

BELLEFONTAINE **Examiner**

SERVING LOGAN COUNTY SINCE 1891

ALSO AVAILABLE ONLINE @ WWW.EXAMINER.ORG

Vol. 133 • No. 160

1 DOLLAR



ALL STAR TIGERS
WLS girls soccer seniors contribute to win in OHC showcase



FORECAST
▲ 48
▼ 33

**TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 12,
2024**



Local vets thanked for service at Logan County ceremony

BY SHARYN KOPF
EXAMINER STAFF WRITER

With the goal of honoring the men and women who have served the United States of America, residents gathered first at the Logan County Courthouse, then headed into the Holland Theatre for the annual Veterans Day ceremony Monday, Nov. 11.

Once again the celebration started with members of the Logan County veteran's memorial squad lowering the courthouse flag

to half-mast, followed by the memorial rifle squad presenting the 21-gun salute.

After attendees were seated in the theatre, Joe Messner, first vice-commander of the Harold Kerr American Legion Post #173, led the pledge of allegiance and opening prayer. Mayor David Crissman took the stage next to share a few words.

Crissman spoke of the stories, heroic deeds and sacrifices of veterans, and added, "But behind each story is a person—a moth-



Corbin Messner, a 2011 Bellefontaine High School graduate and gunnery sergeant with the United States Marine Corps, shares about his service Monday at the 2024 Veterans Day ceremony at the Holland Theatre.

(EXAMINER PHOTO | SHARYN KOPF)

er, a father, son or daughter—who chose to serve, knowing they were willing to face the unknown, to leave behind their families, and to fight for the freedoms we sometimes take for granted."

Messner then introduced Monday's guest speaker—his son Corbin Messner. Corbin joined the Marine Corps in 2013, eventually reporting to the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Fla., where he studied aviation electronics and avionics warfare.

But before that, the

2011 Bellefontaine High School graduate tried college, where he only lasted one semester, and joined the Army ... temporarily. When he couldn't find the job he wanted there, he met with a Marine Corps recruiter.

The recruiter presented Corbin with 11 traits and told him to pick the three that mattered most. He chose travel and adventure, meeting a challenge, and gaining self-confidence.

See **THANKED** on P2

Heartfelt veteran tributes rendered at Benjamin Logan ceremony



Attendees at the Benjamin Logan Veterans Day ceremony Monday sing along with the high chorale's rendition of the National Anthem, as a large flag is lowered in the gymnasium. Featured speaker Adam Bryant from the U.S. Air Force is pictured at the left in the blue blazer. (EXAMINER PHOTO | MANDY LOEHR)

BY MANDY LOEHR
EXAMINER STAFF WRITER

Logan County Veterans Service Director Shelley Kneece, along with many others in attendance at Monday's Benjamin Logan Veterans Day assembly, were moved by the heartfelt service and tribute to local veteran heroes, which began with audience members young and old rising to their feet while joining the high school chorale in singing the National Anthem.

Participants paused with their hands on their hearts while the large U.S. flag was unveiled in the center of the Benjamin Logan High School gymnasium.

"This is one of the most meaningful ceremonies I've ever been to," Kneece said during veteran attendee introductions that took place at the conclusion of the event. "I think speaker (BLHS senior) Eric Hughes said it well, this is a day of unity. I felt that unity and togetherness while we were all standing up and singing the National Anthem."

The day's activities were organized by the BLHS Student Government and the President's Roundtable under the direction of staff member Trish Hemmelgarn.

The Logan County Commissioners also were in attendance to present their monthly distinguished citizen flag recognition to

a district resident — U.S. Army veteran Philip Godwin, a 1957 graduate of Zanesfield Monroe High School.

Godwin was honored with the U.S. flag that flew above the Logan County Courthouse during October. He was joined at the ceremony by his wife of 57 years, Sheryl, and his son, John Godwin, a veteran of the U.S. Navy, who is also retired from the Logan County Sheriff's Office and is currently serving as a School Resource Officer for Bellefontaine City Schools through the Bellefontaine Police Department.

A native of Zanesfield, E-4 Specialist Godwin entered the U.S. Army in 1961 and served through 1967 with the 5th Division Infantry in Ft. Carson, Colo. He also served in the Army Reserves, 83rd Division, in Marysville, as an E-5 Sgt., and with

See **TRIBUTES** on Page 8



Benjamin Logan Veterans Day ceremony attendee Donald Hardman, a U.S. Army Vietnam veteran, introduces himself to the crowd and gives a shout out to his grandchildren during the veteran guest introductions that closed out the program. (EXAMINER PHOTO | MANDY LOEHR)

AMVETS' SALUTE TO VETERANS



A rifle squad and honor guard offer a 21-gun salute Monday, Nov. 11, at the Amvets Post 39's annual Veterans Day ceremony, which was followed by lunch for veterans and their families. Lunch was provided by the Lakeview Business Group and was catered by Woody's. Former Russells Point mayor and military veteran Robin Reames spoke to attendees inside the Amvets, along with veteran Gary Yoakam. (EXAMINER PHOTO | HEATHER HART)

Harriet Tubman posthumously named a general in Veterans Day ceremony

CHURCH CREEK, Md. (AP) — Revered abolitionist Harriet Tubman, who was the first woman to oversee an American military action during a time of war, was posthumously awarded the rank of general on Monday.

Dozens gathered on Veterans Day at the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad State Park in Maryland's Dorchester County for a formal ceremony making Tubman a one-star brigadier general in the state's National Guard.

Gov. Wes Moore called the occasion not just a great day for Tubman's home state but for all of the U.S.

"Today, we celebrate a soldier and a person who earned the title of veteran," Moore said. "Today we celebrate one of the greatest authors of the American story."

Tubman escaped slavery herself in 1849 and settled in Philadelphia. Intent on helping others achieve freedom, she



A bronze statue of abolitionist Harriet Tubman is seen at the Maryland State House, Feb. 10, 2020, in Annapolis, Md. (AP PHOTO/JULIO CORTEZ, FILE)

established the Underground Railroad network and led other enslaved Black women and men to freedom. She then channeled those experiences as a scout,

See **NAMED** on Page 3

NEWS Local & State

ALSO AVAILABLE ONLINE @ WWW.EXAMINER.ORG



BELLEFONTAINE EXAMINER
HUBBARD PUBLISHING CO.
 PO Box 40 • Bellefontaine, OH 43311

An independent daily newspaper
 Founded in 1891
 by E.O. & H.K. Hubbard
 Issued Tuesday, Thursday
 and Saturday at
 1213 W. Sandusky Ave.

MEMBER OF THE:
 Ohio News Media Association

PUBLISHER/GM:
 T.J. HUBBARD
ADVERTISING DIRECTOR:
 JIM STRZALKA
SUBSCRIPTIONS:
 HEATHER HART

SUBSCRIPTION RATES
 Price of single copy \$1.00
 By mail R.F.D. in Logan and adjoining
 Counties, per year postpaid...\$147.00
 By mail outside of Logan and
 surrounding counties.....\$165.00

ONLINE Edition
 Five weeks\$10.00
 Thirteen weeks\$26.00
 Twenty six weeks\$52.00
 Fifty two weeks - (1 year).....\$104.00
 Lesser periods by mail slightly more than proportionate cost of yearly rate. Mail subscriptions will not be accepted from territories served by an Examiner newspaper courier or motor routes.

All subscriptions for papers delivered by carrier are payable in advance at the Examiner office. No paper sent by mail unless paid for in advance, a postal regulation. Subscriptions are non-refundable. Online subscriptions must be paid in advance.

HOW TO REACH US
GENERAL: 592-3060
CIRCULATION/SUBSCRIPTIONS:
 Option 4
CLASSIFIEDS: Option 5
AFTERHOURS: (937) 407-0205

NEWSROOM Option 1
Mandy Locher1116
SPORTS Option 2
 Sports Editor1122
ADVERTISING Option 3
Jim Strzalka - Ad. Director1126

Bellefontaine
Examiner
 www.examiner.org
 webmaster@examiner.org

E-MAIL
 news@examiner.org
 sports@examiner.org
 ads@examiner.org
 classifieds@examiner.org
 subscriptions@examiner.org

Second Class Postage Paid At
 Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311
 Publication Number
 049000

"Nothing is stronger than public opinion; given the facts, nothing is wiser."



FORUM GUIDELINES
 Letters of less than 500 words will be given preference. Writers should limit their letters to one per month. For verification purposes, all letters must include the writer's address and telephone number. The writer's name and city will be printed with each letter. No anonymous letters will be printed. Letters of thanks will not be printed in the Forum, nor will disputes between customers and businesses.

The Examiner reserves the right to edit letters for length and clarity. Forum letters and guest editorials are the opinions of the writers and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Examiner. E-mail letters may be sent to:

news@examiner.org
 Letters can also be sent by fax to 592-4463, or by mail to:

The Forum
 Bellefontaine Examiner
 P.O. Box 40
 Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

ABE MARTIN



"Why is th' truth allus so late about comin' out?"

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

LOGAN COUNTY BEAT

SHERIFF & HIGHWAY PATROL

Alcohol suspected factor in crash

Deputies of the Logan County Sheriff's Office responded to a minor injury crash about 2:40 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, in the 1400 block of County Road 10.

Kameron Mathison, 24, of Lewistown, was operating an eastbound vehicle on C.R. 10 when the vehicle failed to negotiate a curve, went off the left side of the road, and struck several small trees, two utility poles and a large bush before coming to rest in a driveway.

Mathison, who was wearing a seat belt, was transported by Bellefontaine Fire and EMS to Mary Rutan Hospital.

Alcohol is suspected as a factor in the crash, deputies report.

The driver was cited for failure to control. Additional charges are pending.

Damage to the vehicle was disabling. It was towed from the scene by Shafer's Towing.

Crash investigation continues.

School bus driver cited in non-injury crash

An Indian Lake Schools' bus driver was cited Friday, Nov. 8, following a minor crash that occurred in the area of Township Road 293 near Queen Road in Stokes Township.

Deputies of the Logan County Sheriff's Office report the bus driver had pulled eastbound onto Queen Road to make a turn around onto T.R. 293. The driver backed the bus westbound onto T.R. 293 when it traveled off the west side of the road and struck a 2012 black Chrysler 200 vehicle parked in a private driveway at 11286 Northlake Drive.

An additional bus arrived to transport the 22 students on board to school. No one was injured.

Damage was observed to be on the hood and passenger side of the Chrysler. The bus sustained damage to the corner of the driver side rear bumper, deputies report.

THANKED

Continued from Page 1

"He made me put on his Navy blues coat and said, 'You feel good, don't you?' Oh, yeah," Corbin shared.

Corbin was sent to boot camp, which he called "the funniest place you can ever go to without laughing."

Eventually, Corbin landed in North Carolina, where he learned how to work on helicopters. That job took him to Quantico, W. Va., and the presidential squadron in January 2017. He was awarded the Presidential Service Badge on April, 5, 2018.

And he got to travel, listing places like Normandy, France, and Brussels, Belgium, and every state in America. He also met President Donald Trump—"a really cool experience."

Next, Corbin was "voluntold" to be a recruiter in California, which he did for three months before returning to Ohio. Corbin is now preparing to return to the Golden State to, again, work on helicopters.

Corbin's wife, Christina, also graduated from BHS



Following the annual flag and 21-gun salute ceremony at the Bellefontaine courthouse, Joe Messner, first vice-commander of the Harold Kerr American Legion Post #173, speaks to attendees in the Holland Theatre for Veterans Day. (EXAMINER PHOTO | SHARYN KOPF)

and served in the Marine Corps. He thanked the families of veterans for the sacrifices they make for their loved ones.

In closing, Corbin read an essay and stated, "Stand tall and proud for you have earned the right to be called a veteran."

Gunshots at Tuskegee University sent terrified students running for their lives

TUSKEGEE, Ala. (AP) — Tuskegee University student Sid Guynn hid under a car when he heard the gunshots that ripped across his Alabama campus amid homecoming celebrations, then ran back to his dorm, frightened by what sounded to him like a machine gun.

"It was terrifying; I couldn't find my phone or my brother," Guynn said. His brother is not a student at the university, he said, and was visiting when the barrage of gunshots sent students diving to the ground or running for their lives.

The shooting left one man dead and injured at least 16 other people early Sunday, a dozen of them by gunfire, authorities said. An arrest was announced hours later. Many of the injured were students.

The man killed in the homecoming weekend shooting at Tuskegee University has been identified as 18-year-old La'Tavion Johnson, of Troy, Alabama, who was not a student, the local coroner said Monday.

Jaquez Myrick, 25, of Montgomery, was taken into custody while leaving the scene of the campus shooting and had been found with a handgun with a machine gun conversion device, the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency said. Myrick faces a federal charge of possession of a machine gun, the agency said in a statement. It did not accuse him of using the gun in the shooting or provide

additional details.

The agency did not say whether Myrick was a student at the historically Black university, where the shooting erupted as the school's 100th homecoming week was winding down.

It was not immediately known if Myrick had an attorney who could speak on his behalf. He was being held in the Montgomery County jail, online booking records show.

Twelve people were wounded by gunfire, and four others sustained injuries not related to the gunshots, the state agency said. Several were being treated at East Alabama Medical Center in Opelika and Baptist South Hospital in Montgomery, the university said in a statement.

Their conditions were not immediately released, but Macon County Coroner Hal Bentley said he understands that at least one of the people injured has been in critical condition.

The FBI joined the investigation and said it was seeking tips from the public, as well as any video witnesses might have. It set up a site online for people to upload video. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives also was involved in the investigation, a local prosecutor said.

The school is no longer an open campus, Tuskegee University President Dr. Mark A. Brown said at a press conference Monday outside the campus' main entrance. All students and faculty will have to wear their IDs while

on campus.

Brown said there were security checks at all official school events, but the party where the shooting happened was not sanctioned by the school.

"We did not nor could we have planned for security at an event that was not approved in advance or sanctioned by the university," Brown said. But he said the school administration would "take full responsibility" for "implementing corrective actions."

The former campus security chief has been replaced, the president said, and the new security chief will conduct a thorough review of the shooting. When asked, Brown did not provide the name of the new head of campus security.

Brown said that classes were canceled for Monday and Tuesday, all students would be offered counseling, and there would be a town hall to address the community's concerns. All students who live "in the vicinity of the shooting" will be given the opportunity to relocate, Brown said.

The shooting is the latest case in which a "machine gun conversion device" was found, something law officers around the nation have expressed grave concerns about. The proliferation of these types of weapons is made possible by small pieces of metal or plastic made with a 3D printer or ordered online.

Local schools grieving with Kenton Ridge following shooting death of student

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Local schools are joining districts from across the area in mourning the loss of a Kenton Ridge High School student, who was tragically killed in a shooting Saturday evening in Northridge.

The incident has left another juvenile critically injured and a suspect in custody. As schools and families grapple with the devastating loss, local leaders and communities are offering their support to Kenton Ridge and the affected families.

"Indian Lake Lakers extend our thoughts and prayers to our CBC friends at Kenton Ridge. They lost a classmate and member of the bowling team last night," read a statement posted to Sunday to the Indian Lake Facebook page.

Clark County deputies and medics responded at approximately 6:37 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, to reports of a shooting on Reno Road. A juvenile suspect reportedly brandished a firearm and shot another juvenile during a party. The victim was transported to the hospital with life-threatening injuries.

"Our hearts are heavy as we share that KR has lost a beloved student and member of their bowling team. Please join us in keeping his family in your thoughts and prayers tonight and in the weeks to come," Benjamin Logan Schools said in a statement.

The alleged shooter was detained at the scene, and the Clark County Sheriff's Office continues to investigate.

Authorities have not yet released the names of those involved, and no additional details about charges or the victim's condition were available as of Monday morning.



LOCAL NOTES

Les Fons' Cabaret show set for Nov. 15, 16

Bellefontaine High School's showchoir, Les Fons, will present its annual Cabaret at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 15 and Saturday, Nov. 16.

This year's theme is "The Sound of the 60's." The BMS Dazzlers will open the show on Friday, and Jr. Show Choir Academy from BJS will open on Saturday.

Tickets are \$5 online through the BCS box office, www.bcs-k12.org/athletics, or at the door.

'GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays' set to return Nov. 19

The West Liberty United Methodist Church hosts "GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays," a seminar for people facing the loss of a loved one.

The session is planned for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, at the church, 202 W. Newell St., West Liberty.

"Surviving the Holidays" is a special GriefShare event designed to provide ways to navigate through the holidays and will give practical tips, words of strength and encouragement and suggestions to help you face and survive the unique stresses of the holiday season.

For more information, or to register, call Gene Farley, (937) 441-3592, or register online at griefshare.org.

Logan County Braves benefit dinner set for Nov. 23

The Mad River Lodge hosts a benefit spaghetti dinner from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, to benefit the Logan County Braves Special Olympics team.

The dinner takes place at the West Liberty United Methodist Church. The meal is prepared by lodge members and the cost is \$7, which includes spaghetti with homemade meatballs and sauce, salad, Texas toast, dessert and a drink.

For advance tickets, contact Larry Lance, (937) 465-6560 or any lodge member.

All proceeds benefit the Braves.

Trip to ONU Holiday Spectacular

The Logan County Friendly Senior Center hosts a bus trip to attend the Ohio Northern University Holiday Spectacular.

The show begins at 2 p.m. at the Freed Center Biggs Theater at the ONU campus in Ada.

The fully staged musical in its 29th year features festive carols, lavish sets, ballerinas, toy soldiers and St. Nick.

Tickets are approximately \$50, depending on the number of reservations received. To reserve a seat, contact the senior center at (937) 593-1511.

— 39th Annual —

Country Collection Christmas Boutique

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Allen County Fairgrounds - Lima, Ohio
(Merchants, Youth Exhibits, Agriculture Bldgs. & Youth Activity Bldgs.)

- OVER 250 BOOTHS -
ADMISSION \$4.00

A fine collection of woodworking, jewelry, floral arrangements, boutiques, farmhouse decor, candles, wearables, sweets and Much More!

Find us on Facebook: Country Christmas Collection Boutique
KUNTREE FRIENDS & KRAFTS
419-648-3747

ALSO AVAILABLE ONLINE @ www.examiner.org

Bitcoin has topped \$87,000 for a new record high

What to know about crypto's post-election rally

NEW YORK (AP) — As money continues to pour into crypto following Donald Trump's victory last week, bitcoin has climbed to yet another record high.

The world's largest cryptocurrency topped \$87,000 for the first time on Monday. As of around 3:45 p.m. ET, bitcoin's price stood at \$87,083, per CoinDesk, up over 28% in the last week alone.

That's part of a rally across cryptocurrencies and crypto-related investments since Trump won the U.S. presidential election last week. Analysts credit much of the recent gains to an anticipated "crypto-friendly" nature of the incoming administration, which could translate into more regulatory clarity but also leeway.

Still, as with everything in the volatile cryptoverse, the future is hard to predict. And while some are bullish, others continue to warn of investment risks.

Here's what you need to know.

Back up. What is cryptocurrency again?

Cryptocurrency has been around for a while now, but has come under the spotlight in recent years.

In basic terms, cryptocurrency is digital money. This kind of currency is designed to work through an online network without a central authority — meaning it's typically not backed by any government or banking institution — and transactions get recorded with technology called a blockchain.

Bitcoin is the largest and oldest cryptocurrency, although other assets like Ethereum, Tether and Dogecoin have gained popularity over the years. Some investors see cryptocurrency as a "digital alternative" to traditional money — but it can be very volatile, and reliant on larger market conditions.

Why are bitcoin and other crypto assets soaring now?

A lot of it has to do with the outcome of last week's election.

Trump was previously a crypto skeptic, but changed his mind and embraced cryptocurrencies during this year's presidential race. He has pledged to make the U.S. "the crypto capital of the planet" and create a "strategic reserve" of bitcoin. His campaign accepted donations in cryptocurrency and he courted fans at a bitcoin conference in July. He also launched World Liberty Financial, a new venture with family members to trade cryptocurrencies.

Crypto industry players welcomed Trump's victory, in hopes that he would be able to push through legislative and regulatory changes that they've long lobbied for. And Trump had previously

promised that, if elected, he would remove the chair of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Gary Gensler, who has been leading the U.S. government's crackdown on the crypto industry and repeatedly called for more oversight.

Even before the post-election rally, assets like bitcoin posted notable gains over the past year or so. Much of the credit goes to early success of a new way to invest in the asset: spot bitcoin ETFs, which were approved by U.S. regulators in January.

Inflows into spot ETFs, or exchange-traded funds, "have been the dominant driver of Bitcoin returns from some time, and we expect this relationship to continue in the near-term," Glass and Saunders noted. They added that spot crypto ETFs saw some of their largest inflows on record in the days following the election.

What are the risks?

Crypto assets like bitcoin have a history of drastic swings in value — which can come suddenly and happen over the weekend or overnight in trading that continues at all hours, every day.

In short, history shows you can lose money as quickly as you've made it. Long-term price behavior relies on larger market conditions.

At the start of last year, a single bitcoin could be had for less than \$17,000. Investors, however, began returning in large numbers as inflation started to cool — and gains skyrocketed on the anticipation and then early success of spot ETFs. While some crypto supporters see the potential for more record-breaking days, experts still stress caution, especially for small-pocketed investors.

"Investors should only dabble in crypto with money that they can be prepared to lose," Susannah Streeter, head of money and markets at Hargreaves Lansdown, said last week. "Because we've seen these wild swings in the past."

What about the climate impact?

Assets like bitcoin are produced through a process called "mining," which consumes a lot of energy. And operations relying on pollutive sources have drawn particular concern over the years.

Recent research published by the United Nations University and Earth's Future journal found that the carbon footprint of 2020-2021 bitcoin mining across 76 nations was equivalent to the emissions from burning 84 billion pounds of coal or running 190 natural gas-fired power plants. Coal satisfied the bulk of bitcoin's electricity demands (45%), followed by natural gas (21%) and hydropower (16%).

OBITUARIES

Joseph Burkhammer

Joseph Burkhammer, 91, of Bellefontaine, passed away on Sunday, November 10, 2024, at Indian Lake Rehabilitation Center. He was born in Weston, West Virginia on August 21, 1933, to the late James and Martha (Messenger) Burkhammer.



He is survived by his significant other, Pamela Jauret; sister, Nancy Wampler; brother, Raymond (Jeannie) Burkhammer; and many nieces and nephews.

Joe proudly served in the United States Air Force. After the service he worked for Dayton Power and Light Company for 30+ years. In his free time, he enjoyed mowing his lawn and working on cars.

Per Joe's wishes, he will be cremated and there will be no public services.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Harold Kerr American Legion post #173, 120 Colton Ave, Bellefontaine, OH 43311.

Eichholtz Daring & Sanford Funeral Home & Cremation Center, Bellefontaine, is honored to serve the Burkhammer family and encourages anyone to share a fond memory or message of condolence at www.edsfh.com.

Cynthia (Cindy) Lee Elliott

Cynthia (Cindy) Lee Elliott, 67, of Bellefontaine, passed away at 10:17 a.m. on Monday, November 4, 2024, at Mary Rutan Hospital in Bellefontaine. Born in Gallipolis, Ohio on the 24th of July, 1957, to George William "Bill" and Barbara Lee (Phillips) Nease, who survive.



On November 13, 1976, she married Brent L. Elliott, and he survives.

Cindy is also survived by her daughters, Laura (Brad) Flora, and Melissa (Christophe) Quindroit-Elliott; grandchildren, Mekenzie Flora, Kaeleigh Flora, and Anael Quindroit-Elliott; sister, Sandra (Christopher) Winter; brothers, Richard (Shelly) Nease, and James (Shoan) Nease; sister-in-law, Hollie Cohen-Nease; and many nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by a brother, David Wayne Nease in 2016.

Cindy was a devoted teacher of 35 year at Riverside Local Schools, where she worked tirelessly making a difference in children's education. Since retiring, she spent her time caring for her grandchildren, and enjoyed multiple hobbies, including knitting and sneaking new plants into her sunroom. Recently, she and Brent traveled to France to experience the culture of their grandson.

A record 13 women will be governors next year

(AP) — The election of Republican Kelly Ayotte as New Hampshire's governor means 13 women will serve as a state's chief executive next year, breaking the record of 12 set after the 2022 elections.

Governors hold powerful sway in American politics, shaping state policy and often using the experience and profile gained to launch campaigns for higher offices.

"It matters to have women in those roles to normalize the image of women in political leadership and even more specifically in executive leadership, where they're the sole leader, not just a member of a team," said Kelly Dittmar, director of research at the Rutgers Center for American Women and Politics.

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer was floated as a potential Democratic nominee for president after President Biden exited the race. Republican South Dakota Gov. Kristi Noem was thought to be in the running for President-elect Donald Trump's vice presidential post.

Ayotte, a former U.S. senator, defeated the Democratic nominee Joyce

Craig, a former mayor of Manchester, New Hampshire's largest city.

Still, 18 states have never had a woman in the governor's office.

"This is another side of political leadership where women continue to be underrepresented," Dittmar said. "Thirteen out of 50 is still underrepresentation."

With two women vying for governor in New Hampshire, a new record for female governors was inevitable. The state has a long history of electing women. As a senator, Ayotte was part of the nation's first all-female congressional delegation. It was also the first state to have a female governor, state Senate president and House speaker at the same time, and the first to have a female majority in its Senate. Ayotte will be the state's third woman to be governor.

"Being a woman isn't really that critical to her political persona," Linda Fowler, professor emerita of government at Dartmouth College, said of Ayotte.

Both Ayotte and Craig said their gender hasn't come up on the campaign trail although reproductive rights often took front and center.

Cindy was first and foremost a helper, never not assisting in the need of anyone who asked. She put others above herself and loved to make sure people felt loved and cared for. This attribute will forever be her legacy. She fiercely loved her husband and children, but most of all her 3 grandchildren. She spoiled them with books, special shopping trips, and endless presents even when her daughters told her to stop. Her love will never be forgotten.

A private gathering will be held at a later date at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association, 5455 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43214, or the National Wildlife Federation, P.O. Box 1583 Merrifield, VA 22116, or at <https://support.nwf.org/page/64337/donate/1>.

Eichholtz Daring & Sanford Funeral Home & Cremation Center, Bellefontaine, is honored to serve the Elliott family and encourages anyone to share a fond memory or message of condolence at www.edsfh.com.

Mary H. McComb

Mary H. McComb, 106, of Hamilton, OH, formerly of Lakeview, OH, passed away Friday evening, November 8, 2024, at Bradford Place Care Center, Hamilton, OH.

Mary was born on July 7, 1918, at her family home in Rawson, OH, a daughter of the late William and Minnie Williams Cunningham. She married Allen McComb on November 20, 1938, in Ada, OH and he preceded her in death on October 27, 1992. She is also preceded in death by two sons, Thomas McComb, and Marion Michael McComb, two sisters, Anna Neal and Nellie Cunningham, and three brothers, William Cunningham, Wellington Cunningham, and Richard Cunningham.

Mary is survived by her son, Allen (Glenna) McComb, Jr. of Fairfield, OH, and several nieces and nephews.

Mary worked in her early years at O-K Ball Company, now Wilson Sporting Goods in Ada. She was a member of Indian Lake Northside Church of the Nazarene and attended First Baptist Church of Hamilton. Mary loved the outdoors, and enjoyed camping, fishing and traveling.

Funeral services will begin 11 a.m., Wednesday, November 13, at Shoffstall Funeral Home, 205 S. Main St., Lakeview, with visitation from 10 to 11 am. Burial will follow in Preston Cemetery, Alger, OH.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given in Mary's memory to the First Baptist Church of Hamilton, OH.

Arrangements are in the care of Shoffstall Funeral Home, Lakeview, OH. Condolences may be expressed at shoffstallfuneralhome.com.

Named

Continued from Page 1

spy and nurse for the Union Army during the Civil War, helping guide 150 Black soldiers on a gunboat raid in South Carolina.

Nobody would have judged Tubman had she chosen to remain in Philadelphia and coordinate abolitionist efforts from there, Moore said.

"She knew that in order to do the work, that meant that she had to go into the lion's den," Moore said. "She knew that leadership means you have to be willing to do what you are asking others to do."

The reading of the official order was followed by a symbolic pinning ceremony with Tubman's great-great-grandniece, Tina Wyatt.

Wyatt hailed her aunt's

legacy of tenacity, generosity and faith and agreed Veterans Day applied to her as much as any other servicemember.

"Aunt Harriet was one of those veterans informally, she gave up any rights that she had obtained for herself to be able to fight for others," Wyatt said. "She is a selfless person."

Tubman's status as an icon of history has only been further elevated with in the last few years. The city of Philadelphia chose a Black artist to make a 14-foot (4.3-meter) bronze statue to go on display next year. In 2022, a Chicago elementary school was renamed for Tubman, replacing the previous namesake, who had racist views. However, plans to put Tubman on the \$20 bill have continued to stall.

Wren's
FLORIST & GREENHOUSES

Make their day.
Send a Bouquet!

Give us a Call
(937) 593-5015
wrensflorist.com

Donate Your Vehicle

Call (844) 299-7464 to donate your car, truck, boat, RV, and more today!

How it Works:

- Contact Us**
Call (844) 299-7464
- Schedule Pickup**
We'll pick up your vehicle for FREE - at a time and place convenient for you.
- Receive Top Tax Deduction**
You may qualify for a tax deduction.

- Support Veteran Nonprofits.
- Free Pickup & Towing.
- Top Tax Deduction.

Donate Your Vehicle Today
844-299-7464

While we appreciate every donation, in some cases, we find that we are unable to accept certain vehicles, watercraft, and/or recreational vehicles due to the prohibitive costs of acquisition. If you have any questions, please give us a call at (844) 299-7464.

12 HOLIDAY WINES

PLUS BONUS GIFTS
ONLY \$79.99

SAVE \$160

Our experts handpicked this highly acclaimed collection to pair perfectly with your favorite dishes from Omaha Steaks. Uncork 12 bottles with bonus gifts for just \$79.99 (plus \$19.99 shipping and tax) as your introduction to the Omaha Steaks Wine Club — saving you \$160.

Then, look forward to 12 new selections every three months and enjoy a \$25 Omaha Steaks E-Reward Card with each future club case. You'll also save 10% on every 12+ bottle purchase and get free shipping every time you order. There's no commitment to continue and every bottle comes with our 100% guarantee.

OMAHA STEAKS WINE
POWERED BY LAITHWAITES

Order now at OmahaSteaksWine.com/MBAGJF13
or call 1.844.834.1450 and mention code AGJF002

Savings off retail price. Offer subject to availability and club enrollment. Omaha Steaks Wine is operated independently from Omaha Steaks, LLC. Full terms and conditions online. Void where prohibited by law.

Tigers play in All-Star Game



Three members of the West Liberty-Salem girls soccer team took part in the Ohio Heritage Conference All-Star Game on Saturday night. Pictured above, from left to right, are seniors Ava Johnson (OHC first team), Audrey Collins (second team) and Chloe Bender (honorable mention) who played for the North Division team, which defeated the South Division by a score of 2-1. Collins had a number of saves in the win. Mandy Lauck of WL-S was the coach for the North team as well. Pictured below are the players for both teams, with North Division in the back row and South in the front row. (SUBMITTED PHOTOS).



Buckeyes cruise past YSU

BY MITCH STACY
 AP SPORTS WRITER

Aaron Bradshaw and John Mobley Jr. each scored 16 points to lead five players in double figures as No. 21 Ohio State went on an early run and then crushed Youngstown State 81-47 on Monday night.

Ohio State played outstanding defense, holding a Youngstown State team with mostly new players to 24% shooting.

The Buckeyes shot 55%, with Bruce Thornton scoring 12, Meechie Johnson Jr. adding 11, including three 3-pointers, and Sean Stewart 10.

Bradshaw was 5 for 8 and had eight rebounds. Mobley was 3 for 4 from beyond the arc as the Buckeyes hit 46% of their long shots.

Cris Carroll paced the Penguins with 10 points and seven rebounds, and Ty Harper and 7-foot-3 Gabe Dynes each added nine points.

The Penguins got back to within 10 points in the first half but couldn't run with the Buckeyes, who steadily increased the lead throughout the second half and had all the starters on the bench by the final whistle.



Micah Parrish of Ohio State, right, is guarded by Ty Harper of Youngstown State during Monday's nonconference game in Columbus. (AP PHOTO | JAY LAPRETE)

See OSU on Page 5

Game sites announced for regional semifinals

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

The Ohio High School Athletic Association has announced the locations for the regional semifinal matchups for football.

In Division V, two area teams remain in contention, both in Region 20.

Indian Lake, which is 10-2, will face top seed Greeneview, who is unbeaten at 12-0.

The Lakers have playoff wins over Versailles and Preble Shawnee, while Greeneview has knocked off Graham and Bath.

That game will be played at Skyhawk Stadium in Fairborn, the home stadium for Fairborn High School.

In the bottom half of the bracket, West Liberty-Salem brings a record of 11-1 into the matchup with #3 seed Waynesville, which has a mark of 9-3.

The Tigers have advanced with wins against Arcanum and Miami East. Waynesville's victories have come over Middletown Madison and Madeira.

The Tigers and Spartans will square off at the University of Dayton's Welcome Stadium.

Other matchups include:

Division III — Region 12: #8 St. Marys vs. #4 London (at Piqua); #2 Wapakoneta vs. #3 Bellbrook (at Troy)

Division IV — Region 16: #9 Indian Hill vs. #5 Taft (at Milford); #10 Archbishop Alter vs. #6 Taylor (at Fairfield)

Division VI — Region 24: #1 Coldwater vs. #5 St. Bernard-Elmwood Place (at Trotwood); #2 Cincinnati Country Day vs. #3 Anna (at Monroe)

Division VII — Region 28: #1 Marion Local vs. #4 Ansonia (at Lima); #2 Minster vs. #3 Cincinnati College Prep (at Sidney).

The winners of Friday's games will then meet in the regional final on Nov. 22. The state semifinals will be Nov. 29, followed by the state championships in Canton from Dec. 5-7.

Tickets for all playoff games are available at www.ohsaa.org/tickets.

Former Rams, USC coach Robinson dies

BY GREG BEACHAM
 AP SPORTS WRITER

LOS ANGELES — John Robinson, the veteran football coach who enjoyed many years of success at the University of Southern California and with the Los Angeles Rams, has died. He was 89.

The Rams confirmed Robinson's death on Monday. He died in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, of complications from pneumonia, USC said in a release.

Robinson is high on the short list of football coaches who enjoyed significant success in both the college and pro ranks. He went 104-35-4 at USC and 75-68 with the Rams, winning postseason games and contending for championships regularly with both teams. Robinson was particularly successful in bowl games, going 8-1 in the postseason with USC and UNLV.

"Coach Robinson was one of the greatest college coaches ever, and his love for USC and his love for the game of football was second to none," said Ronnie Lott, an All-American safety under Robinson at USC. "I've always felt that while playing for him, he gave us the ability to feel like we were larger than life. And his commitment to making sure that we had more than just football in our lives was so superior."

Robinson was a member of the College Football Hall of Fame for his two successful tenures at USC. He also became the winningest coach in Rams history during his nine-year tenure with the NFL club. Sean McVay passed Robinson's career victories total only last month.

Robinson coached at USC from 1976 to 1982 and again from 1993 to 1997. He never had a losing record at the school, and his Trojans won five conference titles

and four Rose Bowls. Running backs Charles White (1979) and Marcus Allen (1981) won the Heisman Trophy while playing in Robinson's relentless rushing offenses.

"Coach Robinson was very demanding, but in a human way," said Paul McDonald, the quarterback of Robinson's superbly talented 1979 team at USC. "He had great interpersonal skills, and he knew how to connect with people. He made you want to play hard for him and to run through walls. You cared for him because he cared so much for you."

Robinson moved to the Rams in 1983 and reached the playoffs in six of his first seven seasons, winning four playoff games and advancing to two NFC championship games.

The Rams observed a moment of silence for Robinson at SoFi Stadium on Monday night before they faced the Miami Dolphins.

Robinson spent six seasons coaching UNLV after his second USC tenure, also serving a stint as the Rebels' athletic director. He was most recently a senior consultant at LSU from 2019 to 2021 during the tenure of head coach Ed Orgeron.

Robinson was born July 25, 1935, in Chicago, and he grew up in the Bay Area, attending prep school with close friend John Madden and graduating from high school in 1954. He played tight end on Oregon's 1958 Rose Bowl championship team before beginning his coaching career with the Ducks.

Robinson became John McKay's offensive coordinator at USC in 1972, coaching the unbeaten 1972 consensus national championship team and the 1974 team that went 10-1-1.

See COACH on Page 5

Phone: (937) 592-3060 x1122
 eMail: sports@examiner.org

SPORTS

ONLINE @ examiner.org/sports

Browns tackle benched after injury

BY TOM WITHERS
 AP SPORTS WRITER

BEREA — Cleveland Browns left tackle Jedrick Wills Jr.'s "business decision" to sit out a recent game with a knee injury may have backfired.

Wills was recently benched in favor of second-year tackle Dawand Jones, who was moved from right tackle to the left side in hopes of improving a Cleveland line that has been beset with injuries.

Wills said it was his decision not to play against Baltimore on Oct. 27 after he hyperextended his left knee — the same one he had surgery on in December — on the game's first play the previous week against Cincinnati.

Then, after the Browns (2-7) upset the Ravens with Jones at left tackle, Wills said coach Kevin Stefanski told him that he would no

longer start but instead serve as a "swing" tackle. He backed up both Jones and right tackle Jack Conklin for the Nov. 3 loss to the Chargers.

A first-round draft pick in 2020 out of Alabama, Wills had started all 57 games in which he was healthy before the demotion.

"It was pretty shocking," he said Monday as the Browns returned from their bye week. "I mean, I decided myself. I made a business decision not to play after the Bengals game going into that Ravens game because I was injured. And then the next week is when I received the news."

Wills was asked if the Browns misinterpreted his decision to sit out.

"I'm not sure," he said. "Maybe."

Wills understands the situation, but that doesn't make it any easier on the agreeable 25-year-old. "I think upset isn't a good word

to use," he said when asked about his feelings. "I would say it's more frustrating. But, I mean, it's not my decision. I can only do what I can do."

From their side, the Browns may have been making their own business decision in demoting Wills.

He is in the final year of his rookie contract (\$14.175 million) and it's possible Cleveland's front office no longer views him as part of its future. The 6-foot-8, 375-pound Jones performed well as a rookie while replacing an injured Conklin and the Browns may want to see if he can be their left-side anchor.

The team restructured his deal to make it more salary-cap friendly, and if he doesn't re-sign with Cleveland, the Browns will take a \$11.8 million cap hit in 2025.

Wills doesn't regret sitting out last month. He played with ankle injuries early in his career instead of

taking more time off.

"You wouldn't want to go out there and put forth 70% of your effort while you're injured, and then you have somebody else who can go out there and give 100%," he said. "I don't want to be out there the whole time thinking about my knee. I got to focus on my assignment."

For now, Will wants to stay locked in on the present. He said his decision to not play had nothing to do with his future.

"I don't think I would play hurt regardless of any time it was in my career," Wills said. "If I'm healthy enough to play, I'll play. If I'm not healthy enough to play, then I won't play."

Whether he plays for the Browns next season is uncertain, but he insists he still likes it in Cleveland.

"I like wherever I'm wanted," he said. "You know what I mean?"

Coach

Continued from Page 4

Robinson left the Trojans for one year to join Madden with the Oakland Raiders, but returned to USC in 1976 when McKay took over the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

Robinson coached USC to seven outstanding seasons, winning the Pac-8 or Pac-10 titles and the Rose Bowl in three of his first four years in charge. His 1978 team was named national champions by the UPI coaches' poll, while Bear Bryant's Alabama won the AP title. He coached a long list of stars during his tenure, from White and Allen to Pro Football Hall of Famers Lott, Anthony Muñoz and Bruce Matthews.

Robinson kept winning in 1983 when he moved to the Rams, who played their home games in Anaheim, California. With an offense led by Eric Dickerson, Robinson's teams racked up six playoff appearances and lost to the eventual Super Bowl champions in two conference title games.

Robinson's second tenure at USC included a fourth Rose Bowl victory, but the school dismissed him following the 1997 season.

Robinson then coached UNLV from 1999-2004, taking over a program that had lost 16 games in a row. He got the Rebels to only the third bowl appearance in school history in just his second season, but Robinson stepped away after the 2004 season with a 28-42 record at the school. One of his more notable victories was a 23-5 win at No. 14 Wisconsin in 2003.

OSU

Continued from Page 4

TAKEAWAYS

Youngstown State: The Penguins lost most of their scoring and their coach after finishing 22-10 last season. New coach Ethan Faulkner is still trying to get all the new players to mesh.

Ohio State: The Buckeyes debuted in the AP Top 25 hours before they dispatched Youngtown State. They were unranked until taking down then-No. 19 Texas 80-72 in the opener.

KEY MOMENT

After Youngstown State went up 2-0 to start the game, Bradshaw dunked and then hit a 3-pointer as the Buckeyes went on a 12-0 run and never trailed again.

KEY STAT

Ohio State has scored at least 80 points in both of their first two games.

UP NEXT

Ohio State is at No. 23 Texas A&M on Friday night.

Cavaliers top Bulls; move to 12-0

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Donovan Mitchell scored a season-high 36 points, and the Cleveland Cavaliers beat the Chicago Bulls 119-113 on Monday night to become the eighth NBA team to begin a season with 12 straight wins.

Darius Garland scored 17 points for Cleveland, and Evan Mobley had 15 points and 11 rebounds. The Cavaliers scored at least 110 points for the 11th time.

Garland rolled in a layup with 24 seconds left, and Mitchell made two free throws to help close it out.

Zach LaVine scored 26 points for Chicago, which lost for the fifth time in six games. Coby White and Nicola Vucevic each had 20 points.

The Bulls opened a nine-point lead with 4:26 left in the third quarter before Cleveland bounced back late for a second straight game.

Houston 107, Washington 92

HOUSTON (AP) — Alperen Sengun scored 27 points for a second straight game and added 17 rebounds, leading Houston to a win over Washington.

Sengun hit 12 of 19 shots and added three blocks. Jalen Green scored 18 points, Amen Thompson had 13, and Jabari Smith Jr. and Aaron Holiday each added 11.

With Fred VanVleet out due to a hamstring injury that coach Ime Udoka said was a day-to-day issue, rookie Reed Sheppard and Holiday saw increased minutes. Sheppard matched his early career high with seven points.

Washington forward Kyle Kuzma returned from



Zach LaVine of Chicago, left, dribbles while being guarded by Cleveland's Isaac Okoro during Monday's game in Chicago. The Cavaliers won to remain undefeated on the season. (AP PHOTO | MELISSA TAMEZ)

a five-game absence due to a right groin strain and led Washington with 18 points on 7-for-18 shooting in 24 minutes. Jordan Poole had 11 points and eight turnovers.

Houston led 55-40 at halftime and never trailed.

San Antonio 116, Sacramento 96

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Victor Wembanyama had 34 points and 14 rebounds, Chris Paul added 12 points and 11 rebounds and San Antonio rolled to a victory

over Sacramento.

De'Aron Fox had 24 points, Domantas Sabonis finished with 23 points and 12 rebounds and DeMar DeRozan added 21 points for Sacramento.

San Antonio snapped a four-game skid against Sacramento.

Harrison Barnes had 10 points in his first game against Sacramento since being traded to San Antonio in the offseason.

Brooklyn 107, New Orleans 105

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Cam Thomas scored 10 of his 17 points in the fourth quarter, including a 3-pointer for the lead in the final minute, and Brooklyn defeated New Orleans to extend their losing streak to five games.

Cameron Johnson and Noah Clowney each scored 15 points and Dennis Schroder scored 14 for the Nets, who snapped a two-game skid.

Brandon Ingram led New Orleans with 24 points, but scored just 2 points on a

pair of free throws in the second half. Rookie center Yves Missi had 17 points and 11 rebounds — both career highs — and Jeremiah Robinson-Earl had 15 points for the Pelicans, who did not score during the final 3:35.

Brandon Boston Jr., who had 10 assists, made a 27-foot 3-pointer and followed that up with a dunk after a steal by Missi to give New Orleans a 105-101 lead.

But the Pelicans missed their final eight shots as the Nets pulled back in front.

Consumer Cellular®

NO HIDDEN FEES.
 NO HIDDEN ANYTHING.
 FREEDOM CALLS.

Plans start at just \$20/month.

888-388-6374

© 2023 Consumer Cellular Inc. Terms and Conditions subject to change.



SAVE OVER 42%

Holiday Fruit Assortment

REG. \$39.99-
NOW \$27.99
 +\$5.99 SHIPPING

A festive fruit selection perfect for sharing!

This thoughtfully curated gift box is filled with a variety of handpicked, premium fruits that are perfect for any holiday celebration. Bursting with freshness and flavor, it's an ideal choice for families, friends, or colleagues looking to enjoy healthy, delicious treats during the season.

- 1 Ruby Red Grapefruit
- 2 Grove Navel Oranges
- 2 Honey-Sweet Tangerines
- 2 Orchard Apples
- 2 D'Anjou Pears
- 4 Petite Navel Oranges

CALL 844-806-4850 OR VISIT HALEGROVES.COM/H5YN95

Order Item #272X, mention Code H5YN95 for your savings.

*Only \$27.99 (reg. \$39.99), plus \$5.99 shipping & handling. Satisfaction completely guaranteed. This gift ships in December at the peak of freshness. Order by Dec. 18, 2024 for GUARANTEED Christmas delivery. AZ, CA, TX & LA order by Dec. 12, 2024.

SINCE 1947 - HALE GROVES, VERO BEACH, FL 32966

IC: H5YN95

Entertainment

'Heretic' and Hugh Grant debut with \$11 million, but 'Venom: The Last Dance' tops box office again

NEW YORK (AP) — "Venom: The Last Dance" has been no blockbuster in North American theaters. But in a lethargic fall moviegoing season, even a so-so performing superhero sequel can rule the box office for three straight weeks.

For the third weekend in a row, "Venom: The Last Dance" was the No. 1 movie at the box office, collecting \$16.2 million in ticket sales in U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to studio estimates Sunday. It fended off a pair of new challengers in the Hugh Grant horror thriller "Heretic" and the feel-good holiday movie "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever."

With the election on Tuesday, the major studios opted not to put any new releases into theaters. That allowed Sony Pictures' "Venom: The Last Dance," the third entry in the Tom Hardy-led franchise, to hold its position.

While "The Last Dance" hasn't been a huge hit domestically — opening below expectations in late October — it has thrived overseas, grossing almost triple what it has in North America. The "Venom" sequel has grossed \$279.4 million internationally, bringing its global total to \$394.2 million.

"Heretic" and "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" were neck and neck for second place. Counting only Friday-Sunday ticket sales, the edge went to "Heretic," which debuted with \$11 million. "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," though, factored in \$2.2 million in sneak-peak screenings from last weekend to claim a reported opening gross of \$11.1 million.

A24's "Heretic," directed by Scott Beck and Bryan Woods, follows two Mormon missionaries (Sophie Thatcher and Chloe East) who knock on the door of a

man (Grant) they'll regret trying to evangelize to. Though "Heretic" has been critically acclaimed for the darkest turn yet by Grant, audiences were less impressed, giving it a "C+" CinemaScore. Regardless, with a budget under \$10 million, "Heretic" will easily turn a profit.

"The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," released by Lionsgate and Kingdom Story Company, which specializes in Christian entertainment, is about six siblings with a bad reputation who take over the local church pageant. The film, an adaptation of Barbara Robinson's 1972 children's book directed by Dallas Jenkins, did well with audiences, who gave it a "A" CinemaScore. It, too, was modestly budgeted at about \$10 million.

In its seventh week of release, Universal and DreamWorks Animation's "The Wild Robot" continues

to show little rust in theaters. It landed in fourth place with \$6.6 million, bringing its domestic haul to \$130.2 million and its worldwide gross to \$292 million.

Sean Baker's acclaimed "Anora," starring Mikey Madison as a Brooklyn sex worker, expanded into wide release. The Neon film, an expected best-picture contender, collected \$2.4 million in 1,104 theaters. Its four-week total stands at \$7.2 million.

The papal thriller "Conclave," starring Ralph Fiennes, continues to perform exceptionally well for an adult-oriented drama. The Focus Features release, in its third weekend of release, added 487 theaters and dipped a modest 19% to earn \$4.1 million. It has collected \$21.5 million. Similarly, A24's "We Live in Time," starring Andrew Garfield and Florence Pugh, has stayed strong, grossing \$2.2 million in its fifth week-

end for a \$21.8 million total.

Overall ticket sales, though, remain sluggish. Box office is running about 11% behind last year, according to Comscore. In the last two weeks, overall ticket sales are down about 50% from the pre-pandemic average, according to David A. Gross, a film consultant who publishes a newsletter for Franchise Entertainment.

The good news for theaters: The next few weeks are lined up for several big new releases, including the Amazon MGM Christmas comedy "Red One" (Nov. 15), Paramount Pictures' "Gladiator II" (Nov. 22), Universal's "Wicked" (also Nov. 22) and the Walt Disney Co.'s "Moana 2" (Nov. 27).

"Better late than never is the rule of the day and we can expect some positive success stories coming out of the Thanksgiving corridor, which looks to be on par with some of the biggest such frames over the past

many years," said Paul Dergarabedian, senior media analyst for Comscore.

Before opening in U.S. theaters, "Red One," starring Dwayne Johnson and Chris Evans, kicked off in 75 overseas markets, collecting \$26.6 million. The film carries a hefty price tag of about \$250 million to make.

Final domestic figures will be released Monday. Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to Comscore, are:

1. "Venom: The Last Dance," \$16.2 million.
2. "Heretic," \$11 million.
3. "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," \$8.9 million.
4. "The Wild Robot," \$6.7 million.
5. "Smile 2," \$5 million.
6. "Conclave," \$4.1 million.
7. "Anora," \$2.5 million.
8. "Here," \$2.4 million.
9. "We Live in Time," \$2.2 million.
10. "Terrifier 3," \$1.4 million.

COMICS

MODERATELY CONFUSED

Jeff Stahl



DENNIS THE MENACE

Hank Ketcham



REALITY CHECK

Dave Whamond



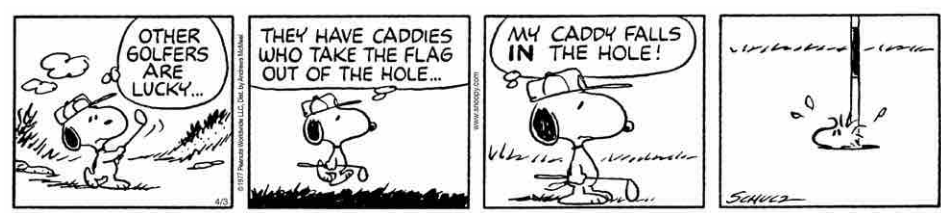
RUBES

Leigh Rubin



PEANUTS

Charles Schulz



PEARLS BEFORE SWINE

Stephan Pastis



CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 1 Stylish
- 5 Spy org.
- 8 Act of faith?
- 12 Symphonic gp.
- 13 "Alley —"
- 14 Gumbo need
- 15 "Quiet now!"
- 17 Longings
- 18 — Zedong
- 19 Wears away
- 21 Adversary
- 24 Author Bellow
- 25 Mimic
- 26 "Is that so?"
- 30 Japanese assent
- 31 Skirt
- 32 CBS logo
- 33 "Seriously?"
- 35 — Alto, Calif.
- 36 Impudent
- 37 Mouselike mammal

DOWN

- 38 Running late
- 41 Asian language
- 42 Algerian port
- 43 "Give me a break!"
- 48 Bern's river
- 49 Yule quaff
- 50 Unruly kid
- 51 GPS suggestions
- 52 Ecol. watchdog
- 53 Diner grub
- 1 Dove's call
- 2 Regal letters

3 German pronoun

- 4 Palsy-walsy
- 5 Silver salmon
- 6 Chit
- 7 Be part of the cast of
- 8 Chicago Univer-
- 9 Scratched (out)
- 10 "Alfred" composer
- 11 Go by
- 16 Utter
- 20 Regretted
- 21 Repeat
- 22 Comedian Trevor

23 Grand tale

- 24 New stem
- 26 Exaggerated
- 27 Shakespearean king
- 28 Singer Lovett
- 29 Cry of pain
- 31 Prayer ender
- 34 Speaks one's mind
- 35 "Friends" role
- 37 Erie Canal mule
- 38 Sow's mate
- 39 Part of Q.E.D.
- 40 Aesopian also-ran
- 41 Links gp.
- 44 Short trip
- 45 Coach Parsoghian
- 46 Perched
- 47 UFO crew

Solution time: 21 mins.



Saturday's answer 11-11

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12				13				14		
15			16					17		
		18				19	20			
21	22	23			24					
25				26				27	28	29
30				31				32		
33			34					35		
		36					37			
38	39	40				41				
42				43	44			45	46	47
48				49				50		
51				52				53		

NON-SEQUITUR

Wiley Sequitur



SUDOKU

KING FEATURES

	5		2					
			6		5	2		8
2	6	8		7			4	5
	1		5		4		2	
					2		8	
6	4		8	1				9
	8	6		4	3	9		
	3	1	2			7		
4	2		1	5			6	3

Difficulty: ★★ 11/12

Horoscopes

ROYAL STARS | FROM KING FEATURES SYNDICATE By Georgia Nicols

After 1:45 a.m. EST today, there are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions. The Moon is in Aries.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2024: You are determined, confident and self-assured. You go after what you want. You have style and grace of movement. Simplicity is the key to life this year. Take charge of your health. Work to build external structures as well as internal structures. Stay grounded and levelheaded.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★ This is an excellent day to study, especially at university or technical colleges. Your critical faculty is sharp and your standards are high. Explore avenues in publishing, the media, medicine and the law, because you won't overlook a thing. You're on it! Tonight: Learn.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) ★★ Discussions with a friend or a member of a group might take place today, especially regarding banking matters, inheritances or shared property. Don't let anyone throw shade your way. You've done your homework. Stand your ground, because you know what you're doing, plus you're good at this. Tonight: Check your finances.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★ Today your ruler Mercury is at odds with Saturn, which can make communications with others strained. Without realizing it, you might create a negative impression. Furthermore, people are inclined to be critical, which could be discouraging for you. Stay strong! Tonight: Discussions!

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★ Try to do mental work today. You won't overlook details and you'll be persevering. Even with physical work, you'll persevere because your physical comforts are less important to you today. You want to get the job done; you're concerned with practical results. Tonight: Work.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★ This is a poor day to socialize because people are inclined to be critical and negative. No fun. Parents should be aware of this when they're dealing with their kids and lighten up. However, you can use today's energy to practice or hone a skill in the arts or in sports. Tonight: Hobbies.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★ This is a poor day for important family discussions, especially with parents or older relatives. People are inclined to be negative and critical. You need this like a fish needs a bicycle.) However, if you're involved in a discussion, be courteous and patient. (For your own peace of mind.) Tonight: Home repairs.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★ Today it's easy to think that things are worse than they are because negative vibes seem to be in the air. Therefore, do not fall prey to this! Furthermore, don't fall into habitual "worry patterns." It's so easy to do! Cooperate with others. Relax at home if possible. Tonight: Conversations.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★ Your finances might be crunchy today, which is why this is a poor day for financial transactions. If you're negotiating with someone, you are coming from a weaker position because you're worried. Wait a day or two so that your confidence returns. Tonight: Check your money.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★ Today Mercury is in your sign at odds with Saturn, which is excellent for heavy mental work or anything that demands disciplined thinking. You won't overlook details, and you will have the stamina to slog it through whatever you need to study or learn. Don't be critical of others. In fact, be supportive. Tonight: Listen.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★ You can use the energy of this day to research answers and find solutions to old problems. You won't stop until you find what you're looking for. Your mental capacity is sharp and your mind is organized. Be careful about being narrow-minded and missing opportunities. Tonight: Research.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★ You might feel discouraged today if you contact a friend or a member of a group and they are critical of your efforts. Or perhaps they're just bummed out and negative. This will bother you. Don't let it get you down. Everyone is susceptible to negative thinking today. Tonight: Friends.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★ Be careful talking to bosses, parents and the police today, because negative thinking is rampant! People will be quick to criticize and point out your faults. Yes, this will be discouraging. You also might feel lonely and cut off from others. (It's a fleeting influence.) Tonight: Announcements.

BORN TODAY Actress Anne Hathaway (1982), actor Ryan Gosling (1980), singer-songwriter Neil Young (1945)

Find more Georgia Nicols horoscopes at georgianicols.com.

CLASSIFIEDS

PERSONAL

CRISIS HOTLINE
Call and give operator first name and brief comment about service needed.
1-800-224-0422

Domestic and Sexual Violence 24/7 Crisis Line

TCN Domestic Violence Program
877/394-1046
TCN's Soteria Shelter
937/404-2365
TCN's New Directions Outreach Office
937/593-5777

FOR INFORMATION Concerning American Red Cross Blood Services Program, call 650-5000.

NEW PATH

Pregnancy Resource Centers
www.newpathprc.com
709 N. Main St., Bellefontaine
937-592-7734

POISON CONTROL CENTER

1-(800)222-1222
24 Hour Hotline

WORK WANTED

CARMAN BUILDERS

Vinyl siding, replacement windows, seamless spouting, roofing. Free estimates. 585-6472 or 937-726-7714.

HELP WANTED

OFFICE MANAGER

The Logan County Agricultural Society (LCAS) is looking for interested candidates to fill the position of Office Manager. This position is considered part time.

Duties include, but are not limited to:

- Answering Office Phone/Directing Messages
- Receiving/Sending Mail, both physical and electronic
- Maintain fair website
- Filing paperwork
- Interaction with Customers and Members of LCAS
- Requests for Rentals and Storage
- Creating and receiving contracts
- Ordering supplies
- Other responsibilities deemed necessary by the LCAS

The successful candidate should be outgoing, energetic, enjoy working with the public and enjoy a county fair atmosphere. If interested, please contact:

Logan County Agricultural Society
301 E. Lake Ave.
PO Box 758
Bellefontaine, OH 43311
Phone: 937-599-4178
Email:
logancountyfair@gmail.com

ADEA RULINGS

The Bellefontaine Examiner does not knowingly accept help wanted advertisements in violation of the Age Discrimination Employment Act.

The ADEA prohibits arbitrary age discrimination of persons age 40 or over and applies to employers with 25 or more employees, employment agencies and labor organizations. Advertising containing such terms as "young", "boy", or "girl" or designating a certain age such as "age 35 to 55" or other similar specification indicates discrimination against employment of older persons and are considered in violation of the act. Information about the Act may be obtained by calling or writing the U.S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division.

SERVICES

FOR ONLY \$335, you can place a 25-word classified ad in 133 newspapers across 68 counties. All newspapers within the OhioScan network total a readership of over 2,000,000. Call Bellefontaine Examiner, 592-3060. Visit www.adohio.net.

SALES

Are you a pet owner? Do you want to get up to 100% back on Vet Bills? Physicians Mutual Insurance Company has pet coverage that can help! Call 1-855-772-0756 to get a free quote or visit www.insurebarkmeow.com/ohnews

Connect to the best wireless home internet with EarthLink. Enjoy speeds from 5G and 4G LTE networks, no contracts, easy installation, and data plans up to 300 GB. Call 877-430-7752

DENTAL INSURANCE from Physicians Mutual Insurance Company. Coverage for 350 plus procedures. Real dental insurance-NOT just a discount plan. Do not wait! Call now! Get your FREE Dental Information Kit with all the details! 1-844-510-2384 [#6258](http://www.dental50plus.com/ohnews)

DIRECTV OVER INTERNET - Get your favorite live TV, sports and local channels. 99% signal reliability! CHOICE Package, \$84.99/mo for 12 months. HBO Max and Premium Channels included for 3 mos. (w/CHOICE Package or higher.) No annual contract, no hidden fees! Some restrictions apply. Call IVS 1-844-331-7034.

SALES

MobileHelp, America's Premier Mobile Medical Alert System. Whether You're Home or Away. For Safety and Peace of Mind. No Long Term Contracts! Free Brochure! Call Today! 1-844-248-9309

New windows from Window Nation. Special money saving offer - zero down, zero payments, zero interest for TWO years AND buy 2 windows and get 2 FREE! Offer is valid for select models. Labor not included. Other restrictions apply. Call Window Nation today! 855-761-0349

Stroke and Cardiovascular disease are leading causes of death, according to the American Heart Association. Screenings can provide peace of mind or early detection! Contact Life Line Screening to schedule your screening. Special offer - 5 screenings for just \$149. Call 1-888-874-1398

Switch and save up to \$250/year on your talk, text and data. No contract and no hidden fees. Unlimited talk and text with flexible data plans. Premium nationwide coverage. 100% U.S. based customer service. For more information, call 1-855-763-1141

Up to \$15,000.00 of GUARANTEED Life Insurance! No medical exam or health questions. Cash to help pay funeral and other final expenses. Call Physicians Life Insurance Company. 855-936-5324 or visit www.Life55plus.info/ohnews.

FOR SALE



PRICE REDUCED!!

2014 ISUZU NPR-HD with 16 ft. box. 229,314 miles. \$10,000 FIRM. Call or text TJ at 937-407-0205.

Eliminate gutter cleaning forever! LeafFilter, the most advanced debris-blocking gutter protection. Schedule a FREE LeafFilter estimate today. 20% off Entire Purchase. Plus 10% Senior & Military Discounts. Call 1-877-270-8386

Switch to DISH and get up to a \$300 gift card! Plus get the Multisport pack included for a limited time! Hurry, call for details: 1-866-745-7391

TRUCKS

1940 CHEVY P/U, disassembled, all sheet metal, glass, frame, no eng/trans, build it your way. \$5500 cash. Call 937-414-7984 leave message.

MOTORCYCLES

2008 HARLEY DAVIDSON SPORTSTER 1200FI, less than 19k miles, lots of extras, nice bike. Asking \$5000 firm, cash. Call 937-414-7984 leave message.

WATERCRAFT

STARCRAFT 18 ft. alum. boat, big Mercury 4 cyl. 10, new fish finder, bimini top, custom cover, needs driver's seat rebuilt, old but solid w/single axle steel frame trailer. \$3500 firm, cash. Call 937-414-7984 leave message.

LAWN & GARDEN

Need your grass cut? Call Cool Stripes 937-935-6837

YARD MACHINE 20hp Briggs & Stratton, 42" cut, needs battery & safety start switch. \$250 cash. Call 937-414-7984 leave message.

MISCELLANEOUS

\$1295 POOLS POOLS 19x31 Family Size Pool. Complete w/ deck, fence, filter, liner and more. 100% Financing. No Money Down. LIMITED INVENTORY 800-758-3559

Donating your vehicle? Get more! Free Towing. Tax Deductible. Plus a \$200 restaurant voucher and a 2-night/3-day hotel stay at one of 50 locations. Call Heritage for the Blind to donate your vehicle today - 1-877-916-1990

Don't let the stairs limit your mobility! Discover the ideal solution for anyone who struggles on the stairs, is concerned about a fall or wants to regain access to their entire home. Call AmeriGlide today! 1-844-861-0514.

Prepare for power outages today with a GENERAC home standby generator. \$0 Money Down + Low Monthly Payment Options. Request a FREE Quote. Call now before the next power outage: 1-614-721-0249

Put on your TV Ears and hear TV with unmatched clarity. TV Ears Original were originally \$129.95 - NOW WITH THIS

MISCELLANEOUS

SPECIAL OFFER are only \$69.95 with code MCB59! Call 1-855-537-1275

Replace your roof with the best looking and longest lasting material - steel from Erie Metal Roofs! Three styles and multiple colors available. Guaranteed to last a lifetime! Limited Time Offer - up to 50% off installation + Additional 10% off install (for military, health workers & 1st responders.) Call Erie Metal Roofs: 1-866-335-2531

Safe Step, North America's #1 Walk-In Tub. Comprehensive lifetime warranty. Top-of-the-line installation and service. Now featuring our FREE shower package and \$1600 Off for a limited time! Call today! Financing available. Call Safe Step 1-877-602-5348

The bathroom of your dreams in as little as 1 day. Limited Time Offer - \$1000 off or No Payments and No Interest for 18 months for customers who qualify. BCI Bath & Shower. Many options available. Quality materials & professional installation. Senior & Military Discounts Available. Call Today! 1-855-955-1352.

Trouble hearing your TV? Try TV EARS' Voice Clarifying Wireless TV Speaker. Better than a soundbar and/or turning the TV volume way up. Special, limited time \$50 off offer. Call TV Ears. Use code MBSP50. Call 1-888-406-1450

WESLEY FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC Timeshare Cancellation Experts. Over \$50,000,000 in timeshare debt and fees cancelled in 2019. Get free informational package and learn how to get rid of your timeshare! Free consultations. Over 450 positive reviews. Call 844-881-7118.

FOR RENT

3 Bdrm For Rent, washer/dryer hook-up. Water & trash inc. Off-Street parking. \$1150 mo. 937-441-1070

APTS., ROOMS, HOUSES starting at \$400.00. Call or Text 937-407-2126, 441-2243.

NOTICE Housing advertisements published in this newspaper are subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968 which makes it illegal to advertise discrimination based on race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age (including children), handicap or familial status. This also includes limitation to number of persons desired. The Bellefontaine Examiner will not knowingly accept advertising which is in violation of the law.

STORAGE

ALL AMERICAN Storage. Monthly rentals. Free locks. Behind Harbor Freight. 592-9100.

REAL ESTATE

PUBLISHERS NOTICE All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Fair Housing Act which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or an intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." Familial status includes children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women and people securing custody of children under 18. This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in the newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination call HUD toll free at 1-800-669-9777. The toll free telephone number for the hearing impaired is 1-800-927-9275.

FINANCIAL

NOTICE LENDING OPPORTUNITIES Borrow Smart. Contact the Ohio Division of Financial Institutions' Office of Consumer Affairs BEFORE you refinance your home or obtain a loan. BEWARE of requests for any large advance payment of fees or insurance. Call the Office of Consumer Affairs toll free at 1-866-278-0003 to learn if the mortgage broker or lender is properly licensed. (This notice is a public service of the Bellefontaine Examiner.)

LEGALS

NOTICE The Bellefontaine Examiner does not knowingly accept Help Wanted ads from employers covered by the Fair Labor Standards Act if they offer less than the legal minimum wage or fail to pay at least time and one-half for overtime hours.

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE The State of Ohio, Logan County Newrez LLC dba Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing

LEGALS

Plaintiff vs Amanda L. Fouse Defendants No: CV 24 01 0035 In pursuance of an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction the following described real estate, situated in the County of Logan and State of Ohio and in the Township of Washington, to-wit: Situated in the Township of Washington, County of Logan, State of Ohio and in the Village of Russells Point: Being Lots Numbered One Thousand Thirty-Five (1035) and One Thousand Thirty-Six (1036), according to the new numbering in the Village of Russells Point. Property Address: 204 E. Cline Street, Russells Point, OH 43348 PPN: 52-032-13-31-001-000 Prior Deed Reference: Quit Claim Deed filed in Official Record Volume 693, Page 448 on December 22, 2003 in Logan County Records.

Said Premises Located at : 204 Cline St., Russells Point, OH 43348 PPN: 52-032-13-31-001-000 Auction will take place online Wednesday, November 20th at 1:00 p.m. At <http://logan.sheriff-saleauction.ohio.gov>

If property remains unsold after the first auction, it will be offered for sale at auction again on Wednesday, the 27th day of November, 2024

Said premises appraised at: \$60,000.00 Appraisals are completed by viewing the outside of the property only.

Required deposit: \$5,000 TERMS OF SALE: Property can not be sold for less than two-thirds of the appraised value. Required deposit must be deposited with the auction company prior to sale and balance in cash or certified check upon confirmation of sale. If Judgment Creditor is purchaser, no deposit is required.

TERMS OF 2ND SALE: Property to be sold without regard to minimum bid requirements, subject to payment of taxes and court costs; deposit and payment requirements same as the first auction. Pursuant to ORC 2329.21, purchaser shall be responsible for those costs, allowances and taxes that the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover. Attorney Kim M. Hammond Phone: 216-771-6500 Oct. 29, Nov. 3, 12, 2024

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR, 135 N. DETROIT ST., BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO, 43311, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22nd, 2024 AT 10:00 A.M., LOCAL TIME FOR THE "CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE COOPERATIVE CURB AND SIDEWALK PROJECT 2024-02M."

BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY VIA THE BID EXPRESS WEBSITE. BID PACKET MATERIALS MAY BE VIEWED ONLINE FOR FREE AT WWW.BIDEXPRESS.COM ALL BIDDERS MUST REGISTER ON THE BID EXPRESS WEBSITE AND CREATE A DIGITAL ID. REGISTRATION AND DIGITAL ID CREATION ARE FREE. IT CAN TAKE UP TO FIVE BUSINESS DAYS TO PROCESS YOUR DIGITAL ID AND IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT A DIGITAL ID IS ENABLED 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF SUBMITTING AN ELECTRONIC BID. PLEASE PLAN ACCORDINGLY. A FEE OF \$40 WILL BE INCURRED FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO BID ELECTRONICALLY ON A PAY-PER-SOLICITATION BASIS; ALTERNATIVELY, YOU MAY SUBSCRIBE FOR \$50 PER MONTH TO HAVE UNLIMITED ACCESS TO ALL BID EXPRESS SOLICITATIONS AND EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS. ALL QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS PROJECT MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH WWW.BIDEXPRESS.COM. PHONE CALLS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. RESPONSES WILL BE POSTED ON BID EXPRESS AS AN ADDENDUM.

NOTICE OF PUBLISHED ADDENDA WILL BE POSTED ON WWW.BIDEXPRESS.COM ALL BID DOCUMENTS (INVITATION FOR BID, SPECIFICATIONS, PLANS AND FUTURE ADDENDA) ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AND DOWNLOAD AT WWW.BIDEXPRESS.COM. EACH PROPOSAL MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY BID GUARANTY IN THE FORM OF A BID BOND WITH AN APPROVED SURETY COMPANY AS SURETY FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT, THE BID GUARANTY AND CONTRACT BOND SHALL BE FOR THE FULL AMOUNT OF THE BID PROPOSAL AND IN THE FORM AS CONTAINED IN THE BID DOCUMENTS. ALTERNATIVELY, A CERTIFIED CHECK, CASHIER'S CHECK OR LETTER OF CREDIT PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 1305 OF THE REVISED CODE, IN THE AMOUNT OF TEN PERCENT OF THE BID WILL BE ACCEPTED AS A BID GUARANTY. EACH PROPOSAL MUST CONTAIN THE FULL NAME AND ADDRESS OF EVERY PERSON OR COMPANY INTERESTED IN THE

LEGALS

SAME. THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE HEREBY NOTIFIES ALL BIDDERS THAT IT AFFIRMATIVELY ENSURES THAT REGARD TO ANY CONTRACT ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO THIS ADVERTISEMENT, MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES WILL BE AFFORDED FULL OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT BIDS IN RESPONSE TO THIS INVITATION AND WILL NOT BE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST ON THE GROUNDS OF RACE, COLOR OR NATIONAL ORIGIN IN CONSIDERATION FOR AN AWARD. THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER AND REQUIRES ALL PERSONS CONTRACTING WITH THE CITY TO CERTIFY THAT THEY ARE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYERS AND THAT THEY DO NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE GROUNDS OF RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX OR NATIONAL ORIGIN. BIDS MAY BE HELD FOR 60 DAYS. AS THE PROJECT INVOLVES THE USE OF CITY FUNDS, STATE OF OHIO PREVAILING WAGE RATES FOR LOGAN COUNTY SHALL APPLY. THE CITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS AND THE TO WAIVE ANY IRREGULARITIES. ALL BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED BASED ON LOWEST AND BEST BID. November 5, 12, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

The annual work of equalization in compliance with section 5715.16 and 5715.26, Ohio Revised Code, has been completed. The tax lists have been revised and the real estate valuations have been completed as of tax lien date, January 1, 2024.

LEGALS

Such lists are open for public inspection in the office of Jack Reser, Logan County Auditor, County Jail/Office Complex, 100 South Madriver Street, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311. Jack Reser, Secretary Logan County Board of Revision Nov. 5, 12, 2024

Storage Unit Auctions

Name: Taylor Price Last Known Address: 372 Penny Lane Bellefontaine Ohio 43311 Storage Unit: 4759 Bellefontaine St Unit 1 Zanesfield Ohio 43360 Storage Auction Date/Time/Location: 11/26/24 from 12:00pm-8:00pm at www.storageauctions.com

Name: Mayree Whitaker Last Known Address: 1685 Windmere Dr Mountain Home Idaho 83647 Storage Unit: 920 S Detroit St Unit 4 Bellefontaine Ohio 43311 Storage Auction Date/Time/Location: 11/26/24 from 12:00pm-8:00pm at www.storageauctions.com Nov. 12, 29, 2024

BETTER WAY TO SAVE

Discounts from Local Businesses available at the Bellefontaine Examiner



BELLEFONTAINE EXAMINER

BETTER WAY TO SAVE

CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE

• BELLEFONTAINE'S BEST CAR WASH	
\$14 ("BEST" Car Wash)	\$9
• CITY SWEETS & CREAMERY	
\$10	\$7
\$20	\$13
• CLANCY'S (SIDNEY)	
\$6	\$4
• DONATOS PIZZA, SUBS, SALADS	
\$10	\$7
• DONUT SHOP & BAKERY (RUSSELLS PT.)	
\$10	\$7
\$20	\$13
• EASTON WATER	
\$30	\$18
*NOTE: (Limit 2-per purchase)	
• INDIAN LAKE ROLLARENA	
\$6 (Fri & Sat 7-10:30 p.m.).....	\$4.50
• KIRKMONT CENTER HABITAT HOUSE	
\$100 (Good for (1) night rental)	\$70
\$600 (Good for (1) week rental)	\$420
• KNEAD MORE MASSAGE	
\$85 (Good for (1) ONE HOUR MASSAGE)	\$52
(Only 3 available per month)	
• LEE'S COMFORT SHOES	
\$20 (Only 25 per month, 5 per customer).....	\$14
• McDONALDS (BFN. NORTH & SOUTH)	
\$10	\$8
\$20	\$15
• OHIO FITNESS & MARTIAL ARTS	
\$39.99	\$28
(Good for (1) Month Gym Membership)	
\$70	\$49
(Good for (1) Month Family Gym Membership)	
\$79.99	\$59
(Good for (1) Month Kids Martial Arts)	
\$165	\$119
(Good for (1) Month Family Gym & Martial Arts Membership)	

BUSINESSES INTERESTED IN JOINING THE PROGRAM CALL 937-592-3060 TO FIND OUT HOW!

NOTE: Certificates can't be combined with any other offer, coupon or gift certificate. No cash back value and are a non-refundable purchase.

Fire crews on both US coasts battle wildfires

RINGWOOD, N.J. (AP) — Fire crews battled small wildfires across the Northeast U.S. on Monday, including a blaze in New York and New Jersey that killed a parks employee over the weekend and postponed Veterans Day plans.

A quarter-inch of rain fell overnight from Sunday into Monday in a forest area straddling the border between the two states, giving a slight respite to firefighters.

The fire is one of several burning on the East Coast amid a lack of much rainfall since September. An employee of the New York State Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation Department who was assisting firefighting crews died Saturday when he was hit by a falling tree.

The East Coast fires were burning as much larger wild-

fires raged in California.

Firefighters continued making progress against a wildfire northwest of Los Angeles in Ventura County that broke out Wednesday and quickly exploded in size due to dry, warm and gusty Santa Ana winds.

The Mountain Fire in Ventura County prompted thousands of residents to flee their homes and was 36% contained as of Monday. The fire's size remains around 32 square miles (about 83 square kilometers). The Mountain Fire has destroyed more than 170 structures, most of them homes, officials said. The cause is under investigation.

In neighboring Nevada, authorities ordered the evacuation of hundreds of homes southwest of Reno and closed the main highway to Lake Tahoe after a wind-whipped

wildfire erupted Monday and spread quickly through mountainside vegetation.

About 3,000 people were told to leave, said Adam Mayberry, spokesperson for the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District. Rain began to fall as local, state and federal crews arrived to battle the blaze, Mayberry said.

Across the country on the New Jersey and New York border, crews worked to contain the 4.7-square-mile (about 12.2 square-kilometer) fire dubbed the Jennings Creek Wildfire, although no evacuations had been ordered, according to the New Jersey Forest Fire Service.

Officials said the overnight rainfall was far less than what was needed to extinguish numerous brush fires that have broken out around New Jersey since the middle of last

week. At least four other wildfires in central to northern New Jersey were mostly or completely contained as of Monday.

In order to find and fight the fires, crews are navigating a maze of country roads, lakes and steep hills amid dense forests. Trees there have dropped most of their leaves onto parched ground, masking a potential danger.

"Beneath the surface leaf litter that falls off the trees, that stuff is bone dry," Bryan Gallagher, a forest ranger with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, said at a media briefing. "So right now you get a little bit of rain that puts that surface fire out. But if it's in the duff it's going to stay there. It's going to smolder like a cigar until it gets dry enough and then that

fire can pop up again."

A firefighting helicopter capable of dropping 350 gallons (1,325 liters) at a time was being used to help combat the Jennings Creek fire. The National Guard deployed two Black Hawk helicopters for water drops, New York Gov. Kathy Hochul said.

In West Milford, New Jersey, a Veterans Day ceremony was postponed to later in the month because of the firefighting effort, said Rudy Hass, the local Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. commander.

"Many of those personnel currently engaged with the fires are veterans themselves, and right now we need to keep them in our thoughts as they spend many hours, day and night, doing all they can in order to protect our great communities in that area," he

posted online.

Meanwhile, New York State Police said they were investigating the death of Daniel Vasquez, the 18-year-old state parks employee killed Saturday while fighting a fire near New York state's Greenwood Lake.

Health advisories were issued over the weekend for parts of New York, including New York City, and northeastern New Jersey due to unhealthy air quality produced by smoke from the fires, but conditions improved after the rainfall and changes in wind direction.

Dana Van Allen, of Ringwood, New Jersey, said she awoke early Saturday to what smelled like a burning campfire. She realized the fires were close enough to leave ashes on her deck.

HOLLAND PRESENTS 2024/25 SEASON



Luca Stricagnoli
WED | NOV 13 | 7:30 PM



One Christmas Night in Memphis
THU | NOV 21 | 7:30 PM



Madcap Puppets: The Nutcracker
SUN | DEC 1 | 2:00 PM

TheHolland.org 937-592-9002

SEASON SPONSORS: Bosley, SEASON MEDIA SPONSORS: Bellefontaine Examiner, Ohio Arts, SEASON SUPPORT: HONDA

TRIBUTES

Continued from Page 1

the 251st Division in Kenton as an E-5 Sgt. Among his military awards are the Army Expert Rifle and Good Conduct Medal.

Commissioners Mike Yoder and Mark Robinson presented him with the flag and also a patriotic quilt, created by Joan Skidmore of Belle Center.

"This is a great honor," said the lifelong county resident and 48-year member of the Blue Jacket American Legion Post 599 in Zanesfield. "I'm receiving this as an honor on behalf of all Logan County veterans, especially the ones who never made it home. We must never, never forget them."

Following the flag presentation, featured speaker Adam Bryant also shared from his experiences of his 24-year career with the U.S. Air Force. His stepdaughters attend Benjamin Logan Schools.

Veterans Day has always been a special day for Bryant, as it is also his birthday, and he celebrated his 46th birthday Monday.

During his earlier years, Bryant related that he dropped out of college more than once, but after entering the Air Force, he said a sense of determination was instilled within him. Now Bryant holds multiple degrees, including a Ph.D. from the Air Force Institute of Technology.

In honor of Veterans Day, Bryant's presentation focused on the top five qualities of what it means to be a veteran, including number five, which is how diverse veterans and the veteran community are.

"While entering boot

camp, I'll admit, I had some pre-conceived notions about what type of people join the military — kinda brawny guys who might not be very smart," he said. "But those expectations were totally blown off course. My bunkmates included a farmer and also a man from New York City who had never driven a car. I also soon met an Ivy League graduate who was studying to be an overseas translator, and met many former college athletes who also were very bright."

Other commonalities that Bryant has observed among veterans include: 4. Driven by the core values of excellence, integrity and service before self; 3. Extraordinarily tenacious people, demonstrated by how they persist and stay the course through challenges; 2. Incredibly adaptable and "bloom where they are planted," as they don't necessarily get to pick their career field or field of expertise; and 1. Veterans have a sense of pride or patriotism.

"Each one of us had that feeling or notion of patriotism, and this is why we would sign up for something where we are literally risking our lives," Bryant said. "You have to think about the importance of freedom that we have in our country."

Patriotic musical selections and student reflections were part of the ceremony as well. Student Government representative Carter Yoder also announced a \$500 donation to the Wounded Warrior Project that was generated through homecoming T-shirt sales.

Tristan Sheets opened the assembly by sharing the history and significance of Veterans Day. The fourth-grade choir,



U.S. Army veteran Philip Godwin, right, and his wife, Sheryl, display the U.S. flag and patriotic quilt after the ceremony. (BENJAMIN LOGAN PHOTO)

directed by Tyler Young, performed "Do You Wanna Know Freedom," and musical performances continued with the seventh- and eighth-grade choirs and high school choir's rendition of "America the Beautiful"; and High School Concert Band's "Armed Forces Salute."

BLHS senior Eric Hughes spoke on the importance of Veterans Day, emphasizing the unity he appreciates on this day that was referenced

by Kneece. Eighth-graders Harlee Baker and Emma Murray recited poems dedicated to veterans, and goodie bags were passed out to veteran guests featuring baked goods made by the FCCLA and letters penned by third- and fourth-graders.

To close out the ceremony, Noah Stanford recounted the history of "Taps," followed by a moving performance of the piece by Damon Johnson and Elliot Carpenter.

Learning Comes to Life IN THE NEWSPAPER





United Midwest Savings Bank



United Way of Logan County



TDH LAW



Quest Federal Credit Union
Explore the Possibilities



EICHHOLTZ DARING & SANFORD
FUNERAL HOMES & CREMATION CENTER

We are proud to sponsor the Newspapers in Education Program promoting local and global awareness in our community.