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- Sir Winston Churchill

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## Absentee Voting on Through Nov. 5

The Henry County Voter Registration Office has announced that absentee voting in the Justice Center began Oct. 10. Any registered voter who expects to be absent from the county on Election Day may apply for and vote an absentee ballot in the Henry County Justice Center. The last date to vote an absentee ballot is Monday, Nov. 5, at 12 p.m.

State or federal identification must be presented when voting.

Hours for voting are as follows: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2-4 p.m.; Saturday, Oct. 27, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2-4 p.m.; and Saturday, Nov. 3, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2-4 p.m.

Satellite absentee voter locations include Ivy Tech Community College, 3325 S. Memorial Dr., New Castle. That location will be open Thursday, Nov. 1, and Friday, Nov. 2, 2-7 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 27, and Saturday, Nov. 3, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Applications from confined voters and voters who are out of the county are also being accepted at this time. Confined voters will be voted at the address designated on their applications on Wednesday, Oct. 31. All absentee applications requesting a mailed ballot must be received by Monday, Oct. 29.

All persons who are registered to vote and interested in voting absentee are encouraged to apply as soon as possible. Applications will not be accepted after the deadline dates.

## Spiceland Friends Hosting Bazaar

Spiceland Friends Church, 401 W. Main St., will host its 49th annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 10, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. The event will feature a variety of booths and lunch will be served until 1:30 p.m. A quilt, made by ladies from the church, will be raffled.

## County Democrats' Event This Thursday

Desserts with Democrats will take place at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, at Henry County Democrat Headquarters, 201 N. Main St., New Castle. For more information, call Waynetta Dunn at 765-571-0083. Check out the Henry County Democratic Facebook page for contact and more updates.

## Wayne Township Approves '19 Budget

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

The Wayne Township Board voted last week to approve the township's proposed budget for 2019.

The board's three members – Chairman Ronald Trimmell, Jeff Van Hoy and Sandy Swartz – voted unanimously at their Oct. 9 meeting to adopt the budget prepared and presented by Wayne Township Trustee Randy Overman. Two weeks earlier, during a public hearing on the budget held Sept. 25, Overman had described next year's budget as "basically the same" as 2018's, and at last week's meeting, he said the 2019 budget is about "98 percent the same" as this year's.

Overman did tell the board that he had made a few "small adjustments" to specific line items within each of the township's four funds. However, he said the total budget amounts for each fund remain unchanged.

"They're all the same," Overman said of the totals for the township's General, Township Assistance, Fire, and Recreation funds. "... (They're) the same as last year."

According to its notice to taxpayers, Wayne Township's proposed budget for 2019, which still needs to be approved by the state's Department of Local Government Finance, totals \$301,770. By fund, the budget breaks down as follows: General (\$44,270); Township Assistance (\$57,500); Fire (\$172,000); and Recreation (\$28,000).

Complete details of the town's proposed 2019 budget are on file and available for public inspection and copying at the Wayne Township offices, located at 8071 W. County Road 750-S, Knightstown, during normal business hours. This information is also available online at [www.budgetnotices.in.gov](http://www.budgetnotices.in.gov), or by calling 888-739-9826.

The township board also voted on Sept. 25 to approve the proposed 2019 budget for the Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Department, which totaled \$162,300. The Fire Fund budget approved by the board last week as part of the township's overall proposed budget for 2019, however, was for \$172,000, nearly 6 percent more than the budget passed by the Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Board, the Knightstown Town Council and the township board.

The township board also  
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## Your Candidates



Rush County Sheriff candidate Allan Rice (above at left), a Republican, speaks at a candidate forum Monday evening at Knightstown High School, while his opponent in the fall election, independent candidate Randy Meek, listens and waits for his turn to address the crowd. Tom Ferkinhoff (left), Libertarian candidate for the District 6 U.S. House of Representatives seat, speaks at a candidate forum Monday evening at Knightstown High School. The event was sponsored by the Knightstown Chapter of the Indiana Federation of Business and Professional Women. (Jeff Eakins photos)

## Splash Pad Closing for 2018 Season

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

The Knightstown Parks and Recreation Board recently voted to close the splash pad water attraction at Sunset Park for the fall and winter.

The vote came at the park board's Oct. 1 monthly meeting. Although temperatures were still mild that week, President Suzee Neal said she thought it was time to go ahead and close the splash pad.

"I think it's time," board member Jacob Hart agreed. "It's October."

Neal asked the board whom should be hired to close the splash pad and winterize it. She said she thought area business Overman Plumbing, Heating & Electric, which has done prior work on the splash pad, would be "the ideal choice" for this work.

Hart and fellow board member Jan McGuire made and seconded, respectively, a motion to close the splash pad and to hire Overman to shut it down and winterize it, and, with Neal's support, it passed 3-0. The board's fourth member, Vice President Bruce

Brown, missed the Oct. 1 meeting, and the board's fifth position is vacant following the resignation of Jeffrey Van Hoy in early September.

In a related matter, there was some confusion about payment of a \$4,619 bill to Overman for work on the splash pad earlier this year. Neal said she didn't understand why Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer Beth Huffman would have gone ahead and paid this bill.

"I'm not sure why Beth paid this," Neal said. "We didn't vote to have her to do that. ... I didn't request that to be paid, so I'm not sure why that was done."

Kevin Knott, vice president of the Knightstown Town Council and the council's liaison to the park board, suggested that Neal check with Huffman about this issue. He suggested that this be done prior to the council's Oct. 18 monthly meeting.

Neal also advised the park board that the town council had passed a resolution at its Sept. 20 monthly meeting indicating its intent to dissolve the park board. The town council cannot take final action on this until

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**OBITUARIES**

**Rickie David Owens**

**March 15, 1956 - October 9, 2018**

Rickie David Owens, 62, of Shirley, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2018, at Hancock Regional Hospital. He was born March 15, 1956, in Rushville, a son of Forrest Owens of Grayson, Ky., and the late Mary Irene (Gulley) Owens.

Rickie was recently employed at Emerson Climate Controls since 2002. He loved spending time with his family; was a very helping and generous person; and would give you the shirt off of his back. He also had a passion for old cars.

In addition to his father, Rickie is survived by four sons, Matthew Owens of Fishers, Travis Owens of Shirley, Jeremy (Whitney) Owens of Indianapolis, and Nicholas Owens of Shirley; two grandchildren, Lillian and Mara Owens of Indianapolis; three siblings, Allen (Teresa) Owens of New Castle, Beverly S. Owens of Grayson, Ky., and Terry (Beverly A.) Owens of Noblesville; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his mother, he was preceded in death by a brother, Darryel Owens.

Visitation was Oct. 12 at Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service, Knightstown Chapel. Services were Oct. 13 at the funeral home. Burial followed in Glen Cove Cemetery. Condolences and memories of Rickie may be shared at www.hinsey-brown.com.

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at least 180 days after its passage of the resolution.

"I think we need to find a way to move forward," Neal told McGuire and Hart. "That's my opinion. ... I just think it's time for a new method."

Neal said she would like to see the town council establish an advisory committee that would include not just town residents, but also people who live in areas of Wayne Township outside the town limits. Should the town council proceed with dissolving the park board, the park and recreation responsibilities that now belong to the park board would be shifted to the town council.

"I'm all for it," McGuire said of the proposed dissolution of the park board.

"I just don't have an answer, other than I'm not educated enough to make a decision either way," Hart said, adding that he was "perplexed" by the council's decision and found it "very frustrating."

Knott told the park board that the town's attorney, Gregg Morelock, had said that until the park board is dissolved, it should continue to function normally.

Because the park board has been in existence for more than 10 years, state statute requires the council to wait at least 180 days before it holds a special meeting on its plans to dissolve the park board. At least 10 days before that meeting, the council must prepare and make available to the public its plan regarding the proposed park board dissolution.

According to the statute, the council's plan must specify the effective date of the park board's dissolution, and describe the park board's assets and obligations, explaining how the assets will be distributed and how the obligations will be satisfied. The council's plan for dissolving the park board must also provide a description of the services currently provided by the park board, and detail how those

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approved a salary ordinance for 2019 at the Sept. 25 meeting. The following pay levels for township employees and officials will remain unchanged next year: township trustee (\$14,580); township clerk (\$2,210); township assistance clerk (\$9,200); and township board members (\$210).

services will be provided once the park board is dissolved.

In the meantime, Van Hoy's resignation last month has left a vacancy on the park board for the town council to fill. Persons interested in applying for this park

board vacancy should, as soon as possible, send a letter of interest to the Knightstown Town Council, c/o President Sarah Ward, 26 S. Washington St., Knightstown, IN 46148. Applicants must reside within the town's municipal limits.

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# Fire Dept. Finance Change Approved

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

The Wayne Township Board voted unanimously last week to approve a resolution that, if also approved by the Knightstown Town Council, will change how the Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Department's finances are handled.

As reported in last week's Banner, the Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Board passed a similar resolution at its Sept. 26 meeting. The township board's three members - Chairman Ronald Trimmell, Jeff Van Hoy and Sandy Swartz - voted to pass the same resolution last week at their Oct. 9 meeting.

Currently, the township turns over fire protection funds it raises through property taxes to the town of Knightstown's clerk-treasurer, who is responsible for dispersing funds for expenses approved and submitted by the fire board. This arrangement was approved by the town and township when they set up the joint fire board a decade ago to oversee the Knightstown-Wayne Township Fire Department.

Wayne Township Trustee Randy Overman, who has served as president of the fire board since its inception in 2009, first presented the proposed resolution amending how finances are handled at the fire board's Sept. 26 monthly meeting. Following its adoption by the fire board and township board, if the town council also gives its approval, the resolution would require the fire board to appoint a fire clerk to open a bank account for the fire department and be responsible for the fire department's finances.

Overman said at the Sept. 26 fire board meeting and the Oct. 9 township board meeting that the change in how fire department finances are handled is needed to ensure timely payment of bills.

"There have been problems with the town writing checks for the fire department," Overman told the township board at last week's meeting. "This has been an ongoing problem."

Fire board member Sarah Ward, who also serves as president of the Knightstown Town Council, had asked Overman at the Sept. 26 fire board meeting who would serve as the fire clerk. Overman said it would be up to the fire board to select this person, but added that his recommendation would be to have the township trustee fill that role.

Overman, who has served as Wayne Township Trustee for nearly four decades, is not seeking reelection this fall. Republican Susan Van Hoy, wife of fire board and Wayne Township Board member Jeff Van

Hoy, is unopposed in the fall election and will take over as township trustee in January.

Ward said at that the fire board meeting that she would need to run the proposed change by the town's attorney, Gregg Morelock, to see what he thought before the council votes on it. The next meeting of the Knightstown Town Council is at 7 p.m. this Thursday, Oct. 18.

In other business at last week's meeting, the township board voted to give Overman permission to discard old computers, software manuals, cables, printer cartridges and other obsolete are non-functioning equipment he said he had accumulated during his time in office.

"I don't want to burden the new trustee with all this junk," Overman said.

## LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF INDIANA ) HENRY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT 1  
) SS:  
COUNTY OF HENRY ) CASE NO. 33C01-1801-MI-000177

IN RE: )  
BONITA FAYE GRANDISON, )  
Petitioner )

### SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

Comes now the Petitioner by counsel, David P. Murphy, Attorney, and files her Verified Petition for Name Change and Request for Hearing.

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# Gas Leak Incident Resolved Safely

Early Sunday evening, a resident in the 300 block of South Jefferson Street in Knightstown contacted Vectren after coming home and encountering a strong smell indicating a natural gas leak.

According to Vectren officials, a technician was dispatched to the home and upon detecting gas, had the resident evacuated from the home and shut off the meter.

Local emergency responders were also called to the residence and assisted by shutting down traffic in that area of State Road 140 and neighboring streets as well as evacuating four additional homes, the Vectren spokesperson stated.

Randy Anderson, Knightstown's works manager and head of the town's water utility, said a faulty hot water heater had released "dangerously high" levels of gas into the residence.

Anderson told The Banner that Vectren representatives wanted the electricity turned off in the house until the gas leak problem was fixed and the house had been ventilated.

The situation lasted a little longer as it took almost an hour for someone from Indiana Municipal Power Agency Service Corp., the firm hired by the town to handle electric utility issues, to arrive and shut off the power. Anderson said the IMPA service person had been working all day trying to resolve an issue in another town, causing the delay in getting to Knightstown.

"It ended up not being too big of a deal, really," Anderson said. "... I think everything was handled pretty well."

When officials determined the area was safe, about two hours after the situation started, residents were permitted to return to their homes.

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# Banner PERSPECTIVES

## Model Aeronautics Attraction Cool!

My wife and my parents and I took a short road trip up to Muncie a few weeks back. We visited the national headquarters for the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA), one of the neatest, most well thought-out attractions I've ever visited.

Like Henry County, Delaware County has some awesome stuff. The AMA headquarters is a prime example. To me, it's one of the coolest attractions in the state with its vast control line and radio control flying areas. Anyone who's been to the Wilbur Wright Birthplace over at Millville can picture a flying area that's about 10 times that size, maybe more.

A Mecca for model aviation enthusiasts throughout the United States and beyond, the AMA complex has inside it a very nice model aviation museum, which features hundreds of old model airplanes, gliders, helicopters, drones and even a replica 1950s hobby shop.

Not many communities can boast of hosting a national headquarters of any kind, let alone one as interesting and comprehensive as the AMA's facility at 5161 E. Memorial Drive, just east of Muncie.

The AMA, a nonprofit organization that dedicates itself to promoting model aviation as a recognized sport and recreational activity, is the official national entity for American model aviation. It was founded in 1936 and currently boasts nearly 200,000 members.

Aside from sanctioning hundreds of modeling events, the organization hosts a variety of noncompetitive fly-ins locally and across the U.S.

In 1988, the AMA, then headquartered in Reston, Va., began seeking a more centrally located site for a

new headquarters and national flying site. With the Midwest region in mind, officials reviewed 50 proposals before selecting Muncie. In June 1992, a grand opening was held at the current location. Since then, the site has grown substantially, becoming a haven for modelers all over the nation.

In addition to the museum and flying areas, the AMA's administrative and meeting spaces are located there, ensconced in a very modern building that resembles a stylized airport control tower.

I'd visited there before, alone, but returned with my wife and parents. My dad is an old modeler from way back. He grew up buying models, both static and flying, at a small hobby shop in Marion.

The replica hobby shop and all the great, old models on display brought back a lot of memories for him.

We didn't get to visit on a day when model airplanes were flying at the AMA. Instead, a group of model rocketry enthusiasts were there, launching their creations over green, grassy fields. We all got a kick out of that, as some of the rockets were pretty big and let out a sort of roar when they took off. They'd streak across the sky then gently descend via parachute.

Any of you modelers out there - old or young - are sure to appreciate the AMA headquarters and museum. It's just a short drive up there to see one of the neatest attractions in East Central Indiana. Be sure to check their schedule to see museum hours, etc.

To learn more about the AMA, go to their national headquarters in Muncie, or visit their website at [www.modelaircraft.org](http://www.modelaircraft.org). Enjoy!



## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I just wanted to say, here we go again with more turmoil in Washington, D.C., with she said-he said.

I think it's time this nonsense stopped. The country needs to stop fighting and start doing what's right for the good of the people and our country before it's too late.

And some of these old men with white hair (or no hair) who are way past retirement age, and who are wealthy beyond belief, should go home and let someone else who wants to save the United States from death have a chance to solve our problems.

I for one am sick and tired of Donald Trump walking around blaming everyone for his own stupidity when he is to blame for his own mistakes. He's so conceited and full of himself.

Indiana needs to take a good long look at our state. We have a lot of crime - killings about every day; shootings; and some people killing their babies and young children, taking the lives of their entire families. Do something about loose guns in the hands of mentally ill persons before it's too late.

Now that Mr. Kavanaugh has been made a judge of the highest court in the land, may he keep his promise to be fair and honest. At least he wasn't accused of paying women off for sexual favors, like D.T., who thinks he can do anything he wants and get away with it. I don't know how any woman - porn star or not - could do that for the sake of money. No wonder he's been married three times. And they run down Bill Clinton.

You know God's not going to let some of this evil go on in the world forever. One of these days, he's going to put his foot down. Will we be ready for that?

I want to say thank you to all our veterans, those who are gone and those who are still here. They are the ones who have made America great, not some person in Washington, D.C. Don't let him divide us with all his lies.

Please get out and vote while you still can, before we lose that right, because some of those people would like to take that right away from us.

May God bless us all who believe in him. And may He forgive America for her sins and protect her from evil.

Virginia Peters  
Kennard

Dear Editor,

Now personally I am not a person who generally likes to get too involved in politics. I prefer to be on the sidelines and like most of us just complain.

Well this year I guess I will have to rethink my involvement. You see my nephew Tom Ferkinhoff is running for the U.S. House of Representatives for Indiana District 6 as the Libertarian Candidate. I have always considered myself a left leaning Republican or right leaning Democrat, in other words a moderate (none of which is in either party anymore). So when Tom told me what his plan was and shared his beliefs, I began to think more and more about my politics. I took a look at the Libertarians and then decided to learn more about what they actually stand for.

Like most people I knew very little about the Libertarian Party and always thought I would be "throwing my vote away". I discovered there is a bit of Libertarian in almost all of us. I would simply suggest that you first look at the Libertarian Party @ [www.lp.org](http://www.lp.org) and see what you think. I bet you will find more than you realize.

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## Fine Poets Able to Condense Big Ideas

(Originally published March 20, 2017)

"Morning is when I'm awake and there is a dawn in me ... To be awake is to be alive ... We must learn to reawaken and keep ourselves awake, not by mechanical aids, but by an infinite expectation of the dawn." — Henry David Thoreau, Walden

I, too, am an early bird. This is the time of day when I am most energetic, and then around noon the rot sets in!

In early June, Bill and I visited Vivian Forst who has just celebrated her one-hundred-sixth birthday. Her mind is still sharp, and she has remained engaged and connected. She has strong opinions and pithy comments about politics, events, and society. Let it be a lesson to me!

The young artist, Everett Ruess who specialized in woodblocks, wrote the words that I used as the title of this essay in one of his voluminous journals. He was a solitary, but friendly vagabond who walked up the California coast from Los Angeles to San Francisco and became acquainted with, for example, Ansel Adams, the wonderful photographer of Yosemite. Mormon ranchers in Utah and Arizona Indians befriended him. He was absolutely fearless and

wandered through southern Utah and northern Arizona with only his packhorse for company.

He was only 20 — really little more than a boy — when he disappeared in 1934 in the wilderness of Southern Utah in what became a great, unsolved mystery. Bill and I have driven several times through



that area north of the Grand Canyon which was still marked "unexplored" on the road map when we were young. Even today towns and ranches are sparse, and it bespeaks the freedom of vast, open spaces.

Ruess was virtually drunk on his love of natural beauty. Few of us are swept up in such a single-minded passion. Although his road was short, he traveled it with a great intensity of spirit, self-knowledge and excitement. I wouldn't

want to be so focused and isolated from the mainstream, but, as did Thoreau, he reminds me to live intensely and with awareness. He asked, "What time is it? It's time to live!"

Even though his journey through life was so brief, it was filled with beauty and adventure. I understand that each of our lives is a journey and an exploration whose length is less important than the experiences that we cram into it.

Fine poets see with a sharp eye and compress complex ideas into a few words. Constantine Cavafy, Greece's greatest modern poet, wrote about the wanderings of Ulysses who struggled to reach his home island of Ithaca after the Trojan War, encountering monsters and great danger along the way:

*"As you set out for Ithaca  
hope that your road is a long one,  
full of adventures, full of discovery.*

*Laistrygonians, Cyclops,  
angry Poseidon—don't be afraid of them:*

*You'll never find things like that  
on your way  
as long as you keep your  
thoughts raised high,  
as long as a rare excitement*  
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# BITS & PIECES

◆**Desserts with Democrats** will take place at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, at Henry County Democrat Headquarters, 201 N. Main St., New Castle. For more information, call Waynetta Dunn at 765-571-0083. Check out the Henry County Democratic Facebook page for contact and more updates.

◆**Raysville Friends Church**, 9219 S. Meridian St., will host a **free area-wide cookout** at the church on Saturday, Oct. 27, from 4-6 p.m. following the Trunk-or-Treat event on the Knightstown Public Square. All are welcome!

◆**Spiceland Friends Church**, 401 W. Main St., will host its 49th annual **Holiday Bazaar** on Saturday, Nov. 10, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. The event will feature a variety of

booths and lunch will be served until 1:30 p.m. A quilt, made by ladies from the church, will be raffled with raffle tickets costing \$1 for one or six for \$5.

◆**Henry County Democrats' Jefferson-Jackson Dinner** is Saturday, Oct. 27, at 5 p.m. Dinner, catered by Temptations, is at 6 p.m. Speakers and candidates will speak at 7 p.m. The event will take place at the New Castle Armory, 1537 Grand Ave. For \$25 advance tickets, send check to the Henry County Democrat Central Committee, 9364 Central Ave., Shirley, IN 47384 or call Democrat Central Committee Chairwoman Waynetta Dunn at 765-571-0083 or Treasurer Terry Troxell at 317-650-1103. Check out the Henry County

Democratic Party Facebook page for contact and more updates.

◆**Everyone** who joins the Arbor Day Foundation in October will receive **10 free trees** as part of the Foundation's Trees for America program. To receive the 10 free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Trees, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by September 30, 2018, or join online at [arborday.org/september](http://arborday.org/september).

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

◆**Historic Knightstown's summer hours** for the museum on the west side of Knightstown's Public Square 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.

*News items for Bits & Pieces may be submitted to [thebanner@embarqmail.com](mailto:thebanner@embarqmail.com). Articles may be edited for length and clarity.*

## Rush County's Drug Take-back Day Set for Saturday, Oct. 27

"Don't be a Dealer" is the theme for the upcoming DEA National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on Oct. 27. Locally the Drug Take Back Day runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the 13th Street parking lot of Rush Memorial Hospital. To make it convenient, you can drive through and drop your items in a large container that a law enforcement officer is holding. If that is not a good time for you, put it in the drop box in the lobby of the Rushville Police Department or the lobby of the Rush County Sheriff's Department anytime. There's no cost and no questions will be asked.

According to Clean Green Rush, an often-asked question regards personal information on pill bottles. No one goes through the collection. Officers don't even want to touch it. They close up the container, seal it, and deliver it for disposal. You can be assured that your information is safe. We prefer you leave it in the original container; but if it gives you more peace of mind, dump it into another container before you bring it or use a permanent marker to strike out your information. The important message here is dispose of it properly.

Rush Memorial Hospital, Rush County Health Department, Rush2Health (our health coalition), Clean Green Rush, Rushville Police Department and the Rush County Sheriff's Department have organized

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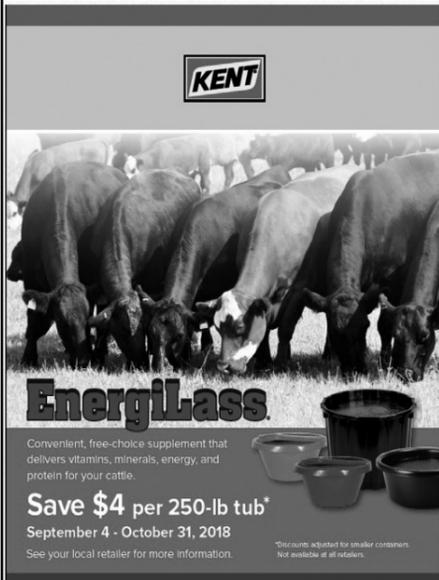


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## Brazilian Foreign Exchange Student Finding a New Home in Halls of Knightstown High School

by Logan Cox  
for The Banner

Hailing from one of the largest metropolitan areas in southern Brazil, Maina Stock is Knightstown High School's latest foreign exchange student. Her first visit to the United States has presented her with many fresh, new experiences.

"I really like America in general," said Stock. "All the places that I've visited are gorgeous - from the modern buildings in New York to the nature in Wisconsin. It's also amazing to see how people have so many opportunities here. And, of course, the food is awesomely delicious."

As an exchange student, she is staying in the home of KHS French teacher Jill Tully and her husband, Cris. Stock has developed a good relationship with them as well as their daughter, Jaime, son, Brad, and the Knightstown community.

"They are an awesome host family, it's really nice to have them always with me," she said. "Even though Knightstown is really different from where I live in Brazil, I like it a lot! The community is awesome. Everyone is extremely nice and friendly, which made me feel at home so quickly that now it seems that I have been here for all my life."

She's also made several fond memories as a student at KHS. For instance, she recalled a humorous instance of mistranslation during her first week. Stock received many puzzled looks when referring to her menstrual pain as "pranks."

"I was kind of mad and confused," she explained. "And then, at the end of the day, when I was having dinner with my host family, I mention that I'm having 'pranks' and my host sis just asked 'you are with what?' And I say 'pranks, period's belly pain' and then everyone just starts cracking up laughing. Then they explain to me that it is 'cramps' not 'pranks.' Well, the other day I was telling my friends, and everyone just started laughing. Now every time one of my friends is with cramps we call it 'pranks.'"



In her homeland, Stock is a downtown resident of Porto Alegre, a city of roughly 1.7 million citizens.

"I know it seems huge, but it really isn't that much. I've studied in the same small private school since I was two, where everyone knows each other just like Knightstown High School," said Stock. "I have a lot of friends there that I miss a lot! It's mostly hot weather all year, which I like a lot. I mean, the coldest it gets is 55 degrees and it's pretty rare to happen. We have beautiful beaches just 40 minutes from home, I miss this a lot, too."

After high school, Stock hopes to enter the medical field and become a physician. She also wishes to eventually live outside of Brazil, possibly pursuing a college education in Canada or Australia.

"I'm still trying to figure the best way to manage these two dreams together, which isn't an easy task to do at all," she said.

"Even if I won't be able to do all my college abroad, I would like one part of it, or even maybe my residency after."

Stock explained that the reason she doesn't see a future for herself in Brazil is due to a variety of factors having to do with the country's troubling sociopolitical climate.

"It's mainly because Brazil does not have many opportunities for people who really want to study and make big achievements in any research field right now," said Stock. "It's really sad to say that in a country with a lot of intelligent people, but it's true."

She views living in more developed countries as being ideal because they have more suitable environments to eventually build a family and future.

"People are just getting blind with rage by politics," she said. "The levels of violence are increasing really fast and I would not like to raise children in a country like this, even though it is my home. It's part of life, but I hope some day the country could be over this."

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## Facebook Poll Shows Carthage Wants Trick-or-Treating on Oct. 27

by Jeff Eakins  
for The Banner

Taking a cue from feedback received on a social media website, the Carthage Town Council voted last week to set local trick-or-treating for Saturday, Oct. 27.

Council member John Hancock said during the council's Oct. 8 monthly meeting that he had taken a poll on Facebook to see when the public preferred trick-or-treating to be held. Of the 84 responses he said were received, 55 favored Saturday, Oct. 27, with the remaining 29 advocating for Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Hancock and Council Vice President Kelly Land made and seconded, respectively, a motion to allow trick-or-treating in town

from 6-8 p.m. on Oct. 27. With support from Council President Rachael Brown and council members Ashley Davis and Charlie Watkins, the motion passed 5-0.

Carthage Town Marshal Danny Baker asked the council if he should purchase glow necklaces and bracelets for local kids again this year, but Brown said these items were troublesome for those handing them out. Davis suggested Baker get glow sticks instead, and she also asked that council members each donate a bag of candy that can be handed out to local trick-or-treaters.

In other business at its Oct. 8 monthly meeting, the Carthage Town Council:

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### LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF INDIANA IN THE HENRY CIRCUIT COURT 1  
COUNTY OF HENRY, SS: CASE NUMBER: 33C01-1809-EU-000082

IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE  
OF ELIZABETH JEAN COBBS, Deceased

#### NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that Melinda A. Gerrish, Petitioner, was on the 12th of September, 2018 appointed Personal Representative of the Unsupervised Estate of Elizabeth Jean Cobbs, who died on the 2nd day of September, 2018.

All persons having claims against said estate, whether now due, must file the same 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, or the claim will be forever barred.

Dated at New Castle, Indiana, this 16th day of October, 2018.

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Dated at New Castle, Indiana, this 9th day of October, 2018.

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### LEGAL NOTICE

#### REQUEST FOR BIDS SNOW REMOVAL TOWN HALL

The TOWN OF KENNARD hereby requests and solicits bids from interested parties who wish to enter into a contract with the Town to remove snow and ice from the Town Hall sidewalks including the Post Office for the winter season of 2018 - 2019.

Sidewalks must remain clean of snow and must be salted when cleaned. Equipment and supplies (salt) are the responsibility of the bidder.

All Sealed bids should be marked "Snow Removal Bids-Town Hall".

All bids must be received by the Clerk located at 100 North Main Street, P.O. Box 167, Kennard, Indiana 47351 by no later than noon November 6th 2018. or emailed to townofkennard@gmail.com

The Council reserves the right to waive bid irregularities. The Council further reserves the right to reject all bids (10-17)

#### Rose Mary, from Page 4

*stirs your spirit and your body . . .*

*Hope your road is a long one.*

*May there be many summer mornings when,*

*with what pleasure, what joy,*

*you enter many harbors you're seeing for the first time;*

*may you stop at Phoenician trading stations*

*to buy fine things,*

*mother of pearl and coral, amber and ebony,*

*sensual perfumes of every kind—*

*as many sensual perfumes as you can:*

*and may you visit many Egyptian cities*

*to learn and go on learning from their scholars.*

*Keep Ithaca always in your mind.*

*Arriving there is what you're destined for.*

*But don't hurry the journey at all.*

*Better if it lasts for years,*

*so you're old by the time you reach the island,*

*wealthy with all you've gained on the way,*

*not expecting Ithaca to make you rich.*

*Ithaca gave you the marvelous journey.*

*Without her you wouldn't have set out.*

I don't know when I shall reach my "Ithaca." My life-journey has been filled with lovely mornings, pleasure, and people. I anticipate of new dawns yet to come.

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#### Notice of Acceptance of Bids

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All bids and proposals shall be properly and completely executed in accordance with the plans and specifications and will include a non-collusion affidavit as required by Indiana law. The bid envelope must be sealed and have the words "Bid Memorial Park Site Work" on the exterior.

A bid bond or certified check in an amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount bid must be submitted. A payment bond and performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price will be required by the successful bidder. It is anticipated that actual construction of the work will commence as soon as practical and each bidder shall be prepared to promptly enter into a Contracting Contract in the form provided with the plans and specifications, furnish a performance bond and commence work without delay in the event the contract is awarded to the bidder.

The plans and specifications, instruction to bidders, and form construction contract will be available for examination in the following locations:

Board of Commissioners of Henry County  
101 South Main Street  
New Castle, IN 47362

Seig Surveying, Inc.  
28208 State Rd. 1, Suite 106  
West Harrison, IN 47060

Copies of the drawings, instructions and other documents may be obtained from Seig Surveying, Inc. at the above address or by contacting Seig Surveying, Inc. at 812-623-6700 or by email at: robseig@seigsurveying.com.

Each bidder shall be responsible for assuring that it has obtained a complete set of drawings, plans, specifications and other contract documents and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets of plans, specifications, drawings and other documents.

All bidders must comply with the provisions of Indiana Code §5-16-13 and all other provisions of applicable law.

The Board of Commissioners of Henry County, Indiana reserves the right to hold any and all bids or proposals for a period of not more than sixty (60) days and said bids or proposals shall remain in full force and effect during such period. The Board of Commissioners of Henry County, Indiana reserves the right to waive any minor informality, irregularity or omission in any bid and to reject or cancel any and all bids, solicitations or proposals as provided by Indiana Code §36-1-12-4. Any questions regarding the plans or specifications should be directed to Rob Seig at the above listed telephone number or email address.

The Board of Commissioners of Henry County, Indiana (10/17-10/24)

# FOLKWAYS

## KHS Senior Addison Koehler Nominated for Encore Awards

Knightstown High School senior Addison Koehler has been nominated for three Encore Awards. Koehler was nominated for Best Lead Actress in a Musical, Best Female Singer and for Best Performer Under the Age of 18 in a Musical. Her nominations are for her role in Dogfight, a musical produced by the Buck Creek Players in Indianapolis.



The awards are presented by the Encore Association, a nearly 50-year-old organization comprised of nonprofessional theater groups in Indiana. The annual awards ceremony is held in the fall to recognize and honor the best of the previous theatrical season. This year's 49th annual Encore Awards ceremony will take place Oct. 29 at The Toby theater in the Indianapolis Museum of Art.

## DNR Finds Boxwood Blight in Plants Shipped from Oregon

The DNR Division of Entomology & Plant Pathology has discovered that a shipment of boxwood plants infected with boxwood blight was shipped to Indiana in May.

This is important because boxwood blight (*Calonectria pseudonaviculata*) is a fungal disease that infests members of the popular Buxaceae family, and is often transported through the nursery trade. Hosts include *Buxus* (boxwood), *Pachysandra* (Japanese spurge) and *Sarcococca* (sweetbox).

In total, 23 stores in Indiana received infected material in early spring (particularly "Graham Blandy" cultivar), and it's possible that members of the public inadvertently purchased some plants.

The fungus, which can lay dormant in drier conditions, can be found on all above-ground portions of the plant and presents itself as dark leaf spots. It causes rapid defoliation, which typically starts on the bottom of the plant and moves toward the top. This fungal pathogen can move through sporulation in water and from dropped leaves. As a result, infection can spread to surround-

ing plants from a single infected plant.

If you suspect one of your plants shows signs and symptoms of boxwood blight, please call (866) NO EXOTIC (866-663-9684) use the information at [dnr.IN.gov/entomolo](http://dnr.IN.gov/entomolo).

For more information on this pathogen see the following link [extension.purdue.edu/extmedia/BP/BP-203-W.pdf](http://extension.purdue.edu/extmedia/BP/BP-203-W.pdf)

A DNR inspector found the plants at a national chain home and garden store in early October. The shipment originated at a nursery in Oregon. It was also sent to stores in 11 other states.

Upon confirmation of boxwood blight on these plants by the Purdue Plant and Pest Diagnostic Lab, the DNR required that the chain remove all boxwood from their shelves for disposal and that the stores mitigate the area through disinfection to ensure that the pathogen is no longer present and able to infect further shipments of plants.

The DNR is currently surveying for boxwood blight in Indiana. To date, the DNR has not found the pathogen, except for a few interceptions like this one.

### Exchange, from Page 6

Nevertheless, she is still open in admitting that her homeland remains very dear to her.

"Even though Brazil has a lot of things that I don't appreciate, mainly in the tough political moment that the country is passing through now, it's a gorgeous country with a lot of beauty, nature and awesome people that are always ready to make new friends and make a party for every imaginable reason. I love and miss it a lot," said Stock. "No matter where I am, a little bit of Brazil will always be in me."

## KHS Graduate Derek Heim Earns Full Tuition at Ball State



Ball State senior Derek Heim, of Knightstown, has been named a Centennial Scholar and awarded full, in-state tuition for the 2018-2019 academic year.

Heim is one of 18 Centennial Scholars, selected for their strong scholarship, service to their professions and commitment to community engagement and Ball State.

"This is the proudest moment of my life," Heim said. "I love Ball State University, and receiving this scholarship really means a lot to me. I feel honored, appreciated and valued, but most importantly, I feel accepted."

Heim is pursuing a major in public relations with minors in communication studies, history, and women's and gender studies. He is the president of the Ball State Chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America and the executive director of public relations at the McKinley Avenue Agency. Following graduation, Heim plans to attend graduate school and eventually become a professor and a communications director at a nonprofit.

"I made Ball State my home four years ago, and it is going to be very hard to say goodbye," he said. "Ball State has given me the experiences and the guidance that I need to excel in my personal, academic and professional life."

Ball State President Geoffrey S. Mearns commended the students for their endeavors on and off campus.

"Their academic and civic accomplishments reflect our University's enduring values – values that have guided this institution through our proud past and will continue to be a source of inspiration for our bright future," he said.

For more information on Ball State's Centennial, visit [bsu.edu/100](http://bsu.edu/100).

## 49th Annual Holiday Bazaar

Spiceland Friends Church, 401 W. Main St.

**Saturday, Nov. 10, 8 am-2 pm**

**Booths:** Stuffed Toys & Miscellaneous Sewing – Velvet & Quilted Santas – Jellies & Jams – Dips to Taste – Ceramics – Quilted Bags & Billfolds – Barbie Doll Clothes – Soaps & Chapsticks - Handmade Baskets  
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## Panther Football Team Finishes Regular Season at 8-1

*Knightstown Shares Tri-Eastern Conference Title with Hagerstown*

### Tri-Eastern Conference Football Final Regular Season Standings

School Name	TEC Record	Overall Record	Current Streak
Knightstown	7-1	8-1	8 wins
Hagerstown	7-1	7-2	3 wins
Centerville	5-3	5-4	1 loss
Union County	5-3	5-4	1 win
Northeastern	5-3	5-4	3 losses
Winchester	3-5	3-6	2 wins
Union City	3-5	3-6	2 losses
Tri	1-7	2-7	5 losses
Lincoln	0-8	0-9	9 losses

The Panthers pushed their winning streak out to eight wins after toppling Centerville 21-0 at home Friday night.

Knightstown ended its regular season with the best record it's had since 2005 when the Panthers went all the way to the state championship game.

Despite the cold and rainy conditions, Knightstown took control early in the first quarter with a 22-yard touchdown run by quarterback Jose Olivo, followed by the extra point on Devyn Schaetzle kick.

A long run by Kyler Burchett set up a two-yard run by Nick Walsh for another touchdown with 1:43 left in the first. Schaetzle was on the money again for the extra point attempt to give the Panthers

a 14-0 lead.

Though they didn't score in the second, the Panthers' defense never let, forcing turnovers by the Bulldogs. Centerville was even robbed of a touchdown when Olivo intercepted a pass in the end zone.

The second half started a little shakier with the Panthers fumbling on the kickoff and the Bulldogs grabbing possession.

But, again, Olivo turns the momentum back in the Panthers' favor when he strips the ball from a Bulldog, snatches the ball up and runs it back for another touchdown. Schaetzle's extra point puts the Panthers up 21-0.

Neither team scored in the fourth quarter and Knightstown held on for their eighth straight

win.

The Panthers will be back at home again Friday night for the their first round sectional game

**Panthers Post Best Record Since 2005**

against Union County. KHS defeated the Patriots 34-28 back on Sept. 1 in Liberty after inclement weather stopped the Friday night action and the Panthers had to return the next morning to finish the job.

Kickoff Friday is 7 p.m.

### Panthers to Host Union County in First Round Sectional Game

Knightstown will face Union County for the second time this season in the first round game of class 2A's sectional 37.

The Panthers (8-1), hoping to keep their widely-successful season going, will host the Patriots (5-4) Friday, Oct. 19 at Don Willard Field. Kick-off is 7 p.m.

Other teams in sectional 37 includes Eastern Hancock, Heritage Christian, Centerville, Indianapolis Seccina, Triton Central and Milan.

The Royals (3-6) travel to Heritage Christian (5-4) for their first round sectional game Friday. Eastern Hancock lost to Eagles 6-33 back on Sept. 7.

The Bulldogs (5-4) will also head to Indianapolis for their first round sectional game to face class 2A's second-ranked Seccina (8-1).

Milan (6-3) will host fourth-ranked Triton Central (8-1) on Friday in its first round game.

The winner of the Knightstown and Union County game faces the winner of the Triton Central-Milan game next Friday, Oct. 26.

The winner of the Eastern Hancock and Heritage Christian game will compete against the winner of the Centerville and Seccina game next Friday for the sectional semifinal.

Though the Panthers will be at home, the free student admission policy at Knightstown will not apply to tourney games. Admission is \$6 per person.

Posters and banners are not allowed during Indiana High School Athletic Association tourney games.

Battery-powered or electronic noise makers, fireworks, recorded music, sirens or whistles are also not permitted. Throwing of articles like toilet paper or baby powder will also be cause of expulsion from the game.

#### KNIGHTSTOWN INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

##### Passing

Jose Olivo - 5 of 8 for 46 yards, 1 interception

##### Rushing

J. Olivo - 16 carries for 133 yards, 1 TD  
Nick Walsh - 14 carries for 131 yards, 1 TD  
Kyler Burchett - 2 carries for 32 yards

##### Receiving

Cooper Strawsma - 2 receptions for 24 yards, 1 fumble lost  
Max Muncy - 1 reception for 15 yards  
N. Walsh - 2 receptions for 7 yards

##### Interceptions, Sacks, Fumbles, Etc.

J. Olivo - 1 interception for 40 yards, 1 fumble caused and recovered for 70-yard touchdown  
Parker Schook - 2 sacks for 16-yards loss  
Liam Orcutt - 1 sack for 8-yard loss

Sam Thomas - 1 sack for 8-yard loss, 1 fumble recovered

Aiden Orcutt - 1 fumble recovered  
C. Strawsma - 2 pass deflections  
James Lukens - 1 pass deflection  
Ben Newby - 1 pass deflection

##### Kicking

D. Schaetzle - 4 kickoffs for 105 yards, 3-for-3 on points after touchdowns  
N. Walsh - 3 punts for 95 yards

##### Total Tackles (solo+assists)

Ben Newby - 24; Sam Thomas - 15; Aiden Orcutt - 14; James Lukens - 11; Jose Olivo - 11; Kyler Burchett - 10; Liam Orcutt - 8; Parker Schook - 5; Nick Walsh - 5; Walker Gorman - 5; Cooper Strawsma - 4; Landon Carmichael - 4; Max Muncy - 4; Michael Watson - 2; Colton Piper - 1.

## Titans Heading to North Decatur for First Round of Class 1A Sectional 46

Tri's football team suffered another tough loss on the road last Friday against Union County, falling 30-16 to end its regular season at 2-7.

The Titans will be back on the road for class 1A's sectional 46 beginning Friday night.

In the first round of football sectional 46, Edinburgh (0-8) trav-

els to Cambridge City Lincoln (0-9), Oldenburg Academy (5-5) is at Hagerstown (7-2), South Decatur (3-7) goes to Indianapolis Lutheran (6-3) and Tri (2-7) travels to North Decatur 5-4).

The winner of the Edinburgh-Lincoln game takes on the winner of the Oldenburg-Hagerstown game in the sectional semifinal the

following Friday, Oct. 26.

The winner of the South Decatur-Lutheran game faces the winner of the Tri-North Decatur game play in the sectional semifinal Friday, Oct. 26.

The winners of the two semifinal games will compete for the sectional championship Friday, Nov. 2.

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Sign up for this year's Knightstown boys basketball leagues is going on now for boys in grades kindergarten through sixth grade.

Registration runs through Friday, Oct. 19. Cost is \$40.

Sign up forms can be picked up at Knightstown Elementary School or Knightstown Intermediate School.

League games will be played from Oct. 22 through Dec. 18.

For more information, contact Guy Louks at 765-491-8144 or gylouks@yahoo.com.

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# LOCAL SPORTS

## Lady Panthers Fall in Sectional Championship to Triton Central

### KHS Girls Beat Howe, Irvington Prep on Way to Title Game

After receiving the best draw in the sectional tourney bracket, Knightstown's volleyball team defeated Indianapolis Howe and Irvington Preparatory Academy to reach the sectional championship match Saturday.

But, that's where their tourney luck ended as they then faced the tough Triton Central team and their rowdy fans.

Triton Central stunned Shenandoah in the first round match last Thursday, coming from two sets down to defeat the Lady Raiders 3-2 and move on to the semifinals. The Lady Tigers then ended Eastern Hancock's season early Saturday, winning 3-0, before going on to beat Knightstown to win the sectional 4-2 title.

#### KHS vs. Indpls Howe

Knightstown had whipped Howe in the first match Thursday, swatting down the Hornets 25-13, 25-6 and 25-10.

Senior Maggie Smith led the attack for the Lady Panthers in the match against Howe. She had 10 kills, one serving ace, one dig, four assists and came up with four serve receptions.

Sophomore Rena Witham, the team's main setter, provided 30 assists during the match and made eight kills, aced five serves, two digs.

Junior Trinidie Newby also had eight kills and three serve receptions.

Freshman starter Paige Personett added eight kills, two serving aces and came up with five serve receptions.

Another freshman getting more time on the court as the season progressed was Chloe Kingston. She made three kills, one dig and one serve reception.

Junior Alyssa Northern had two kills, one serving ace.

Senior Hailey Marshall made two kills

Senior Lexy Goodpaster added one kill, one dig, and provided one assist. She also received two serves successfully.

Freshman Alicia Knapp had one kill and one serving ace.

Sophomore Cara Mullen aced two serves as did junior Katie Clark. Freshman Taeler Mayhew and Clark also had on dig each.

Junior Sierra Heady successfully received four serves.

#### KHS vs. Irvington Prep

In the sectional semifinal, the Lady Panthers easily defeated Irvington Prep Academy. KHS took all three sets 25-13, 25-6 and 25-13.

Witham had another outstanding game with seven kills, 11 digs, four serving aces and provided 22 assists.

Personett finished with seven kills, four digs, one serving ace, one assist and two serve receptions.

Smith made six kills, five serving aces, two digs, one block, two assists and six serve receptions.

Newby tallied six kills, two assists, one block, one dig and six serve receptions.

Northern had two kills, one serving ace, one dig and one assist.

Clark served three aces and made one dig.

Heady made two digs and serve receptions.

Knapp had two kills while Mayhew and Kingstown each made one kill.

Goodpaster added one dig.

#### KHS vs. Triton Central

The Lady Panthers were unable to find a way to break through against Triton Central in the sectional championship match Saturday night.

Triton Central dominated KHS 25-13, 25-7 and 25-16.

Witham came up with 28 digs in the game and provided 11 assists. She added two kills, one block

Personett rose to the challenge, posting three kills, one block, eight digs and successfully receiving 12 serves.

Newby finished with three kills, one block, nine digs and 12 serve receptions.

Smith had two kills, five digs, one serving ace and came up with 11 serve receptions.

Heady tallied five digs, one assist and nine serve receptions.

Goodpaster had two digs and five serve receptions.

Northern made two kills and one dig.

Marshall had one kill and three digs.

Kingston added one kill and Clark had two digs. Mullen also got one dig.

The Lady Panthers finished the season with a 15-19 record overall and were 3-5 in the Tri-Eastern Conference.



Knightstown's Trinidie Newby whips the ball down hard in one of her many impressive kills Thursday evening in the Lady Panthers' first round sectional match against Howe. (Stacy Cox photo)



Knightstown sophomore Rena Witham (left) smiles as she prepares to serve during the Lady Panthers first round sectional match. Witham topped the TEC with 89 aces this season. She was also first in the TEC in digs with 485.



At right, freshman Paige Personett provides interference at the net. (Stacy Cox photos)

## Knightstown Volleyball's Three Seniors Leave Behind Positive Spirit



Knightstown volleyball team's only seniors - Lexy Goodpaster, Maggie Smith and Hailey Marshall - posed for a photo prior to their first match this season back on Aug. 13. (Stacy Cox photo)

Knightstown varsity volleyball's three seniors Maggie Smith, Hailey Marshall and Exelus Goodpaster know their years on the court as Lady Panthers will be time they won't forget.

Despite the up and down season, the three gained more than the win/loss record reveals.

"I was extremely blessed to take part in the Knightstown volleyball program the last four years," Smith said. "The record for this year did not show how strong the team's bond was. Our overall goal was to connect as a team and leave it all on the floor, while having fun on the court."

There was no doubt the girls reached that goal in match after match. They often faced much taller and stronger girls on the other side of the net but they kept working and getting better. And, the team always seemed to find a way to keep their smiles and positive spirit.

"I loved who my teammates were during my last year of volleyball," said Marshall. "We all worked so good together. We all bonded and became closer during the season."

The camaraderie was always evident between the

seniors and the younger players, whether on the court or cheering from the bench.

Goodpaster, who was just recognized as Academic All-State this week by the Indiana High School Volleyball Coaches Association, credits volleyball with her helping her grow in other aspects of her life.

"Playing Knightstown volleyball taught me many things on the court, but most importantly is what it has taught me off the court - dedication, reliability and how to have confidence, to name just a few," stated Goodpaster. "I appreciate everything the program has done for me over the past four years."

The leadership and attitude displayed by the seniors will likely lasting effect on a program some talented players coming up.

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# A Look Back at Fall Sports Season



Knightstown sophomore Ben Sander works the ball up the field against a Connersville opponent.



Tri's quarterback Syrus Butler had a big role to fill this year. The sophomore took over the leadership role after Alex Melton graduated last May.



Knightstown sophomore Chase Richmond led the junior varsity Panthers from the quarterback position to a win over Northeastern earlier this month.



Freshman Alicia Knapp got some action during the first round of the Lady Panthers' sectional match against Indianapolis Howe and put a kill on the stat sheet.



After a few rough interactions between Panther and Irvington Prep players during their match, Knightstown's Levi Northern made sure he got the official's attention this time.



Senior Lexy Goodpaster comes up with the reception on an Indianapolis Howe serve during their sectional match recently as teammate Sierra Heady watches.

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Carthage, from Page 6

\*heard monthly reports from Baker and Works Manager Josh Douglas; \*received brief updates from Dave Kieser of Kieser Consulting Group LLC, Lawrence, on the town's efforts to obtain a Community Crossings Initiative grant from the Indiana Department of Transportation for 2019, and on a comprehensive plan Kieser's firm helped the town draft;

\*was introduced by Baker to James Doty, a new volunteer reserve officer with the Carthage Police Department, and was told another new reserve officer not in attendance, Kelly Osborne, had also been appointed to the CPD by Baker, bringing the department's reserve roster to eight officers; and

\*was advised by the town's attorney, Adam Forrest, that town ordinance prohibits utility customers from discharging sump pumps into the town's sewer system, with fines for violating this ordinance being up to \$2,500 a day.

More information about the Oct. 8 monthly meeting of the Carthage Town Council can be found in the memoranda and minutes of that proceeding. Those public records should be available for inspection and copying at Cathage Town Hall, 6 W. First St., during normal business hours.

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**Take-back, from Page 5**

this local event as a reminder of this vital public safety and public health issue. Greg Pratt, RMH pharmacist and Rush County Health Department board member, pointed out, "With the present opioid crisis, we want to keep the importance of proper drug disposal top of mind. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to accidental poisonings, diversion, misuse and abuse."

Rush County is not immune to the tragedy of overdose and even death from drugs. Sheriff's Detective Randy Meek said, "The number of calls that law enforcement answers due to overdoses has risen as has the increase of home break-ins and thefts due to addicts looking to support a drug habit. Anything we can do to make drugs unavailable is important. This Take Back Day is another easy means of disposal."

People have questioned what happens to the drugs after

law enforcement collects them. With the DEA Take Back Program, law officers will maintain the chain of custody and drop off the collected material at the Federal Building in Indianapolis on the following Monday. The drugs placed in the courier drop boxes in the lobbies of the jail and the Rushville Police Department are hauled to Covanta in Indianapolis by the Sheriff's Department. Covanta has a huge commercial incinerator that offers free disposal as a community service. After the material is logged in and weighed, sheriff's deputies must witness the final disposal of the boxes as they are dropped into the fire. An annual average disposal is about 1,100 pounds of unwanted medication, according to Clean Green Rush.

The DEA Take Back Day has been ongoing for several years in April and October. The agency launched its pre-

scription drug take back program when both the Environmental Protection Agency and the Food and Drug Administration advised the public that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines - flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash - posed potential public safety and health hazards.

Clean Green Rush Director Carole Yeend cautioned, "From an environmental and health standpoint, if poured down the drains, most water treatment facilities cannot fully filter out all the antibiotics, hormones, and other chemicals from pharmaceuticals. Inadvertently you could get a dose of your own medicine (or someone else's) in your water supply."

Call Yeend if you have questions or concerns at 317-407-3221 or 765-938-1342.

**Letters, from Page 4**

After what I have seen in the past few weeks in Washington I am now more sure than ever that it is time for a real change. It is time to start changing who we send to Washington to represent US the people of the 6th District of Indiana. It is time to VOTE for someone who is willing to look out for the interests of the people and not the interest of a party. I believe if you will take the time to look seriously at Tom Ferkinhoff you will see why we need to have a man like Tom as our Representative for the 6th District. Go to [www.ferkinhoff2018.com](http://www.ferkinhoff2018.com) and look at Tom's campaign promises. As a fiscal conservative, Tom will represent our interests well.

I ask you to be sure to vote this year and I hope you, like me will vote for Tom Ferkinhoff, a Libertarian.

Lets make a real change.

**Marvin Ferkinhoff  
Brookville**

**Dear Editor,**

Several years ago, I had a friend in an accident with another motor vehicle. An insurance company offered what he thought was a fair settlement. He was about to accept their offer when a friend persuaded him to go to an outstanding TV-advertised attorney.

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offer - a tough lesson to learn.

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Since first writing this letter, I have learned of a factory worker in Greenfield who had the federal government tax him on an original settlement amount before lawyer fees and court costs were deducted. This added about \$3,000 to his loss. Ouch!

**William O'Neal  
Shirley**

**Dear Editor,**

Caroline Pranger is 14 years old, attends

Garrett Middle School, and enjoys hunting. This year's deer season has been especially exciting for her as she was able to shoot her first deer ever! Using her crossbow, she was able to get an 8-pointer on the closing night of Youth Season. Caroline also just donated her first deer...to Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry. Thank you so much Caroline! Your donation will help provide almost 200 meals in your community!

Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry would like to remind ALL hunters and landowners about our deer donation program! After you've filled your freezer, please help us to feed those in need in your area by donating to Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry's "Meat" the need initiative. Just take your deer in to your local meat processor/butcher shop and tell them you would like to donate it to Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry. There is no charge to you! Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry partners with 82 meat processors statewide and encourages the donation of large game and livestock to our "Meat" the Need initiative, raises financial support to pay processing fees on these donations, and gives this nutritious meat to local hunger relief agencies.

Some think that hunger only affects the homeless or poor, this is definitely not the case. It could be your neighbor, a friend, a classmate of your child that is going to bed hungry every night. The economy may be showing signs of improvement but many

hardworking Hoosiers are still living paycheck to paycheck, regularly having to choose between paying bills, getting much-needed medicines, and buying groceries. The struggle is real. When you have to live week-to-week, an unexpected bill of any sort (car repair, medical bill, etc..) can affect you immensely, throwing that already tight budget into a downward spiral. According to Feeding America's Map the Meal Gap, 31% of Indiana residents who work and who are food insecure don't qualify for food-assistance programs. These residents have to turn to charitable food assistance networks such as food banks, pantries, hunger ministries, etc...

The hardest commodity for these agencies to acquire is protein - which is an important component of every cell in the body, used to build and repair tissue, and one of the most valuable nutrients in the development and growth of a child. Unlike fat and carbohydrates, the body does not store protein, and therefore has no reservoir to draw on when it needs a new supply. Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry is working to provide this much-needed protein to the economically disadvantaged throughout Indiana. So please become part of this initiative and help us to make someone's life a little more hunger-free - donate a deer today!

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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.

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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.

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