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New Substation is Up and Running

Knichtstown's new substation project, which has been in the works for nearly two and a half years, is now up and running. A substation plays an important role in electricity distribution, serving to reduce the voltage of electrical power and to provide protection of the system during electrical faults in order to safely supply electricity to homes and businesses. Knightstown's former substation, built in 1950, was aging rapidly, and many of the parts in the substation were unable to be replaced due to its age. There were also frequent power outages due to the age of the substation, affecting reliability for residents and businesses within the community.

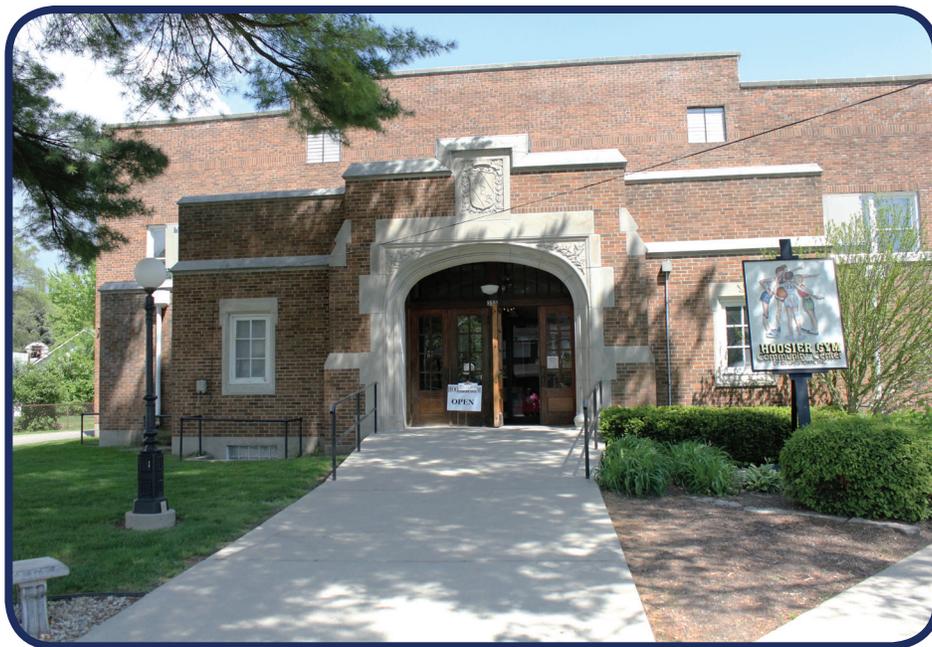
The town knew that it needed to replace the aging unit, and sought out help from ISC, the engineering subsidiary of the Indiana Municipal Power Agency, Knightstown's wholesale power provider, to complete this project. ISC completed both the design and the engineering work of the substation, ensuring that it will provide reliable power for decades to come. ●

Movie Hoosiers Celebrates 30 Years at Hoosier Gym

It seems hard to believe that the iconic movie *Hoosiers* was filmed 30 years ago, making Knightstown famous for its Hoosier Gym, which served as the home court to the Hickory Huskers in the movie. To celebrate the classic film, the nonprofit organization that operates the gym is planning a 30th Anniversary Party for the weekend of September 16th and 17th.

This two-day 30th Anniversary Celebration packs a full schedule. On Friday, September 16th, an autograph session with actors from the movie is tentatively planned for the afternoon. While the actors in attendance have not yet been announced, this event will be free and open to the public. Then, in the evening, the Hoosier Gym will host a showing of the movie *Hoosiers*, complete with a large movie screen stationed on the gym's stage. This event is free to the public; however, freewill donations will be accepted.

Then, on the evening of Saturday, September 17th, a celebratory banquet will take place at the gym, complete with catering from the Copper Kettle as well as keynote speeches by sportswriter Bob Hammel and Senior Vice President of Corporate, Community and Public Relations for the Indiana Pacers, Bill Benner. In addition, Angelo Pizzo, screenwriter of *Hoosiers*, as well as the director, David Anspaugh, will also be in attendance. Banquet attendees will have the opportunity to engage in a question and answer session with all of the guests of honor. Tickets to the banquet are \$50 a piece, and can be purchased over the phone by calling 1-800-668-1895, or by visiting the Hoosier Gym's website, www.thehoosiergym.com.



Pictured is the outside of the historic Hoosier Gym. The movie *Hoosiers*, which was partially filmed in this gym, celebrates its 30th anniversary this year.

Knightstown Receives Grant, Plans for Updates

In March, the Town of Knightstown received a Community Development Block Grant for \$40,000 from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs. This grant will provide funding for the town to complete a comprehensive plan, aimed at developing short and long range capital improvements and programs within Knightstown. The town has selected Kieser Consulting Group to assist the newly created Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee in creating the plan.

Kieser Consulting Group is no stranger to Knightstown, as the group is currently working with the Park Board to develop a five year park plan. This park plan will address a variety of issues, including developing a dual bicycle and pedestrian pathway, building a deck onto the Sunset Park Shelter House, improving access to fishing at the lake, and building a canoe and kayak launch area, among many other projects. The plan is a result of public meetings and surveys, which identified areas that residents were most interested in improving. The town's last park improvement plan expired in 2015, so this new plan will see Knightstown until 2021. Once the comprehensive town plan is complete, Knightstown will have not only an updated town plan, but will also have an updated master park plan as well. These two new plans will provide guidance and structure as Knightstown continues to evolve and grow into the future. ●

Tidbits & Trivia

Question: Which of the following is a benefit of being an IMPA community?

- a) Local, hometown service
- b) Low-cost service
- c) Reliability
- d) All of the above

Send your answer to the question to IMPA, and we will randomly select winners from all of the correct entries to receive an energy efficiency prize pack. Please send your name, e-mail address and address with your answer to:

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Save Energy This Summer!

As the warmer months approach, here are a few tips to help save energy during the spring months:

- Schedule regular maintenance for your cooling equipment
- Avoid placing lamps or TV sets near your room air-conditioning thermostat. The thermostat senses heat from these appliances, which can cause the air conditioner to run longer than necessary.
- Vacuum registers regularly to remove any dust buildup. Ensure that furniture and other objects are not blocking the airflow through your registers.
- If you use air conditioning, a ceiling fan will allow you to raise the thermostat settings about 4 degrees F with no reduction in comfort.

The best way to reduce your electric bill is to do everything you can to make your home more energy efficient. ●