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 Bellefontaine looks to get back on track against winless Arrows



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Army veteran David Lamb, standing, represented the Veteran Monument Project at the Bellefontaine Joint Recreation District Board of Trustees meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 1. (EXAMINER PHOTO | SHARYN KOPF)

Parks board approves new veteran memorial; pursues a \$10 million loan

BY SHARYN KOPF
 EXAMINER STAFF WRITER

Three local veterans approached the Bellefontaine Joint Recreation District (BJRD) Board of Trustees at their regular meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 1, with a heartfelt request: to establish a monument in downtown Bellefontaine for those who served their country more recently. The idea came out of one of their Vets to DC trips.

"We want to mark all wars and conflicts since Vietnam," Army veteran David Lamb told the board. There have been 13 such conflicts during that timeframe, including the Gulf War and Operation Enduring Freedom. As part of the Veteran Monument Project, Lamb provided an image of what they have in mind and said they'd like it to be near the town's Vietnam memorial but still separate. They plan to set it on

a 12 feet by 12 feet pad with a sidewalk. Kris Myers, parks superintendent, plans to work with the veterans to find the right spot. According to Lamb, they haven't started fundraising for the monument yet, adding, "This is our first step." The board unanimously approved the project. Next, the board heard from Bellefontaine Councilman Nick Davis, who serves as the parks

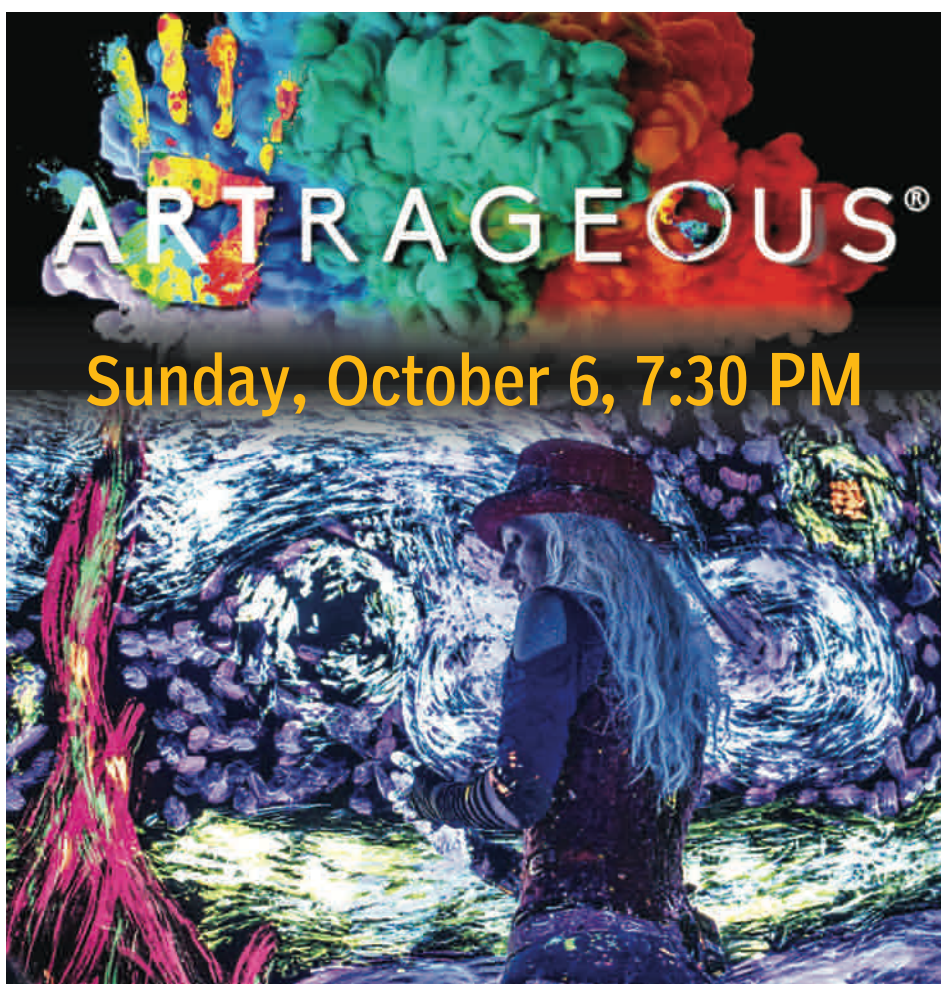
board liaison. Davis updated them on two council actions: the adoption of an ordinance accepting the donation of a strip of land north of the city cemetery, and the first-reading approval of an ordinance related to a bond initiative. That bond issue came up later in the meeting under new business. Board president Pat Ellis introduced the initiative, **See PARKS on P3**

HOLLAND PRESENTS

Fusion of art, music takes the stage for vibrant show

BY MANDY LOEHR
 EXAMINER STAFF WRITER

Audience members at the Holland Theatre are in for a rare treat this weekend, resembling an art and musical circus, when they get to watch a fusion of live, large-scale art created before their eyes on stage, being played out in tune with a rock concert filled with powerful vocals and imaginative movement. Artrageous brings this family-friendly, vibrant art adventure, geared for all ages, to the theater at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 6, presented by the Holland Theatre and LoCo Art. The internationally-traveling group, based in New Mexico, invites audience participation throughout the fully immersive show. Attendees are encouraged to arrive early to be among the first 200 guests to be treated to an Artrageous Artventure Pack, with props to utilize throughout the evening. "We want the audience to be involved, so that it's an experience they'll never forget," performer and longtime Artrageous member Lauri Francis said this week. "As soon as they walk into the theater, they'll be greeted by members of the troupe, handing out the Artventure kits. "There will be so many different types of moments throughout the show, from high energy to inspirational and poignant moments to a super fun set on the stage. While all of the above is going on,



Lauri Francis creates live art during a performance by Artrageous. (ARTRAGEOUS PHOTO)

we'll be creating live portraits and mural paintings." The audience members will have the chance to go on stage throughout different parts of the show, and after the intermission, the theater will transform into a "black light world," Francis said. A native of Canada, Francis has been a part of the troupe since its official inception about 12 years ago. Artrageous

traces its roots back to the 1980s when troupe members formed together in Kitsilano, British Columbia. Much like Cirque du Soleil, the group started as street performers, performing as clowns, jugglers and puppeteers for anyone who would stop by, according to www.artrageousshow.com. One of their first artistic endeavors was creating a non-profit

children's theatre troupe called "All and Everything Theatre," where members taught themselves the ancient Japanese art form of Bunraku Puppetry. This art form requires three

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Tickets can be purchased through the theater's website or box office at:
www.TheHolland.org
(937) 592-9002



Cranes usually running day and night are shut down during a strike by ILA members at the Bayport Container Terminal on Oct. 1, 2024, in Houston. (AP FILE PHOTO)

Could a 1947 law suspend the dockworkers' strike?

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some manufacturers and retailers are urging President Joe Biden to invoke a 1947 law as a way to suspend a strike by 45,000 dockworkers that has shut down 36 U.S. ports from Maine to Texas. At issue is Section 206 of the Labor Management Relations Act of 1947, better known as the Taft-Hartley Act. The law authorizes a president to seek a court order for an 80-day cooling-off period for companies and unions to try to resolve their differences. Biden has said, though, that he won't intervene in the strike. Taft-Hartley was meant to curb the power of unions. The law was introduced by two Republicans — Sen. Robert Taft of Ohio and Rep. Fred Hartley Jr. of New Jersey — in the aftermath of World War II. It followed a series of strikes in 1945 and 1946 by workers who demanded better pay and working conditions after the privations of wartime. President Harry Truman opposed Taft-Hartley, but his veto was overridden by Congress. In addition to authorizing a president to intervene in strikes, the law banned "closed shops," which require employers to hire only union workers. The ban allowed workers to refuse to join a union. Taft-Hartley also barred "secondary boycotts," thereby making it illegal for unions to pressure neutral companies to stop doing business with an employer that was targeted in a strike. It also required union leaders to sign affidavits declaring that they did not support the Communist Party. Presidents can target a strike that may "imperil the national health and safety." The president can appoint a board of inquiry to review and write a report on the labor dispute — and then direct the attorney general to ask a federal court to suspend a strike by workers or a lockout by management. If the court issues an injunction, an 80-day cooling-off period would begin. During this period, management and unions must "make every effort to adjust and settle their differences." Still, the law cannot actually force union members to accept a contract offer.

LOGAN COUNTY BOARD OF DD SUPPORTING PEOPLE TO PURSUE THEIR EMPLOYMENT DREAMS:

Celebrating career paths and inclusion

SUBMITTED BY THE LOGAN COUNTY BOARD OF DD

National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) was declared in 1988 by the United States Congress to raise awareness of the employment needs and contributions of individuals with all types of disabilities over the month of October. Access to good jobs for all abilities is the 2024 key message made by the Department of Labor. The Logan County Board of Developmental Disabilities (LCBDD) works with and supports provider employment agencies, as well as independent employers who support people to be successful in their jobs. There are currently 49 people with intellectual and developmental disabilities employed — in both part-time and full-time jobs — with 39 employers in Logan County. Jacob Hawk is an individual who benefits from LCBDD services and contributes to the Logan County community through his work.

Access to Good Jobs for All
 National Disability Employment Awareness Month



October is his favorite month, as he gets to celebrate his birthday with delightful treats such as cake, ice cream, and a free meal at his employer, McDonald's. Additionally, this year is special, as it marks his second National Disability Employment Awareness Month working for McDonald's, a Scott Family franchise. Jacob enjoys making others laugh and smile so that they have a better day. That is why working at McDonald's is a natural fit for the 34-year-old Bellefontaine man. "I love making people happy when I deliver their meals to them after they move up in the drive-thru line. So many people are happy to see me and my face gets to be a part of their day. I have a great face." Jacob has many different job duties at his workplace. "I clean anything that needs cleaned, greet people, stock, prepare food and whatever is on my list for the day," Hawk said.

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, Jacob was employed at Goodwill of Bellefontaine. After the pandemic was over, he began working with his SSA Kara Fanaff at the LCBDD to become gainfully employed again. Jacob opted to access employment assistance through Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities. They connected him to Brehon Technology, which quickly led him to his employment with the McDonald's location at 1780 S. Main St., Bellefontaine. Jacob also utilizes RTC services for continued employment supports. For Jacob, regaining his footing was crucial. The pandemic had cost him his job, leaving him uncertain about his future. His plans had been derailed, and prolonged unemployment only further hindered his ability to focus on building a sustainable and fulfilling life. Jacob was interested in working for the Scott Family McDonald's because they consider their **See INCLUSION on Page 5**

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ABE MARTIN



"Hain't it amazin' how a bathin beauty kin git her picture taken nearly naked an' still look modest and mature?"

Written prior, 1931, by Kin Hubbard, a world-famous newspaper humorist and father of late T.E. Hubbard, former Examiner owner/publisher

CHIEFTAIN ROYALTY SELECTED



Bellefontaine High School has selected its homecoming court royalty, who will lead spirit-filled festivities this week. Pictured, from the left, are Chloe Stolly, junior attendant; Ella Fullz, sophomore attendant; Hunter Kerns, king candidate; Ava Campbell, queen candidate; Tavien St. Clair, king candidate; Kate Myers, queen candidate; Braylon Newcomb, king candidate; Ava Reeves, queen candidate, and Sloan Stolly, freshman attendant. The homecoming parade is Thursday evening, Oct. 3, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the intersection of Main Street and Chillicothe Avenue. It will proceed south and turn left onto Washington Avenue, then turn right onto Harding Street and head into AcuSport Stadium.

All fall athletic teams, select clubs, BHS Marching Band, and homecoming court will be featured in the parade. The community pep rally will start around 7 p.m. in the stadium. The queen will be announced during pre-game festivities Friday night, Oct. 4. The king will be crowned on Saturday night, Oct. 5, at the dance, which starts at 8 p.m. The Bellefontaine Police Department hosts a tailgate party Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. at Blue Jacket Park, featuring free hamburgers, hot dogs, chips and water while supplies last. There will be games, bounce houses, law enforcement equipment, and giveaways. Bellefontaine (4-2) will host Tecumseh (0-6) in football Friday at 7 p.m. (TONY BARRETT PHOTO)

Ohio Hi-Point Career Center marks 50 year milestone today

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

The Ohio Hi-Point Career Center is celebrating a remarkable milestone — 50 years of preparing students to be career ready through career and technical education.

To celebrate this anniversary, OHP invites alumni, community members, and supporters to an All-Class Reunion and Community Event on today, from 3 to 7:30 p.m.

The event will take place at Ohio Hi-Point Career Center and feature live music, local food trucks, program demonstrations, and opportunities for alumni to reconnect with classmates and teachers. The public is welcome to explore the campus and learn more about the career programs that have shaped the futures of thousands of students.

"We're proud of our history and excited for the future," said OHP Superintendent Rick Smith. "This celebration isn't just about reflecting on our



achievements, but also about looking ahead to how we'll continue inspiring success in our students for the next 50 years."

Over the past 50 years, Ohio Hi-Point has continuously adapted to meet workforce demands, equipping students with the skills needed to succeed in their careers. Students can earn valuable industry credentials and college credits, preparing them to be employed, enrolled, or enlisted.

Since opening in 1974 with six programs, OHP has grown into a comprehensive career-tech institution, offering 19 on-campus pro-

grams and nearly 50 satellite programs. These range from agriculture, business, health care, and IT to automotive, welding, and construction. Students gain industry-recognized credentials and free college credits.

The Bellefontaine campus serves more than 700 high school juniors and seniors, while satellite programs reach more than 4,700 students in grades seven through 12.

For more information on the 50th Anniversary All-Class Reunion and Community Event, visit Ohio Hi-Point's Facebook event page or go to www.ohiohipoint.com.

Mary Rutan Health welcomes new orthopedic surgeon

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Mary Rutan Health announces the addition of Meaghan Tranovich, MD, to the Orthopedics and Sports Medicine team full-time this October.

A familiar face in the community, Dr. Tranovich has been a part-time orthopedic surgeon at Mary Rutan Health for the past few months, demonstrating her commitment to our community as she relocated to Logan County from her previous role as an orthopedic surgeon in Chillicothe.

Dr. Tranovich received her undergraduate degree from The Ohio State University and later attended Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine in Huntington, W.Va., where she graduated with her Doctor of Medicine degree.

After graduating, Dr. Tranovich completed an

orthopedic surgery residency at the University of Toledo Medical Center. Later, she completed an orthopedic sports medicine fellowship at the University of Iowa.

The orthopedic surgeon specializes in knee and shoulder arthroscopy, which includes rotator cuff and labral tears of the shoulder and ACL and meniscus tears in the knee, among other shoulder and knee issues. She has experience working with all types of athletes, including youth, high school, college, and those who want to return to their everyday activities.

"We are excited that Dr. Tranovich has chosen to join the Mary Rutan Orthopedics and Sports Medicine team full-time," said Chad Ross, Mary Rutan Health president and CEO.

"Her decision is a testament to the strength of our community and the quality of care we provide. Dr. Tranovich's experience as a general orthopedic surgeon and specialization in shoulder and knee arthroscopy will make it easier for our

community to stay local for the specialized care they need."

Dr. Tranovich joins Dr. Jason Anane-Sefah, Dr. Frank Fumich, Dr. Steven Haman, and Dr. Ryan McNeilan. This dynamic team offers expert specialization in hand, spine, trauma and joint replacement and performs an array of surgical procedures.

For serious athletes or those wanting to improve their quality of life, Mary Rutan Orthopedics and Sports Medicine can help prevent injury, restore function, and return our patients to activity. With the expert team and two convenient locations, Bellefontaine on the 3rd floor of the Mary Rutan Health Center and Urbana at the Mary Rutan Urbana Clinic, there is no need to drive to a larger city for orthopedic care.

To schedule an appointment, call the Bellefontaine office at (937) 599-1280 or the Urbana office at (937) 887-0164.

To learn more, visit www.maryrutan.org/orthopedics.

City leaf pick up schedule announced

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

The office of the Service-Safety Director, Wes Dodds, announces the leaf pick up schedule for the fall of 2024:

- Oct. 21, 22 and 23 — North of Columbus Avenue and east of Main Street.
- Oct. 24, 25 and 28 — South of Columbus Avenue and east of Main Street.
- Oct. 29 and 30 — South of Columbus Avenue and west of Main Street.
- Oct. 31 and November 1 — North of Columbus Avenue and west of Main Street.



After this schedule is completed a second round is tentatively scheduled as follows:

- Nov. 4, 5 and 6 — The Northeast sector.
- Nov. 7, 8 and 12 — The Southeast sector.
- Nov. 13 and 14 — The Southwest sector.
- Nov. 15 and 18 — The Northwest sector.

For the week of Oct. 14, the Street Department will pick up on an "on call basis."

You can e-mail them at wvolbrecht@ci.bellefontaine.oh.us or call (937) 592-1736.

Leaves need to be piled in the boulevard or as close to the street as possible, but not in the street or on the sidewalk. Do not park your vehicles in front of the piles, where the city's leaf machine cannot get to the leaves.

No other materials such as branches, brush or trash can be picked up by the leaf machine.

No bags will be accepted.

Remember, by law, the regular refuse collection is not allowed to pick up leaves or any other yard waste.

Also, per city ordinance, no person shall deposit, permit or allow any grass clippings, shrub or bush trimmings, flowers or any material on any street or alley which might wash into or clog any storm sewer.

Logan County Agriculture Impact Fund grants available

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

The Logan County Farm Bureau announces that the 2024 Logan County Agriculture Impact Fund grants and mini grant applications are now available.



The grant program was created from proceeds earned through the Logan County Farm Bureau Agriculture Impact Fund Reverse Raffle event hosted each year.

The purpose of the Impact Fund is to support projects and events that will expand and grow agriculture's footprint in the county and encourage youth development in agriculture. Grants will be offered to any organization, classroom or program in Logan County that promotes the well-being and enrichment of youth involved in our county's agriculture community.

The fund's grant applications are evaluated competitively and funds awarded must be for projects completed by Nov. 30, 2025. The grant projects must be over \$500 in order to apply.

In addition, the Logan County Farm Bureau also announces the expansion of the mini-grant program into the fall. The program is available to organizations, classrooms, or clubs that

teach agriculture concepts and are involved in youth development.

These grants are capped at \$500, and the county will award four projects this cycle.

Mini-Grant and Grant Timeline:

- All submissions may begin after Oct. 1.
- Grant Applications will be due Nov. 1.
- Mini-Grant Applications are due Nov. 15.

• Upon submission, grants will go through two review committees. All grant recipients will be notified by Dec. 1 regarding their applications.

"The goal and hope of our program is to award as many projects as we can to see agriculture's footprint expand in the county. In the previous seven years of the program, the county was able to award over \$65,000 in grant dollars for agriculture projects in our county," Senior Organization Director Jill Smith said.

"We hope you will share this opportunity within your organizations and schools so we can have a robust and creative set of applications."

Applications are available at the Farm Bureau website at www.ofbf.org/counties/logan.

For questions about the application, direct them to Smith at jsmith@ofbf.org or call the Farm Bureau office at (877) 775-7642.

LOCAL NOTES

Bikers for Santa event returns Oct. 5

The Logan County Bikers for Santa host their sixth annual toy run Saturday, Oct. 5, with a scenic tour of Logan County and all rides welcome.

Activities begin with registration starting at 9 a.m. at the Bellefontaine Moose Lodge 2563. Kick stands are up at 11 a.m. The cost is \$10 per person or a new, unwrapped toy of equal value.

The ride ends at Desperado's Bar & Grill in Huntsville, and includes a free meal for all paid participants, along with a raffle, auction and entertainment.

All funding will be given to Lutheran Community Services. For more information, call (937) 293-1174.

Praise in the Park features Christian artist

Jeremy Liles is set to perform at the "The Praise in the Park" at the Zanesfield United Methodist Church Sunday, Oct. 6.

The event takes place from 3 to 5 p.m. Take a lawn chair, and join in for music, food and fellowship. The event moves indoors in the case of rain.

■ BELLEFONTAINE BEAT

POLICE & FIRE

Theft of vehicle from dealership investigated

Officers of the Bellefontaine Police Department are searching for a vehicle that was stolen early Monday, Sept. 30, minutes after law enforcement nearly caught two suspects in the act of vandalizing the car.

Officers on patrol at approximately 4:11 a.m. responded to MIG Chrysler Dodge Jeep RAM, 1751 S. Main Street on a report of a white 2016 Dodge Charger parked in the lot with its headlights on.

Upon inspection, two suspects were spotted hiding behind the vehicle but fled the scene on foot when officers approached. The suspects, described as two young males dressed in all-black clothing and hoodies, were last seen running westbound toward south Main Street. Despite efforts from multiple officers, the suspects were not located.

Upon further investigation, officers found the rear passenger window of the Charger had been shattered, with glass both inside and outside the vehicle. The vehicle's doors were unlocked, and after checking the vehicle identification number, it was confirmed to be a 2016 Dodge Charger.

Law enforcement requested the car dealership's owner to permit them to tow the vehicle for further processing, but the owner of the dealership refused to allow the car to be towed. The vehicle had already been sold, officers were told, and the new owner was coming in from Missouri to pick up the car. The dealership would replace the busted window and complete the sale.

About 45 minutes later, around 7 a.m., a MIG service manager reported that the white Dodge Charger had been stolen from the lot. The manager heard a vehicle start outside and witnessed the Charger being driven off the lot southbound.

Local law enforcement agencies issued an alert of the vehicle. Not long after, an off-duty sheriff's deputy reportedly observed the stolen Charger traveling eastbound on U.S. Route 33 at speeds exceeding 100 miles per hour. The Charger was seen dangerously passing vehicles in the grassy median and along the right berm of the highway. Due to the high-risk nature of the pursuit, the deputy was unable to continue following the vehicle.

In addition to the Charger theft, officers discovered another vehicle at the dealership with a broken window. The rear passenger quarter panel window of a black 2021 Dodge Durango had been shattered, but no entry was made, and the doors remained locked.

The investigation into the theft and high-speed chase is ongoing. The stolen Charger had a green MIG advertisement license plate affixed and was last seen heading toward the Franklin County area. Law enforcement is continuing to search for the vehicle and suspects. The Charger, which was reportedly sold for \$22,400, was entered into the L.E.A.D.S. system, and authorities are holding the vehicle for prints if it is recovered.

Anyone with information on the suspects or the location of the vehicle is urged to contact local authorities.

PARKS

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stating, "We have this opportunity from Mark Fissel, the city treasurer, to borrow money early so we can start on projects early."

According to Ellis, Fissel presented an opportunity for the parks board to borrow \$5 million at the end of 2024 and another \$5 million in early January 2025. And though the cost would hit \$750,000 a year for the life of the 20-year loan, the interest on the money would lead to a six-figure payout for parks' projects.

"This is a really interesting concept that wasn't a choice five to six years ago," Myers said. "It took me three meetings to understand it."

Once he did, Myers agreed \$750,000 was "a scary number," but getting that \$10 million sooner rather than later would provide the funds they need to

get started on two anticipated parks' projects: rebuilding Harmon Park in 2025, and having the new pool ready by the summer of 2028.

"It will allow us to build a nest egg. We could make as much as a million in interest over three years," Myers stated.

Because they needed to move fast, Ellis and Myers met with the council before they brought it to the BJRD board. With that in mind, Myers added, "If you're concerned about this, we can shut the door."

Understanding there are still several steps before it becomes a reality, the board passed the initiative.

In other park business:

- Youth basketball registration is underway. As part of that, the parks department has asked parents of players in the fourth-through sixth-grade age group if they'd prefer to

■ LOGAN COUNTY BEAT

SHERIFF & HIGHWAY PATROL

Paraphernalia found in traffic stop

Chad Taylor, 38, of Ada, was arrested Tuesday, Oct. 1, following a traffic stop executed by deputies from the Logan County Sheriff's Office in the area of State Route 235 and Township Road 93 in Lakeview.

Deputies on patrol shortly after 4:45 p.m. observed the defendant northbound on S.R. 235 operating a 1999 Chevrolet pickup truck with an audible exhaust leak coming from the vehicle and initiated a stop.

When deputies made contact with Taylor, he appeared visibly nervous and his voice was shaking. Taylor had multiple extraditable warrants out of Hardin County and prior convictions for drugs and paraphernalia.

A consent search of the turned up a small black bag containing a clear glass pipe and white residue that deputies suspect was for smoking methamphetamine. The defendant denied the paraphernalia was his and said it was left in his vehicle by a friend. Taylor told deputies he wanted to throw the pipe away but was worried someone else might get a hold of it.

Taylor was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, and was lodged in the Logan County Jail.

Logan County among 10 Ohio counties declared a Primary Natural Disaster Area due to drought

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency on Wednesday, Oct. 2, declared a primary natural disaster area for 10 Ohio counties, including Logan County, because of drought conditions.

This natural disaster designation extends much-needed emergency credit to farm operators in primary counties and contiguous counties through FSA emergency loan assistance. The deadline for producers in designated primary and contiguous counties to apply for loans is May 23, 2025.

In addition to Logan County, other primary counties eligible in Ohio include: Champaign, Clark, Clinton, Delaware, Greene, Logan, Miami, Montgomery, Union and Warren counties.

Contiguous counties also eligible are Auglaize, Brown,

Butler, Clermont, Darke, Fayette, Franklin, Hamilton, Hardin, Highland, Knox, Licking, Madison, Marion, Morrow, Preble and Shelby counties.

Emergency loans can be used to meet various recovery needs including the replacement of essential items such as equipment or livestock, reorganization of a farming operation, or to refinance certain debts.

The FSA will review the loans based on the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability.

On farmers.gov, the Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool, Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet, and Loan Assistance Tool can help Ohioians determine program or loan options. To file a Notice of Loss or to ask questions about available programs, contact your local USDA Service Center.

Soil and Water Conservation pulled up four-foot soil cores as part of that project.

- In the end-of-season report for Hoffman Pool, Myers said they saw \$94,000 in revenue. And though season pass sales were down, they sold more daily tickets. "The Bellefontaine council and park board are unified in providing this service to the families in our community," Myers concluded.

- The parks department brought in an additional \$60,000 through concessions.

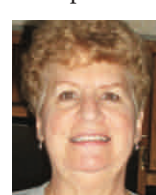
- Myers also presented the 2025 temporary budget of \$899,000, which the board approved. Part of that budget includes a new maintenance person to handle their smaller projects.

The next BJRD board meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 5, at 7 p.m.

■ OBITUARIES

Delores Ann Hamm

Delores Ann Hamm, 84, of Bellefontaine passed away on September 30, 2024, at her residence.



She was born November 24, 1939 in Woodstock, OH to John Darrel Groves and Ora Fay (Higgins) Groves. She was preceded in death by husband Frank Hamm, brother David Groves, in-laws Marine "Pete" (Kay) Hamm, Dennis (Ruth) Lattimer, Betty (Ron) Heath, sisters-in-law Jeannie Groves, Janie Barnhart, nieces Lori

Michelle Cron and Rachele Groves, and step grandsons Jeffery M. Clark and Kevin Clark.

Delores is survived by her loving children John M. (Lynn) Hamm, Linda (Dodd) Latimer, Vicki (Verrill) Gardiner, Joyce (Scott) Cox, and Jo Ann (Jeff) Clark. Grandchildren Zach (Lisa) Hamm, Lacie (Mike) Batovsky, Ashley (Eric) Melchor, Kyle (Coleen) Cox, Cody Cox, Camryn (Clayton) Sopher, Step Grandchildren Steve (Vanessa) Gardiner, Stephanie (Ben) Houk. Great Grandchildren Zachary and Evelyn Hamm, Madison, Macie, and Laynie Batovsky, Hayden Reed, Sophie and Zoey Melchor, step great grandchild Charlotte Houk and Perry Gardiner. Also, siblings Jim Barnhart, Walter and Bill (Lavelle) Groves, Maggie (Gary) Cron and in-laws, Karen "Susie" (Richard) Duncan, Mary Jane (Robert) Smith, Paul "Peanut" Hamm and many nieces and nephews.

Delores was co-owner and secretary for "Frank's Service Center" for 50 years. A graduate of Zanesfield High School class of 1957. Frank and Delores were married on November 26, 1960. Their time was spent raising their family, attending church, bowling, traveling, and playing cards. Delores was a believer in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. With reaffirmed faith, we believe that she is in Heaven, in the loving arms of our precious Lord.

Delores will be remembered for her patriotism, volunteer work, service in the community, and all the people she so willingly helped. Our mother was the most loving, caring, compassionate, selfless person. She had the best sense of humor, as well. Her greatest joy was her family.

She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege to get to know her.

Visitation will be on Friday October 4, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Pastor Nate Wilcoxon of the West Liberty First Church of God will officiate the funeral service at 1 p.m. The visitation and the funeral will be held at Jennings Farley & Seelye Funeral Home and Crematory, 5591 US Hwy 68 S., West Liberty, OH 43357.

A special thank you to the Interim Hospice Care Nurses and The Campbell Place staff, nurses, and aids for taking great care of Delores and for supporting the family.

William Orvil Wickersham Jr.

William Orvil Wickersham, Jr, 73, of Huntsville, OH passed away Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at Dublin Methodist Emergency Department.

Orvil was born on April 28, 1951, in Bellefontaine, OH, a son of the late William Orvil. Sr. and Eunice A. Wren Wickersham. He was preceded in death by a brother-in-law, David Paisley.

Orvil is survived by two sons, Dustin A. (Jenna) Wickersham of Lakeview, OH, and Alex O. (Kristina)

Wickersham of Channahon, IL, seven grandchildren, Wellington, Briggston, Augustus, and Montgomery Wickersham, Adrian and Lilly Quintero, and Kelsi Wickersham, six siblings, Natalie Sabre of Globe, AZ, Rebecca Wickersham of Bellefontaine, OH, Alice (Alfonso) Cruz of Dallas, TX, Margery Wickersham of Wilber, NE, Jonathan (Hope) Wickersham of St. Paris, OH, and Patience Paisley of Colorado Springs, CO, several nieces and nephews, and close friends, Eric Grandi, Art Wilber, and Dan Bickham.

Orvil was a 1969 graduate of Indian Lake High School. He started his working career as a teenager, working for Bill Reed at Spend-A-Day Marina, then at Duff Quarry working for Jim Duff. He then worked several years for Harold Weeks and spent 20 plus years at Honda of America- Anna Plant, retiring in 2012. During his time at Honda, Orvil won 3 cars through Honda VIP Programs. Orvil was a member of Indian Lake Moose Lodge #1533, a life member of Indian Lake Fish and Game, and served 12 years as a Stokes Twp Trustee. He was a strong supporter of the Indian Lake Kid's Fishing Derby. Orvil enjoyed boating on Indian Lake, attending gun shows, driving his Corvette and was an avid fan of the OSU Buckeyes and Dallas Cowboys. Although Orvil did not have any formal engineering education or training, he was gifted with the ability to disassemble nearly anything and rebuild it. Orvil's greatest love was for his family and spending time with his grandchildren.

Pastor Bryan Meadows will begin funeral services at 5 pm, Friday, October 4, at Cornerstone Church at Huntsville, 6611 Fruit St, Huntsville, with visitation from 3-5 pm. Burial will follow at Walnut Hill Cemetery, New Hampshire, OH. A celebration of Orvil's life will continue at Indian Lake Eagles Annex, 11443 Shawnee Path, Lakeview, beginning at 7 pm on Friday.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given in Orvil's memory to Indian Lake Kid's Fishing Derby Fund. Arrangements are in the care of Shoffstall Funeral Home, Lakeview, OH. Condolences may be expressed at shoffstallfuneralhome.com.

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puppeteers dressed completely in black to work together to animate a life-sized puppet figure.

Today, Bunraku is still incorporated into the performances.

Francis also related that the multi-talented performers wear a "variety of hats" on the stage, being involved in creating of the large-scale artworks, which one lucky audience member has the chance to win, while also playing musical instruments, dancing and interacting with the audience.

In addition, other paintings created onstage during the show will be auctioned, with proceeds benefiting the Holland Theatre.

Traveling around the United States with Artrageous, and also internationally to locales in Canada, Mexico, Africa, Asia and Europe, has created many rewarding moments for Francis. While seeing the sights in other cities and countries has been quite memorable, the talented performer said meeting and inspiring new people has been some of her favorite parts of the adventure.

"Mostly, I remember the people.

At the pre-show, we get to talk with so many incredible people and we get to learn so much about their lives.

"After the show, it's so neat to hear about how they might be inspired to pick up their paintbrush or saxophone, or play the piano again, after it's been 20 years since they've played or painted.

"Creating art and being able to express yourself through different forms of art is such an important part of life. We feel so fortunate to be able to bring this to life for people and to shower them with kindness throughout our show."





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Auburn Avenue Baptist Church
Rev. Settle Townsend, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Bible study, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday.
auburn-avenue.org

Bellefontaine Apostolic Temple
500 Lawrence St.
(937) 539-0906
Praise worship, Sunday school, 10 a.m. Evangelistic service, 6 p.m. Sunday. Bible study, 7 p.m. Tuesdays.

Bellefontaine Church of Christ
109 Township Road 217
(next to Lee's Chicken)
(937) 593-2938
Sunday: 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. Bible study; Wednesday: 6 p.m.

Bellefontaine Open Bible
516 Eastern Ave.
(937) 844-6721
Justin DuVall, pastor
Sunday school, 10:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.

Calvary Baptist Church
1140 Rush Ave. (Associated with GARBC)
Jeffery D. Willetts, pastor;
Brandon Slifer, worship pastor; Josh Willetts, youth/family pastor
9:15 a.m. Discipleship class, 10:30 a.m. Worship; Awana 6:30 p.m. Student Ministries 6:30 p.m.; Prayer meeting, 7 p.m. Wednesday; Deaf ministry.

Christ's Covenant International
400 Ludlow Rd.
Shelley Stephenson, pastor
Don Patton, associate pastor
Adult Sunday school, 9:15 a.m. Sunday worship 10 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study 6 p.m.

Christ Our King Church
1325 County Road 9
(937) 599-4464
Robin Ricks, pastor
Sunday Supper Church, 8:45 a.m., worship 10 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m.

Church of Christ in Christian Union
1669 County Road 11
(937) 404-4002
Rev. Mike Phillips
Sunday school 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
1603 Road 183 (extension of E. Brown)
(937) 592-6576
Jason F. Miller, president
Testimony & Sacrament, 10 a.m., Primary & Sunday school 11:20 a.m. Priesthood, Relief Society & Young Woman 12:10 p.m.

Church of the Brethren
534 S. Detroit St.
(937) 599-2251
Mike Roberts, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene
345 Washington St.
Kenneth Neighoff, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:45 a.m. Evangelistic service, 6 p.m. Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Common Ground Church
613 Hamilton St.
Sunday worship gathering: 10 a.m.
cgchurch.net; fb.com/cgchurchteam

Covenant Fellowship
136 W. Columbus St.
Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; worship 10:30 a.m.; Bible study, 7:15 p.m. Wednesday.

First Assembly of God
2833 S. U.S. Route 68
(937) 593-4778
John Musgrave, lead pastor
Sunday: 10:35 a.m. Worship & Children's Church; Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. adult Bible studies, youth and children's ministry.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
215 E. Sandusky
Rev. Kevin Greenwald, minister
Sunday school and Cafe Grace Praise and Worship led by Rev. Greenwald, 9:15 a.m.; Grace Care ages 1-4, 9:15 a.m.; Sunday school 10 a.m.; sanctuary worship, 10:45 a.m.
bellefontaineffc.org

First Church of God
1000 E. Brown Ave.
(937) 592-2546
Gary Brown, lead pastor
Ray Headings, senior adult pastor
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school; 10:30 a.m. worship service; Wednesday, 6 p.m. youth meeting and 6:30 p.m. prayer meeting, Bible study.

First Friends Church
808 W. Columbus Ave.
(937) 592-9461
Matthew Sandlin, pastor
Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; Worship 10:30 a.m.; InSight, Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

First Evangelical Lutheran Church
208 W. Sandusky Ave.
Larry Novak, pastor
(937) 592-7699
(Dial-a-Prayer, 593-3531)
Sunday: coffee/fellowship 9 a.m.; worship 10 a.m.; Bible Study: Monday 1:30 p.m. & Wednesday 7 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
201 N. Main St.
Rev. Joe Ziraldo, pastor
Traditional worship, 9 a.m. (broadcast at 11 a.m. on WBKO 98.3 FM radio); contemporary service and Children's Church, 10:30 a.m.

First United Presbyterian Church
117 N. Main St.
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., Worship service 10:45 a.m. streaming weekly through Facebook and YouTube

Grace A.M.E. Church
233 S. Main St.
Rev. Kenneth Kelley, pastor
Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Grace Chapel
Centre City Mall, Downtown Bellefontaine
Sunday, 6 p.m. Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Greater Christ Temple
616 W. Chillicothe Ave.
Karen Cane, pastor
Sunday school, 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship, noon; Bible study, 7:30 p.m., Wednesday; Brotherhood, 10 a.m., Women's prayer, 11 a.m.; Saturday; last Sunday of month, prayer 6 p.m.

Gretna Brethren Church
1564 S. Township Road 46
Rob Starnes, pastor
9 a.m. discipleship classes for children, adults; 10 a.m. praise and worship.

Hillcrest Baptist Church, S.B.C.
1505 S. Main St.
Daniel McCarty, senior pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m. FaithWeaver Friends, 6:30-8 p.m. Childcare provided during worship. Radio message 9 a.m. Sunday, 1390 WBL-LM.

Hi-Point Church of Christ
1815 State Route 540
John James, Minister
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:30 a.m.; Lunch Bunch: 1st & 3rd wednesdays at 1 p.m.; Rocket Club: 1st-5th-grade, 6-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

Hi-Point Free Will Baptist Church
311 County Road 11
(937) 935-5752
Scott Wisniewski, pastor
Bill Jones, assistant pastor
Sunday school 10 a.m.; Sunday worship, 11 a.m.; Bible study, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Hopewell Church
Global Methodist
3746 U.S. Route 68 N.
(937) 539-6351
Cynthia Defibaugh, pastor
Worship 9:30 a.m., Wheelchair accessible. Live streamed on Facebook

Jehovah's Witness, Kingdom Hall
1801 Wright St.
(937) 599-5483
Charles Taylor, secretary
Sunday: Public meeting 10 a.m.; Watchtower 10:35 p.m. Thursday: Congregational Bible Study, 7:30 p.m. Theocratic School, 8:05 p.m. Service meeting, 8:35 p.m.

Jubilee Mennonite Church
820 W. Sandusky Ave. (Lutheran Community Services)
937-592-8101
June-August, Worship 10 a.m.; September - May, Sunday school 9:30 a.m. & Worship at 10:45 a.m.
FB@jubileemennonite

Pilgrim Fellowship, Congregational & Reformed
(937) 592-6387
Dr. Marshall Pierson, pastor
Sunday school 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:45 a.m. Meeting at Shawnee Springs, 400 Kristina Dr.

Seventh-day Adventist Church
1910 County Road 130
Saturday afternoon services, Bible study hour 12:50 p.m. Worship service 2:30 p.m.

St. Patrick Catholic Church
316 E. Patterson Ave.
Fr. Shawn Landenwicht
Mass: Saturday 4 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m.; Tuesday, 8 a.m.; First, third Thursdays, 6:15 p.m. followed by Adoration and Confession.

Solid Rock Baptist
1470 W. Sandusky
(937) 844-1400
James Frost, pastor
Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship 11 a.m.; Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m.
solidrockbaptistchurch.info

Vineyard Christian Fellowship
624 Township Road 55
(937) 593-0981
Eric Cook, pastor
Worship, Children's Worship & Childcare, 9:15, 10:45 a.m.; Student/Children ministries, Small Groups, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday.
vcfbellefontaine.org

Wake Up The World Ministries
600 E. Brown Ave.
(567) 674-2722
Terry Robinson, pastor
Sunday worship and children's church, 10 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study, 6:30 p.m.

Walnut Grove Methodist
David Moore, pastor
Corner of county roads 12 & 26
Service: 9 a.m. Sunday school, 10 a.m.

Belle Center Church of Christ
Corner of State and Walnut St.
(937) 464-2611
Kris Langstaff, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Bible study.

Belle Center Cornerstone Church
Kevin Smith, pastor
Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Reformed Presbyterian Church
Philip H. Pockras, pastor
For time and place of meetings, call 464-6851; listen at sermonaudio.com/bc-rpcna; prayer meeting 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.
bcprchurch.org

United Presbyterian Church
202 Walnut St.
(937) 464-2695
9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 worship.

DeGRAFF
Cornerstone Fellowship of DeGraff
(937) 585-5511
Mike Mitchell, pastor
Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; Junior Church, 10:30 a.m.; Senior lunch 11:15 a.m. Thursdays.
cornerstonedegraff.org

DeGraff Baptist Church
State Route 235
(304) 415-1728
Rev. Bruce Keeling
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wed.: Prayer and Bible study, 7 p.m.
degraffbaptistchurch.com

Logansville Community Church
(937) 441-1473
Dana Kidder, pastor
Sunday: 9:30 Sunday school; 10:45 a.m. worship.
logansvillechurch.net;

New Beginnings Community Church
127 N. Main
Mark Weaver, pastor
Sunday worship and praise, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Bible study, 7 p.m.

Stony Creek Church
Harold Liess, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Bible study/prayer meeting and youth group, 7 p.m. Wednesday.
stonycreekcob.com

EAST LIBERTY
East Liberty Church of Christ
Dr. Jason E. Robson, pastor
Sunday school 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 a.m.

East Liberty Community Church
3045 Main St.
Worship: 11 a.m.

North Greenfield Church
9609 County Road 2
Worship: 9:45 a.m. Sunday school, 11 a.m.

HUNTSVILLE
The Cornerstone Church at Huntsville
6611 Fruit St.
(937) 686-7101
Bryan Meadows, pastor
Ashley Sloan, youth pastor
Worship, 10 a.m.; Burnt Bagel Cafe, 9:15 a.m.; live stream worship and archived worship services online; staffed nursery, toddler programs; Junior Church programs.
cornerstonehuntsville.com

Huntsville Presbyterian Church
6490 Fruit St.
(937) 686-2131
Ben Beres, pastor
Church school, 9 a.m. Worship, 10 a.m. Children's Church, 10:15 a.m.
huntsvillepresbyterianchurch.com

LAKEVIEW
Christ United Methodist Church
110 Brown & State Route 235
(937) 843-3029
David Moore, pastor
10:15 a.m.; coffee and doughnuts, 10:45 a.m., worship, 10:15 a.m.

Hope Harbor Baptist Church
8330 S. R. 235
(937) 935-9314
Fred Albert, pastor
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; worship 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Sunday; carry-in dinner and youth group, 6 p.m. Wednesday.

Indian Lake Baptist Church
225 W. Lake
(937) 596-6880
Donald D. Faulder, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Indian Lake Northside Church of the Nazarene
13699 N. State Route 235
(937) 843-5946
Tim Moebs, pastor
Sunday school, 9 a.m.; Worship, 10 a.m.; Sunday evening service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday service, 7 p.m.; nursery provided.

LEWISTOWN
Lewistown-Trinity United Methodist Church
8088 County Road 54
(937) 686-8355
Rod Brower, pastor
Sunday school 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m.; wheelchair lift available.
LTUMC.com

MIDDLEBURG
Middleburg Community Church
(937) 666-2844 or (937) 666-4694
Carolyn Christman, pastor
9:30 a.m. worship; 10:45 Sunday school.
middleburgcch@gmail.com

PICKRELLTOWN
Monroe Community
6458 County Road 29, West Liberty
(937) 935-8293
Rob Kilgore, pastor
Sunday School, 9 a.m.; last Sunday Friends and Family breakfast; 10 a.m. worship; Bible study first three Wednesdays, 7 p.m.
Find them on Facebook

QUINCY
Buckeye Gospel Barn
8291 State Route 235
(937) 585-6090
Jerry & Bobbi Allen, pastors
Sunday Worship, 10 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Kids class, 10 a.m.

Quincy Chapel Church of Christ
New Street and Miami Street
(937) 465-4786
Worship services, 10:30 a.m. with junior church; Sunday school 6 p.m.

Quincy Methodist Church
Mark Vincent, pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m. Ramp, hearing assisted devices available; Wednesday 6:30 p.m., choir practice; Five Loaves Food Pantry for Riverside Local school District residents served 5 to 7 p.m. third Wednesday.

RIDGEWAY
Church of Christ
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30

First Church of God
Tim Kohl, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:35 a.m. and 6 p.m. ;Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Bible study, prayer meeting
jfcog.com

Ridgeway United Methodist Church
Mike Raypholtz, pastor
Adult Bible Study 9 a.m., Church 10 a.m.

RUSHSYLVANIA
Big Springs Methodist Church
John Rozewicz, pastor
Sunday school, 10 a.m., Worship, 11

Church of Christ
(937) 935-9651
office@rushchurch.com
John Watkins, senior pastor;
Cody Caudill, student pastor;
Ashlee Phillips, children's minister
Sunday 9:30 worship, adults, youth (7th-9th grade), nursery and children's classes; 11:30 worship, adults, youth (10th-12th grade), nursery and children's classes
rushchurch.com

First United Presbyterian Church
Rev. David Girbert, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30

United Methodist Church
April Phillips, pastor
Rushsylvania: Sunday School: 8:30 a.m., Worship: 9:30 a.m.

RUSSELLS POINT
Galilee Lutheran Church
301 Lincoln Blvd.
(937) 843-3906
galileeoffice@embarqmail.com.
Karen Torrez, pastor
Coffee fellowship 9:30 a.m., worship with Holy Communion 10 a.m. Sunday; Alcoholics Anonymous 8:30 p.m. Tuesday; Community Outreach center homework help, 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesdays.

Indian Lake Community Church/Lighthouse of Indian Lake
(937) 843-5636
Ministry team: Jim Ellington, Karen Blackburn, Dave Hafenbrack and Tara Cascioli
10 a.m. traditional service. 11 a.m. contemporary service. Children's programs are offered during both services. No nursery care. Good Samaritan-Outreach program, 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Thursdays; free community meal, 5-6:30 p.m. last Wednesdays of the month (at the Lighthouse); Ignite program 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays (Lookout youth center).
indianlakecommunitychurch.org

Quest Community Church
Indian Lake
8081 State Route 366
(937) 524-9821
Nick Shaner, pastor
Contemporary worship and children's ministry 10 a.m. Sunday.
questindianlake.com

Russells Point Church of God
430 State Route 708
(937) 843-3297
Worship, 10:30 a.m. with Sunday school 9:30 a.m., 6 p.m. Bible study, 7 p.m. Wednesday.

St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church
464 Madison Ave.
(937) 843-3127
Rev. Shawn Landenwicht, Pastor
Sunday Mass Schedule —Saturdays 6 p.m. and Sundays 8 a.m.; additional 10 a.m. Sundays Memorial Day through Labor Day/ Weekday Mass — 8 a.m. Wednesdays and Fridays; 2nd and 4th Thursdays 6:15 p.m., followed by adoration/reconciliation; reconciliation by appointment also.

WEST LIBERTY
Bethel Mennonite Church
416 Washington St.
Rebecca Kauffman, pastor
Worship, 10:40 a.m.
bethelchurchw.org

First Church of God
315 Liberty St.
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, children's church, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Grace Chapel
Zach Dudenhofer, pastor
Sunday. Sunday School, 9 a.m.; worship, 10:30 a.m.

McKees Creek Chapel
(937) 887-8080
Chris Starbuck, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Oak Grove Mennonite Church
1525 Mennonite Church Road
(937) 465-4749
Alex Dye, lead pastor
Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. (livestream available)
church@oakgrovemennonite.org

Quest Community Church
110 South St.
(937) 465-0141
Jessica Dolan, interim assoc. pastor
Sunday: 9:15 and 10:45 a.m.; contemporary worship and Quest Kids children's ministry; Student Ministry Sunday 6-7:30 p.m.
questchurchonline.com

South Union Mennonite Church
56 State Route 508
(937) 465-6085
Matthew Williams, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.
southunionchurch.org.

Union Chapel Community Church
State Route 287
Jeremy Sarver, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Connection Group.

United Church of Christ, Congregational Christian
212 W. Newell
(937) 465-2761
Karen Griswold, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.

United Methodist Church
Rod Brower, pastor
Traditional worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:45 a.m.
F: westlibertyunitedmethodistchurch.org

United Presbyterian Church
Keith Landis, pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m.

WEST MANSFIELD
Baptist Church
Sam Newell, Interim pastor
Sunday School: 9 a.m. church service: 10 a.m.

Byhalia Evangelical Friends Church
31654 State Route 31
(937) 982-3561
Jim Gardner, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Children's church, 10:30 a.m. nursery available; Every other Monday, Hour of Power Prayer, 6:30 p.m.; Free Love Supper, 5-6:30 p.m. last Saturday of month.

Church of Christ
Jack Knox, minister
Sunday school, 9 a.m. Worship, 10 a.m.

Heart of God Ministries
20529 Treaty Line Road
Jane and Junior Hileman, pastors
Worship, 10:15 a.m., 6 p.m. Sunday.

West Mansfield Methodist Church
(937) 355-2401
Rev. John Rozewicz
Sunday school, 10:45 a.m. Worship, 9:30 a.m.

York Center United Methodist
28170 State Route 739
April Phillips, pastor
Worship, Sunday 9:15 a.m.

ZANESFIELD
Goshen Friends Church
5527 County Road 153
Wayne Downing, pastor
Sunday: Worship 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School 11 a.m.; Wednesday: Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
goshenfriendschurch.org

New Salem Lutheran Church
6646 E. State Route 540
Worship, 9:30 a.m.

United Methodist Church
April Phillips, pastor
Corner of Columbus & Main Streets
Blended worship, 11 a.m., Sunday school, 10 a.m.
zanesfieldumc.org

Zanesfield Community Chapel
Keith Matthews, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Bible study, 7 p.m. Thursday.

OTHER CHURCHES
Harper Community Church
3679 N. County Road 25, Bellefontaine
(470) 345-8506
Anthony Davis, pastor
Worship, 9:30 a.m., Sunday school 10:30 a.m.

Millcreek Church of Christ
24538 Lunda Road, Raymond
Jack Knox, minister
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m., 7 p.m.

Mt. Carmel Friends Church
3470 Kennard-Kingscreek Road, Cable
(937) 652-3252
Jerome Proudman, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday: Prayer service, youth program and children's program, 7 p.m.
mtcarmelfriends.com

Mt. Tabor
Worship, 9 a.m., Church school follows.

WEST LIBERTY

Mt. Tabor Church of God
Nathan Price, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., Wednesday: Prayer meeting, 7 p.m., Friday: Young people, 6:30 p.m.

Muchinippi Church
Edward Shady, pastor
Worship, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school, 10:30 a.m. Wed.: Bible study, 7:30 p.m.

New Hampshire Church of the Nazarene
Curtis Randolph, pastor
Bible school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Thurs.: Prayer meeting, 7 p.m. Teens and Junior services, 7:30 p.m.

New Hampshire United Methodist Church
Rev. Hal Argabright, pastor
Sunday school, 9:15 a.m. Worship, 10:45 a.m. Bible study, 7 p.m. Wednesday.

New Richland Baptist Church
8651 County Road 39, Belle Center
Steve Smith, pastor
Sunday school, 10:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. worship, singing and praising; Wednesday: Prayer meeting, 6 p.m.

Philadelphia Lutheran Church
5506 Road 201
(937) 638-1407
Jonathan Schriber, pastor
Hospitality 9 a.m. Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.
philchurch.com.

Roundhead United Methodist Church
17958 SR 117
Rev. Debra Ketcham, pastor
Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m.; FREE meal - 3rd Thursdays 4:30 - 6 p.m.

Rum Creek United Methodist Church
Corner of County Roads 34 and 59
Abigail Adams, pastor
Worship, 9 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m.

Santa Fe Grace Chapel Christian Union Church
9491 Santa Fe Line Rd, Wapakoneta
(740) 505-1859
Neal Reid, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday: Prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m.
F: gracechapelchristianunion.org

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Doctor who helped supply Matthew Perry ketamine pleads guilty to drug charge

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A San Diego doctor charged in connection with Matthew Perry's fatal overdose pleaded guilty Wednesday to conspiring to distribute the surgical anesthetic ketamine.

Dr. Mark Chavez, 54, entered the plea to the felony in federal court in Los Angeles, becoming the third person to admit guilt in the aftermath of the "Friends" star's death last year.

Prosecutors offered lesser charges to Chavez and two others in exchange for their cooperation as they go after two targets they deem more responsible for the overdose death: another doctor and an alleged dealer that they say was known as "ketamine queen" of Los Angeles.

Chavez is free on bond until the sentencing. He has turned over his passport and agreed to surrender his medical license, among other conditions.

His lawyer Matthew Binninger said after Chavez's first court appearance on Aug. 30 that he is "incredibly remorseful" and is "trying to do everything in his power to right the wrong that happened here."



Dr. Mark Chavez, a physician from San Diego, second from left, who is charged in connection with actor Matthew Perry's death from an accidental ketamine overdose, with his criminal defense attorney Matthew Binninger, far left, arrive for a change of plea hearing at the United States Courthouse in Los Angeles on Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2024. (AP PHOTO/DAMIAN DOVARGANES)

Also working with federal prosecutors are Perry's assistant, who admitted to helping him obtain and inject ketamine, and a Perry acquaintance, who admitted to acting as a drug messenger and middleman.

The three are helping prosecutors as they go after their main targets: Dr. Salvador Plasencia, charged with illegally selling ketamine to Perry in the month before his death, and Jasveen

Sangha, alleged to be a dealer who sold the actor the lethal dose. Both have pleaded not guilty and are awaiting trial.

Chavez admitted in his plea agreement that he obtained ketamine from his former clinic and from a wholesale distributor where he submitted a fraudulent prescription.

Under the law he could get up to 10 years in prison when he's sentenced on April 2, but is likely to be sen-

tenced to far less because of the plea and his cooperation with prosecutors.

Perry was found dead by his assistant on Oct. 28, 2023. The medical examiner ruled that ketamine was the primary cause of death. The actor had been using the drug through his regular doctor in a legal but off-label treatment for depression that has become increasingly common.

Perry began seeking more ketamine than his doctor would give him. About a month before the actor's death, he found Plasencia, who in turn allegedly asked Chavez to obtain the drug for him.

"I wonder how much this moron will pay," Plasencia texted Chavez, according to court filings from prosecutors. The two met up the same day in Costa Mesa, halfway between Los Angeles and San Diego, and exchanged at least four vials of ketamine, the filings said.

After selling the drugs to Perry for \$4,500, Plasencia allegedly asked Chavez if he could keep supplying them so they could become Perry's "go-to," prosecutors said.

INCLUSION

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people to be their greatest strength. He checked their website and said they are proud to employ more than 1,000 people in their 15 locations. He liked that the local employer believes employing people with disabilities adds value to their day-to-day operations. After reading this Jacob said, "Well this job is for me, and I got to work."

Another exciting venture the Scott Family began a few years ago with Ohio school districts was offering to employ working-age students with disabilities in their classroom settings. One of the jobs that the students enjoyed the most at school was adding stickers and information to the bags that were used for DoorDash orders.

The Scott Family McDonald's team has been a big supporter and partner with DD employment services in and around Logan County, officials from the LCBDD noted.

Jacob likes all the "extras" he gets from his job. McDonalds celebrates the holidays with their employees and gives them



gifts, bonuses and they always make sure Jacob gets his free meal every shift.

"I loved the socks I got at Christmas the most. I felt like I was one of Santa's Elves running food outside to customers," the city resident said.

His favorite part of the job is his co-workers and customers.

"I love that they remember me, say hi, talk to me like a friend. They make me feel like I am an important part of their day," he said.

Jacob said people can get a bit unhappy when they wait, but he makes it his mission to have them leave with a smile.

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Horoscopes

ROYAL STARS | FROM KING FEATURES SYNDICATE By Georgia Nicols

MOON ALERT: There are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions today. The Moon is in Libra.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Oct. 3, 2024: You are charming, adventurous and innovative. You like to explore new things, and you try to be up-to-date. Lucky you, because this is a fun-loving, pleasant year! It's time to nurture your happiness. Let your guard down and loosen up a bit. Old friends might reappear to rekindle friendships.

THE STARS SHOW THE KIND OF DAY YOU'LL HAVE: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ This is a friendly and sociable day! Yay! Relations with close friends and partners will be pleasant and easy-going. Even your interactions with members of the general public will be positive. This is a good day for domestic peace and happiness. It's also a good day for business. Tonight: Listen.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ This is a positive day for you. You feel physically vigorous. Work-related travel might occur for many of you. This is a great day to combine efforts with others to achieve your goals. Meetings and teamwork will be productive. Tonight: Work.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ This is a friendly, sociable day, which means it's the perfect time to reach out to friends and groups to talk and enjoy good times. Make an effort to enjoy sports events, fun activities with kids or romantic get-togethers. Meet the gang for happy hour. This is a feel-good day! Tonight: Practice.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Invite friends and family over today (or this evening). This is a marvelous day to entertain at home. Stock the fridge. Any kind of group activity, including family events, will be a welcomed shared experience. Family discussions as well as home repairs will be successful. Tonight: Get organized.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Because you're in a positive frame of mind today, all your exchanges with others will be upbeat and friendly. This is a great day for a short trip. It's also a wonderful day to teach, learn, write, sell or promote anything. You'll be persuasive in an attractive way. People will listen to you. Tonight: Make plans.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Respect your moneymaking ideas today; they could be excellent. Work hard to boost your income, because this is possible. This is also a good day to explore a better paying job. Meanwhile, many of you might travel for work. Your confidence is strong today. Tonight: Budget.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ This is a fabulous day for your sign, because the Sun, the Moon and Mercury are all in Libra. Plus, the Moon is dancing with lucky, moneybags Jupiter. This promotes your general sense of well-being, and makes you feel happy and generous to the world. Enjoy your day! Tonight: Be sensible.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ Today you will be quietly pleased about something. You're happy to enjoy some moments of privacy and some peace and quiet. Meanwhile, relations with others will be charming and diplomatic. Note: This is an excellent day to buy wardrobe items for yourself that will please you. Tonight: Research.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ It's a popular day! Enjoy time spent with a friend. However, interactions with clubs, groups and organizations will be especially effective. Someone might encourage you to expand your future goals. You also might make contact with someone who will bring you future benefits. Tonight: Listen.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ You make a marvelous impression on others at this time, because the Sun, the Moon, and Mercury are all at the top of your chart making you look successful, as well as caring and empathetic. Actually, some people will know personal details about your private life today. Fear not, you look good! Tonight: Courtesy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ Grab every chance to travel, because you need a change of scenery. If you can't travel, maybe you can make plans for future travel. This is a positive day to explore avenues in publishing, higher education, medicine or the law. Do something different for a sense of adventure! Tonight: Study.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ This is an excellent day for financial discussions about inheritances, shared property, taxes, debt and insurance matters. Whatever transpires will benefit you. You will come out smelling like a rose! Travel somewhere if you can. Tonight: Check your finances.

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Actor Clive Owen (1964), actress Neve Campbell (1973), actress Alicia Vikander (1988)

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Hurricanes like Helene are deadly when they strike and keep killing for years to come

BY **SETH BORENSTEIN**
AP SCIENCE WRITER

Hurricanes in the United States end up hundreds of times deadlier than the government calculates, contributing to more American deaths than car accidents or all the nation's wars, a new study said.

The average storm hitting the U.S. contributes to the early deaths of 7,000 to 11,000 people over a 15-year period, which dwarfs the average of 24 immediate and direct deaths that the government counts in a hurricane's aftermath, the

study in Wednesday's journal Nature concluded. Study authors said even with Hurricane Helene's growing triple digit direct death count, many more people will die partly because of that storm in future years.

"Watching what's happened here makes you think that this is going to be a decade of hardship on tap, not just what's happening over the next couple of weeks," said Stanford University climate economist Solomon Hsiang, a study co-author and a former White House science

and technology official.

"After each storm there is sort of this surge of additional mortality in a state that's been impacted that has not been previously documented or associated with hurricanes in any way," Hsiang said.

Hsiang and University of California Berkeley researcher Rachel Young looked at hurricane deaths in a different way than previous studies, opting for a more long-term public health and economics-oriented analysis of what's called excess mortality. They looked at states' death

rates after 501 different storms hitting the United States between 1930 and 2015. And what they found is that after each storm there's a "bump" in death rates.

It's a statistical signature that they see over and over, Hsiang said. Similar analyses are done for heat waves and other health threats like pollution and disease, he said. They compare to pre-storm times and adjust for other factors that could be causing changes in death rates, he said. Complicating everything is that the same places keep getting hit by multiple storms so there are death bumps upon death bumps.

Just how storms contribute to people's deaths after the immediate impact is something that needs further study, Hsiang said. But he theorized it includes the health effects of stress, changes in the environment including toxins, people not being able to afford health care and other necessities because of storm costs, infrastructure damage and government changes in spending.

"When someone dies a few years after a hurricane hit them, the cause will be recorded as a heart attack, stroke or respiratory failure," said Texas A&M University climate scientist Andrew Dessler, who wasn't part of the study but has done similar studies on heat and cold deaths. "The doctor can't possibly know that a hurricane contributed/triggered the illness. You can only see it in a statistical analysis like this."

Initially Hsiang and Young figured the storm death bump would go away in a matter of months, but they were surprised when they examined hundreds of bumps and found they stretch out, slowly, over 15 years, Hsiang said.

It's "almost like a trickle of mortality, like each month we're talking about five to 10 individuals who are dying earlier than they would have otherwise," Hsiang said.

These people don't realize that 10 or 15 years later their health issues are associated with a storm in some way, but Hsiang said it

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FRIDAY NIGHT PREVIEW

Winless Tecumseh arrives at right time for a Bellefontaine squad in need of a bounceback

BY MATT HAMMOND
EXAMINER SPORTS EDITOR

It was one of those nights in which anything that could go wrong, did go wrong for Bellefontaine's football team in a 51-6 loss at London last week.

The Chieftains will attempt to bounce back Friday against winless Tecumseh for the annual homecoming game.

"We just want to get back on track and be us," said Bellefontaine head coach Jason Brown. "We need to get back to making explosive plays on offense and executing on defense. We want to play back up to the standard."

Bellefontaine was limited to 147 total yards while giving up 244 rushing yards to London's physical Wing T attack. The Chiefs also had two turnovers and gave up a 97-yard kickoff return for a touchdown.

"We need to continue to improve at the line of scrimmage," said Brown. "We also want to continue to grow offensively in how we attack the other team's defense, and on defense, we need to get people behind the sticks."

A matchup against a Tecumseh team that has struggled mightily under first-year head coach Randy Kerns looks to be exactly the medicine the Chiefs need after the loss to London.

The Arrows (0-6 overall, 0-1 in the Central Buckeye Conference) have been outscored 205-12. They have been shut out four times, including a 30-0 loss to Kenton Ridge last Friday.

"They are doing a lot of the same things they have done in the past," said Brown. "They run a lot of double-tight end stuff



Bellefontaine's defense hopes to make it tough sledding for the Tecumseh ground game Friday night. (EXAMINER PHOTO | TONY BARRETT)

and they are heavy with the ground game. On defense, they run out of a base 3-4."

On the season, the Arrows have rushed for 657 yards on 188 attempts and have passed 45 times, completing 17 with seven interceptions.

The team's leading rusher is sophomore Aiden Mossbarger. He has 270 yards on 69 attempts.

Sophomore Brandon Radford is the only other Arrow with over 100 rushing yards. He has 142 on 47 rushes.

Defense has been a struggle for the

Arrows as well. They allowed 217 rushing yards and two touchdowns on 34 attempts to Kenton Ridge last week. The Cougars were 5-of-6 passing for 123 yards and two TDs against the Tecumseh defense.

Bellefontaine's focus is to get back to the formula it used to win three straight games before the London loss.

"It's the same recipe," said Brown. "We need to win the turnover battle, win at the line of scrimmage and play complimentary football."

OUTLOOK/PICKS

Controversy aside, Rose leaves lasting impact

Love him or hate him, the game of baseball will never see a player like Pete Rose again.

The brash Rose, baseball's all-time hits king, passed away this week, leaving a complicated legacy behind.

From a baseball standpoint, Rose belongs on the short list of the best to ever step on the diamond.

A lifetime .303 hitter, Charlie Hustle finished with 4,256 hits. Along with Joe DiMaggio's 56-game hitting streak, Rose's hits record looks to forever be untouchable.

Rose won two World Series titles with the Big Red Machine and another with the Phillies, he captured three batting titles, an MVP award, two Gold Glove awards and was the National League rookie of the year in 1963.

While his baseball accomplishments are to be revered, Rose opened himself to criticism with his unapologetic personality.

His aggressive style of play earned him praise from his fans, but it was also his undoing at times.

Such was the case in the 1970 All-Star game in which Rose barreled over Indians catcher Ray Fosse to score the winning run in the 12th inning.

Rose was criticized for pushing the envelope too far. It was an exhibition game and Fosse, who was just 23 at the time, was never the same. He suffered a broken shoulder on the play and said later that the pain lasted decades after the incident.

But Rose refused to offer sympathy. Recalling the incident with reporters in 2017, he said:

"I've got to do everything I can to score there. My dad's at the game. The reality is I missed the next three games. He didn't miss any. And he went on to play nine more years. But I ruined his career? I wasn't trying to hurt him. If I wouldn't have knocked Ray Fosse on his (back side), you would not have known who he was."

That was Rose in a nutshell. He went 100 miles per hour no matter the moment and didn't care what anybody else thought about it.

Rose left the biggest cloud over his career, though, as a result of his fondness for gambling.

His ban from baseball in 1989 came after an MLB investigation found Rose bet on games involving his own team when managing the Reds.

Despite substantial evidence produced through the investigation, Rose denied for 15 years that he bet on baseball. He finally admitted his guilt in 2004, but by then it was too late for many, including MLB, to forgive him.

His banishment from the Hall of Fame will always be of great debate. His fans argue the punishment didn't fit the crime. There is no denying, however, that Pete was his own worst enemy at times.

He may have been a flawed hero, but make no mistake, Rose played the game with a passion that is lacking from today's professionals. I am sure Pete would have played for free if he had to. For that, he will always be a treasure.

Now, on to this week's prep football picks:

Bellefontaine over Tecumseh

The Chiefs want to wash away the memories of last week's 51-6 loss at the hands of London down the drain quickly.

Friday's game against an 0-6 Tecumseh team comes at the perfect time for the Chiefs. This looks to be a great opportunity to get their confidence back. *Bellefontaine 42, Tecumseh 0.*

Indian Lake over Ben Logan

The Lakers survived for an overtime win over Graham in the rain, wind and mud last week.

Unless the forecast quickly changes, the weather shouldn't be a problem this Friday, and that bodes better for the Lakers.

Indian Lake's skill players weren't able to find their footing against the Falcons, but I don't see that happening again this week.

The Raiders will show up and fight, but slowing down the Lakers' athletes will be an insurmountable task. *Indian Lake 27, Ben Logan 7.*

Riverside over Lehman

This is a game that the Pirates surely have circled on their schedule.

The annual Lehman matchup has become a rivalry for the Pirates and Riverside would love nothing more than hand the Cavaliers their first TRC loss on Friday.

Riverside has not quite put it all together yet, but if that happens this week, a win over the Cavaliers is very possible. *Riverside 20, Lehman 14.*

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Lakers, Raiders to square off Friday in clash of Logan County rivals

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Indian Lake hopes to take another step toward winning a Central Buckeye Conference Mad River division title while Benjamin Logan looks to spoil the party Friday night.

The Lakers host the Raiders in this year's installment of their Logan County rivalry series.

Indian Lake comes in at 4-2 overall and 1-0 in the CBC, while the Raiders remain winless at 0-6, 0-2.

The Lakers are coming off a dramatic 13-7 overtime win over Graham on a night when the weather conditions were abysmal.

"It's never ideal to be in that kind of situation but when it's done you look back at it and say I'm glad we had to win a game like that and that will help us down the road," said Indian Lake head coach Jonn Rapp. "Any and all of our advantages were canceled out by the conditions and we had to find a way to overcome it and we did."

The Raiders were dealt a 22-0 loss by Northwestern in a CBC Mad River division opener a week ago.

"We need confidence and more consistency," said Ben Logan head coach Paul Jenne of the key to getting things turn-around. "We are an improved team from last year, it is not showing up in the wins and loss column but we have improved week after week. We just keep being our own worst enemy with mental mistakes."

Indian Lake has won four of its last five games since a 37-0 loss to Anna in the season opener.

The Lakers have shown good balance on offense.

Indian Lake's ground game has produced 825 yards and 10 touchdowns on 212 attempts.

Senior Drake Cosby leads the Lakers in rushing with 347 yards and four touchdowns on 92 attempts.

Senior wide receiver Quest Clay has been involved heavily in both the rushing and passing games. He has 184 rushing yards and three touchdowns on 28 attempts, while leading the receiving group in catches (23), yards (225) and touchdowns (three).

Senior quarterback Madden Lillard is 46-of-100 passing for 559 yards with six touchdowns and six interceptions. He has added 94 rushing yards.

Sophomore Brodey Reisinger has been a productive target for Lillard at receiver with 12 catches for 196 yards and one TD.

Defensively, senior linebacker Cy Cummings leads the team in tackles with 63. Senior linebacker Czar Dickson leads the team in sacks with 3.5.

"Indian Lake is a very-well coached team," said Jenne. "They are physical on



Indian Lake and Benjamin Logan are set to play their annual rivalry game Friday at Indian Lake High School. (EXAMINER FILE PHOTO)

defense and have a lot of speed on offense at the skilled positions."

Ben Logan is still working to find an identity on offense.

The Raiders are averaging 89 rushing yards and 59 passing yards per game.

Freshman quarterback Wyatt Predmore is 26-of-67 passing for 316 yards with one touchdown and four interceptions.

Sophomore Jordan Pender is one of three Raiders with at least 36 carries. He leads the team with 186 yards and one TD on 46 attempts.

Sophomore Alex Hassell has rushed for 152 yards on 42 attempts and Predmore has added 120 yards and one TD on 36 carries.

The Raiders' top receiver is senior Collin Powell. He has 120 yards on seven receptions. Senior Kendall Plikerd has 89 yards on eight catches.

"Ben Logan has great size up front and they force you to defend the entire field," said Rapp.

Junior end Daniel Kohler has been the spark plug of the Ben Logan defense. He leads the team in sacks with 5.5 and has 29 tackles.

Sophomore linebacker Hayden Hites ranks first on the team in tackles with 34, including four for loss.

Elsewhere around the area on Friday:

Lehman Catholic at Riverside
Riverside will attempt to hand Lehman Catholic its first Three Rivers Conference loss when the two squads meet Friday at Riverside.

The Pirates (3-3 overall, 2-1 in the TRC)

shut out Troy Christian 29-0 last week.

The Cavaliers (5-1, 3-0) are coming off a 22-7 win over Bethel.

Lehman is riding a five-game winning streak after a 54-27 loss to Delphos St. John's in the season opener.

The Cavaliers boast a balanced offensive attack powered by junior Turner Lachey.

A wide receiver last season, Lachey has moved to quarterback this fall and has been very impressive. He is 87-of-150 passing for 1,526 yards and 17 touchdowns with three interceptions. He has also produced on the ground with 329 yards and five TDs on 57 carries.

In addition to Lachey, senior Da'Ron Pride and junior Evan O'Leary have been key weapons for the Lehman offense.

Pride has rushed for 292 yards and four TDs on 65 carries and has 12 catches for 150 yards and two TDs.

O'Leary has 33 carries for 196 rushing yards and one TD, while piling up 767 yards and eight TDs on 45 receptions.

Junior CJ Olding is another threat at wide receiver with 15 catches for 338 yards and four TDs.

Defensively, the Cavaliers are sparked by senior lineman Dillon Schmiesing. He has a team-best 79 tackles with three sacks and eight tackles for loss.

West Jefferson at WL-S

West Liberty-Salem is in search of its fourth straight win Friday when it hosts West Jefferson for an Ohio Heritage Conference North division football game.

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Crew falls short against Messi and Inter Miami

COLUMBUS (AP) — Lionel Messi and Inter Miami have another trophy, along with home-field advantage throughout the Major League Soccer playoffs.

Messi scored twice in the final minutes of the first half, goalie Drake Callender stopped a penalty kick in the 84th minute and Inter Miami beat the defending MLS Cup champion Columbus Crew 3-2 on Wednesday night, wrapping up the Supporters Shield given annually to the team with the best regular-season record.

It was Messi's 46th major trophy won for club or country, extending his record for the most by any men's soccer player in history. And it is the second he has won with Inter Miami, this Supporters Shield being added to the Leagues Cup trophy the Herons claimed shortly after Messi joined the club in 2023.

"We knew this was a group that could fight for this," Messi said.

Luis Suarez also scored for Inter Miami, which will open a best-of-three first-round playoff series in the final weekend of October. If the team wins that series, it would have the right to host every match it plays the rest of the season — an Eastern Conference semifinal (scheduled for Nov. 23 or 24), the East final (Nov. 30 or Dec. 1) and the MLS Cup final on Dec. 7.



Riverside's Reaghan McDaniel watches a putt during the Division II district golf tournament Wednesday at Pipe Stone Golf Club in Miamisburg. (SUBMITTED PHOTO)

Local girls compete in Division II girls district tourney

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

The Division II Southwest District girls golf tournament was held Wednesday at PipeStone Golf Club.

There were 12 teams and several individuals that made up the field. The top two teams and top two individuals not on a qualifying team advanced to state.

Fenwick (351) and Madeira (356) were the teams that moved on to the state tournament.

The local representatives were West Liberty-Salem as

well as Riverside's Reaghan McDaniel and Indian Lake's Alex Kinney.

The Lady Tigers finished 12th with a team score of 468. Olivia Reichardt had 109, followed by Geneva Estep (111), Kennedy Wallace (120), and Teagan Boyd (128). Also competing was Taylor Cook (139).

McDaniel tied for 12th with an 89, while Kinney was 24th with a 97.

The individual state qualifiers were Sophia Fink of CHCA (77) and Lauren Miller of Kettering Alter (78).

Lady Chiefs shut out Graham 4-0

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Bellefontaine's girls soccer team shut out Graham 4-0 in a Central Buckeye Conference matchup Wednesday.

The Chiefs are now 4-9-1 overall and 3-5-1 in the CBC. Graham falls to 7-7-0, 4-5-0.

Callie Shumaker scored three goals for the Chiefs and Ava Watson had one goal. Sonya Smith tallied an assist for BHS.

Emma Whitaker recorded the shutout in goal for Bellefontaine. She had eight saves.

The Chiefs host

ROUNDUP

Springfield Shawnee on Monday.

BOYS SOCCER Lakers shut out Urbana

Indian Lake's boys soccer team rolled to a 6-0 win over Urbana in Central Buckeye Conference action Wednesday.

The Lakers improve to 10-3-1 overall and 5-2-1 in the CBC. The Hillclimbers drop to 2-10-1, 1-7-0.

Avery Pequinot scored three goals and added an assist for the Lakers.

Chase Schaub tallied two goals and Jacob Freyhof had one goal.

Stevie Spofford had two assists and Griffin Schaub and Aidan Stinebaugh each had one.

Colten Corcoran recorded the shutout in goal for the Lakers. He had three saves.

Indian Lake plays at Lima Bath on Saturday.

Raiders tie London
Benjamin Logan played London to a scoreless tie in a Central Buckeye Conference boys soccer match Wednesday.

The Raiders are now 6-4-5 overall and 5-2-1 in the

CBC. London is 8-3-2, 4-2-2. Ben Logan plays at Tecumseh on Monday.

Graham clips Chiefs
Bellefontaine's boys soccer team was edged by Graham 2-1 in a Central Buckeye Conference matchup Wednesday.

The Chiefs fall to 0-13-0, 0-8-0. Graham improves to 3-10-1, 2-5-1.

Ethan Turner had the lone goal for Bellefontaine and Anderson Konz had the assist.

Noah Torsell had five saves in goal for BHS.

The Chiefs play at home against Springfield Shawnee on Monday.

WL-S JV squad ties Bellefontaine

West Liberty-Salem's junior varsity boys soccer team tied Bellefontaine 0-0 on Wednesday.

Kyler Langhardt had one save in goal for the Tigers.

Calvary JV team blanks Panthers

Calvary Christian's junior varsity soccer team won against Fairbanks 3-0 on Monday.

Man Kariuki scored two goals and Aiden Keller had one goal for the Spartans. Blythe Lowe had an assist.

Brody Prall, Brett Gildow and Maddie Freeland combined for the shutout in goal.

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The Tigers (5-1 overall, 1-0 in the OHC) are coming off a 24-21 win over Northeastern.

West Jefferson (2-4, 0-1) lost to Mechanicsburg 18-7 last Friday.

Junior quarterback Austin Buescher, who threw for 3,747 yards and 38 touchdowns last year, has not been as prolific this fall as the Roughriders are breaking in a new group of

receivers.

Buescher is 126-of-206 for 1,127 yards with nine touchdowns against six interceptions.

Buescher's favorite target has been freshman Wade Reeve, who has 41 receptions for 331 yards and one TD.

Reeve is also the Roughriders' leading rusher with 348 yards and four TDs on 71 carries.

Other threats at receiver for the Roughriders are

sophomore Colton Kincade (15 catches, 206 yards, three TDs), senior Nick Fitzpatrick (16 catches, 196 yards, one TD), senior Wyatt Keyt (17 grabs, 182 yards, one TD) and senior Austin Mast (29 receptions, 167 yards, one TD).

Northeastern at Triad
Triad faces another big challenge this week with a home game against Northeastern on Friday.

The Cardinals (1-5 overall, 0-1 in the Ohio Heritage Conference) lost to Fairbanks 61-13 last week. Northeastern (4-2, 0-1) is

coming off a 24-21 loss to West Liberty-Salem.

The Jets' offense is led by junior dual threat quarterback Diesel Taylor. He is 44-of-65 passing for 631 yards and 10 touchdowns with four interceptions. On the ground, he has 55 carries for 260 yards and four TDs.

Junior Jackson Jones is the Jets' leading rusher with 502 yards and three TDs on 83 carries.

Senior Garrett Chadwell is a threat both running and catching the ball. He has 210 rushing yards and four TDs on 30 attempts and 22

catches for 343 yards and six TDs.

Ridgemont at Hardin Northern
Ridgemont saw a four-game winning streak come to an end last week in a 20-0 loss to Upper Scioto Valley.

The Gophers face another key Northwest Central Conference game Friday when they travel to Hardin Northern.

Ridgemont is now 4-2 overall and 3-1 in the NWCC.

Hardin Northern (5-1, 5-0) rolled past Ridgedale 42-

0 a week ago.

The Polar Bears' lone loss came to Arlington 53-33 in the season opener.

Hardin Northern's offense is fueled by senior running back Nolan Hopson, who has piled up 1,239 yards and 20 touchdowns on 154 carries.

Hopson had 271 yards and five touchdowns in last week's win over Ridgedale.

Senior Xander Wilson has passed for 299 yards and three touchdowns while rushing for 576 yards and five TDs on 88 attempts.

Picks

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WL-S over West Jefferson

It was a gritty victory for the Tigers over Northeastern last week.

WL-S wants to keep its momentum rolling against West Jefferson. The Roughriders still have standout quarterback in Austin Buescher, but he doesn't have the supporting cast he did last year. *WL-S 24, West Jefferson 13.*

Northeastern over Triad

The Cardinals have taken their lumps and bruises this season, and the outlook doesn't look much better this week.

Northeastern has a talented quarterback in Diezel Taylor and he will cause fits for the Triad defense. *Northeastern 34, Triad 12.*

Hardin Northern over Ridgemont

The Gophers were shut out by a good Upper Scioto Valley squad last Friday.

Hardin Northern presents a similar challenge this week. The Polar Bears feature a dynamic running back in Nolan Hopson, who has rushed for 20 touchdowns in six games.

Hopson and the Polar Bears will be too much for Ridgemont to contain. *Hardin Northern 27, Ridgemont 12.*

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