding of RMAP in the final farm bill.

This program offers access to loan capital through grants to organizations that provide training, technical assistance, or small loans to rural businesses nationwide. Since its creation in 2008, this funding has helped more than 2,100 small businesses in nearly every state create jobs and generate economic returns for their local communities.

According to the U.S. Small Business Administration, small businesses across the country employed nearly 56.8 million individuals in 2013. That same year, businesses that employed five to nine individuals created a surge of 84,020 additional jobs. U.S.'s small businesses are a driving force in the local economy, and it is important that programs supporting small businesses remain funded.

On Sept. 30, funding for small businesses through RMAP will expire if lawmakers do not take action. Neither the House or Senate versions of the 2018 farm bill have provided mandatory funding for the program, meaning RMAP will cease to function as a resource for small businesses across the country.

A conservative investment in this program pays dividends for years to come on the main streets of small town U.S.A. Now is the time to let Congress know small business programs, like RMAP, are vital to our rural communities.

Cora Fox
Center for Rural Affairs

Dear Editor,

Drug abuse continues to be an issue that affects our communities, state and nation. In 2016 alone, deaths in the United States caused by drug overdoses outnumber the total number of American deaths in the Vietnam War.

To help address this issue, Purdue Extension - a network of educators, specialists and volunteers who connect Indiana communities with a team of agriculture, community, family, health and youth development experts - offers the Strengthening Families Program.

The program, which is designed to prevent substance abuse from a young age, consists of seven, two-hour sessions that occur over seven weeks. Sessions are led by three certified facilitators who teach from an evidence-based parent, youth and family skills-building curriculum. The program is open to youth ages 10-14 and their parents.

Strengthening Families is proven to delay the onset of adolescent substance abuse, lower levels of aggression in youth, increase resistance to peer pressure, reduce behavior problems in school and improve parenting skills.

In fact, the World Health Organization ranked it the No. 1 prevention program among 6,000 when analyzed for long-term effects on substance use and misuse.

Drug abuse is a serious issue that can lead to addiction, overdose incidents and even death. I encourage families to consider taking part in this program to help prevent our youth from getting involved with drugs. Residents of Senate District 42 can contact the extension educator for their county below for more information.

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Rush County: Gracie Marlatt, 765-932-5974 or 765-932-5975, gnmarrat@purdue.edu

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BITS & PIECES

◆The 18th annual **Greensboro Health Fair** will be held Saturday, Sept. 15, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Greensboro Community Building. For more information, please call Roxie Dalton at 765-686-5207.

◆Participants are invited to design a **festive fall wreath** at Summit Lake State Park on Sept. 15. All supplies will be provided. Cost is \$10 per wreath in cash, paid the day of the event. All the proceeds go to the nature center and naturalist programs. Participation only limited by amount of grapevine collected. Send an email to LVeach@dnr.IN.gov to register. Standard gate fee of \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle applies.

◆The Charlottesville Volunteer Fire Department, 10450 E. U.S. 40, will its **15th annual fish fry** on Saturday, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Drive-thru and carry-out orders will be available all day.

◆The Shirley Octagon House will host a **fish fry** at the Shirley Masonic lodge (First and Varner streets) on Saturday, Sept. 15, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Octagon House foundation.

◆The **Henry County Democratic Party** will be hosting

a meet and greet event, featuring entertainment and refreshments, from 2-4 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 15, at Baker Park in New Castle. For more information, call Waynetta Dunn at 765-571-0083.

◆Knightstown High School will host its annual **homecoming celebration** with a Main Street parade at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 19, and a football game against Cambridge City-Lincoln on Friday, Sept. 21, at 7 p.m. The parade begins at Knightstown Intermediate School. Organizations that would like to have a float in the parade may call KHS Assistant Principal John Boyer at 345-5153.

◆The Knightstown High School **Class of 1978** will hold its 40-year class reunion Saturday, Sept. 8, at Knightstown American Legion Post 152. Tours of Knightstown Intermediate School (the old high school) and the Hoosier Gym are scheduled to take place from 4-5 p.m. A 5-6 p.m. meet-and-greet at the Legion is also on the schedule with dinner from 6-8 p.m. Dinner will be menu-style with music starting at 8 p.m. Classmates are asked to bring a small door prize with that drawing at 7 p.m. For more information contact Donna Tauber 765-

987-7565.

◆The 36th annual **Norfleet Open Bill Shockley Memorial golf tournament**, open to men and women, will be held at 9 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 9 (rain date Sept. 16), at Tri County Golf Club, 8710 N. County Rd. 400-W, Middletown. The entry fee for this fundraiser, which benefits Forest Ridge Cancer Center in Henry County, is \$100 (due by Friday, Sept. 7) and includes cart, greens fee and lunch. Skins and pari-mutuels offered. "A" player picks teams. Hole sponsorships/memorials/honorariums start at \$50, and cart sponsorship is \$25. To sign up, contact Ken Norfleet at 765-425-6797 or Angie Harter at Tri County Golf Club at 765-533-4107.

◆The **Banner office** has moved to 104 E. Main St., Knightstown. Call 345-2292 for more information, or email thebanner@embarqmail.com.

◆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.

News items for Bits & Pieces may be submitted to thebanner@embarqmail.com. Articles may be edited for length and clarity.

◆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.

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COUNTY OF HENRY	}	SS:	DIVISION I 2018 TERM
			CAUSE NO. 33C01-1808-EU-000077

IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF: DOROTHY L. STOVER Deceased.

NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that Kenneth D. Stover and Virginia K. Adams were, on August 21, 2018, appointed Co-Executors ("Co-Personal Representative") of the Estate of Dorothy L. Stover, deceased, who died on May 14, 2018.

All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the Office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, of the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Alexandria, Indiana, this 24th day of August, 2018.

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Tri Senior Zach Smith Hopes to Break Into Music World, But Still Plans to Go to College Next Year

by Logan Cox
for The Banner

Now in his senior year at Tri Junior-Senior High School, New Castle resident Zach Smith has his plans set on a future in the music industry. He is currently developing his skills as a rap artist.

Smith is focused on the hip hop genre, and has already produced a number of songs under the name "Kaari."

The music is created, performed and produced by Smith. With only the support of family and friends, his work as an artist is largely independent. Last July marked the release of his second album titled, "In My Zone."

"I work on everything myself," said Smith. I have my own studio in my house and I mix, master and write everything on my own."

He claims that there are a variety of artists that influence his own music, but the ones who resonate the most to him are rap artists who emphasize narratives in their material.

"I like telling stories with my music," he said. "So I focus on artists like Logic, NF, Big Sean and Juice Wrld."

However, the true inspiration for Smith's rising passion as a creator and producer of music is derived from a deep, personal tragedy.

"I have been making music ever since I was 12, but never took it seriously until my mom passed away in 2016," said Smith.

The loss of his mother and the painful process of dealing with the death of a parent or loved one are key themes that appear throughout many of Smith's songs.

Rapping isn't all Smith is interested in, though. He is planning for the education he will receive in college to increase his chances of eventually breaking into the world of music.

"His goal is to go into audio engineering," said Burke Smith, Zach's father. "And is trying to be 'seen' by as many people in the industry as he can. He likes the lyrical part of it, but is going to go for the editing and producing part of it."

With the insights and experiences he gains after high school, Smith hopes to one day become a full-fledged music producer.

In addition to the time and effort he puts into his aspiring



music career, Smith is also well-known as a high school athlete.

"I am involved in basketball at Tri and play guard," he said.

Smith diligently markets his own material, both online and with CD sales. The music he produces can be found on Spotify, Apple Music, iTunes and his YouTube channel.

"I'm trying to spread a message with my music. A lot of music today has no purpose and just is catchy," said Smith. "I'm trying to be different, and give hope to kids with only one parent in their lives."

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Tower, from Page 1

Anderson, head of the town's water department and currently its sole works manager, told the council last week that he had contacted three companies, but that Leary was the only one of the three to provide a quote on a 10-year maintenance plan.

Council Vice President Kevin Knott and council member Roger Hammer made and seconded, respectively, the motion to approve the 10-year agreement with Leary pending review of the contract by Morelock. With support from Council President Sarah Ward and council members Mitch Roland and Landon Dean, it passed 5-0.

In other water utility-related business, the council also voted at its Aug. 16 monthly meeting to pass a resolution authorizing the town's electric utility to lend the water utility up to \$150,000, to be paid back Dec. 31, 2023. The council also voted at that same meeting to extend for three more consecutive five-year terms the town's lease from private property owners of the land where the town's water wells are located.

Lawsuit, from Page 1

Court of Appeals' decision. In an order issued in May 2017, the Indiana Supreme Court declined that request, which left the Court of Appeals' ruling standing and sent the case back to Henry Circuit Court 1 to be placed on the trial docket.

Once the case arrived back in his court, Henry Circuit Court 1 Judge Bob Witham set the matter for jury trial Aug. 20-28, but the town successfully petitioned the court in late May to have that date continued. In early August, following a pretrial conference, Witham reset the case for jury trial March 25-April 2, more than four years after the lawsuit had been filed.

Witham had also ordered the parties to give mediation another go in an effort to try to reach a settlement. While similar efforts had failed early on in the litigation, this time it worked.

At last week's council meeting, Ward said Wainscott and the insur-

ance companies for the town and Shroyer Bros. had "agreed to terms," though the precise nature of all the settlement's terms were not revealed. She did say that once the town assumes ownership of Wainscott's building, which the Indiana Landmarks agency recently included on its list of top 10 endangered historical properties, it will begin looking for someone to help develop it.

The Banner has filed a public record request with the town seeking a copy of the settlement agreement between Wainscott and the town, but, as of the news deadline for this week's issue, a copy of this record has not been provided. The town's regular legal counsel, Gregg Morelock, told The Banner last week he had requested a copy of the settlement agreement from attorneys for the insurance company, and would forward a copy to The Banner once he receives it.

Letters, from Page 4

Shelby County: Daniel Gabbard, 317-392-6460, abbardd@purdue.edu

If your county does not currently offer Strengthening Families, please encourage your county extension office to implement this helpful program.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns regarding this or other topics, contact me by email at Senator.Leising@iga.in.gov or by phone at 800-382-9467.

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

Dear Editor,

During the 2018 Legislative session, I blessed every Legislator at the Indiana Statehouse with an email almost every week, containing the letter to the editor I had submitted to multiple Indiana newspapers the previous week.

Some letters supported the Protection at Conception bill that would dismantle abortion using the Supreme Court's own language coupled with Indiana's own code. Others chastised Representative Ben Smaltz, House Speaker Brian Bosma's hand-picked chair of the House Public Policy Committee, who refused to give the bill a hearing or a vote in 2017, and again in 2018. Others lambasted our Lackluster Legislators for failing to honor their pledge that they were pro-life.

With each email I received an automated reply that read something like this.

"Thank you for your email. Due to the volume of emails I receive, it is not always possible to initiate an immediate response."

Several thousand "Thank You" letters later netted me three measly responses, and though they demonstrated the fine art of political double-speak; they offered nothing of substance, so let me try again.

Dear legislator, I am not asking you to tell me you are pro-life; I am asking you to prove it.

I am asking you to take a bold stand to defend the 8,000 Hoosier babies who are aborted every year by actively advocating for the Protection at Conception Bill to ensure that it receives a hearing and a vote, and that it is passed into law.

Dear Legislator, eight-thousand precious Hoosier babies are counting on you.

**Jim Arnold
Muncie**

Rose Mary, from Page 4

even Moses encountered some problems! At age 21, I believed in the perfectibility of the human critter. At age 71, I know better.

Having already traveled to Europe and to Kenya, Paul became interested in the Far East. As are so many young people today, he's more adventurous than we were back in the '50s. His enthusiasm and desire to experience new things remind me of the explorer/adventurer, Richard Halliburton who wrote about his graduation from college, "I'm set adrift with a diploma for a sail and lots of nerve for oars." At jet speed, Paul was whisked to a very different physical and cultural environment.

Trial Courts Texting Reminders to Defendants

Trial courts have sent more than 135,000 text messages over the past few months to remind defendants about their upcoming

hearings. The new text service is available to Odyssey courts across the state through Indiana Supreme Court Trial Court

Technology.

The text messages are a courtesy to defendants to remind them about their upcoming court date. The initiative is aimed at reducing the number of people who fail to appear in court - which can result in an arrest warrant being issued. Evidence shows reminders can be effective in reducing costly failure to appear rates.

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(It's OK if you weren't able to come to the first two sessions.)

Purdue Extension-Hancock County in cooperation with the Greenfield Parks Department brings "Common Sense Management of Your Woodlot for Pleasure or Profit - Protecting the Woodlot from both Legal and Biological Threats."

Held outdoors in the beautiful Thornwood Preserve (a Greenfield

Parks Department property) from 6-8 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 12, this walking tour will focus on the invasive plants, insects and diseases - some new to or just on the fringe of our region - their possible impact and how to identify and control them.

The session will additionally address the legal protection of the woodland including zoning and tax related issues, adjacent agriculture

drift, public access/ trespass- benefits and risks and will address hazard tree assessment as we walk through the Thornwood Preserve.

Don Carlson, Purdue Extension forester and Lindsey Purcell, Purdue Urban Forestry Extension specialist will be the presenters and guides through the Thornwood

property. They will share their ideas on woodlot management from their perspectives using the Thornwood Preserve as a template.

Participants are encouraged to attend to learn ways that they might improve their own woodlands or public lands to better meet **See Woodlot, Page 12**

Dobbs Hosts Nameless Creek Literary Club

The Nameless Creek Literary Club met Aug. 8 at the home of Jane Dobbs. Nine members answered the roll call by naming their favorite restaurants.

Devotions were led by Dobbs. The business meeting featured the election of new officers for the coming year. They are Karen Campbell, president; Beverly Muegge, vice president; Betty Foster, secretary; Mary Muegge, treasurer; and Dobbs, corresponding secretary. Also, program books were passed out.

Muegge led an informative program about local government based upon the booklet titled *There When You Need It*. The booklet is authored by the Association of Indiana Counties.

A delicious summer dessert was provided by Dobbs, along with a door prize.

The next meeting will be held Sept. 12 at Foster's home. Denise Akers will be the hostess. The roll call response will be each mem-

ber's childhood nickname.

Devotions will be led by Dobbs and the program will be the installation of the new officers.

For more information about this

club that seeks self-improvement, along with the splendor and special interests of women, contact Judy Brown at 317-936-5704.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE OF TWO SHARES OF COMMON STOCK OF NEW LISBON TELEPHONE COMPANY INC.'S STOCK

Notice is hereby given that the Citizens State Bank, as Trustee of the Martha Shafer Scholarship Trust, owner of two (2) shares of Common Stock of the New Lisbon Telephone Company Inc., will accept sealed bids for the purchase of said stock up to 12 o'clock noon, September 30, 2018. Sealed bids may be delivered to the Trust Administrative Committee, Citizens State Bank, Attn: Leisa King, at 1238 Broad Street, New Castle, Indiana, or mailed to Trust Administrative Committee, Citizens State Bank, Attn: Leisa King, P.O. Box C, New Castle, IN 47362. All bids will be opened and reviewed by the Trust Administrative Committee on October 15, 2018. The successful bidder, if a bid is accepted, will be notified by mail as soon as reasonably possible after the bids are opened and reviewed. The successful bidder must be ready, willing and able to pay the full amount of the bid, by secure funds, by 12 o'clock noon, November 30, 2018, at the closing on this transaction, which shall be held at the Trust Department Office of the Citizens State Bank at 1238 Broad Street, New Castle, Indiana. The Citizens State Bank, by its Trust Administrative Committee, reserves the right to reject all bids.

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CAB School Board Approves Coaching Assignments for Fall Sports

The Charles A. Beard School Board recently approved several coaching assignments for sports teams at Knightstown High School and Knightstown Intermediate School.

Board members voted at their Aug. 21 monthly meeting to approve the following coaches at KHS: head girls soccer (Dusty

Magee); varsity cross-country (Jordan Chew); head volleyball (Shanna Smucker); volunteer volleyball (Kori Biehl); head girls golf (Joe Patton); head boys tennis (Steve Dalton); head boys soccer (Adam Lykens); head cheerleading (Haley Morgan); varsity cheerleading assistant (Macy Burton-Thomas); volunteer tennis

(Cheryl Davis); junior varsity cheerleading assistant (Maddie Irwin); junior varsity volleyball (Charity Smucker); head football coach (Chad Montgomery); varsity football assistants (Mark Moss, Adrian Darling); and high school football (Ben Haase, Dakota Smucker).

The following KIS coaching assign-

ments were approved by the school board: coed tennis (Kim Dalton); cheerleading (Kenzie Richmond); cross-country (Aubrey Chaney); eighth grade volleyball (Tammy Bever); seventh grade volleyball (Katie Taylor); football (Brandon Grubbs, Josh Robertson); and football assistant (Nick Holliday).

Knightstown Elementary Students Raise \$2,000 for KPD K-9 Fund



Students and teachers at Knightstown Elementary School presented Knightstown Police Department Chief Christopher Newkirk and Officer Adrian Darling, the school district's new Student Resource Officer, with a check for \$2,000 last Friday, a donation for the KPD's ongoing fund to obtain and train a K-9 officer for the department. The school held a hat day where staff and students could pay \$1 to wear a hat. The classes also competed with each other in a "Change War." The class that collected the most in loose change won. Mrs. Crawford's third grade class won the change competition, collecting nearly \$400, and were awarded with an ice cream party, frisbees and KPD bracelets. The class also was honored with presenting the donation to Chief Newkirk and Officer Darling. Above, Newkirk and Darling pose with students (l-r) Lindsay Sanders, Jaelynn Ross, Henry Schmidt and Josh Smith. Below, Mrs. Crawford (back, far left) and KES principal Danielle Carmichael (back, far right) join Newkirk and Darling for a photo after presenting the school's donation. (Photos provided)



K-town's Dr. Elizabeth Cobbs Killed in Crash on I-29 in Iowa Sunday

Shirley's Michael and Melinda Gerrish Also Injured

A tragic accident on Interstate 29 southbound in the western part of Iowa claimed the life of a Knightstown woman and injured two Shirley-area residents Sunday evening about 6:15 p.m. (central time).

Dr. Elizabeth J. Cobbs, 65, of Knightstown, died at the scene, according to a news report from the area. She was in the backseat of a pickup truck driven by Michael Gerrish of Shirley, with his wife Melinda Gerrish in the front passenger seat.

According to a report filed by Iowa State Police, Richard Lee Van Zee, 80, of Rock Valley, Iowa, was traveling in a 2017 Cadillac northbound on I-29 near Little Sioux, along the Nebraska border. Then, for an undetermined reason, he crossed the median and entered the southbound lanes.

Van Zee sideswiped one car then hit the Gerrish's Ford F450 behind it, sending the truck into the ditch while Van Zee's vehicle ended up back in the median. Van Zee was transported by ambulance and his passenger, Mary Ann Van Zee, was transported to an area hospital by medical helicopter. But both later died, according to the police report.

Michael Gerrish suffered serious undisclosed injuries and was transported to a Sious City hospital while Melinda Gerrish was taken to another local hospital. No further information about their conditions was available at press time.

Dr. Cobbs was an assistant professor of clinical medicine at Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis with a focus on internal medicine. After earning her bachelor's degree in 1976, she obtained her doctorate in medicine from Temple University then began her residency at the IU School of Medicine in 1994.

The school issued a statement on the loss of their colleague on Tuesday stating: "We are deeply saddened to learn of the death of Dr. Betty Cobbs, a longtime faculty member in both pediatrics and internal medicine at Indiana University School of Medicine. Dr. Cobbs was passionate about providing excellent care to her patients and was the consummate educator who generously taught residents and medical students for nearly a quarter century. We extend our sincere condolences to her family and friends, and to all those who worked with and learned from her."

Michael and Melinda Gerrish have owned and operated Cuttin' Up Stables Horse Motel outside of Shirley since 2002. Both are also involved in several area community groups and organizations.

Free Youth Hunting Days This Weekend

The free youth hunting days for 2018 are Sept. 8 and 9, and Nov. 24 and 25. Youth free hunting days are traditionally set as the first full weekend after Sept. 1 when dove and squirrel season are open, as well as the weekend after Thanksgiving when deer, rabbit, squirrel, and other gamebird and furbearer seasons are open.

Any resident age 17 or younger on the date of the hunt can take any legal game in season during these youth free hunting days. To participate, the youth must be accompanied by an adult who is at least 18 years of age. The youth's adult partner must be in close enough proximity to monitor and be able to communicate with the youth hunter at all times. The adult may help the youth hunter with calling game but may not carry a firearm, crossbow, or bow and arrow, except for a handgun carried lawfully. The adult must possess a valid hunting license, unless exempted from needing a license.

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Notice is hereby given to taxpayers of Wayne Township, Henry County, Indiana, that the proper officers of Wayne Township will conduct a public hearing on the year 2019 budget. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of Wayne Township not more than seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy to which taxpayers object. If a petition is filed, Wayne Township shall adopt with its budget a finding concerning the objections filed and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the proper officers of Wayne Township will meet to adopt the following budget:

Date of Public Hearing: Tuesday, September 25, 2018
 Time of Public Hearing: 7:00 p.m.
 Public Hearing Place: 30 S. Washington St., Knightstown, IN (back of fire station)
 Date of Adoption Meeting: Tuesday, October 9, 2018
 Time of Adoption Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
 Adoption Meeting Place: 30 S. Washington St., Knightstown, IN (back of fire station)
 Estimated Civil Max. Levy: \$49,132
 Estimated Fire Max. Levy: \$165,346
 Property Tax Cap Credit Estimate: \$24,711

Fund Name	Budget Estimate	Maximum Estimated Funds To Be Raised (including appeals and levies exempt from maximum levy limitations)	Excessive Levy Appeals	Current Tax Levy
0101-GENERAL	\$44,270	\$26,132	\$0	\$8,366
0840-TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE	\$57,500	\$165,346	\$0	\$30,970
1111-FIRE	\$172,000	\$8,000	\$0	\$159,841
1312-RECREATION	\$28,000	\$214,478	\$0	\$8,073
Totals	\$301,770		\$0	\$207,250

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LOCAL SPORTS

Knightstown Girls Soccer Team Demolishes GW 12-0

Knightstown's varsity girls soccer team clobbered George Washington High School 12-0 in a match at home Aug. 23, scoring six goals in each half of the match.

The team's only freshman, Jasmine Happe, led the team with a hat-trick.

Happe's three goals were accompanied by two goals each by Jess Butler, Liz Moore and Emma-Kate Moore.

Abby Arnold, Alexis Howard and Meredith Johnson scored a goal apiece in the match.

On Aug. 27, the Lady Panthers were back at home against what KHS coach Dusty Magee called "a very good Connersville team."

Knightstown's girls played the

Lady Spartans to a draw with neither team able to score during the match.

"The team came out with a new formation and made it tough for Connersville to break them down," Magee reported. "The team battled through multiple injuries throughout the game and escaped with a draw 0-0. The Panthers had a great breakaway chance to win the game late but the ball found the keeper's hands."

The following day the Lady Panthers were back in action against a tough Muncie Burriss team that was able to hold KHS girls scoreless while they put five shots into the net to beat Knightstown 5-0.

Lady Panther Golfers Post Some Career Bests

After posting some of their best scores of the season against Triton Central at Dakota Landing Golf Course off Franklin Road in Indianapolis, Knightstown's varsity girls golf team has been struggling a bit to end the month of August. Recent results include:

August 21 at Dakota Landing

*Triton Central 188, Knightstown 209.

KHS - Daisy Hoffman 48, Emmalee Wilkerson 50 (career best), Makayla Bowling 55 (career best), Kira Smith 56, Makenzie Deweese 62.

August 27 at Cardinal Hills

*Wapahani 184, Knightstown 225, Centerville 245

KHS - Hoffman 46, Smith 53, Bowling 62, Wilkerson 64, Deweese 65.

August 28 at Greensburg

*Greensburg 172, Rushville 224, Knightstown 226.

KHS - Smith 52, Hoffman 54, Wilkerson 57, Bowling 63, Saige Chandler 69.

August 30 at Royal Hylands

*North Decatur 206, Knightstown 229

KHS - Hoffman 49, DeWeese 59, Bowling 60, Smith 61, Wilkerson 64.

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Panthers Show Resilience, Defeat Patriots 34-28 in Two-Day Affair

It took two days but Knightstown's varsity football players got the job done last weekend.

The Panthers traveled to Liberty Friday night to take on Tri-Eastern Conference opponent Union County. It was a battle from beginning to end but Knightstown prevailed 34-28, though the final wouldn't come until Saturday afternoon.

KHS got off to a great start with catches from Max Muncy and James Lukens and nice runs from Nick Walsh and Kyler Burchett before quarterback Jose Olivo ran the ball in from the five-yard line to score six. Devyn Schaetzle's kick for the extra point was good to put KHS up 7-0.

But, Union County also scored on its first drive and connected on the conversion to take an 8-7 lead.

With just over a minute left in the first quarter, Olivo hit Burchett for a 28-yard touchdown pass. Schaetzle's kick was put the Panthers up 14-8.

The Patriots scored again in the top of the second quarter but their conversion attempt failed to put the score tied at 14.

Burchett executed a big run that set up Olivo again at the line with his keeper turning out another touchdown for Knightstown. Schaetzle put it through the uprights again for the extra point to give KHS a 21-14 lead.

After a solid defensive effort, the Panthers took over and again found a way to put more points on

the board. Walsh hustles the ball across the goal line on a fourth down and five to score. Schaetzle's extra point attempt was good to give the Panthers a 28-14 lead heading into halftime.

Knightstown couldn't get much going to start the second half but played tough defense until Union County was able to score again on a TD run. Their conversion attempt failed again but they had narrowed the Panthers' lead to 28-20.

Then, the weather became a factor. Lightning first delayed the game before officials gave up for the evening and postponed it until Saturday morning with 2:23 left in the third quarter.

The Panthers donned fresh uniforms the following day and got back to business.

After fumbling on the opening snap, the Panthers found their lead evaporated when the Patriots connected on a TD pass and two-point conversion to tie the game at 28 with 2:14 left in the third quarter.

The Panther defense stepped up to stop UC's attack and with six minutes left in the game, Olivo hit Lukens with the touchdown pass. Schaetzle's kick was no good but KHS was back on top 34-28 and they would hold on for the win.

The victory moved the Panthers' season record to 2-1. Knightstown will be looking to improve that record on Friday when they will again be on the road for another conference game at Union City.

KNIGHTSTOWN INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Passing

Jose Olivo - 19 of 26 for 285 yards, 3 touchdowns

Rushing

J. Olivo - 19 carries for 115 yards, 2 TDs
Nick Walsh - 14 carries for 88 yards
Kyler Burchett - 5 carries for 60 yards

Receiving

K. Burchett - 5 receptions for 101 yards, 1 TD
James Lukens - 5 receptions for 94 yards, 1 TD
Max Muncy - 3 receptions for 39 yards
N. Walsh - 4 receptions for 31 yards, 1 TD
Cooper Strawsma - 1 reception for 12 yards
Colton Piper - 1 reception for 8 yards, 1 fumble

Returns

N. Walsh - 2 kickoff returns for 30 yards
K. Burchett - 1 kickoff return for 8 yards, 1

punt return for 15 yards

Kicking

N. Walsh - 2 kickoffs for 100 yards, 1 punt for 35 yards
Devyn Schaetzle - 3 kickoffs for 120 yards, 4 points after touchdowns

Interceptions, Sacks, Fumbles, Etc.

C. Piper, C. Strawsma - 2 pass deflections each
J. Olivo, K. Burchett, J. Lukens - 1 pass deflection each
K. Burchett - 1 fumble caused

Total Tackles (solo+assists)

Liam Orcutt - 9; N. Walsh - 7; Sam Thomas - 6; J. Olivo, K. Burchett - 5; Aiden Orcutt - 4; Landon Carmichael, Ben Newby, C. Strawsma - 3; Max Muncy, C. Piper, Aaron Reagan - 2; Walker Gorman - 1.

Titans Pick Up First Win of the Season; Beat Lincoln 14-13

Tri's varsity football team picked up its first win of the season last Friday on the road at Cambridge City Lincoln, defeating the Golden Eagles 14-13.

It was a hard-fought battle but sophomore Vade Dishman again came through for the Titans with a

140 yards rushing and one touchdown.

Jordan Raley also ran the ball in for a touchdown.

The Titans are now 1-2 and will face Wes-Del on the road this Friday.

TRI INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Passing

Syrus Butler - 5 of 17 for 63 yards

Rushing

Vade Dishman - 22 carries for 140 yards, 1 TD
Jordan Raley - 8 carries for 20 yards, 1 TD
Tyler Kingery - 2 carries for 5 yards

Receiving

Gage Rowe - 4 receptions for 36 yards
V. Dishman - 1 reception for 27 yards

Returns

G. Rowe - 2 kickoff returns for 9 yards; 2 punt returns for 11 yards

Kicking

S. Butler - 5 punts for 148 yards; 2 kickoffs for

68 yards; 1 point after touchdown

Parker Engle - 2 kickoffs for 48 yards

Interceptions, Sacks, Fumbles, Etc.

J. Raley, T. Kingery - 1 fumble lost each
Christian Harding - 2 sacks for 24 yards lost
Dennis Trospen - 1 sack for 15-yard loss
Dakota Raley, T. Kingery - 1 sack each
Logan Stephens, Liam Rains, C. Harding - 1 fumble recovery each

Total Tackles (solo+assists)

Logan Stephens - 8; Dennis Trospen, Christian Harding - 6; Tyler Kingery - 5; Liam Rains, Gunnar Longnecker - 4; Devin Keck, Andrew Pierce, Vade Dishman - 3; Gage Rowe, Jacob Marshall - 2; Dakota Raley, Luke Hill, Jordan Raley - 1.

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LOCAL SPORTS

Knightstown Boys Tennis Team Having Another Stellar Year

Knightstown boys' varsity tennis team had a spectacular month of August to start its 2018 season.

The Panthers kicked off their season Aug. 14 by whipping Shenandoah 5-0. The Raiders had dealt the Panthers their only loss last year.

Senior AJ Dalton got the Panthers started on the No. 1 singles court by winning a marathon two and a half hour match in straight sets 7-5, 6-4. Garrett Dalton, a sophomore, won his No. 2 singles match 6-1, 6-2. Freshman Kyle Johnson got his first high school tennis career win 6-2, 6-2 in his No. 3 singles match.

Seniors Ethan Yoder and Treavor Cook dominated at No. 1 doubles with a 6-1, 6-0 win. Senior Alex Cook and junior Dylan Chandler got an identical win 6-1, 6-2 at No. 2 doubles with an identical win at 6-1, 6-0.

Coach Steve Dalton said, "The Panther team put in a ton of work all summer on doubles court positioning and strategy and it clearly paid off, only losing two games while winning 24."

KHS followed up its home opener by winning the Waldron Invitational Aug. 18, defending its title. The Panthers were undefeated all the way around, taking down Trinity Lutheran in the first round and then edging out Oldenburg Academy in the championship round before rain cut the tournament a bit short.

On Aug. 21, the Panthers traveled to Union County where a rain delay early on didn't prevent the KHS guys from dominating once they were able to get action underway.

AJ Dalton led the way at No. 1 singles, winning 6-0, 6-1. Garrett Dalton continued the streak with a win at No. 2 singles, 6-0, 6-3. Johnson completed the singles court shelling with a 6-2, 6-1 victory in No. 3 spot.

Panther doubles teams were dominant as well. Ethan Yoder and Treavor Cook locked down the No. 1 doubles court 6-0, 6-1. Chandler and Alex Cook completed the Panthers sweep without dropping a single game, winning No. 2 doubles 6-0, 6-0.

In another match on the road Aug. 22 at Northeastern where the team kept its winning streak going beating the Knights 4-1.

AJ Dalton kept his unbeaten streak alive winning at No. 1 singles 6-2, 6-3, as did brother Garrett Dalton at No. 2 singles 6-1, 7-5. Johnson faced a very strong No. 3 singles player, and suffered his first loss 3-6, 0-6. No. 1 doubles team of Treavor Cook and Yoder faced their best opponent so far this year but prevailed, winning 6-4, 6-4. Alex Cook and Chandler whipped their No. 2 doubles opponents 6-0, 6-0.

The Panthers were on the road again Aug. 23, but only

for a short trip over to New Castle where KHS dominated the Trojans 5-0.

At No. 1 singles, AJ Dalton showed some senior leadership and got the team rolling with a tough win, 7-6, 6-3. Garrett Dalton continued his ownership of No. 2 singles, winning handily, 6-2, 6-0. Johnson pulled out a marathon three-set win at No. 3 singles, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3, in a great

The next two courts to finish were No. 1 and No. 2 doubles. Although both courts went three full sets, the Panthers dropped both courts. No. 1's Ethan Yoder and Treavor Cook lost a see-saw battle 4-6, 6-4, 1-6. No. 2 doubles went much the same way, with Dylan Chandler and Alex Cook losing 4-6, 6-1, 5-7. Both losses were hard fought battles that went right to the end.

The rivalry all came down to No. 3 singles and freshman Kyle Johnson was fully aware the score was tied 2-2.

"No pressure," Coach Dalton joked. "The team gathered behind his court, with him knowing their hopes rested on him." Johnson pulled out the first set in a tie-break, 7-6, then calmly came from behind for a clutch win in the second set 6-4, clinching the victory for Knightstown, 3-2.

The Panthers pushed their undefeated season to 9-0 with a 4-1 win over Triton Central at home Aug. 29.

"After changing the lineup a bit to get a different look for the doubles courts, our players adapted quickly," reported Coach Dalton.

AJ Dalton dropped his first match of the season at No. 1 singles, 3-6, 3-6. Garrett Dalton came out of the gates a bit slow but rallied quickly, winning the No. 2 singles court 6-4, 6-0. Cooper Davis got his first varsity start of the season and made the most of it. Davis played consistently and won the No. 3 singles court 7-5, 6-2.

No. 1 Doubles was another new lineup with Kyle Johnson and Alex Cook winning 7-5, 6-1. Last year's most successful doubles lineup of Ethan Yoder and Dylan Chandler played together for the first time this year, dominating the No. 2 doubles court 6-2, 6-0.

The Panthers were back on their home court the following day, Aug. 30, against another TEC conference opponent, Cambridge City Lincoln. Knightstown prevailed with a 4-1 win to finish the month 10-0 and increasing their regular season winning streak to 28 wins in a row, dating back to the season opener loss to Shenandoah in 2017.

AJ Dalton got his edge back winning handily at No. 1 singles 6-0, 6-2. Garrett Dalton cruised to a 6-1, 6-1 win on No. 2 Singles. Davis faced a consistent rally opponent, dropping the No. 3 singles court 2-6, 3-6.

At No. 1 doubles, Alex Cook and Johnson played well, upending their Lincoln opponent 6-3, 6-1. No. 2 doubles came out aggressively from the start, winning 6-0, 6-1, behind strong play from veterans Yoder and Chandler.



Sophomore Garrett Dalton is undefeated this season at No. 2 singles. (Stacy Cox photo)

"come from behind" match.

Yoder and Treavor Cook locked down the No. 1 doubles court with a big win, 6-0, 6-2. No. 2 doubles Alex Cook and Chandler were challenged early, but found ways to get better during their win 6-4, 6-1.

On Aug. 28, the Panthers were finally back at home for another big match up against Centerville.

"Last year's Tri-Eastern Conference championship came down to two teams: Knightstown and Centerville," explained Coach Dalton. "The Panthers, a newcomer to the TEC last year, snapped the Bulldogs 40-game conference winning streak on their home court. The yearend tourney concluded in a tie with Knightstown and Centerville as co-champs. This season, we knew that it would be another hard-fought match but the Panthers held home court, winning 3-2. The Panthers played through 90 degree heat with several players sick, many of whom missed school last week or this week."

The first strike was at Panthers No. 2 Singles. Garrett Dalton got in a groove and never looked back, winning 6-1, 6-0 in short order. AJ Dalton followed at No. 1 Singles, controlling the court while winning 6-4, 6-3.

Panther Tennis Program to Host 'Smash Cancer' Fundraiser Match Saturday Along With Blue River

Panther tennis is proud to host the second annual "Smash Cancer" fundraiser/tennis match against Blue River Valley at home Saturday, Sept. 8, at the high school courts.

The match begins at the KHS courts at noon. The junior high and the high school teams will both compete. Donuts, hot dogs, drinks and raffle baskets will be offered.

To commemorate the event, the team will also have t-shirts available to order. However, the shirts will not be available until a short time following the match. The shirts are available in multiple colors to support different types of cancer. Come out Saturday, support the event and watch the Panthers in action.

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HELP WANTED

Electric Utility Lineman

The Town of Knightstown, Indiana Electric Utility is currently seeking an Electric Lineman to join our team. This person will be part of a production driven team, performing routine maintenance of electric utility power lines, responding to power outages, overseeing tree/limb removal and will be responsible for electric transmission maintenance and inspection, as well as other duties as assigned.

Please send your resume or if you have additional questions to: clerk@hrtc.net.

"Frankly, with a little more discussion, I probably would have voted for it," Hammer said after the vote. He said he had wanted more financial information he felt was needed to make an "apples-to-apples comparison" of various options being considered.

After the council's vote, Knott asked whether work would begin in September. Huffman noted that the motion approved by the council had not specified a starting date.

The council then proceeded to vote on a second motion, made by

Knott and seconded by Dean, that was identical to the first one, but clarified the agreements would start Sept. 1, pending review by the town's attorney. This second motion also stated ISC would prepare details of a proposed action plan for routine maintenance within 60 days, and, like the first motion, it too passed 4-0-1, with Hammer again abstaining.

"We look forward to happier days ahead with the electric department," Ward said. "We won't have to pass out the candles."

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The price of the emergency action plan is \$250,000, which includes all materials and labor. Responding to a question from Council President Sarah Ward, Smardo said ISC would hope to have this work completed by March.

ISC's five-year maintenance agreement includes the following: routine system engineering and planning; routine maintenance and repairs; equipment inspection and scheduled replacement; substation routine maintenance; and vegetation assessment and routine trimming; outage restoration. The cost for this work, calculated at \$135 for each of the 1,663 meters the electric utility has in service, would be \$224,505 per year, or just over \$18,700 a month.

Normally, ISC would charge \$155 annually per meter for the maintenance agreement. However, the firm said it would discount that rate by \$20 per meter if the town agreed to provide its own employee to read electric meters and handle disconnections and reconnections, something the town plans to do.

The five-year maintenance agreement also requires the town to pay \$35 per meter each year to be used for materials. This works out to \$58,205 per year, or about

\$4,850 a month.

Over the course of five years, the regular maintenance agreement would cost the town \$1,122,525. When the \$291,025 is added for the cost of five years of materials, the total cost of the five-year plan comes to \$1,413,550.

"We're here today because of what's been done in the past," Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer Beth Huffman told council members. "... It didn't work the way we did it."

As recently reported in The Banner, the head of the town's electric utility, Bob Reed, and assistant department head Tim Apollos both abruptly resigned in early August. Since those resignations, the council has held several special meetings to discuss options for what to do with the electric utility. Contracting with ISC will allow the town to avoid replacing Reed and Apollos, while still maintaining ownership of the electric utility.

"We're paying the price for 20 years of neglect," council member Landon Dean said at last week's meeting. "... I think we're in crisis mode."

"This infrastructure needs to be taken care of," Huffman said. "I can't believe we have this asset and it hasn't been taken care of."

Huffman said she thought it important that the work that needs to be done on the electric utility be paid for with money that has already been collected from utility

customers.

"We've got the dollars, and we've got to do something," Huffman said. While the town had money for proper upkeep in the

past, she said money was not always spent on the right things.

Dean and Council Vice President Kevin Knott made and See Electric, Page 11

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their goals but also to enhance the ability of that woodland to function effectively from an ecological perspective over the long term.

Space is limited. While this program is free, registration is required at least two days prior to the session to facilitate planning.

Contact Roy Ballard, Purdue Extension educator for agriculture in Hancock County, by calling 317-462-1113 or email him at rballard@purdue.edu to register, for additional information about upcoming sessions, or if you require an accommodation to facilitate attendance.

As with previous sessions, this one will be held in the paths and open areas in Thornwood Preserve, this is a natural environment with some associated inherent risks. Participants are encouraged to dress for the weather of the day and wear footwear appropriate for a walk in the woods. Sunscreen and insect repellent while not required might enhance the enjoyment of the program.

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Tool Box Seminars Focus on Practical Skills and Cutting Edge Technology.
With farmers facing another year of tight profit margins and falling farm income, finding new ways to lower production costs and increase yields are a necessity. The expanded, free seminar series at the redesigned Indiana Farm Equipment and Technology Expo will focus on providing those who attend with new ideas and new tools to help them meet the challenges of the 2019 crop.

Presenters will include: Dr. Chris Hurt, Ag Economist Purdue; Ryan Martin, Weather forecaster, Hoosier Ag Today; Bob Utterback, nationally known market analyst; Brian Bush, Agronomist Pioneer Hybrid; Randy Kron and Justin Schneider, Indian Farm Bureau; and others yet to be announced. Farm Credit Mid-America is sponsoring the seminar stage and will present several programs covering financial management and tips on operating credit for the 2019 season. Other seminar topics will include: making an operating budget for 2019, beating weed resistance, Dicamba rule update, Farm succession and estate planning, boosting corn and soybean yields, making variable rate seeding work, solving field tile problems, and many more.

On Thursday, December 13, Certified Applicator Training will be held at the Expo. Those needing accreditation can qualify with this program presented by Purdue Extension.

A new feature at the Expo is a demonstration area where some of the latest technology in production will be demonstrated. Drones, robots, and cover crops will be featured in hands-on demonstrations by top industry experts. Exhibitors at the show will also be demonstrating new equipment in this area. Demonstrations will occur throughout the day, with informational videos being played in this area between demonstrations.

Another new feature of the expo is the coffee shop. This is a casual and informal area where attendees can sit down one-on-one with seminar and demonstration presenters to discuss specific applications for their farming operation. Small, informal group discussions will be held in this area, so that farmers can learn from each other as well as the experts.

For the latest line up of speakers and seminars at The Indiana Farm Equipment and Technology Expo, visit the Expo website at www.indianafarmexpo.com, and follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

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