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BHS Envirothon Club grant to impact Columbus Marathon

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

The Bellefontaine High School Envirothon Club has received a \$1,000 grant from Battelle that will be used to implement recycling at the 2022 Columbus Marathon.

For more than 10 years, Bellefontaine students have volunteered time to maintain and clean up the finish line of the marathon.

The pupils observed that all waste was placed in the same container and taken to a landfill.

Environmentally-conscious students noticed and wanted to

work to reduce the carbon footprint of the event by separating refuse to enable the recycling of plastics, cardboard, and aluminum.

Through the Teen EcoSummit that is held at the Columbus Zoo, BHS students wrote an action plan to make ecological improvements.

They were then approved for the grant.

Seniors Connor Skidmore and Katie Pool were instrumental in the process.

"We are excited to promote 'going green' at an event with so much exposure," Katie said.

"I hope to see this recycling effort expand to other large scale events throughout the state," Skidmore added.

Envirothon members along with adviser Kristy Mount and BHS Assistant Principal Cliff Core are working with Columbus Marathon representative Rose Smith to have the recycling in place for the Oct. 15 race.

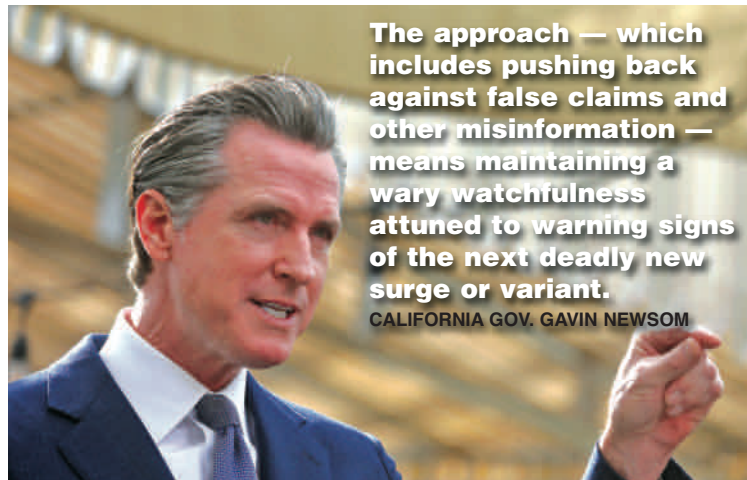
BHS Envirothon Club members are pictured with their adviser Kristy Mount. (BCS PHOTO)



California adopts nation's first 'endemic' virus policy

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — California Gov. Gavin Newsom on Thursday announced the first shift by a state to an "endemic" approach to the coronavirus pandemic that emphasizes prevention and quick reactions to outbreaks over mandates, a milestone nearly two years in the making that harkens to a return to a more normal existence.

Newsom said the approach — which includes pushing back against false claims and other misinformation — means maintaining a wary watchfulness attuned to warning signs of the



next deadly new surge or variant.

"This disease is not going away," he told The Associated Press in advance of his formal announcement. "It's not the end of the quote, unquote, war."

A disease reaches the endemic stage when the virus still exists in a community but becomes manageable as immunity builds. But there will be no definitive turn of the switch, the Democratic governor said, unlike the case with Wednesday's lifting of the state's indoor masking requirements or an announcement coming Feb. 28 of when precisely the school

mask-wearing mandate will end.

And there will be no immediate lifting of the dozens of remaining executive emergency orders that have helped run the state since Newsom imposed the nation's first statewide stay-home order in March 2020.

"This pandemic won't have a defined end. There's no finish line," he told the AP. With that in mind, he said his administration tried to craft "a plan that allows us to be prepared without being paranoid and more alert to what's happening around us without being anxious."

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BELLEFONTAINE BEAT

POLICE & FIRE

Teen faces charges

A 15-year-old St. Paris boy faces multiple delinquency counts after officers of the Bellefontaine Police Department tracked a car's license plate to the boy's grandmother.

Payson Bowshier faces delinquency charges of theft; unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; no operator's license; and violating curfew.

Officers were called to Madriver Marathon, 200 E. Sandusky Ave., at 3:15 a.m. Tuesday on a report of juveniles shoplifting from the store.

The suspects fled in black sedan heading south on Madriver Street, a one-way northbound street, to west Columbus Avenue. The suspects drove across Main Street at a high rate speed without checking for traffic. At Detroit Street, the car was driven northbound against traffic on the one-way southbound street to westbound Sandusky Avenue.

An officer in pursuit was directed to terminate the chase as it headed west out of the city.

Officers then contacted the Clark County Sheriff's Office and a deputy there contacted the registered owner, Deborah Taylor, of rural Springfield. She reported the car had been loaned to her daughter, Sarah M. Bowshier, the mother of Payson.

Payson's mother reported him and the car missing when contacted by authorities. By 5:20 a.m., the boy returned with the car.

At 10 p.m., the boy and his mother met with officers and he acknowledged taking the car without his mother's permission. He denied he was driving the car when

he, another boy and a girl fled from the gas station. He claimed he only took over driving after the girl had fled deputies of the Logan County Sheriff's Office.

Officers have asked deputies of the Champaign County Sheriff's Office to contact the named female suspect and her parents.

Woman charged with DUI

A Marysville woman was charged Saturday with operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, possession of marijuana and possession of marijuana drug paraphernalia.

Cadence N. Simon, 21, also was issued traffic citations for not using a safety belt; wrong way on a one-way street; improper turn; and having an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle.

She was stopped around 12:45 a.m. after an officer observed a car eastbound on west Court Avenue which is a westbound only street.

Upon contact, the officer noted Simon's speech was slurred, her eyes were bloodshot and an odor of alcohol coming from the car.

Field sobriety tests indicated she was impaired and officers took her into custody. A search of her car found marijuana and paraphernalia along with a nearly empty can of alcoholic beverage.

She admitted to drinking beer and smoking marijuana that evening, officers report.

Her breathalyzer sample was recorded at 0.14 and she submitted a urine sample for laboratory testing.

She was released to a sober friend.

LOGAN COUNTY BEAT

SHERIFF & HIGHWAY PATROL

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP POLICE

Suspected fentanyl recovered during traffic stop

William Townsend 55, of Dayton, was charged with possession of fentanyl during a traffic stop Wednesday evening.

Officers of the Washington Township Police Department on patrol about 7:30 p.m. observed a van traveling on State Route 708, south of Russells Point, with expired license plates.

A traffic stop was initiated and the driver was identified as Townsend. He advised officers he was not a valid driver, but did have a licensed passenger riding with him.

Officers learned that Townsend had several warrants out of Dayton for his arrest. The defendant was instructed to exit the vehicle and a search of his person yielded a baggie containing a brown powdery substance in his waistband. Townsend advised the substance was fentanyl.

He was placed under arrest and transported to Logan County Jail. He also was cited for driving without a valid license, failure to reinstate, and expired registration. A criminal history check revealed that Townsend has several prior drug convictions, officers said.

LOCAL NOTES

Library closed Monday for Presidents' Day

The Logan County Libraries will be closed Monday, Feb. 21, in observance of Presidents' Day.



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ONU Department of Mechanical Engineering to be named in honor of Quincy native

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

ADA — Quincy native Dr. Carl Clay, BSME '60, Hon. D. '92, and his wife, H. Jane Clay, have made a multi-million dollar gift to name the Department of Mechanical Engineering at Ohio Northern University, continuing their legacy of support to educational excellence.

A ceremony with the Clays will be hosted at a later date to dedicate the newly named Dr. Carl D. Clay and H. Jane Clay Department of Mechanical Engineering and celebrate the endowed fund's establishment.

T.J. Smull College of Engineering Dean J-D Yoder said the Clays' transformational gift will allow the department to address needs such as new equipment and software purchases, support faculty and students engaged with summer projects, bring insightful speakers to campus and more.

"Over the years, the Clays have been pivotal to helping our College of

Engineering become one of the best in the nation," President Daniel DiBasio said. "Their continued support means a great deal to ONU, particularly to our students, so many of whom follow in Dr. Clay's footsteps by becoming successful engineers themselves."

"Carl and Jane have been long-time, generous supporters of ONU," Yoder said. "Their latest gift will have a significant impact in making our Mechanical Engineering Department even stronger for generations to come. I am grateful for all they have done for ONU and the College of Engineering, and it is a true pleasure to be able to name the department in honor of Dr. Carl and Mrs. Jane Clay."

The couple's support will further enhance a department that is already ranked as one of the top 20 in the country. Students enjoy a 100 percent placement rate in co-op opportunities at prestigious corporations such as Battelle Memorial Institute, Borg Warner Turbo Systems, Honda and

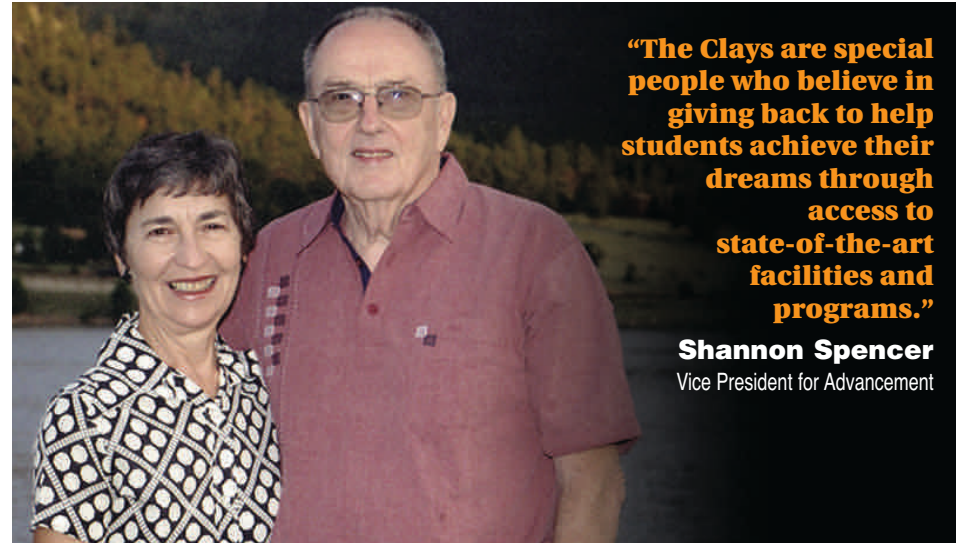
others.

While attending ONU, his education was put on hold to serve for two years in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. After his discharge, Carl met his future wife Jane. They married two weeks before classes began in 1956. With the G.I. Bill, and Jane's encouragement and financial support (on her teacher's salary), he was able to return to campus and earn his degree in May 1960.

"My career with Marathon would not have been possible without Jane by my side. I am indebted to her for her support all these years," he said.

Dr. Clay enjoyed a 33-year engineering and management career at Marathon Petroleum Corporation, rising through the ranks to hold several leadership positions. He began as an Associate Engineer in Findlay at Marathon in 1961. In 1972, he was promoted to Manager Engineering for Marathon's Transportation organization.

In 1977, Carl became



H. JANE AND DR. CARL CLAY

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Shannon Spencer
Vice President for Advancement

Western Division Manager for Marathon Pipe Line, located in Casper, Wyo. In 1983, he became Vice President for Marathon Pipe Line Company. In 1984 he was named President of Marathon Pipe Line Company. In 1990, Carl assumed the role of Director of Transportation and Logistics for Marathon Petroleum Company (which included all of Marathon Pipe Line), and served in this role until his retirement

from Marathon in 1994.

While at Marathon, Dr. Clay attended the MIT Sloan Business School in 1977, and in 1986 joined Ohio Northern's Board of Trustees, where he served as an active trustee until 2006.

Over the years, the Clays have helped to purchase myriad engineering equipment and software, enabling ONU's students to learn and innovate with cutting-edge technology. They were also early donors to

the campaign to build the James Lehr Kennedy Engineering Building, which opened in fall 2019.

"The Clays are special people who believe in giving back to help students achieve their dreams through access to state-of-the-art facilities and programs," Vice President for Advancement Shannon Spencer said. "We are so thankful for their continued investment in Ohio Northern."



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Nursing students advance to Ohio HOSA Competition



Ohio Hi-Point Health Careers Academy students are advancing to the Ohio HOSA contest. (OHPCC PHOTO)

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Several students from Ohio Hi-Point's Health Careers Academy on the Bellefontaine Main Campus advanced to the HOSA State Leadership Conference after competing in the Northwest Regional HOSA event in February.

Participants competed in a variety of event categories including: Medical Law and Ethics, Medical Terminology, Human Growth and Development, Forensic Science and Physical Therapy.

The following students advanced to the HOSA State Leadership competition taking place in March:

- Luci Ford (Graham) placed second in Medical Terminology;
- Kaylee Dilich (Benjamin Logan) placed second in Physical Therapy;
- Darlene-Maria Haines (Graham) and Marlee Kite

(Graham) placed second in Forensic Science;

- Leyla Johnson (Bellefontaine) and Alayna Shaeffer (Bellefontaine) placed third in Forensic Science;
- Nevaeh Cabot (Benjamin Logan) placed third in Physical Therapy;
- Kaylee Williams (Riverside) placed third in Speech;
- Kailynn Rotroff (Benjamin Logan) and Abi Smith (Ridgemont) placed fourth in Community Awareness;
- Araya Osornio (Urbana) placed fourth in Medical Terminology; and
- Shayne Eaton (West Liberty-Salem), Emma Swisher (Bellefontaine) and Jonna Whetstone (Graham) placed fourth in Medical Debate.

The Health Careers Academy on the Bellefontaine Main Campus is taught by Megan Lacher and Tammy Newland.

Municipal Court announces amnesty period

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

The Bellefontaine Municipal Court judge has authorized an upcoming amnesty period, during which all individuals with unpaid fines and costs, whether current or past due, may pay half of all fines and court costs and the remainder will be waived.

The amnesty period begins Monday, March 7, and ends Friday, March 18.

All individuals wishing to participate in the amnesty period must pay the fines and

costs to the Clerk of Courts during the scheduled dates.

Payments must be made by cashier's check, money order or cash. All payments received during the amnesty period shall be distributed by the clerk as authorized by law.

The amnesty does not apply to orders of restitution, which must be paid in full prior to participating in the program.

This information is also available on the Bellefontaine Municipal Court website at www.ci.bellefontaine.oh.us/municipal-court.html.

AREA CHURCH EVENTS

'Dinner at the Pres' served Tuesday

The First United Presbyterian Church serves its "Dinner at the Pres" from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday February 22. The meal is served carry-out style only.

Quincy UMC serves Fat Tuesday supper

The Quincy United Methodist Church, 111 South Street, Quincy, hosts The Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper from 5 to 6:30 p.m. March 1 in the church fellowship hall.

Pancakes, sausage and coffee, water or orange juice will be served and can be eaten in the fellowship hall or carried out. The meal is free. Donations, while not expected, are appreciated.

Church to serve chicken noodle dinner

URBANA — The Concord United Methodist Church, 2963 State Route 560, Urbana, serves a chicken and noodle drive-thru dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 8.

The meal includes homemade chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll and dessert by donation. Direct questions to (937) 652-3764.

CHURCH NOTES

• **First Lutheran Church** will have a Communion Worship Service at 10 a.m. There will be a Bible study class at 8:45 am prior to the worship service.

• Pastor Dave Yinger will be preaching and teaching on Genesis 45:1-15 at **West Liberty United Methodist Church**, 202 W. Newell St. The message title is, "Revealing, And Reconciling Relationships." Worship at 9:30 a.m., and Sunday School at 10:45 a.m.

• **Belle Center United Presbyterian Church** hosts Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Worship is at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Ted Dennis' sermon is, "Advanced Happiness." Scripture: Gen 45:3-11, 15 and Luke 6:27-38.

• At the **Huntsville United Methodist Church**, Rev. Bryan Meadows continues the series, "Rise Up: The Life of Joshua," with the message, "Hot Coffee."

• Guest pastor Rev Bill Halter for the **Bellefontaine First United Methodist Church** will bring the message, "Completely Made New," based on Matthew 9:14-17 online and in person at the 9 am service and via radio broadcast at 11 a.m.

• At **Huntsville Presbyterian Church**, Pastor Ben Beres leads worship with a sermon based on Genesis 45:3-11,15 titled "Forgiveness is so hard!" Kevin Braig is our Lay Reader and Aryn Forsythe is the pianist. Worship service starts at 10 a.m.

• **Gretna Brethren Church** hosts the Worship Gathering service at 9:45 a.m. Pastor Rob Starnes will begin a new series, The Book of Luke with part I "Certainty." Luke wrote his Gospel to share the good news and to help believers be certain of its truth. Scripture Reference: Luke 1:1-4 . Talent Offering by: Marilyn Smith

Adult and children's Sunday School at 8:45 a.m. Children's worship leader: Jennifer Thornburgh.

• **Bethel Mennonite Church's** worship service begins at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Rebecca Kauffman will bring the message from Luke 6:37-42.

• The Gospel of John is highlighted by Rev. Steve Merrin at the **First United Presbyterian Church**. The Chancel Choir has special music. Dinner at the Pres will be Tuesday, Feb. 22, serving from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Carry-out only.



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■ OBITUARIES

Steven W. Elliott

Steven W. Elliott, 68, of Bellefontaine, passed away on Thursday, February 17, 2022. He was born in



Bellefontaine, Ohio on April 19, 1953, to the late Robert and Alice (Purvis) Elliott.

On September 27, 1996, he married Kimberly (Huffman) Elliott and she survives.

He is also survived by children: Scott (Jennifer) Elliott, Gary (Leslie) Elliott, Robyn Elliott, Brandi Shepherd, Kristi Justin, Cheryl Justin, and Kimberly (Sean) Elliott and 22 grandchildren.

Steven was an avid reader, he enjoyed anything science fiction. He loved to stay busy by rebuilding things and fixing cars and lawn mowers.

There will be no services for Steven at this time.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Elliott family, in care of Eichholtz Daring & Sanford Funeral Homes and Cremation Center, 321 North Main Street, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311.

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.

■ DEATH NOTICES

■ LeAnn "Lee" MANN, 46, of Bellefontaine, passed away Wednesday, February 16, 2022. Funeral arrangements are pending with the Eichholtz Daring & Sanford Funeral Home and Cremation Center, Bellefontaine.



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BIS salutes first responders for Valentine's Day

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Valentine's Day looked a little different for the fifth-graders in Mrs. Martin and Ms. Eastman's classes at Bellefontaine Intermediate School.

The students opted to create Valentines for community members instead of passing them out to one another.

These soon-to-be middle schoolers wanted to make their last party a memorable one by showing some love to their local heroes.

Student Chloe O'Chocke represented her classmates and hand-delivered the cards after school last week to Mary Rutan Hospital and the Bellefontaine Police and Fire Departments.



Bellefontaine Intermediate School fifth-graders make Valentines for first responders. (BCS PHOTO)



Chloe O'Chocke, right, makes her delivery to the Bellefontaine Fire Department, presenting the cards to Assistant Fire Chief Shannon Reames. (BCS PHOTO)

Judge: Deputy who killed Casey Goodson not a federal agent

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The Ohio sheriff's deputy who fatally shot Casey Goodson Jr. was not acting in his role as a deputized U.S. marshal at the time of the shooting, and the murder case against the deputy must remain in state court, a federal judge ruled Thursday in a victory for

prosecutors who charged the deputy.

Defendant Jason Meade, who is white, has pleaded not guilty to murder and reckless homicide in the 2020 death of 23-year-old Casey Goodson Jr. Goodson, who was Black, was shot as he entered his grandmother's house following a dental

appointment, according to his family and prosecutors.

Meade did not have authority to arrest Goodson as a task force member and was not acting as a federal officer at the time, federal Judge Edmund Sargus Jr. of the U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio ruled Thursday.

"Meade's only authority to arrest Goodson came from his state authority as a deputy sheriff to enforce state law," Sargus said. "This case is properly tried in state court." The judge said during a Feb. 11 hearing it was the first time he had handled such a case in 25 years on the bench.

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BLHS Annual Science Day participants honored

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Benjamin Logan High School hosted its Annual Science Day Tuesday, Feb. 15, and a number of local students received award recognition.

Benjamin Logan pupils Charlotte Graham, Lottie Bodin, Averi Lane, and Winnie Bodin, as well as Elliott Hager of West Liberty-Salem received "Superior" ratings, and will be participating in the Virtual District Science Day at Ohio Northern University later in March.

Eighth-grader Winnie Bodin earned a perfect score on her project "Biological and Chemical Assessment of Various Locations on the Mad River over Four Years".

BLHS students receiving "Excellent" ratings included: Megan Hume, Kylie



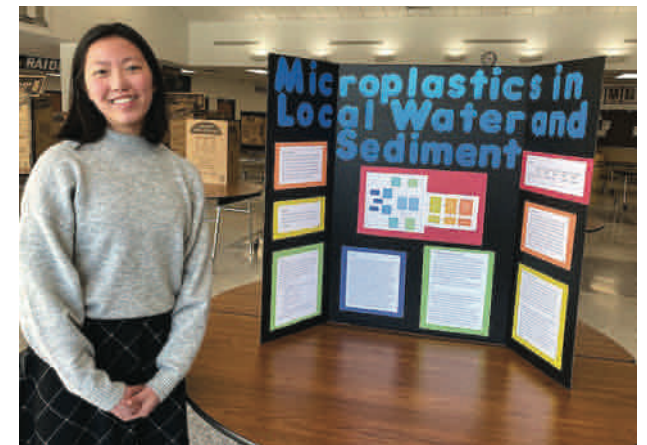
Stanley, Mylee Boysel, Joslin Wilber, Libby Sieftring, Lauren Hemmelgarn, Alex Algire and Taihler Crawford.

Averi Lane and Addy Hayter each received recognition from the Mary Rutan Foundation for exemplary health care-related projects.

In addition, more than 30 Benjamin Logan Elementary students with superb projects were encouraged to display their projects at the BLHS Science Day.



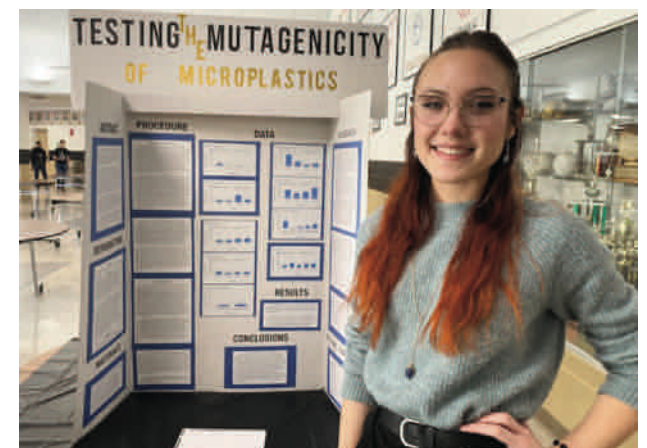
LOTTIE BODIN



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AVERI LANE

Ohio redistricting process falters as panel hits impasse

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The Ohio Redistricting Commission failed to meet a court-set deadline Thursday for fixing state legislative maps that were twice rejected by the state's high court for being gerrymandered in favor of Republicans.

Republicans leading the panel threw up their hands and declared an impasse, after voting down an alternative map advanced by Democrats. The Ohio Supreme Court had issued its second rebuke in a row of the maps on Feb. 7 and set Thursday as the dead-

line for a new version.

The map-drawing process, driven by the 2020 Census, envisioned the new lines would be in place for the 2022 primary, which is May 3. Secretary of State Frank LaRose said the state is now precariously close to violating federal and state laws for carrying out the election.

But Republicans who hold the majority on the redistricting panel threw up their hands after a long afternoon and declared an impasse. That came after voting down an alternative map advanced by

Democrats.

Democrats pushed hard to approve a set of 10-year legislative maps that better reflect Ohio's partisan breakdown, but after 90 minutes of sharp back-and-forth debate, the maps failed on a party-line vote.

Democratic co-chair Sen. Vernon Sykes, a 30-year veteran of the Legislature, maligned majority Republicans for what he said was a dereliction of duty as the state's ruling party.

"The majority has the responsibility and the

authority to rule, to decide. They've got the numbers," he said. "But in spite of the fact that you have supermajorities in the House and Senate, all the statewides (offices), the congressional delegation, this commission and the Ohio Supreme Court, you've been unable and unwilling to comply with our highest directive, and that is to comply with the constitution."

House Democratic Leader Allison Russo led the fight for her party's proposed district lines, boundaries that need to be

redrawn after each U.S. Census to reflect a state's population changes.

She insisted repeatedly that the latest maps met all provisions of the Ohio Constitution, and pushed back continually on Republican assertions that they were drawn intentionally to disfavor GOP candidates. The Democrats' latest maps would have delivered roughly 45% of legislative seats to their party and 54% to the GOP.

A key point of contention was a provision of the constitutional amendment passed by Ohio voters

that says no "plan" for districts can unduly favor or disfavor one particular party. Democrats contend the "plan" is each map — one for the Ohio House, one for the Ohio Senate — which must be drawn to fairly represent Ohio voters.

"When there is a gerrymander that must be undone, which is currently the situation we are under and (with) the maps as they are today, some of the unfairly favored members will lose their seats," Russo said. "That is part of a gerrymandered map and districts."

Lady Lakers take 3rd at D2 sectional bowling tournament to earn district berth

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

It was a memorable day for Indian Lake's girls bowling team on Thursday as the Lakers finished third out of 25 teams in the Division II sectional tournament at Poelking Marian Lanes to earn a spot in next week's district tourney.

The top 12 teams and top 12 individuals not on a qualifying team advanced to the district tournament, which is Tuesday at Beaver-Vu Lanes.

Mechanicsburg won the tournament with a total of 3,670. Versailles was second with 3,595 and Indian Lake had 3,590 for its third-place finish.

Jalan Martin led the Lakers with games of 212, 154 and 203 for a 569 series. Jaelyn Hughes rolled games of 195, 162 and 191 for a 548 series, Kayleigh Zedlitz had games of 207, 178 and 158 for a 543 series and Madison Kidder con-

tributed a 168 game.

Benjamin Logan, Riverside and West Liberty-Salem also competed on Thursday but did not advance as a team.

However, they each advanced an individual bowler.

The Raiders finished 14th as a team with a total of 2,868, WL-Salem was 17th with 1,886 and the Pirates were 19th with 1,815.

Addie Buckenroth led the Raiders by advancing with a 496 series. She had games of 148, 159 and 189.

Avery Green rolled a 161 game for the Raiders and Sarah Folk had a 171 game.

Rayce Yelton powered Riverside with a stellar 592 series. She had games of 235, 165 and 192 to finish fourth overall and grab a spot in the district tourney.

West Liberty-Salem's Alyssa Mueller also earned a district berth by rolled a 443 series. That included a 181 game.



Indian Lake's girls bowling team finished third out of 25 teams in the Division II sectional tournament on Thursday to earn a spot in next week's district tourney. (SUBMITTED PHOTO)



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Sports

U.S. women fall to Canada in gold medal match

BEIJING (AP) — Marie-Philip Poulin reminded everyone of her Captain Clutch reputation. And Canada regained its place atop the women's hockey world.

It was only fitting that Poulin delivered at a time her team needed it most by scoring twice, including her third Olympic gold-medal clinching goal, in Canada's 3-2 win over the defending champion United States at the Beijing Games on Thursday.

After winning gold in her first two Olympics, Poulin learned to appreciate how significant capturing her third was, coming four years after losing it to the Americans at the Pyeongchang Games.

"I just got shivers," she said.

"That 2018 was very hard, very, very hard. And I think when you take some time to reflect on what you need to do better as a team and personally," Poulin added. "We did that and I'm very happy that we're resilient and we're able to put that back in the past and win that gold today."

Ann-Renee Desbiens stopped 38 shots and Sarah



United States goalkeeper Alex Cavallini (33) kneels on the ice as Canada players celebrate after a goal by Marie-Philip Poulin during the women's gold medal hockey game Thursday at the 2022 Winter Olympics in Beijing. (AP PHOTO/MATT SLOCUM)

Nurse had a goal and assist in a game where the Canadians built a 3-0 lead and hung on for the win.

Nurse set the single Olympic tournament

record with 18 points.

The Canadians finished 7-0 by showcasing a dynamic, deep and relentless offensive attack to capture their fifth Olympic title

in seven tournaments, with four coming against the Americans in what has been one of sports' fiercest and longest-running rivalries.

Canada can now boast holding both the Olympic and world championship titles at the same time, and for the first time since 2012. The win at Beijing

comes nearly six months after Poulin's overtime goal sealed Canada's 3-2 victory over the U.S. at worlds, which ended the Americans' run of winning five consecutive tournament titles.

"It was a long haul of silvers and a lot of soul-searching in the program," said Brienne Jenner, named the tournament MVP for tying a single Olympic record with nine goals. "I think this group didn't really shy away from it. We were like, 'Let's be bold, let's be brave, let's go out and see what we can do.'"

Hilary Knight, the Americans' only consistent threat in the tournament, scored her team-leading sixth goal on a shorthanded rush to cut the deficit to 3-1. Amanda Kessel scored with 13 seconds remaining during a mad scramble in front for a power-play goal and with the U.S. net empty for an extra attacker.

"We can't get down that many goals. It's really tough to bounce back," Knight said. "It's devastating. It's heartbreaking. ... It feels like we let our country down."



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Sports

Money Race: Mayweather's team races way into Daytona 500

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Floyd Mayweather Jr. has a puncher's chance at winning the Daytona 500.

The retired boxer can thank driver Kaz Grala for leading The Money Team Racing into Sunday's season-opener with a last-lap pass that earned him a spot in NASCAR's biggest race.

The 23-year-old Grala overcame a speeding penalty on pit road to catch J.J. Yeley and advance Thursday night in a Daytona 500 qualifying race.

Score another KO for

Mayweather.

"I went from puke to puke," Grala said. "Puking nervous to puking excited at the end."

Daytona marks the official debut of The Money Team Racing after a lengthy delay.

Grala took the No. 50 Chevrolet — a number chosen in a nod to Mayweather's 50-0 record — into a race as one of the open cars that had to race its way into the Daytona 500.

Six teams came to Daytona battling for four "open" spots in Sunday's

40-car field. Two spots were filled in time trials — former Formula One champion Jacques Villeneuve will make his Daytona 500 debut, as will Noah Gragson for Beard Motorsports — and one spot was available in each of the two qualifying races.

Grala had to be the highest finisher among the "open" teams and got Mayweather into the Daytona 500 with an 18th-place finish.

"There really was no option but to make this race," Grala said.

Mayweather - part of

the recent NASCAR wave of celebrity ownership that includes Michael Jordan and Pitbull — did not attend the race. But he did FaceTime with Grala before the race and offered his young driver some encouragement.

"He was so pumped up about it. He was ready, jacked up and really confident in us," Grala said. "That was a cool pep talk to get, not one that I've ever gotten before. Definitely a cool moment for us."

Mayweather told the team he could show up for the Daytona 500 and be

part of a sold-out crowd expected to top 100,000 fans.

"He's really going to get obsessed with this just like we all are," Grala said.

Grala has four career Cup Series starts and finished 28th in last season's Daytona 500 driving for Kaulig Racing.

"Kaulig Racing last year had everything buttoned up," Grala said. "They were an existing team; it was a lot easier, so pretty much turnkey, came here and raced. But as far as the duel, I would say it was more hectic this year, at

least from a stress perspective for me."

He also won the season-opening Truck Series race in 2017 at Daytona.

Team general manager William Auchmoody said the plan is for TMTR to run four races beyond Daytona with an emphasis on road courses. Auchmoody said the team would like to run up to 15 races.

Auchmoody said he put on sunglasses from sponsor Pit Viper to hide his tears as the team clinched a spot but it didn't work.

"They were clear," he said, laughing.

Niemann seizes glorious day at Riviera with 63 to lead by 3

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Joaquin Niemann had an idea how Riviera was playing Thursday when he saw no one from the morning draw posting better than a 5-under 66.

He hit the ball so well in the Genesis Invitational that he didn't even bother paying attention to anyone else. When his round ended, Niemann had an 8-under 63 to match the lowest score for the opening round at Riviera and build a three-shot lead.

"Sometime I think about a score," he said. "Today I was hitting it so good, I had fun just getting into the shot. I didn't really think of the score. But then on 18 I was thinking about. I wanted to make birdie so bad. I wanted to make one more."

Niemann is the ninth player to open with a 63 at Riviera, a list that starts with Charlie Sifford in 1969 and was done most recently by J.B. Holmes in 2019. Four of the previous eight

players to start with 63 went on to win.

"You always work to have these kind of days. You always know that you're never going to have these days four days in a row. It's a good way to start," Niemann said. "I know it's going to be different days during the week, so I've got to be ready for everything and have the best attitude for it."

Jordan Spieth had seven birdies and joined a group at 66 that included Phoenix

Open winner Scottie Scheffler and Max Homa, who had one of several big moments on the first tee.

It started with Tiger Woods, the tournament host to went from being a 15-time major champion to the starter on the first tee. He wanted to introduce Aaron Beverly, who received the Charlie Sifford exemption to play in the elite field. The tournament is celebrating the 100-year anniversary of the year Sifford — the first Black

golfer to win on the PGA Tour — was born.

For Homa, it was a new experience on a familiar course. He grew up in Southern California and Riviera was the PGA Tour event he often attended. He had to fight back tears when he won last year. And he was a little nervous going to the tee and knowing he would be introduced as the defending champion.

"It was cool. I got a nice ovation," Homa said. "And playing with two great

guys, two of the best players of all time, added to that a little bit. But it was fun. I've been on this tee a million times watching and playing now, and to get to hear that was pretty special."

He played with Dustin Johnson and Adam Scott, past winners at Riviera. Johnson has gone more than a year since his last win at the Saudi International, and it doesn't appear that's going to change.



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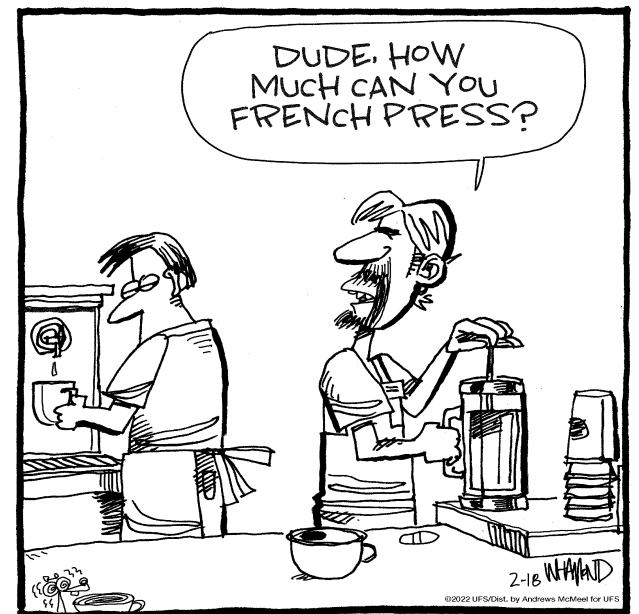
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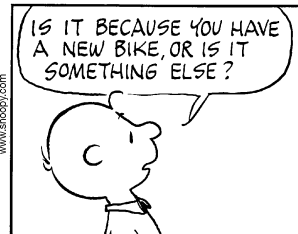
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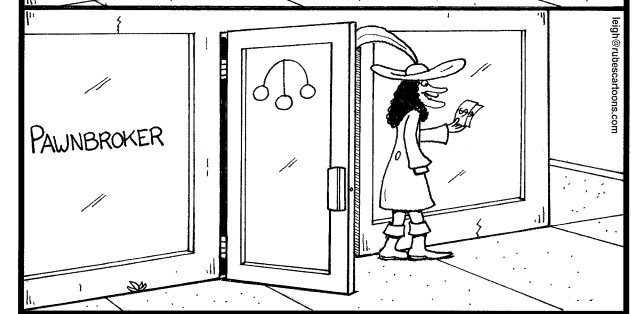
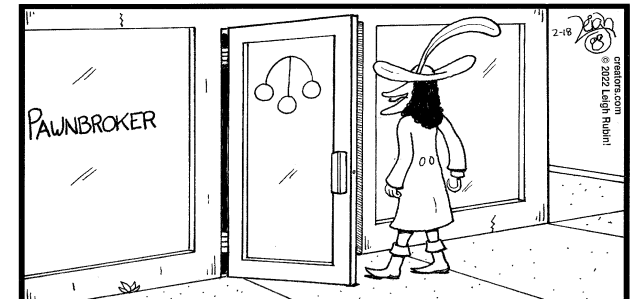
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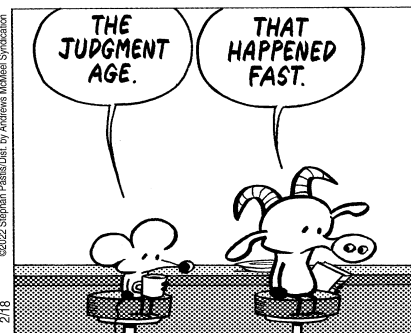
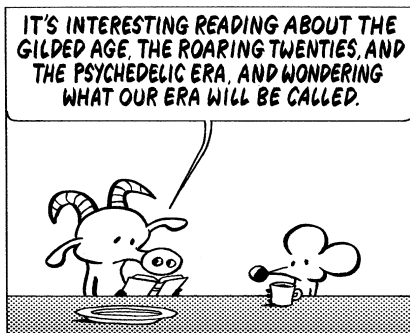
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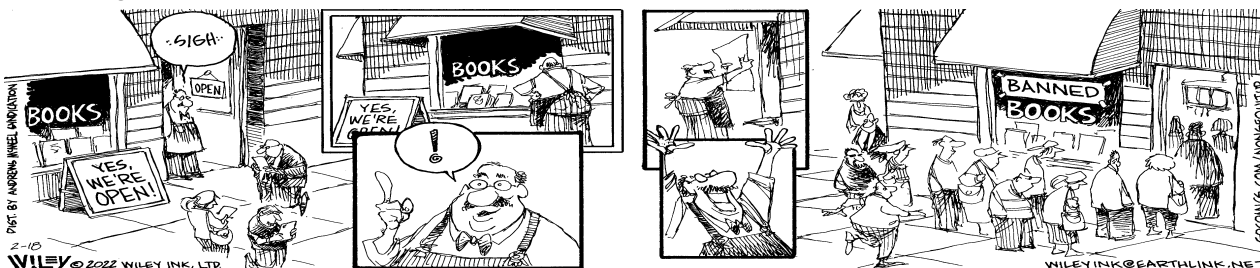
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Horoscopes

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Moon Alert: Avoid shopping or making important decisions from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. EST today (3 p.m. to 8 p.m. PST). After that, the Moon moves from Virgo into Libra.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Feb. 18, 2022:

You are a hardworking person who enjoys your creature comforts because you appreciate beauty and pleasure. You are generous, warm and loving to others. You are also a spiritual person. This year you might get a promotion, an award or some kind of recognition for your efforts. Bravo! Well done.

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)

★★★ For the next four weeks, you'll be happy to be more low-key, because your personal year is coming to an end but your new year (which occurs on your birthday) is not yet ready to begin. Use this time to think about future goals for your year ahead. Tonight: Cooperate.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ You will be more popular in the next four weeks — count on this! Enjoy increased interaction with friends as well as more involvement with groups, clubs and associations. Some of you will take on a leadership role. Note: This window is a good time to set goals. Tonight: Work.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Once a year, the Sun is at the top of your chart for four weeks. That time has arrived! This symbolizes that you are in the limelight, and this light is flattering! Obviously, this is an advan-

tage that you can use to go after what you want. Tonight: Socialize!

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ You're a nester, which means you generally travel for a reason. For whatever reason, you will want to travel in the next four weeks. You want to do whatever you can to expand your horizons. Take a course. Learn, study and explore! Tonight: Home and family.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ In the next four weeks, life will become more passionate and intense for you. Issues matter. Everything will be more black-and-white. You will have more focus on shared property and finances that are held jointly. You might go on a self-improvement kick.

Tonight: Study.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You will need more sleep in the next four weeks. (Go to bed.) You also will find that your focus on partners and close friends is more important. This is not the time to go it alone. Form working units. Cooperate with others. Consult experts for advice. Tonight: Count your money.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ You're ready to swing into work mode in the next four weeks, because you want to be productive. You want to make every action count, because you want the most bang for your buck. You even want to improve your health. "I'm almost perfect!" Tonight: You win!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Lucky you! In the next four weeks, pleasure, fun and social outings will be your theme. Enjoy playful times with kids. Enjoy sports events. Look for ways to express your creative talents. This is your turn to feel free to express who you are! Tonight: Seek solitude.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Home, family and your private life are your main focus in the next four weeks. Many of you will be more involved with a parent. No matter how busy you are, you will feel happy to cocoon at home and feel safe in familiar surroundings. Tonight: Be friendly.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You're busy in the next four weeks! You've got things to do, people to see and places to go! Short trips, increased reading and writing, plus increased interaction with relatives will keep you on the go. Tonight: You are admired.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ You will find yourself reflecting more on your values in the next four weeks. This includes external values like money and possessions. However, it also includes your internal values. For example, what really matters in life? Do you know? Tonight: Explore!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Once a year, for four weeks, the Sun is in your sign. As of today, this is happening. That means this is your chance to recharge your batteries for the rest of the year. You will attract important people and favorable situations to you. Make the most of this. You rock! Tonight: Check your finances.

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