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Iconic Indian Lake Rollarena closing its doors

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

An Indian Lake landmark that has served the community for more than 86 years and provided lifelong memories for many has announced that it is closing its doors



Owners of the Indian Lake Rollarena made the announcement via social media Thursday regarding the closure of the skating rink at 330 Taylor Ave., Russells Point. (SUBMITTED PHOTO)

Daniel and Lena Moore, owners of the Indian Lake Rollarena since 2020, made the announcement via social media late Thursday, Aug. 21, regarding the skating rink at 330 Taylor Ave., Russells Point.

On Friday, Aug. 22, owner Daniel Moore spoke to the Examiner and clarified details about the announcement.

A deal to sell the Rollarena property has not yet been formally consummated, with no record of a property transfer on file with the Logan County Auditor's Office as of Friday afternoon. However, sources have told the Examiner such a business transaction is possibly in the works.

Daniel Moore and his wife, Lena, are not related to the Moore family, with whom they entered into a lease-purchase agreement to buy the business in 2020.

Daniel said he and the Moore family, who own the Rollarena building and property, came to a mutual agreement Thursday, Aug. 21, to sell

the property to an individual or group with the wherewithal to save the building, which has significant and costly deferred maintenance.

He related that the roof and skating rink floor need to be replaced, which he estimated would cost about \$250,000, in addition to another \$50,000 of necessary general building repairs.

"It was just too much," he said.

Daniel, whose lease-purchase agreement on the property expires Oct. 1, also said he is not at liberty to identify any potential buyer(s) as the sale process is still ongoing and not finalized.

"We were going to have to leave

(at the end of the lease) anyway," he said.

He implied in a late Friday afternoon Facebook post that he was a little taken aback that the business closure had to occur before the end of his lease term, but said via a phone conversation in a calm and understanding manner, "It's just business."

Daniel was adamant that there were no hard feelings between he and the other Moore family

"I knew what I was getting into (accepting the lease agreement in 2020)."

The goal in 2020 was the same as now — to save the iconic Rollarena structure. He added, the present-day decision to sell was not done out of profit motive, but to preserve the iconic rink.

He said both Moore families did all they could to achieve that goal, but we "came up short."

The skating rink dates back to 1939, when Harry and Arlene Lawrence built the Indian Lake Roller Rink at 330 Taylor Ave., and Madge Voltz was also an early partner, Mary Mortimer from the Logan County History Center reports. At the time, the rink was only opened in the summer as the building was heated by a pot belly stove. Roller skates had wooden wheels and organ music was

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The early years of the Indian Lake Roller Rink. (PHOTO VIA LOGAN COUNTY HISTORY CENTER)

GOOD MORNING! GOOD NEWS!



Exchange Club member Tim Notestine, left, and Jordan Butler are pictured at the Safety Town facility, located behind the Mac-A-Cheek Learning Center, 1130 W. Sandusky Ave., Bellefontaine. (SUBMITTED PHOTO)

Safety Town alum gives back to program through service project

BY MANDY LOEHR
EXAMINER STAFF WRITER

A local college student and Bellefontaine High School graduate made a big impact this summer on a program that provided her with a strong foundation regarding safety awareness as a youngster.

Jordan Butler attended Safety Town in Bellefontaine prior to attending elementary school, just like thousands of students had done since the program was established in 1962.

The weeklong program is sponsored by the Bellefontaine Exchange Club and carried out by the Bellefontaine Police Department and other local agencies.

Now about 15 years after she completed Safety Town classes, Butler once again spent time during her summer break among all the miniature buildings and streets that make up the fun-filled space for children to practice stopping at stop lights, learning how to cross the street and many other important traffic safety guidelines.

The University of Cincinnati student had a goal of completing a minimum of about 30 community service hours for consideration for a scholarship program, so she volunteered to give the Safety Town buildings a much-needed facelift, Exchange Club member Tim Notestine reported.

Butler grabbed her paintbrush and paint roller and got to work painting the 20 miniature buildings in a variety of bright colors to refresh the Safety Town facility, located behind the Mac-A-Cheek Learning Center, 1130 W. Sandusky Ave., Bellefontaine.

Now Butler is back at the University of Cincinnati, where she is a junior studying occupational therapy. But her kind actions will make a difference in improving the Safety Town experience for future pre-kindergarten students who will attend the program, along with their instructors, Notestine said.

Safety Town originally taught children about traffic safety so that they would be safe on their trips to and from school. Over the years, a number of other topics have been added so that children learn how to react when encountering other potentially dangerous or unsafe situations, Notestine noted.

The Bellefontaine Exchange Club is a local service club that has served the Bellefontaine area in various ways since 1946.



Longtime owners Janice and Charlie Moore are pictured at the Indian Lake Rollarena. (PHOTO VIA LOGAN COUNTY HISTORY CENTER)

Design for new Indian Lake shrine released

Bids to be opened Sept. 12, construction set to begin in October

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

The American Society of Ephesus, Inc. ("ASE") has released bid documents (plans and specifications) for the new Our Lady of Fatima Shrine at Indian Lake.

Working with the Sidney, Ohio, architectural firm of Freytag & Associates, ASE has invited a select group of local contractors to submit sealed bids on Friday, Sept. 12, 2025. After hiring a contractor, construction will begin in October.

The sculptor for the new Shrine project is

Mike Major of Urbana. He has completed more than 200 bronze sculptures including large public monuments and small limited edition castings. Those monuments include life-size and larger than life monuments of many public figures.

There will be a pre-bid meeting with the bidders, architect, owner and sculptor at the project site before the bid date.

"This is the result of a lot of hard work by everyone, and we could not be more excited," said Bill

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United Way of Logan County

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United Way's Community Care Day marks a decade of shining up Logan County

Staff from the Logan County Electric Operative tackled an extensive project at the Logan County Fairgrounds—restoring the horse announcer stand. According to Ashley Oakley, administrative services manager, they're "giving it a facelift." When a team tore it down to the studs the night before, though, they discovered it "was in worse shape than they thought." The stand needed to be reframed and redressed with new windows, studs, plywood and metal. Though uncertain if they could finish it as part of the United Way's Community Care Day on Friday, Oakley said they would "get a really good start on it." (EXAMINER PHOTO | SHARYN KOPF)

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ABE MARTIN



"Folks that are easy to please must accumulate a lot o' junk these days."

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

■ BELLEFONTAINE BEAT

POLICE & FIRE

Woman lodged on felony drug charge

Sierra B. Brazier, 25, of Jackson Center, was arrested by officers of the Bellefontaine Police Department following a traffic stop in the early morning hours of Thursday, Aug. 21.

Officers had been told at the beginning of their shift to be on the lookout of a 2005 Honda Accord with heavy front-end damage, as the owner of the vehicle was wanted by her parole officer.

Police spotted the vehicle in the 200 block of north Main Street about 1:04 a.m. Thursday, initiated a traffic stop and identified the driver as Sierra Brazier, who was not listed as the owner of the vehicle.

Brazier consented to a search of her person and the vehicle. A small baggie containing a crystal-like substance was found on her person as well as what appeared to be a crack pipe, a cut straw and a balled-up piece of foil, which con-

tained a pill and two smaller pill pieces.

The crystal-like substance tested positive for methamphetamine, and the pills in the foil were identified as alprazolam. A search of the vehicle revealed a prescription bottle containing what are believed to be antibiotics.

Brazier was arrested at the scene and transported and lodged in the Logan County Jail, where she was charged with aggravated possession of drugs, a fifth-degree felony.

CPO violation arrest reported

The Bellefontaine City Police report the arrest of Daytayviah Rogan-Rodgers, 22, of Cable, for a violation of a civil protection order after she reportedly made contact with the complainant at 4:20 p.m. Thursday on the west side of the city.

Officers found Rogan-Rodgers at the home of the complainant, arrested her for the CPO violation and lodged her in the jail without further incident.

■ LOGAN COUNTY BEAT

SHERIFF & HIGHWAY PATROL

1 transported from crash

A North Lewisburg woman sustained suspected minor injuries early Thursday morning, Aug. 21, after a two-vehicle crash at State Route 559 and County Road 44 about two miles northwest of the village.

Desiree Clark, 29, was transported by Allen Township Fire & EMS to Memorial Hospital of Union County in Marysville, deputies of the Logan County Sheriff's Office report.

Clark reportedly was driving a 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe southeast on S.R. 559 about 1:10 a.m. when her vehicle was stuck on the passenger side by a north-east-bound 2022 Honda Civic on C.R. 44 that reportedly failed to stop at the intersection's stop sign.

After impact, the Tohoo went off the left side of S.R. 559 and struck a utility pole before coming to rest. The Civic traveled off the right side of the road and came to rest in a field.

The Civic's driver, Blyane Oder, 23, of West Liberty, did not report any injuries. He was cited for a stop sign violation.

Damage to the vehicles was heavy and each was towed from the scene.

which had an approximately four-inch cut on the thigh. She also had a cut on her foot and told deputies she had pain in her left hand, which she thought might be broken.

Deputies observed pieces of a shattered porcelain pot scattered throughout the room, along with furniture that appeared to have been moved out of place.

The injured woman told deputies her sister, Kari Thompson, 52, of Rushsylvania, came to the home and began attacking and yelling at the victim in a bedroom, saying she was the cause of all her problems. Thompson then reportedly dragged her sister by the hair out of the bedroom and into the living room, where the siblings' elderly mother was sitting in a recliner.

According to reports, Thompson punched her sister and attempted numerous times to put her knee on her sister's neck during the altercation.

Thompson then threw her sister on top of her mother in the recliner and into the porcelain pot, which broke, before leaving the home.

The mother confirmed details of the incident with law enforcement.

The injured sister told deputies Thompson had personal issues that were causing her emotional distress.

Deputies went to Thompson's residence, where she was arrested for domestic violence without further incident.

She was lodged in the Logan County Jail.

Woman arrested after attacking her sister

Deputies of the Logan County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a fight between two sisters about 8:40 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 21, at a Susie Street residence in Rushsylvania.

Upon arrival, deputies found a woman sitting on the floor in the home's living room holding her left leg,

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played live by various musicians.

In 1960, the rink was closed for seven months for a grand remodeling. They resurfaced the 80' x 150' skating surface with an 8" composition of plastic. At the time only a few other roller skating rinks in the nation had plastic floors. They advertised that "700 - 800 skaters can roller skate on a floor which needs no powder and is free from noise," the History Center reports.

In 1953, Charlie and Janice Moore met and started dating at the roller rink when they were both 17 years old. In 1954, they married and two weeks

later they started working at the roller rink.

During 1965, Charlie and Janice Moore leased the roller rink and in 1975 purchased it from Harry Lawrence.

In 1976, the Moores updated the roller rink with the removal of the railing and the red carpet around the floor area. They installed new candy-striped carpeting on the paneled walls to a height of 6 feet and on the support posts to absorb the noise. They enlarged the refreshment area to accommodate 50 customers, installed a new heating system, and redecorated the restrooms.

Charlie and Janice were like second parents

to many area children, Mortimer noted in the Logan County History Center reports. In the late 1960s the Moores sent buses to communities in Logan and adjoining counties on Friday and Saturday to pick up skaters. After the rink closed for the night, they bused all the kids back home. Countless relationships and marriages got their start at the Indian Lake Rollerarena. The rink was a popular site for numerous events, birthday parties and fundraisers over the years.

The Moores along with their children, Sheila, Lora, and Kevin, owned and operated the Indian Lake Rollerarena for over 40 years.

6 people are found dead at a Colorado dairy, accident involving gas exposure suspected

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Authorities say an apparent accident involving exposure to gas at a dairy in Colorado has killed six people. First responders found the bodies in a confined space at Prospect Valley Dairy on Wednesday. The Weld County coroner said Thursday that authorities are investigating what kind of gases might have played a role in the deaths. The coroner's office says the identities of the six victims

are being withheld until the families are notified. The dairy is located along

Keenesburg, about 35 miles northeast of Denver.

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WASHINGTON TWP POLICE

K9's help results in large amount of meth seized in traffic stop

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

A Springfield man was arrested on charges of possession of drugs (bulk) and trafficking in drugs after a large amount of methamphetamine was seized from his vehicle during a traffic stop in the Indian Lake area, with the help of K9 Pyro's detection.



TUGGLE

Ryan Tuggle, 41, was lodged in the Logan County Jail after the incident Thursday evening, Aug. 21, and also was charged with resisting arrest, officers of the Washington Township Police Department report.

Officers on patrol about 10:14 p.m. on State Route 708 near U.S. Route 33 and conducted a traffic stop on Tuggle's vehicle for multiple equipment violations.

Upon making contact with the defendant, officers said signs of drug use were observed. A request for a K9 was made and Bellefontaine Police Department's K9 Pyro responded to the scene.

Once on scene, K9 Pyro indicated to the odor of illegal drugs inside of the vehicle.

Tuggle was advised of the K9 indication. After being told several times to keep his hands out of his pockets, he was advised a pat down was going to be conducted on his person. The defendant was non-compliant and refused a pat down.

Tuggle was then advised he was being detained. He reportedly refused and resisted officers' attempts to place him into handcuffs. As a result of his non-compliance to officer commands, he sustained minor injuries and was treated at the scene by Indian Lake EMS.

A probable cause search was conducted on his vehicle. During the search, officers located a large amount of methamphetamine. It field-tested positive for methamphetamine and weighed 18 grams.

Tuggle was taken into custody and transported to the jail.

The Bellefontaine Police Department, Russells Point Police Department and Indian Lake EMS assisted at the scene.

"I am thankful for the incredible working relationship between all law enforcement agencies in Logan County. Because of this, Logan County is a much safer place to live, work and visit," Washington Township Police Department Chief Michael Thompson said in a release.

■ LOCAL NOTES

Road closures announced for Bellefontaine Hill Climb Revival

The Bellefontaine Hill Climb Revival will impact traffic on Saturday, Aug. 23.

County Road 153 will be restricted to one lane from Township Road 147 west to County Road 28; County Road 28 will be closed from the intersection of County Road 153 south to County Road 29 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Logan County Sheriff's Deputies will be directing traffic at the event site throughout the day.

Residents will have access to their homes throughout the event, with slight delays to allow safe entrance and egress. Thru traffic will be restored at 5 p.m. as the Hill Climb Event concludes.

Motorists are encouraged to use alternate routes.

The Bellefontaine Hill Climb Revival is a celebration of the Historic Bellefontaine Hill Climb for sports cars that was conducted on the same road from 1953-1974 and was revived in 2019.

General information about the event is available at <https://m.facebook.com/Bellefontainehillclimb/> or by contacting the event chair, Kurt Niemeyer at kurt@sportscarpreservationltd.com or calling (513) 304-1177.

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Youth mental health, healthy living focus of Mary Rutan Foundation Wellness Grant Program

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF



vey named obesity and healthy lifestyle choices as a moderate or very serious issue.

To address these concerns, youth mental health and youth healthy living were selected as the focus areas for grant requests ranging from \$500 to \$5,000 during the 2025-2026 grant cycle.

“Mary Rutan Foundation is committed to the health and wellbeing of the communities we serve, especially that

of our youth,” said Tammy Gump, foundation chief operating officer.

“We believe we can be most successful through community partnerships focused on targeted initiatives. Area schools and 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations are invited to join us in our pursuit of a healthier Logan County.”

Applications and all required documentation must be submitted by midnight on Oct. 8, 2025. The application may be accessed on the Mary Rutan Health website at <https://www.maryrutan.org/forms/community-wellness-grant-application/> and must be sub-

mitted electronically.

The Mary Rutan Foundation Community Wellness Grant program began in 2014. Since then, nearly \$490,000 has been awarded to community partners addressing health and wellness needs identified in Logan County. Several of these programs continue in our community today, sustained through new partnerships and funding resources.

Questions regarding the grant or qualification guidelines may be directed to Mary Rutan Foundation at (937) 599-7003 or via email at tammy.gump@maryrutan.org.

OBITUARIES

Kathleen L. Stevenson

Kathleen L. Stevenson, 98, of DeGraff, went home to be with her Lord and Savior at 7:29 a.m. on Thursday, August 21, 2025, at Ayden Healthcare of Belle Springs in Bellefontaine, Ohio.



She was born in Piqua, Ohio on November 6, 1926, a daughter of the late Edward Buckingham and Mina (Hoke) Buckingham.

On January 27, 1945, Kathleen married Robert Scott “Scotty” Stevenson in Newport, Kentucky, and he preceded her in death on December 29, 2023. She was also preceded in death by her son, Richard “Dick” Stevenson; daughter-in-law, Shelly Stevenson; and two sisters, Ruth Deeter, and Mary Buckingham.

Kathleen is survived by two daughters, Sandra (Rick) Adams, and Annette Stevenson; two sons, Wendell (Alice) Stevenson, and Ed Stevenson; a daughter-in-law, Linda Stevenson; twelve grandchildren; nineteen great grandchildren; seven great-great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Kathleen began working as a teenager at Don’s Diner in Bellefontaine, where she and her husband, Scotty, first met. Their 75th wedding anniversary was celebrated with their family at Don’s Downtown Diner. She later owned and operated Windy’s Restaurant in Lewistown and eventually worked side-by-side with her husband at Scotty’s Auto Wrecking and Liberty Auto Wrecking. Kathleen was an active member of Stony Creek Church and member of the former Ever Ready Club. She enjoyed church activities, flea markets, and belonging to antique tractor clubs with her husband.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 27, at Sanford Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 210 W. Hayes Street in DeGraff. Pastor Wayne Downing will officiate a funeral service at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 28, at the funeral home with visitation one hour prior to the funeral. Burial will follow in Highland Memorial Cemetery in West Liberty, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be made, in Kathleen’s memory, to Stony Creek Church, 3570 County Road 31 S., Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311.

Sanford Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Bellefontaine, is honored to care for Kathleen’s family and encourages anyone to share a fond memory or kind message with the family at www.sanfordfuneralhome.com.

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Quatman, president of ASE, who interviewed three local architectural firms and three local sculptors before hiring the Freytag firm and Mr. Major.

Freytag & Associates previously worked with ASE before on the Our Lady of Ephesus shrine at Lehman Catholic High School in Sidney.

The five-person ASE selection committee held a “design charrette” with the architect and sculptor earlier this year to brainstorm ideas.

“At ASE’s instruction, we tried to incorporate lots of ideas from last year’s statewide design competition into the final Shrine design. I think the community will love the new design,” said architect John Freytag.

The design was kept confidential until the bid documents were released Monday, Aug. 18.

There are many differences from the original 1964 design and the new design. First, the nearly 20-foot tall fiberglass statue of



A rendering of the new Shrine site. (FREYTAG & ASSOCIATES, INC.)

Mary is a different image than the original, now shown with a flowing gown and open hands, with a large metal, lighted halo.

Second, ASE has added three life-size bronze statues of the Fatima children who witnessed the original apparition in Fatima, Portugal, in 1917.

Third, the Stations of the Cross have been moved

from the west side of the site to the east with a new concrete walkway that encircles the Shrine.

Fourth, rather than a tall pre-cast concrete pedestal holding up the Mary statue, the winning design proposed a stone base to resemble Mary’s House in Ephesus. That concept was incorporated into the final design.

“There also will be three story-boards on the south façade that will tell the stories of Fatima and Ephesus, plus the history of ASE,” Freytag said.

“The layout of the site will feel familiar to anyone familiar with the old Shrine,” Quatman said. “But we have added new a Rosary Walk, made of clay tiles embedded into the concrete walk that surrounds the Shrine.

“Mike Major custom-made the rosary beads, the cross and the medallion for us, and it is intended to be walked on as people visit



A rendering of the new Shrine base. (FREYTAG & ASSOCIATES, INC.)

the Shrine,” he added.

Some of the old benches, kneeler and signs from the old Shrine will also be reused, which have been stored off-site.

Also new will be an engraved cornerstone and a metal time capsule incorporated into the stone base.

“The cornerstone will be hollow and will hold the time capsule inside,” Quatman said. “We will soon announce a process for the Indian Lake community to submit letters, photos and other artifacts for the time capsule. The idea is to open the time capsule in 100 years so the great-grandchildren of local residents can read the letters and see the artifacts.”

The old Shrine was dedicated in August 1964 and lasted almost 60 years until it was destroyed by a tornado in March 2024. It was one of the tallest statues of the Virgin Mary in the U.S., at 43’ tall, including a 19’-6” fiberglass statue of Our Lady of Fatima on a concrete pedestal.

“The odds of another direct hit by an EF3 tornado are very slim and we think the new Shrine will last more than 100 years,” Mr. Quatman said. “We did not attempt to design a tornado-proof Shrine, as I am not sure that is possible.”

The official dedication of the new Shrine is planned for Aug. 15, 2026, and the public will be invited, as well as the design and construction team, and local officials.

For more information, visit: www.ase-gbqfoundation.org or



Photos of the fiberglass statue of Mary in fabrication. (MIKE MAJOR PHOTOS)

UNITED WAY'S COMMUNITY CARE DAY



Representing Calvary Christian School, 21 players and coaches from the JV and varsity volleyball teams painted cabins at YMCA Camp Willson, 2732 County Road 11, Bellefontaine, for the 10th annual United Way Community Care Day on Friday, Aug. 22. Pictured, home-schooled varsity team captain Claire Heater works alongside assistant varsity coach Cari Hyde (on the ladder), as they clean windows after giving the building’s trim a fresh coat of green paint. (EXAMINER PHOTO | SHARYN KOPF)

With lots of work still to be done, 149 W. Columbus Ave., Bellefontaine, has a long way to go before it’s ready to open as the LoCo Kids Foundation’s children’s museum. Fortunately, people from Citizens Federal Savings and Loan took shifts to help demolish and tear down and discard tons of debris on Friday, Aug. 22. This particular United Way Community Care Day project gave Citizens Federal employee Jerrica Lane a chance to take a sledgehammer to one of the walls covering windows they want to expose while Kelly Buffkin tackles some sheathing. (EXAMINER PHOTO | SHARYN KOPF)

LOCAL NOTE

Ice cream social planned for today

The North Greenfield Church, 9609 County Road 2, West Mansfield, hosts an ice cream social from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 23.

The menu includes chicken sandwiches and sloppy joes, potato salad, chicken and noodles, homemade ice cream, desserts and beverages, available for dine-in or carry-out.

The cost is by donation. Proceeds will be donated to missions.

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Chiefs roll over Yellow Jackets

BY MIKE FRANK
EXAMINER SPORTS EDITOR

The first step went pretty smoothly. Bellefontaine opened the 2025 season on Friday with a 55-21 win over visiting Sidney.

The first half was a back-and-forth affair, with the Chieftains building a 21-7 lead, then yielding a score on the final play.

But they grabbed hold of the momentum by forcing a fumble on the second half kickoff return. They would turn that into six, add three more scores on drives that only took a few plays each, and then have one more just for good measure.

Carter Caudill tied a school record with six touchdowns on the night. He finished with 16 carries for 120 yards.

The scores came on runs of three, one, and five yards in the first half, then 16, 53 and one yard in the second.

Reign St. Clair, making his debut as the starter, completed 19 of 25 passes for 329 yards, with two touchdowns, to Sutton Daring (10 and 35 yards, respectively).

Kaiden Foulk had four catches for 103 yards, and Spencer Stolly had nine receptions for 124 and Daring had five grabs for 82.

For Sidney, Quinten Graves was 11 of 20 for 116 yards with one touchdown, while Jamari Combs ran 22 times for 118 yards.

Coach Jason Brown said, "Our kids played really gritty tonight. We talked about two key pieces. The first was having our faith tonight,



Carter Caudill (24) runs with the ball after a handoff by Reign St. Clair (12) during Friday's season opener at AcuSport Stadium. Pictured for the Yellow Jackets is Carti Thompson. Caudill scored six touchdowns on the night. (EXAMINER PHOTO | TONY BARRETT)

personal faith and faith in the brotherhood. The second was responding and making sure we responded properly every play whether it was a good play or a bad play."

He added that "offensively, they really got to put the pedal to the metal. Defensively, we played (well) at times, we just gave up a couple big plays. It was a really clean, hard fought football game to start the year and that was good."

Bellefontaine received the opening kickoff and set up at their own 34. After a couple of runs, St.

Clair threw to Stolly, who picked up nine yards and a first down at the Yellow Jackets 42.

He then converted on third down on a 14-yard toss to Kaiden Foulk. Sidney's defense tightened up and forced a fourth down at the 22. But Caudill was able to break through and move the chains to the 17. Five plays later, Caudill went across from the 3 with 5:47 to go in the first.

Sidney used Combs to advance to Bellefontaine territory. They also faced a fourth down, at the 39. Graves pass was deflected and picked off by

Cayleb Overmann.

The Chieftains stuck mostly to the air on the ensuing drive, with a 14-yard catch by Foulk and a 21-yard reception by Stolly helping move the chains. After the grab by Stolly, Caudill ran for four yards. St. Clair then fired over the middle, with Caudill pulled down just before he crossed the line to end the first quarter.

He punched it across to start the second and Foulk's PAT made it 14-0.

The Yellow Jackets got a big run by Combs to reach midfield, then a

32-yard rumble by Ishhod Diomande down into the red zone at the 18. Sidney got five and three. They elected to go for it on fourth down, but Graves was stopped short.

The Chieftains had the ball for just two plays, as Stolly had the ball popped loose after a nine yard gain.

Sidney used five plays to reach the end zone for the first time, with Diomande going in from the two with just over five minutes left in the half.

A short kickoff and good return gave the

Bellefontaine 55 Sidney 21

JACKETS	0	14	7	0	-	21
CHIEFS	7	14	21	13	-	55

TEAM STATS	SID	BFN
First Downs	16	17
Total Net Yards	331	524
Rushes/yards	44/215	24/195
Passing Yards	116	329
Comp-Att-Int.	11-20-1	19-25-0
Punts/avg.	2/40	0/0
Fumbles-Lost	5-1	1-1
Penalties/yards	1/10	4/35

Chiefs the ball at their own 45. Caudill started it off with a short gain. St. Clair then pulled the ball down and ran to the left for 16 yards to the Sidney 35. After an incompletion, he hit Josh Phillips for 20 yards and Foulk for 10. Caudill capped it off with 3:51 left to restore the two-score margin.

A facemark penalty on the Chiefs helped Sidney get going on the ensuing possession. Several runs by Combs got them over the mid-field stripe and down to the 29. They converted a third down, then called their last timeout with 26 seconds left.

Graves ran for one yard, then spiked the ball to stop the clock with six seconds. He then found Demarcuse Fleming in the left edge of the end zone and the Jackets hit the point-after to make it 21-14.

As mentioned above, the Yellow Jackets were returning the opening kick with the Chiefs causing a fumble which was recovered by Blake Loomis at the 32.

Two passes to Stolly were followed by two runs by Caudill. From the 10, St. Clair fired over the middle to a wide open Daring with 9:25 to go.

See CHIEFS on Page 8

Tigers can't keep up with Jonathan Alder

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

West Liberty-Salem fell to visiting Jonathan Alder in non conference play.

The first period was scoreless. In the second, the Pioneers scored three times. The first was a 1-yard run by Trey Bentley with 7:43 to go. Bentley then caught a 62 yard pass with just over two minutes to go.

The Pioneers' then had an interception return by Cashton Wheeler with 23 seconds left to make it 20-0 at the break.

Brock Hughes threw

to Chase Muetzel for 33 yards halfway through the third and make it 27-0.

The Tigers broke up the shutout in the fourth as Beckett Sullivan threw for four yards to Casey Boyer. Jake Lauck added the PAT with 9 1/2 minutes to go.

Alder then capped the scoring on a 19-yard pass.

For the Tigers, Corbin Wallace rushed 20 times for 74 yards, and Naaman Stidham carried 10 times for 18 yards.

Sullivan completed 12 of 21 passes for 115

yards, but was intercepted three times. Reese Oder was the leading receiver with four catches for 40 yards.

West Liberty-Salem (0-1) travels to Ben Logan next Friday.

Jonathan Alder 33 WL-Salem 7

PIONEERS	0	20	7	6	-	33
TIGERS	0	0	0	7	-	7

TEAM STATS	JA	WL-S
First Downs	17	14
Total Net Yards	373	224
Rushes/yards	29/191	39/109
Passing Yards	182	115
Comp-Att-Int.	8-11-0	12-21-3
Punts/avg.	1/29.0	4/36.5
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	0-0
Penalties/yards	1/10	6/50



West Liberty-Salem running back, Corbin Wallace (2), looks for additional running room on his way to a 1st down Friday night at Tiger Stadium. (PHOTO BY JOHN COFFMAN)

Riverside falls to Ansonia

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

ANSONIA — Riverside lost 36-6 to host Ansonia in a non conference matchup.

Ansonia had the only score of the first quarter on a 1 yard run by Carson Tobe with 5:23 to play.

Tobe scored again with 10:29 left in the second quarter. Ansonia ran for the conversion to make it 14-0.

Riverside got on the board with 9:04 to play on a 1-yard run by Gunner Carpenter. The PAT was no good.

Ansonia replied with two more scores before

halftime, one a short run by Tobe and the other a pass from Tobe to Elijah Kocher for 15 yards. At the break, Ansonia led 28-6.

The only points of the second half came with just over seven minutes to play in the third, with Tobe running for 47 yards, and Elijah Kocher going for the two-point conversion.

Coach Bryce Hodge said that after Ansonia's first score, the Pirates drove down, but a penalty pushed them back, then Ansonia made an interception.

"We just have to clean

up our execution and get more stops on defense. We had a lot of self-imposed mistakes. Our youthfulness showed itself, we will have some growing pains early on," said Hodge.

Brody Orsborne was 3 of 9 passing for 38 yards with one interception.

Dylan Trimble carried six times for 66 yards and Carpenter ran nine times for 63 for the Pirates. Tony Robinson had 13 carries for 49 yards.

Tobe rushed 47 times for 337 yards for Ansonia.

Riverside (0-1) will host Northeastern next Friday.

Bath overpowers Indian Lake

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

LIMA — Indian Lake fell in the season opener to Bath 50-21 in a non conference matchup.

Bath scored once in the first period, and twice in the second quarter, then got 30 points in the third.

Indian Lake had one touchdown apiece in the second, third and fourth.

The first Lakers score came on a 45 yard pass from Bradey Golliday to Brodey Reisinger with 6:52 to go, making it 12-7. The Wildcats then

scored with 13 seconds left and got the conversion to lead by 13.

Golliday and Reisinger connected again with 8:43 to go in the third period, this time for 42 yards.

The final score came with four minutes left on a 14-yard run by Golliday.

Golliday was 19 of 28 for 216 yards on the night. Reisinger had eight catches for 129 yards. Colin Bendler caught five passes for 19 yards.

Golliday also ran 10 times for 54 yards, and

Noah Shirk had 14 runs for 63 yards.

The Wildcats' quarterback Zack Welsh completed 18 of 27 passes for 400 yards with five touchdowns. Josiah Clark was the main target, with seven grabs for 175 yards and three scores. Logan Markley (3-71) and Mikey Hale (5-121) scored once each.

Hale was the leading rusher, with 14 carries for 139 yards and two touchdowns.

Indian Lake (0-1) will be at home against Fairbanks next week.

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Arch Manning for Heisman and Texas to win national title are betting favorites

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The Manning name goes a long way — even for college football bettors.

Top-ranked Texas is favored to win the national championship, which would be its first since Vince Young dashed into the Rose Bowl end zone two decades ago to upset Southern California.

Longhorns quarterback Arch Manning is the early leader to capture the Heisman Trophy, which would be one of the rare accomplishments his famous football family has not achieved.

After sitting behind Quinn Ewers for two seasons, Manning finally gets his chance to show what all the hype is about. Many bettors are buying into it.

"I think (hype is) a big part of it," said Johnny Avello, DraftKings Sportsbook race and sports operations director. "The team has made strides to become one of the top teams in college football. (Bettors) looked at the team last year and the quarterback was OK, but I wouldn't call him the elite quarterback. So

now Manning's in there, and he's got the history of all the Mannings in the past."

Top-ranked Texas is the consensus favorite to win it all, though it's a crowded field. The Longhorns are +450 favorites at BetMGM Sportsbook, followed by third-ranked and defending champion Ohio State (+525). Four other teams — No. 2 Penn State, No. 4 Clemson, No. 5 Georgia and No. 7 Oregon — are between 7-1 and 9-1.

Manning also is the favorite at multiple sportsbooks to win the Heisman, including a substantial one at BetMGM at 6-1 odds. LSU quarterback Garrett Nussmeier and Clemson QB Cade Klubnik are next at 9-1 each.

"The storyline there with (Manning's) grandpa and his uncle missing out on the trophy, so I can see that storyline kind of evolving like that," CBS SportsLine handicapper Bruce Marshall said. "Like, this is sort of a payback for the Mannings this year, but we just haven't seen that much of him.

Should he be up there ahead of Klubnik from Clemson? I wouldn't think so, but he's there."

Non-QB for the Heisman?

Colorado two-way player Travis Hunter's Heisman victory last season was a rarity. Quarterbacks had won the award 20 of the previous 24 times.

Though odds are in the QBs' favor again this season — the top three play that position — Ohio State wide receiver Jeremiah Smith could get a long look. BetMGM lists him at 10-1 to take home the trophy.

He has received the second-most bets at the sportsbook, behind only Manning, and Marshall said he could see Smith winning the Heisman.

"A big-play element," Marshall said.

Predictions markets gets involved

Robinhood announced Tuesday it was partnering with fellow online predictions market company Kalshi to begin accepting trades on college

and professional football games.

Predictions markets operate similar to the U.S. Stock Exchange in which people invest money, but critics — including those in sportsbooks — question whether it's sports betting disguised as investment. Maryland, Nevada and New Jersey have sued Kalshi, arguing it violates state sports betting laws. Native American tribes in California and Wisconsin have made similar arguments in their lawsuits.

Robinhood and Kalshi contend their companies are regulated by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

That doesn't satisfy the NCAA.

"Sport integrity is paramount for the NCAA, and we are deeply concerned by unregulated and unprotected markets that pose a threat to competition integrity and student-athlete safety," Tim Buckley, NCAA senior vice president of external affairs, said in a statement. "We will continue to analyze developments of this market and work with industry leaders

to help ensure guardrails and regulations to protect NCAA competition, student-athletes, coaches and officials."

Saving it for the playoffs

Ohio State showed last season in the first year of the 12-team playoff that a team didn't need to be a high seed to win the title. The Buckeyes went in as the eighth seed, but powered through the field.

Bettors have noticed, with more wagers going on the under of 10 1/2 wins for Ohio State, causing the number at BetMGM to be at -145. The over is +120.

Ohio State is -325 to make the playoff field.

"It felt like they kind of coasted through the regular season and then really turned it on when they got to the playoffs," BetMGM sports trading manager Christian Cipollini said. "Some of these teams are almost guaranteed to get in with this expanded playoff. It's going to take a lot for Ohio State or Alabama, these really big-name schools, to not make it."

THURSDAY NIGHTS PREP SPORTS ACTION

Last second goal sends Lady Chiefs past Kenton

BY SEAN BLEVINS
KENTON TIMES

KENTON — Ava Watson delivered a stunning inswinging corner kick goal with 26 seconds left to give Bellefontaine a 1-0 win over Kenton Thursday in non-conference girls soccer play at the newly reconstructed Merold Field.

Kenton sophomore forward Ellie Minter almost scored on three separate occasions in the second half as she hit two shots off of the woodwork and sent a penalty kick over the crossbar with 2:35 remaining. The Wildcats (0-2-1) created plenty of chances in the sec-

ond half, but finishing left a lot to be desired.

"That's two games in a row where we missed a PK," first-year Kenton coach Zachary Jansen said. "Plenty of opportunities. The first half we were a little bit on our heels, not attacking as much. I made a change and put Reese [McKinniss] up top. We had a ton of opportunities that second half. I feel like we played 90% of that on their half of the field. Two posts, missed PK. We just have to finish. We can't let teams hang around. Mistakes happen in soccer. We've given up too many corners. It came back to bite us."

Kenton fell 3-1 to Ben Logan on Tuesday and senior Reese McKinniss had a penalty kick saved that would have tied it at 2-2 in the second half.

This time, Minter was tripped in the 18-yard box with 2:35 left and then sailed her penalty kick over the crossbar. It was still 0-0 and seemed destined to be heading toward a scoreless draw.

Kenton sophomore goalkeeper Hadley Wilson deflected Watson's first corner kick out of bounds. Watson's second corner kick attempt was a thing of beauty as it whizzed over everyone's head into the back of the net to put the Chieftains

(1-2) ahead 1-0 with 26 seconds on the clock.

Both teams advanced into the final third several times in the first half, but neither really tested either goalkeeper.

The Wildcats launched three long shots from at least 25 yards out in the first five minutes of the second half. They were playing with more energy, and it resulted in more looks. Jansen noted that moving McKinniss up top was pivotal in their second half improvement.

"Getting Reese up top gives us a good ball handler that we can play the ball to and she can make good decisions. I thought the sec-

ond half looked significantly better, we just didn't finish," Jansen said.

Kenton sophomore forward Jadyann Byers got a breakaway chance with 27:45 left in the second half, but her shot was sent straight to Bellefontaine junior goalkeeper Emma Whitaker.

Minter crossed it to Byers for a hard-hit one-timer that Whitaker saved with 23 minutes to play.

The Wildcats continued to attack relentlessly. Minter hit the post on a screamer in the 60th minute, then drilled it off the post again two minutes later.

Wilson made a diving

save on a free kick taken by Watson at the top of the 18-yard box with 13:40 left. That was Bellefontaine's best chance of the game until their eventual game winner.

Kenton's back line held strong for much of the way. They did well to limit speedy Bellefontaine senior midfielder Callie Shumaker, their most dangerous on-ball threat.

"Marlee [Gammon] played well defensively. Addy [Haudenschild] played great defensively. Josie [Schwemer] in the second half. Reese in the first half. Defensively, we're playing well for 90% of it," Jansen said.



Presley Vigansky of Bellefontaine hits the ball over the net during Thursday's home match against Riverside. EXAMINER PHOTO | TOM STEPHENS

Chiefs pick up win over county foe

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Bellefontaine defeated visiting Riverside in three sets on Thursday night in non-league volleyball play.

The Lady Chiefs won by scores of 25-7, 25-14 and 24-14.

Senior Kelsie Snapp had 15 kills, five aces and 23 digs for Bellefontaine. Presley Vigansky was 25 of 26 on serves, with seven aces and three kills.

Ari Rangel, Ava Layman, Kaeleigh Flora and Madi Zedeker each had six kills. Zedeker also had 31 assists and two aces.

For Riverside, Zoey Ransbottom had seven assists and Kara Klinger had six. Molly Carman and Makayla Hurley each had three kills. Emilee Robinson added 10 digs.

In the JV match, Bellefontaine won 25-18, 25-13.

Bellefontaine (2-0) travels to

ROUNDUP

Wapakoneta today. The first JV match begins at 9 a.m.

Benjamin Logan 3, Calvary Christian 0

Ben Logan defeated host Calvary Christian in three sets on Thursday. The Lady Raiders won by scores of 25-5, 25-17, and 25-8.

For Ben Logan, Abby Vance had seven kills, with five each by Annika Chappell and Caroline Spriggs.

Georgia Daniels recorded eight aces and Lily Kerns had four. Kylie Harner had 12 assists.

Ava Cole had six kills for the Spartans, and Grace Zell had one ace and nine assists.

Indian Lake 3, West Liberty-Salem 1

Indian Lake defeated visiting West Liberty-Salem in nonleague play Thursday.

The Lakers won 22-25, 25-11, 25-22, 25-22.

Riley Ross had 20 digs, Courtney Altstaetter 22 kills and three blocks, and Cami Bailey, Alivia Kinney and Kit Miller seven kills apiece. Addy Roby had 47 assists.

For West Liberty-Salem, Naomi Cole had 15 kills and two aces, Reagan Winters had 21 digs, Ava Poppe had seven kills. Kiersten Stoll, Lilli Heminger and Reese Winters each made four kills. Lyndee Harrison had 18 assists.

In the JV match, Indian Lake won 25-13, 25-12. The Lakers freshman team won 25-8, 25-11.

Indian Lake will host Bellefontaine on Tuesday.

Tigers open conference play with big win

The West Liberty-Salem boys soccer team opened conference play with a 9-0 win over Northeastern on Thursday.

Scoring for WLS were Elijah Christison, Wyatt Longaberger, and Camden Yang all with two goals each. Lance Campbell, Brock Burgel, and Jake Lauck each had one goal.

Assisting for the Tigers were Longaberger with 3, Tucker Searles, Braden Hershberger, Noah Sarver, and Conner Leichty all with one.

The team returns to action Monday at Springfield Catholic at 7:30.

Jackson Center 1, Bellefontaine 0

The Bellefontaine boys soccer team lost to visiting Jackson Center Thursday in non conference action.

The goal came in the first half on a corner kick by the Tigers.

Coach Stephen Henry said, "This was another scrappy game that could have gone either way. I feel like we were pretty well matched up this team, but they got 1 in and we didn't. The boys continue to play with passion which is a absolutely what we want to see. We just need to clean up our passing and movement off of the ball so that we can sustain and finish an attack."

Bellefontaine (0-3) is at Tecumseh on Monday.

GIRLS SOCCER

West Liberty-Salem 7, Northeastern 0

West Liberty-Salem got its first win of the season Thursday, as they shut out host Northeastern in Ohio Heritage Conference play.

Kaylee Blair and Ella Jacobs combined in the net.

Jenna Cline had three goals and Arianna Weaver two for WL-S, with one each by Ellery Wygal and Gwen McCullough.

West Liberty-Salem (1-0 OHC, 1-1-1 overall) will travel to Springfield Catholic Central on Monday at 5:30 p.m.

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THURSDAY NIGHTS PREP SPORTS ACTION

Lady Tigers top Greeneview

XENIA — West Liberty-Salem defeated Greeneview 201 to 226 in a girls golf match on Wednesday at Jasper Hills.

Olivia Reichardt of the Tigers was the medalist with a round of 42. Geneva Estep had 48, followed by Taylor Cook (51) and Grace Jones (60).

Other scores were Marisa Smith (62) and Addison Hutton (68).

For Greeneview, scores were Gabbie Burkett (44), Maddie Owens (55), Taya Henderson (60) and Gabby Sutton (67).

Fort Loramie 190, Riverside 229

Riverside lost to Fort Loramie on Thursday in non conference play at Arrowhead Golf Course.

Reaghan McDaniel was the medalist with 38. Adalynn Calaway had 60, Lei Hurley 63 and Whitney Leatherman 68. Grace Owens had 74.

GOLF ROUNDUP BOYS GOLF

Kenton Ridge 178, Bellefontaine 183

Bellefontaine lost to Kenton Ridge on Thursday in a Central Buckeye Conference match at The Elks.

Collen Brugler of the Chieftains was the medalist with a 41. Noah Smith and Kyle Boop each had scores of 44, with Christian Sterling having 54. Also in action was Landon Severt (63).

For the Cougars, the low scores were Elijah Anantharaman (43), Zane Anantharaman (44), Bradley Marshall (45) and Nathan Pinson (46).

Bellefontaine faces Tecumseh on Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

West Liberty-Salem 183, Cedarville 188

SPRINGFIELD — West

Liberty-Salem defeated Cedarville on Thursday at Locust Hills Golf Course in OHC play.

Cedarville's Xavier Pauling had 39, followed by Cooper Hardy (47), Sawyer Schroll (49) and Ian Baker (53).

Braydon Thompson led the Tigers with a round of 43. Next was Brock Burgel (44), with Devon Jones at 45 and Sutton Wilcoxon (51).

Other scores were Brady Kauffman (51) and Blaine Hughes (53).

The Tigers (4-4) will meet Greenon on Tuesday.

Troy Christian 176, Riverside 180

Riverside lost to Troy Christian Thursday at Cherokee Hills.

For the Pirates Hayden McCully was medalist with a 37. Hayden Sanford (46), David Gross (48) and Syler Clark (49) rounded out the team score. Zane

Armbruster and Daniel Esh both shot 59.

For Troy Christian, Gabe Barhorst (39), Connor Tipton (45), JB Walters 46 and Brady Curies (46).

Wapakoneta 174, Indian Lake 185

WAPAKONETA — Indian Lake lost to host Wapakoneta on Thursday at the Wapakoneta Country Club.

Jaxon Snipes had the low round for the Lakers at 44. Joe Cummins was next at 45, followed by Cooper Hall (46), and Crew McPherson (50). Other scores were Kade Richardson and Jesse Carder, both with 53.

Henry Eley of the Redskins was the medalist with a 41.

Indian Lake is at Northwestern on Wednesday, while the Tigers play at Fairbanks today.



Chiefs third singles player, Harley Neer, attempts a volley during her match Thursday night. (SUBMITTED PHOTO)

Chieftain netters fall to Tecumseh in league match

The Bellefontaine girls tennis team lost to visiting Tecumseh 4-1 on Thursday.

At first singles, Sammy Russel defeated Bellefontaine's Ava Dolan, 6-0, 6-0.

At second singles, Dakota Hosted defeated Olivia Warye, 6-4, 6-0.

At third singles, the Arrows' Abby Manning defeated Harley Neer, 6-1, 6-0.

Bellefontaine won the first doubles match with Mia Brown and Rylee Crabtree winning 6-2, 6-0 over Shyla Thompson and Mia Gastineau.

At second doubles, Kayla Wood and Alexa Barcanas defeated the Chiefs' Adison Postle and Layla Hoyt, 6-3, 3-6, 10-8.

Bellefontaine will host Urbana on Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

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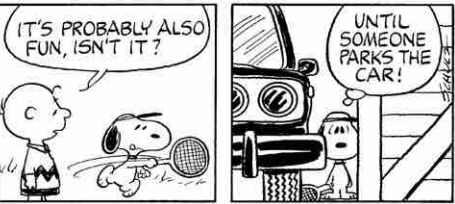
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ROYAL STARS | FROM KING FEATURES SYNDICATE By Georgia Nicols

MOON ALERT: After 2 a.m. EDT, there are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions today. The Moon is in Virgo.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Aug. 23, 2025:
You are empathetic, focused and logical. You're also resourceful and tenacious. It's time to create solid foundations in your life, both externally and internally. Simplicity is the key this year. Take charge of your health. Physical exercise is important. Perhaps explore martial arts or yoga. Stay grounded and levelheaded.

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)
★★★★ Today's New Moon energy is the perfect time to make resolutions about your job or how you approach your work. You might even make resolutions about how to improve your health, in addition to how to improve the way you work. Ponder this, Tonight: Tidy up things.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Each New Moon is an opportunity to make resolutions. Today's New Moon is your chance to think about your creative talents and how you use them or appreciate them. Or do you dismiss or ignore them? It's curious how all young children are creative, but as adults, we seem to forget this. Tonight: Enjoy socializing.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ This is the best day of the year to think about how you can improve where you live, as well as improve your relations with family members. Positive relations with home and family give you an easier springboard to your

outer world. (Or not.) Tonight: Relax at home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ This is a good day to think about your style of communicating. Humans are gregarious creatures. We need to see others, and we need to be seen. We definitely need to communicate. Does your sensitivity hold you back from reaching out to others? Tonight: Learn something.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Each New Moon is an opportunity to set intentions, and each New Moon is in a different sign, which means it takes place in a different part of your chart. Today's New Moon is your chance to think about your attitude toward money and wealth. Do you think money is a good thing or a bad thing? Tonight: Check your money.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Today the only New Moon in your sign all year is taking place, which makes this the perfect day to take a realistic look in the mirror to see how to improve your image. Appearances are important. (You never get a second chance to make a first impression.) Tonight: You're strong.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ This is perhaps the best day of the year to think about your spiritual values or the basic things that guide you. We all believe in something, even if our belief is that "we don't believe in anything." That's a belief. What makes you tick? Tonight: Value your privacy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ The New Moon energy today is the perfect time to think about your relations with friends, as well as your relations with groups. Are you friendly? Do you reach out to others? Or do you wait for them to reach out to you? To have friends, you have to be friendly. Tonight: Socialize.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Today's New Moon is the only one all year that's occurring at the top of your chart. This is your chance to think about how you view authority, and perhaps how you might improve your relations with parents, bosses, teachers and the police. Ideas? Tonight: Be courteous.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ What further travel, education or training might improve your job or enrich your life? If so, what would you pursue? These are good questions today for this particular New Moon and how it manifests for your sign. Tonight: Explore!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ We take care of our possessions. But some things that we own are shared with others, like credit card debt, student loans, shared property or anything that is jointly held. How are you handling this kind of debt? This is the focus of today's New Moon. Tonight: Check your finances.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Today the only New Moon opposite your sign all year is happening, which is your opportunity to think about how you can improve your closest friendships and partnerships, both personal and professional. (There's always room for improvement.) Tonight: Listen.

BORN TODAY
Actor Scott Caan (1976), actor, dancer, choreographer Gene Kelly (1912), actress Shelley Long (1949)

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
August 16, 2025
Logan County Commissioners
117 East Columbus Avenue
Bellefontaine, OH 43311
937-599-7280

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Logan County Metropolitan Housing Authority.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about September 1st, 2025 the Logan County Commissioners will authorize the Logan County Metropolitan Housing Authority to submit a request to HUD for the release of 2026-2030 Capital Fund Program funds under Section 9(d) and Section 30 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1437g(d) and 1437z-2), to undertake a project known as Logan County Scattered Site Renovations for the purpose of capital work items in the 2026-2030 Capital Fund 5-Yr Action Plan located in Bellefontaine, Quincy and DeGraff with a total funding amount of \$1,290,401.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Logan County Commissioners have determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Logan County Commissioners Office located at 117 East Columbus Avenue, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Logan County Commissioners Office. All comments received by September 1st, 2025 will be considered by the Logan County Commissioners prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Logan County Commissioners certify to HUD that Joe Antram in his capacity as Logan County Board Chair consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Logan County Metropolitan Housing Authority to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the Logan County Commissioners certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Logan County Commissioners; (b) the Logan County Commissioners has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the stand point of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to ClevelandPublicHousing@hud.gov noting in the email subject line "Logan County Housing Authority ER Objection". Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Joe Antram,
Logan County Board Chair
Aug. 16, 23, 2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held in Council Chambers before the Bellefontaine City Board of Zoning Appeals on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. for the following requests.

Choice One Engineering, 440 E. Hoewisher Rd., Sidney, Ohio 43365, representing The Logansville Community Church of Degraff OH, 169 County Rd 32 N., Bellefontaine, OH 43311 is requesting a variance to gravel their parking lot addition. The existing parking lot is gravel and will grow by 50%. This property is zoned R-1 One Family Residence District.

Chad Mullins, 307 White Pines

LEGALS

Dr., Bellefontaine, is requesting a rear yard variance of 10-foot setback instead of the 25-foot required setback on the south side for the installation of a 6-foot-high fence and to optimize back yard use for his family. This property is zoned R-1 One Family Residence District.

Debbie Shire, 408 Superior St., Bellefontaine, is requesting a side yard variance of 16-feet to install a 24-foot above ground pool in her backyard. This property is zoned R-1 One Family Residence District.

Bart Barok, Sox Real Estate, 5979 Dublin Rd., Delaware, OH 43015 representing Lebaron Investments LLC, 4198 St. Rt. 68 S, West Liberty, OH 43357 is requesting a variance for Parcel #17-107-05-002-000, located at the dead end of Wren Avenue and Michigan Street. This variance is to exclude single family lots from yard modifications identified in chapter 1155 of the Codified Ordinances so that minimum size yard setback is 5' with no further modifications. This property is currently zoned R-1 One Family Residence District.

Jeremy LeVan, LeVan Investments, 4198 St. Rt. 68 S, West Liberty, OH 43357 is requesting a variance for Ludlow Ridge existing phases, 1, 2, and any future phases. The variance is to exclude single family lots from yard modifications identified in chapter 1155 of the Codified Ordinances so that minimum size yard setback is 5' with no further modifications. This property is currently zoned R-1 One Family Residence District.

Bart Barok, Sox Real Estate, 5979 Dublin Rd., Delaware, OH 43015 representing LeVan

LEGALS

Investments LLC, 4198 St. Rt. 68 S, West Liberty, OH 43357 is requesting a variance for the Maris Park existing phases 1, 2, 3, 4 and future phases. This variance is to exclude single family lots from yard modifications identified in chapter 1155 of the Codified Ordinances. This property is zoned R-1 One Family Residence District.

The application forms, maps and other pertinent information are on file in the office of the City Engineer for public inspection Monday through Friday, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Notice of Public Hearing
The Lake Township Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing on an application for Variance on the 2nd day of September, 2025, at 7:00 P.M. at the Lake Township House, 900 South Detroit Street, in Logan County, Ohio.

The application applied for by David Mihoci requests a variance be granted for construction of a building which will be 6 ft. from the property line instead of a distance of 20 ft.

Location of said property is 710 Arlington Road, Bellefontaine, OH 43311.

Mark Schmieder,
Chairperson
Aug. 23, 2025

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FRIDAY NIGHT



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Sutton Daring of Bellefontaine races ahead of Sidney defenders during Friday's season opener. (TONY BARRETT)



The Chieftains' Blake Loomis (50) returns a kickoff against Sidney. Loomis had a fumble recovery. (TONY BARRETT)

Chiefs

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"We were able to flip the script to start the second half," Brown said. "The last four minutes of the first half and the first four of the second, we flipped that script. Then we just started to take off at that point, especially offensively."

Sidney went three-and-out, which was the first punt of the night by either side.

The ball rolled its way down the Chieftains' 10.

Bellefontaine did not remain their long. St. Clair dropped back and fired to Foulk. He caught the ball in stride at his 40 and then raced all they way to the Jackets' 35.

St. Clair then threw a scree to Daring. He broke

through and outraced the defense for six points with seven minutes left. The PAT made it 35-14.

Sidney went to Combs again and again marching from their 20 to mid-field. Graves then hit Fleming for 31 yards to the Bellefontaine 22.

They converted a third down on a run by Carti Thompson. Two plays later, Combs ran it in from the eighth with just under 90 seconds to go in the period.

The kickoff was brought out to the 38. Caudill went to the right, then cut back and streaked 46 yards. He got it again on the next snap, and covered the remaining 16 to put it at 42-21.

Sidney completed a couple of throws before

the teams changed ends to start the fourth. Graves had a couple more completions to reach mid-field, but it stalled after that and they turned it over on downs.

Caudill needed just one play this time, going through the left and covering 53 yards. The kick was true with 9:54 left to make it 49-21.

Sidney got one first down, but not another, punting the ball away.

Brown used sophomore Bryant Carter as the workhorse on this drive, as he picked up chunks on six straight carries to put the ball on the doorstep. Caudill punched it over to account for the final margin.



West Liberty-Salem's Issac Sertell, secures the ball. (JOHN COFFMAN)

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