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BLHS artists chosen for 2024 Congressional Art Competition

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Benjamin Logan High School announces that five of its talented students have been selected to exhibit their artwork in the 2024 Congressional Art Competition.

Charley Hardman, Lauren Hemmelgarn, Trenity Helton, Nadiya Powell and Sidney Sallee will represent the school in showcasing their artistic abilities.

The Congressional Art Competition, which began in 1982, provides a platform for members of Congress to recognize the artistic talents of young constituents.

This year, Benjamin Logan High School is proud to have five



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students participating in this esteemed event, highlighting the artistic talent within Ohio's Fourth Congressional District.

One artwork will be chosen as the Fourth Congressional District winner, earning the honor of being displayed at the U.S. Capitol for one year alongside winning pieces from districts across the United States. This offers a unique opportunity for the chosen artist, as their work will be seen by thousands

of visitors daily in the Cannon Tunnel for the duration of the exhibition.

The Cannon Tunnel connects the Cannon House Office Building to the Capitol. The tunnel will be lined with artwork from the annual Congressional Art Competitions. The judging and reception will take place on Thursday, April 25 at the Warren G. Harding Presidential Center in Marion, Ohio.

The Congressional Art

Competition is sponsored by the U.S. House of Representatives and supported by Congressman Jim Jordan.

In addition to the display at the U.S. Capitol, the district winner will receive two airfare tickets to visit the exhibition and will be eligible for a scholarship, as well as a tour of our nation's Capitol.

For more information about the Congressional Art Competition, visit <https://jordan.house.gov>.

Erin's Law educational efforts break ground locally



Cecilia Yelton, second from the left, and Sally Stolly, pictured at the far right, were recognized at Monday's Sexual Assault Awareness Month ceremony for their efforts to help implement Erin's Law education efforts locally. Also pictured are, from the left, Debbie Brownlee, Dave Crissman and Michael Yoder. (EXAMINER PHOTO | MANDY LOEHR)

TCN's annual Sexual Assault Awareness Ceremony highlights new program

BY MANDY LOEHR
EXAMINER STAFF WRITER

Community partnerships were honored and brought into the spotlight during a ceremony Monday, April 22, for their efforts to keep children safe through new programming and the implementation of Erin's Law in local school districts.

The TCN Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Crisis Center hosted Logan County's second annual Sexual Assault Awareness Month Ceremony at the Bellefontaine City Council chambers.

The ceremony recognized local individuals helping to spearhead educational efforts now required through Erin's

Law, or House Bill 105, which was passed into law by Ohio legislators in December 2022, and has been implemented this current 2023-24 school year.

Ohio was the 38th state to pass Erin's Law, spearheaded by Illinois resident Erin Merryn, a childhood sexual abuse survivor who now as an adult, has made it her mission to ensure



Aliya Furton presents information about her new role as a violence prevention coordinator at Monday's ceremony. (EXAMINER PHOTO | MANDY LOEHR)

that this legislation is passed in all 50 states to give children a voice and a brighter future.

Presenters noted that one in four girls and one in six boys have been sexually abused before their 18th birthday, according to statistics from erinslaw.org. While "stranger danger" is

often taught to youngsters, 90 percent of children are sexually abused by someone they know and trust.

The new law mandates all schools present developmentally appropriate education to K-12 grade students about child abuse

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GRAD SEASON ON THE HORIZON

Leeper, McCully lead the Riverside Class of 2024

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Riverside High School is making preparations to graduate 48 students in the Class of 2024, with commencement exercises set for 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 17, at the school gymnasium.

Class valedictorian Jailyne Leeper and class salutatorian Rylee McCully will address their classmates.

Also joining them at the podium as a graduation speaker is Pastor Michael Mitchell of Cornerstone Fellowship of DeGraff.

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LEEPER



MC CULLY



President Joe Biden speaks at Prince William Forest Park on Earth Day, Monday, April 22, 2024, in Triangle, Va. Biden is announcing \$7 billion in federal grants to provide residential solar projects serving low- and middle-income communities and expanding his American Climate Corps green jobs training program. (AP PHOTO/MANUEL BALCE CENETA)

Biden marks Earth Day by going after GOP, announcing \$7 billion in federal solar power grants

TRIANGLE, Virginia (AP) — President Joe Biden has marked Earth Day by announcing \$7 billion in federal grants to provide residential solar projects serving 900,000-plus households in low- and middle-income communities. He also criticized Republicans who want to gut his policies to address climate change. Biden spoke at northern Virginia's Prince William Forest Park on Monday and announced thousands of new positions offered as part of his New Deal-style American Climate Corps green jobs training program. Biden's latest environmental announcements come as he's working to energize young voters for his reelection campaign.

With homelessness on the rise, the Supreme Court weighs bans on sleeping outdoors

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court wrestled with major questions about the growing issue of homelessness on Monday as it considered whether cities can punish people for sleeping outside when shelter space is lacking.

It's the most significant case before the high court in decades

on the issue, and comes as record numbers of people are without a permanent place to live in the United States.

The case started in the rural Oregon town of Grants Pass, which began fining people \$295 for sleeping outside as the cost of housing escalated and tents sprung up in the city's public

parks. The San Francisco-based U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals struck down the law under its holding that banning camping in places without enough shelter beds amounts to cruel and unusual punishment.

The justices appeared to be leaning toward a narrow ruling in the case after hearing argu-

ments that showed the stark terms of the debate over homelessness in Western states like California, which is home to one-third of the country's homeless population.

Sleeping is a biological necessity, and people may be forced to do it outside if they can't get housing or there's no

space in shelters, Justice Sonia Sotomayor said.

"Where do we put them if every city, every village, every town lacks compassion and passes a law identical to this? Where are they supposed to sleep? Are they supposed to kill themselves, not sleeping?" she said.

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ABE MARTIN



"Th' nearest some fellers
ever come t' gardenin' is
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Written prior, 1931,
by Kin Hubbard,
a world-famous newspaper
humorist and father of late T.E.
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BELLEFONTAINE BEAT

POLICE & FIRE

OVI arrest logged
Vernon Bradley, 33, of Bellefontaine, was issued a number of traffic citations and arrested for impaired driving following a 12:45 a.m. traffic stop initiated Sunday, April 21, by officers of the Bellefontaine Police Department in the area of Water Avenue near south Detroit Street.
Officers on patrol near the 300 block of south Main Street observed a gray Nissan operated by the defendant to be weaving in and out of marked lanes of travel. The vehicle also did not have a functioning turn signal.
Officers followed the vehicle as it traveled along Buckingham Avenue and approached Detroit Street. Multiple marked lanes violations were observed,

and the defendant also reportedly struck a parked car along the side of the road.
A traffic stop was initiated and signs of impairment were observed. Bradley also did not possess a valid driver's license. Field sobriety tests were attempted, but were not successful.
The defendant was transported back to the police station where he consented to a breath test, which yielded a blood-alcohol content of .012.
He was charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, failure to reinstate, driving without a license, driving under non-compliance suspension, no turn signal and for weaving.
He was released to a sober driver.

BHS students shine in Shark Tank event

BY THE EXAMINER
Bellefontaine High School Entrepreneurship students Isaak Hay and Dalton Frazier recently competed in SCORE Dayton's First Annual Miami Valley High School "Shark Tank" Pitch Competition.
Each high school that participated had a local pitch competition to determine what students would compete in the regional competition at Beavercreek High School.
Students were provided rubrics and the BHS winners were scored by BHS business teachers Jake Kennedy and Aaron Peitsmeyer.
At the pitch event, students went through a morning of educational workshops, then presented their new product pitches in the afternoon.



Bellefontaine High School students Dalton Frazier and Isaak Hay, center, display their cash prize at SCORE Dayton's First Annual Miami Valley High School "Shark Tank" Pitch Competition. (BCS PHOTO)

The BHS team of sophomore Isaak and freshman Dalton, although the youngest team at the competition, came away with a cash award of \$150 by winning the "Spirit Award."
Students also had the opportunity to listen to keynote speaker Charlynda Scales on tips to being a successful entrepreneur.
Charlynda, the founder of Mutts Sauce based in Dayton, was on the panel of judges that included Nancy Wilson of K99.1 FM as well as WHIO anchors Xavier Hershovitz and Kayla McDermott.

BUCKEYE BRIEFS

From ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORTS

Cleveland to pay \$4.8M to family of teen killed by stolen car during police chase
CLEVELAND (AP) — Cleveland will pay \$4.8 million to the family of a 13-year-old girl was struck and killed by a stolen car during a police pursuit. The settlement announced Monday is one of the largest in Ohio involving a police chase.
Tamia Chappman was killed in December 2019 when a car driven by a 15-year-old boy jumped a curb and struck her as she walked from school to a library in East Cleveland. The driver of the stolen car was charged as an adult and is now serving a prison term. Authorities have said the police pursuit began after an off-duty Cleveland officer witnessed the carjacking and followed the vehicle.

The fatal shooting of an Ohio officer during a training exercise being probed as a possible homicide
COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The fatal shooting of an Ohio officer during a training exercise at a state corrections department facility this month is being investigated as a possible reckless homicide. That's according to The Columbus Dispatch. The newspaper reported Monday that the information is included in a heavily redacted 18-page report it received from the Ohio State Highway Patrol. The patrol investigates incidents on state property. The report says officials are investigating a state employee, but that person's name was redacted. The April 9 shooting at the Correctional Training Academy in Pickaway County killed 43-year-old Ohio Corrections Lt. Rodney Osborne.

Express files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, announces store closures, possible sale
NEW YORK (AP) — Express Inc — once a trendsetter of casual office attire that has struggled to compete with the likes of Zara and H&M — has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.
The retailer based in Columbus, Ohio, and founded in 1980 also said Monday it is seeking to sell the majority of its stores.
Express, which is the parent of the Bonobos and UpWest brands, is shuttering a handful of its outlets in the process. In an announcement addressing its bankruptcy filing, the company said it plans to close 95 of its Express retail stores and all 10 of its UpWest stores.
Closing sales at locations being shut down, which span across more than 30 states and Washington, D.C., are set to begin Tuesday. Beyond these closures, Express said that it expects to conduct business as usual.
Also on Monday, Express announced that it received a

non-binding letter of intent from a group led by consumer brand acquisition and management firm WHP Global to potentially purchase the majority of its stores and operations.
Express said that it had filed for Chapter 11 protection "to facilitate the sale process."
The consortium exploring the deal also includes mall operators Simon Property Group and Brookfield Properties, Express said. WHP, Simon Property and Brookfield did not immediately respond to requests for comment Monday.
Express CEO Stewart Glendinning said WHP "has been a strong partner" of the company's since 2023 — adding that the proposed transaction would give Express additional financial resources and put it in a better position to grow profitably while maximizing value for stakeholders.
Beyond its UpWest storefronts, the company operates about 530 Express retail and Express Factory Outlet stores in the United States and Puerto Rico, in addition to roughly 60 Bonobos Guideshop locations as well as online operations for these brands, according to Express' website.

LOCAL NOTES

Last Thursday meal served
The First United Methodist Church, 201 N. Main St., Bellefontaine, serves the free Last Thursday meal from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, April 25.
The menu includes: meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans and dessert.

Mended Hearts meets Thursday
The Top of Ohio chapter of Mended Hearts meets at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 25, at the Mary Rutan Health Center, 1134 N. Main St., Bellefontaine, in the first floor conference room just to the left of the main entrance.
The guest speaker is Eric Bailey, APRN, who will talk about blood pressure management in his presentation, "Volumes, Pipes and Pumps."
The meeting is open to the public and for more information on Mended Hearts please call Bruce Norris, president, at (937) 935-1747.

'Improving A Cure' returns April 25 to BLHS
The Benjamin Logan Instrumental Music Department hosts the 11th annual "Improving A Cure" benefit concert, slated for Thursday, April 25, to raise funds for the Logan County Cancer Society.
Festivities begin with dinner served at 6 p.m. in the high school commons, with the barbecued themed menu featuring bbq pulled pork, macaroni and cheese, cheesy potatoes and coleslaw. Music by the BLHS Jazz Combo starts at 5:45 p.m.
"Improving A Cure" will feature the high school and middle school jazz ensembles and combos.
The evening also includes a silent auction of student artwork, bake sale, 50/50 drawing, and the sale of event T-shirts as well.
There is no cost to attend this event, but donations are appreciated. All proceeds will be donated to the Logan County Cancer Society.

HazMat Team meets April 28
The Logan County Hazardous Materials Team meets from 9 to 11 a.m. Sunday, April 28, at the Ohio Hi-Point Career Center, 2280 State Route 540 in The G Building.

EMA Communications Team meets April 30
The Logan County EMA Communications Team will conduct their regular scheduled amateur radio team meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 30, at the Logan County EMA Office, 1855 W. State Route 47 West, Bellefontaine.

CHIEFTAIN PROM ROYALTY



Alexza Clifton, left, was named the Bellefontaine High School prom queen, and Haiden Manns was crowned prom king during festivities Saturday evening, April 20 at the Winner Harvest Barn, attended by about 290 students. Haiden plans to study business marketing at Duquesne University, and Alexza will study nursing at Ohio University. After Prom was hosted by T-P Lanes in Bellefontaine. (BCS PHOTO)

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BENJAMIN LOGAN RAIDERS



*CORRECTED NAMES FROM SPRING SPORTS TAB. Members of the Benjamin Logan varsity baseball team are, from the left, front row: Bryden Morris, Carter Lyden, Robert Blackburn, Cayden Brown, Jerrik Stephens and Anthony Griffith Jr.; and back row: Peyton Henry, Austin Archer, Keaton Horney, Hunter Peterson, Ethan Martin and Camden Spriggs. (PHOTO by JEFF ROSE PHOTOGRAPHY)

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OBITUARIES

Charles Ivan "Chuck" Cline

Charles Ivan "Chuck" Cline, 74, of Bellefontaine, passed away Friday morning, April 19, 2024, at Ayden Health Care of Belle Springs.

Chuck was born in Bellefontaine on August 24, 1949, to the late Clarence I. and Dorothy M. (Tamos) Cline. He was also preceded in death by an infant brother Larry.

Chuck is survived by son Jason "Jaybird" Cline of Bellefontaine; a brother James Cline of Bellefontaine; nieces Mindy Fulmer of Bellefontaine and Krystal May of North Lewisburg; several great-nieces and great-nephews; his former wife Linda Cline Hill; and many friends.

Chuck loved listening to the radio, especially the Cincinnati Reds. He developed his own auctioneering style and enjoyed sharing it with family and friends.

There will be no services at this time for Chuck, a celebration of his life will be held at a later date.

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

Sharon Hilliard Organ

Sharon Hilliard Organ, 68 of Bellefontaine, Oh, passed away on April 18, 2024, at OSU Hospital with her family at her side.

She was born on July 7 1955 to the late David and Catherine Hilliard She is preceded in death by her brother Randy Hilliard.

She is survived by her 3 children Jason(LaTisha), David (Tara) and Cathy Organ (JamesHussey) and her siblings her mirror twin Karen Hilliard (Terry) Bartley, Jerry Hilliard, Rick Hilliard, Bill (Lisa) Hilliard; her grandkids, Jt Hussey, Jacqualine (Mackers) Johnson, Carly Rister, David Organ jr, Chevelle Organ, Kimberly Organ, Jeffrey Organ, Thomas Henderson, Kaylyn Henderson; and many great grandkids and nieces and nephews.

She went to West Liberty High School and was in the class of 1974. She loved to crochet and knit and sit on her porch waving at everyone that passed.

She was a very big Dale Jr. fan and loved the Bengals (Who Dey). She used to love to watch the motorcycles races and the demo derby at the Logan County Fair. She loved German shepard dogs. She loved to cook, and according to some, she made the best potato salad and homemade noodles and meatloaf around.

She loved to spend time with family as much as she could. Besides being the best mom in the world, she had many other jobs throughout her life, she worked at CTS and Northern Floral in West Liberty for many years and most recently at McDonald's on the north side of town and she was so happy to work there. She was a very loving woman and would go out of her way to help anyone. She would make friends with everyone. She will be deeply missed by so many.

Visitation is at 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Friday, April 26, 2024, with funeral services immediately following at Jennings Farley & Seeley Funeral Home & Crematory.

Sharon was always helping others, often times without regard for herself. Anyone who wishes to help the family with her final expenses may donate to a GoFundMe page at https://gofund.me/ee7bd18c.

Dale J. Speakman, Sr.

Dale J. Speakman, Sr., 70, of Milford Center, passed away peacefully on Friday, April 19, 2024 at Dublin Methodist Hospital, with his loving family by his side.

Having a love for the outdoors and traveling, he looked forward to going camping every chance he had. He enjoyed his cats, riding in his golf cart and took great pride in building a wishing well for Patricia. His greatest joy came from spending time with his grandchildren.

A 1973 graduate of Marysville High School, he worked with Sumitomo Electrical Wiring for many years, retiring in 2021.

Born April 7, 1954 in Marysville, he was the son of the late Roy and Cora (Rees) Speakman. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by an infant daughter, Melissa Sue Speakman; a grandson, Curtis Speakman; and his grandparents, William and Dora (McIntyre) Speakman and Clarence and Georgia (Gansheimer) Rees.

On June 30, 2005 in Bellefontaine, he married his loving wife, Patricia M. (Carter) Speakman, and she survives in Milford Center. He is also survived by his children, Dale (Becky) Speakman, Jr. of LaRue, David Ferrell of Urbana and Rhonda (Chad) Emmert of Bellefontaine; granddaughters, Becka Martz, Sabrina King, Trinity Ferrell, Katelynn Nelson and Deseria Fryman; 5 great grandchildren; a sister, Vicki (Phil) Huey of Marysville and a brother, Daniel Speakman of Marysville; along with numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and other extended family and friends.

Services to celebrate Dale's life will be held at 1:00 P.M. Thursday, April 25, 2024 at Wilson Funeral Home 621 W.

Fifth St. Marysville. Pastor Denise Turpin will officiate and burial will follow at Union Township Cemetery in Milford Center. The family will receive friends from 5:00-8:00 P.M. Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at the funeral home and also prior to the service on Thursday beginning at 11:00 A.M. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.wilsonfuneralhomesinc.com

Richard Totman Wolever

Richard Totman Wolever, age 75, of St. Pete Beach, Florida, died peacefully Tuesday, April 16, 2024 surrounded by family.

Richard grew up in the East Liberty area where he attended and was a member of East Liberty Methodist Church. He graduated from Logan Hills High School in 1967. He earned a bachelor's degree from The Ohio State University, followed by a doctorate from Kirkville College of Osteopathic Medicine.

A dedicated physician, he retired from medical practice after serving over 40 years. Specializing primarily in emergency medicine, he founded his own ER physician service, providing support to several community hospitals in central Ohio, including Mary Rutan in Bellefontaine and Hardin Memorial in Kenton.

Richard was an accomplished pianist, art collector, and marathon enthusiast, having completed over 50 races. The beach held a special place in Richard's heart, and he often entertained family and friends at his Gulf Coast home. He had a knack for finding joy in life's simple pleasure; those close to him will fondly remember his love for a great hamburger paired with an ice-cold Coca-Cola.

He will mostly be remembered for his generosity, compassion and determination, especially in his battle against Parkinson's Disease.

He was born March 20, 1949 in Bellefontaine, Ohio to the late George E. and Anna M. Totman Wolever.

He is survived by his sisters, Susan (Roger) Smith of Powell and Junis (Paul) Clapsaddle of Marysville; and several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

The family will hold private services at a later date.

Underwood Funeral Home is assisting the family. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.underwoodfuneralhome.com. A medical scholarship is being created in Dr. Richard T. Wolever's memory and contributions may be made to Mary Rutan Foundation, 205 E. Palmer Road, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311. Online donations may be made on the Mary Rutan website at: foundation.maryrutan.org.

RIVERSIDE

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"You will never know the true value of a moment until it becomes a memory" is the class motto. Larkspur is the class flower and the class colors are light purple, light blue and white.

Class officers include: Faith Brownlee, president; Ava Klingler, vice president; Jailyne Leeper, secretary; and Nate Copas, treasurer.

Pending the successful completion of state and local requirements, the following students are set to graduate:

Hadlie Elizabeth Asbury, Corwin Charles-Holmes Bell, Makayla Ann Brandyberry, Faith Caroline Brownlee, Hope Danyel Brownlee, Dyllyn Michael Burchett, Dylan Matthew Cooper, Carson Lee Copas, Nate Levi Copas, Cody David Craig, Kyleigh Allison Duff, Caleb Sean Fergus, Julia Kathleen Fleming, Michael James Frost, Riley Marie Giles, Zachary James Hall, Jaiden Matthew Hatfield, Addison Paige Holycross, Reece Larkin Jenkins, Emma Jean Johnson, Kierstyn Alexa



Johnston, James Richard Kaeck II, Samuel Lee King, Ava Louise Klingler, Jailyne Nicole Leeper, Cassondra Winter May, Halyn Jade McClintick, Rylee Jo McCully, Makayla Jordan Mees, Hailey Grace Noggler, Keianna Ann Marie Notestine, Ayden Mathew Harrell, Kristina Grace Plank, Myles Donald Platfoot, Rielee Evelyn Francis Richmond, Jason Matthew Robbins, Gavin Ryan Robinson, Savanna Elaine Marie Salo, Emma Faye Saylor, Kaitlyn Nicole Schlumbohm, Michael Anthony Shockey, Faith Lynn Marie Shoe, James Gage Stevenson, Sienna Layne Stewart, Dominik Matthew Stotler, James Allen Trout, Brooklynn Michelle Valmore and Ciara Maria Grace Wray.



SENIOR OF THE MONTH



Caleb Torsell

Parents: Joe and Andrea Torsell

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS: VARSITY Soccer (4), Marching Band (3), Participant in the CBC Cup and Volleyball. National Honor Society, United Way Youth Allocations Bellefontaine Fellowship of Christian Anybodies Club.

If I were principal for a day: I would have a schoolwide dodgeball tournament.

Favorite school memory: Wandering into classrooms and chatting everyone up.

People who have inspired me: My parents have been great inspirations to me and, of course, Jesus. He is the reason all of this is possible!

Lately I've been reading: Not a lot. I read how many calories food has sometimes; that's about it though.

My advice to parents: Encourage your kids to get involved and let them have fun and stay out late because high school goes by quickly. I may not remember all the school parts, but the memories I made will last forever.

My biggest regret: Not strengthening my ankles, but other than that no regrets. It's all a part of the journey.

Next year: I will be attending Clark State College where I will be continuing my education on the path to receiving my Registered Nursing license (RN) and eventually getting my Bachelor of Science in Nursing and becoming a nurse at a hospital or a flight nurse for MedFlight.

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DEATH NOTICES

MASON, Melinda Sue, 59, of Urbana passed away unexpectedly Thursday, April 18, 2024, at her residence; visitation, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 5 p.m. Thursday, April 25, in Oak Grove Mennonite Church, West Liberty; memorial services will immediately follow in the church; arrangements entrusted to Vernon Funeral Homes, Urbana.



SENIOR OF THE MONTH



Kadence Jones

Parents: Kris and Stacy Jones

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS: Symphonic Choir, Les Fons (Show Choir), and Musical. I've received the Academic Excellence Award, been on honor roll throughout my high school career, and have maintained an average GPA of 4.0, all while taking AP, Honors, and CCP classes.

If I were principal for a day: I would have a free day for the students! There would be activities set up in the common areas, and the teachers would be able to have a free day, too, so they could grade, relax, etc. all while the students are able to hang out with their friends!

Favorite school memory: Being able to perform on stage with my friends. This includes all my musical performances, Les Fons performances, and choir concerts and contests. These allow me to share and enjoy my love of music while having made priceless memories.

People who have inspired me: My parents and sister have been there for me and have supported me every step of the way, especially showing up to all my performances. My teachers have pushed me to exceed to do anything I thought I could not, both academically and musically. By having amazing teachers throughout the district, it has helped me to succeed multiple ways in high school. Lastly, my friends have helped me enjoy each and every moment at Bellefontaine High School. I'm so thankful for everything everyone has done to support me and my journey here.

Lately I've been reading: "Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers" by Mary Roach for my anatomy and physiology class.

My advice to parents: Encourage your children to do their best and to get involved while they are at BCS. Support and challenge them to always be the best version of themselves! I've appreciated everything my parents have done for me more than words can express.

My biggest regret: Not becoming more open until my senior year. I've not been able to speak in front of others without getting nervous until this year, so I wish I came out of my shell earlier in my high school career. By finding my voice earlier it would have pushed me even further.

Next year: I will be attending OSU Lima and majoring in psychology and minoring in music education.

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Chiefs' St. Clair earns Elite 11 invite

BY MATT HAMMOND
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Bellefontaine's Tavien St. Clair is a man on fire. St. Clair, who is currently ranked by 247Sports as the number-two class of 2025 quarterback in the country, on Sunday earned an invitation to the prestigious Elite 11 Finals this summer in Los Angeles.

The Chieftain star reportedly wowed onlookers with his size, athleticism, arm strength and consistency on a cool and windy day during the Ohio Elite 11 regional event at Upper Arlington High School.

St. Clair is the seventh quarterback to earn an invitation to this year's Elite 11 finals, which will include, in the end, 20 prep qbs from across the country. That group is cut down from over 400 who will take part in the regional competitions.

The Elite 11 camp, founded in 1999, is the premier quarterback recruiting showcase for high school football players.

Alumni from the event include Drew Brees, Teddy Bridgewater, Andrew Luck, Ben Roethlisberger, Aaron Rodgers, Matthew Stafford, Tim Tebow, C.J. Stroud, Tua Tagovailoa and Jameis Winston.



Bellefontaine's Tavien St. Clair goes through a drill during Sunday's Elite 11 regional showcase at Upper Arlington High School. St. Clair was the only quarterback out of the 65 competitors to receive an invitation to the Elite 11 finals this summer in Los Angeles. (ANDREW IVINS 247SPORTS PHOTO)

Ohio State freshman quarterback Julian Sayin, who transferred from Alabama this spring, was the MVP of last year's finals.

Of the current 32 starting quarterbacks in the NFL, 27 of them participated in the Elite 11, and 15 of the past 16 quarterbacks to win the Heisman Trophy were Elite 11 products.

Andrew Ivins, who is the director of scouting for 247Sports, had this to say after watching St. Clair compete Sunday:

"St. Clair currently ranks as the No. 2 quarterback in the class of 2025 for 247Sports, but Sunday's performance could serve as a launching point in his path to the No. 1 overall spot," wrote Givins in a story posted on the 247 website. "We loved the jump St. Clair made between his sophomore and junior seasons, and after watching him go through drill after drill in a rather demanding setting, we're even more excited about his trajectory."

"From start to finish, St. Clair was the most consistent quarterback of the bunch — and it really wasn't even close. Not only did he punch his ticket to this summer's Elite 11 Finals, but he earned compliment after compliment from the coaches working the camp."

The quarterbacks Sunday at the Elite 11 regional in Upper Arlington were put through a battery of drills and St. Clair dazzled throughout the event.

"It's a great opportunity," St. Clair told reporters after receiving his Elite 11 invite Sunday. "My family and I have talked about this moment for a very long time. So just being able to come out here and do what I said I wanted to do and do the things I was striving to be, it's going to be a high point in my life for a long time."

St. Clair, who committed to Ohio State last summer, spent a lot of time this spring in Columbus watching his future college pro-

gram practice. According to a story by Eleven Warriors, St. Clair also sat in on position group meetings and, during those meetings, even was called on by new offensive coordinator Chip Kelly to answer questions.

"Something I can take back to my team is just to compete every day," St. Clair told Eleven Warriors about what he learned while being around Kelly and the Buckeyes. "Just trying to be the best that you can for your teammate and not only for yourself but for the university and my school back at home. Compete every day, because Ohio State is going to be the best team in the country this year, their competitive excellence shows that in practice. That's something I'll take back with me to my practice."

St. Clair is coming off a junior season at BHS in which he earned Division III first-team all-Ohio honors. He was 233-of-330 passing for 3,083 yards and 37 touchdowns with just six interceptions. He also ran for 352 yards and four touchdowns on 36 attempts.

With his senior season still remaining, St. Clair has thrown for 7,258 yards and 75 touchdowns in his prep career.

Lady Raiders knock off Indian Lake

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Having to replace a big senior class from last season, Benjamin Logan's softball team started off a little slow this spring. But the Raiders are rolling now.



They picked up their biggest win of the season Monday, beating host Indian Lake 8-7 in a Central Buckeye Conference game.

The Raiders, who have won eight straight games after starting the season 3-3, are now 11-3 overall and 6-3 in the CBC.

Indian Lake, last year's Division III state runner-up, falls to 12-2, 8-2.

The Raiders set the tone early Monday, scoring six runs in the top of the first inning.

Indian Lake, ranked fifth in this week's Division II state poll, scored a run in the third inning to make it 6-1.

The Lakers then scored three times in the fifth to get within two at 6-4.

Ben Logan tacked on two big insurance runs in the sixth to lead 8-4.

Indian Lake turned in an admirable rally in the bottom of the seventh, scoring three runs and getting the potentially tying run to sec-

ond base for the Raiders were able to get out of the jam.

Keeli Rostorfer powered the Raiders at the plate, going 3-4 with a double and two RBI.

Bailee Stover went 2-4 with a home run and two RBI, Kyndal Cronkleton went 2-4 and Brooks Myers and Courtney Bowers each had an RBI.

Adilynne Gregg was the winning pitcher. She gave up five earned runs, walked two and struck out one.

Madison Brentlinger suffered the loss for the Lakers. She gave up eight hits, eight earned runs, struck out four and walked six.

Brentlinger led Indian Lake's offense, going 3-4 with an RBI. Haylee Edwards went 2-4, Porscha Davis had two RBI, Halle Roby went 2-4 with a double and an RBI and Kayleigh Zedlitz went 2-3 with an RBI.

The two teams will battle again Wednesday at Ben Logan, but first the Raiders host Tecumseh today and the Lakers are at Graham.

BEN LOGAN 8, INDIAN LAKE 7
Raiders: 600 002 0 - 8 9 2
Lakers: 001 030 3 - 7 12 1
WP—Gregg; LP—Brentlinger.

Pirates shut out Lehman
Riverside coasted past host Lehman 10-0 in five innings in a Three Rivers Conference softball game Monday.



Benjamin Logan's Kyndal Cronkleton slides into home to score on a wild pitch as Indian Lake's Madison Brentlinger prepares to make a tag attempt during Monday's game at Indian Lake. (EXAMINER PHOTO | MATT HAMMOND)

The Pirates move to 6-6 overall and 4-3 in the TRC. Lehman drops to 3-8, 1-6.

Riverside scored a run in the second inning for a 1-0 lead.

The Pirates then blew the game open with six runs in the third frame.

Riley Dillon allowed only one hit in getting the victory. She struck out one and walked two.

Offensively for the Pirates, Miah Carmen went 3-4 with two RBI, Keira Manahan had a home run and three RBI and Taylor

Dillon had two RBI. The Pirates are back in action today at home against Troy Christian.

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(FIVE INNINGS)
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WP—R. Dillon.

Chiefs fall to London

Bellefontaine's softball team dropped a Central Buckeye Conference game to host London 11-6 on Monday.

The Chiefs are now 8-8 overall and 4-6 in the CBC. London improves to 9-7, 6-5. Bellefontaine led 5-0

after 2 1/2 innings, but the Red Raiders scored seven runs in the bottom of the third to jump ahead 7-5.

Bellefontaine made it 7-6 with a run in the fifth, but London put the game away with four runs in the sixth.

Alexza Clifton led the Chiefs at the plate, going 3-3 with two home runs. Addison Wical added a double.

Bellefontaine plays at Urbana today.

LONDON 11, BELLEFONTAINE 6
Chiefs: 023 010 0 - 6 9 3
Red Raiders: 007 004 X - 11 10 1
WP—Baker.

Jets edge Tigers
West Liberty-Salem's

softball team fell to Northeastern 4-2 in an Ohio Heritage Conference game Monday.

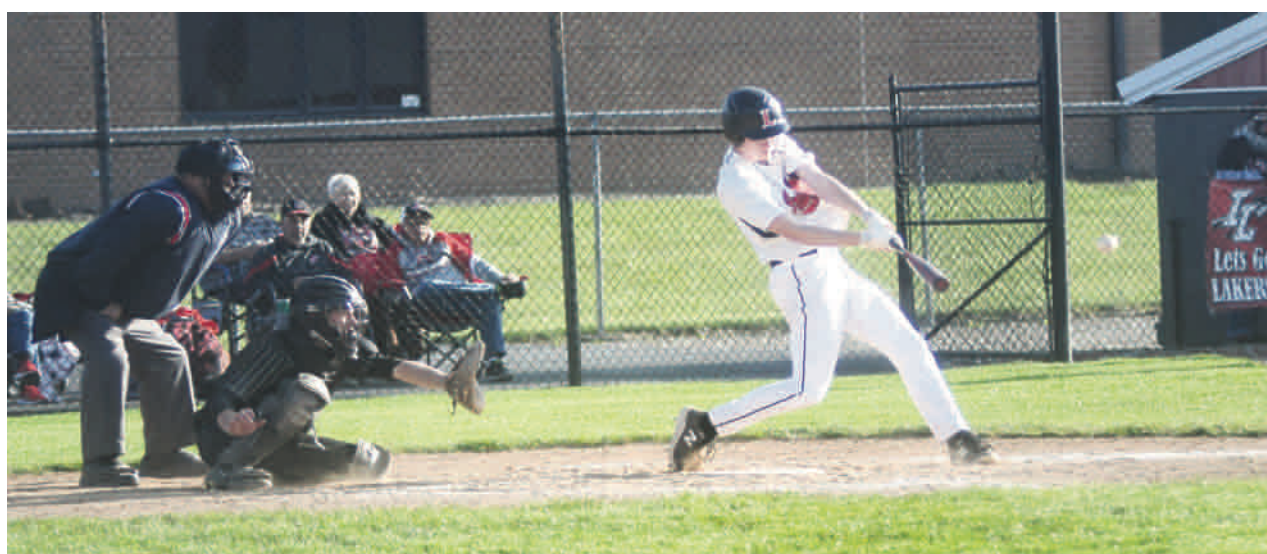
The Tigers are now 3-6 overall and 3-6 in the OHC. The Jets improve to 6-8, 4-5.

The Tigers led 2-0 through five innings, but Northeastern scored runs runs in the sixth and another in the seventh to pull out the win.

WL-S was held to four hits on the day.

The Tigers travel to Northeastern today.

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Tigers: 101 000 0 - 2 4 0
WP—Kelly.



Indian Lake's Camdon Tuttle takes a swing during Monday's game against Benjamin Logan. (EXAMINER PHOTO | MATT HAMMOND)

Lakers shuts out Ben Logan

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Indian Lake received strong pitching and some timely hitting to blank visiting Benjamin Logan 5-0 in a Central Buckeye Conference baseball game Monday.

The Lakers are now 6-6 overall and 4-5 in the CBC. Ben Logan falls to 2-9, 2-7.

Indian Lake jumped out to a 2-0 lead after one inning. The Lakers scored



another run in the fourth and two in the fifth.

Camdon Tuttle earned the win on the mound for the Lakers. The senior fired a three-hit shutout, striking out 11 and walking none.

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Entertainment

What to stream this week: A Bon Jovi documentary, Idris Elba in 'Knuckles' and 'Anyone But You'

The Sydney Sweeney and Glen Powell romantic comedy "Anyone But You" hitting Netflix and an album by Brazil superstar Anitta are some of the new television, movies, music and games headed to a device near you.

Also among the streaming offerings worth your time as selected by The Associated Press' entertainment journalists: Everyone's favorite dancing demon doll "M3GAN" comes back to Peacock, a beautiful woman battles hideous beasts in Sony's video game Stellar Blade, and a documentary detailing Bon Jovi's early days, rise to fame and breakups and breakdowns.

NEW MOVIES TO STREAM

— The Sydney Sweeney and Glen Powell romantic comedy "Anyone But You" is finally on Netflix starting Tuesday. The movie is about two young singles whose magical one-night stand ends in miscommunication and hurt feelings, and then find themselves both in a small family wedding party and staying in the same house. It's loosely based on Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing." Reviews were

mixed and the box office started out tame, but it became a slow burn sleeper hit in theaters, earning more than \$218 million worldwide. If you've been holding out to see what the fuss was about, now is your low stakes chance (it's also not a bad plane option, which is where this film critic finally watched it). And afterwards, if you need a rom-com palate cleanser, "You've Got Mail" is also currently on Netflix.

— Another stealth box office hit, everyone's favorite dancing demon doll "M3GAN" is coming back to Peacock starting Wednesday. Is it great cinema? Probably not, but everyone who watches it seems to have a fun time (in spite of themselves). Entertainment Weekly's Leah Greenblatt wrote in her review that, "This is not the morose, carnage-soaked horror of dank basements and clammy night terrors; most of the movie happens in bright daylight, every maniacal head tilt, ungodly hip swivel, and murder-by-gardening-tool calibrated for screams that end not with a gasp but a giggle. M3GAN came to play, and possibly

reboot her motherboard for a sequel. Are you not entertained?"

— Finally, if you've exhausted all your "Tortured Poets" analysis, you can pivot to watching a Joe Alwyn movie instead. He stars in Claire Denis' 2022 romantic thriller "Stars at Noon," which comes to Hulu on Sunday, April 28. Based on the 1986 Denis Johnson novel, Margaret Qualley plans an American journalist in Nicaragua during COVID-19 who starts an affair with a mysterious British guy, played by Alwyn.

— AP Film Writer Lindsey Bahr

NEW MUSIC TO STREAM
— Shot through the heart, and they're to blame: Forty years after a bunch of kids from New Jersey got together and formed a great American rock band, a documentary detailing their early days, rise to fame, and best of all — breakups and breakdowns — has arrived. The only **Bon Jovi** documentary series to feature all members past and present, "Thank You, Goodnight: The Bon Jovi Story" premieres on Hulu Friday, April 26 in the U.S., Star+ in Latin America

and Disney+ in all other territories. Binge all four-parts one after the other or dole them out slowly. However you do it, expect to have "Livin' On A Prayer" stuck in your head for the next week.

— It is time to give Midwest MCs their flowers: Fresh off a tour opening for Migos rapper Offset, Detroit's Skillia Baby is preparing to drop a new project on Friday, April 26, "The Coldest." If his trap earworm "Bae," with its celebratory, ladies-first lyrics ("Bae, you know you're fine, don't you?" in the chorus) and the community-focused "Plate" are a taste of what's to come, the release is going to be delicious.

— AP Music Writer Maria Sherman

NEW SHOWS TO STREAM
— "The Big Door Prize," a sweet, silly dramedy about the residents of a small town turned upside down by the arrival of a machine that reveals a person's true calling, returns for a second season on Apple TV+. Starring Chris O'Dowd as a local high school teacher, "The Big Door Prize" is based on a book by M.O. Walsh and was one of The

Associated Press' TV shows worth watching in 2023.

Season two of "The Big Door Prize" debuts Wednesday. Season one is also still available on the streamer.

— Two teen ghost detectives who appear in DC comic books star in their own series called "Dead Boy Detectives." The story follows Edwin and Charles, two long-dead teens who spend their afterlife still on Earth and investigating paranormal cases. They're assisted by a living teen named Crystal Palace who is a clairvoyant. "Dead Boy Detectives" also features Lukas Gage in an over-the-top, comedic role of the Cat King. "The Summer I Turned Pretty" actor David Iacono plays a demon. The ghostly investigations begin Thursday on Netflix.

— **Idris Elba** and Adam Pally reprise their "Sonic the Hedgehog" characters for the new animated series "Knuckles" on Paramount+. Elba plays Knuckles, an Echidna with super strength, who is adjusting after moving to Earth at the end of "Sonic the Hedgehog 2." Pally is

Wade Whipple, a not-so-bright deputy sheriff. "Knuckles" is part of Paramount's efforts to expand the popular "Sonic" brand. Ben Schwartz and Tika Sumpter also reprise roles from the films. All six episodes of "Knuckles" stream Friday, April 26.

— Alicia Rancilio

NEW VIDEO GAMES TO PLAY

— Sony's Stellar Blade takes place on an Earth that's been mostly abandoned after an invasion by hordes of mysterious monsters called the Naytiba. Enter Eve, a sword-and-gun-wielding warrior who has returned to her home planet to help out the few people left, including a scavenger named Adam. The Biblical references pile up — for example, the last city standing is Xion — but the real influence is the popular hack-and-slash epic Bayonetta. If you've been craving another flamboyant adventure with a beautiful woman battling hideous beasts, Korean studio Shift Up hopes it's got you covered. Start playing Friday, April 26, on PlayStation 5.

— Lou Kesten

COMICS

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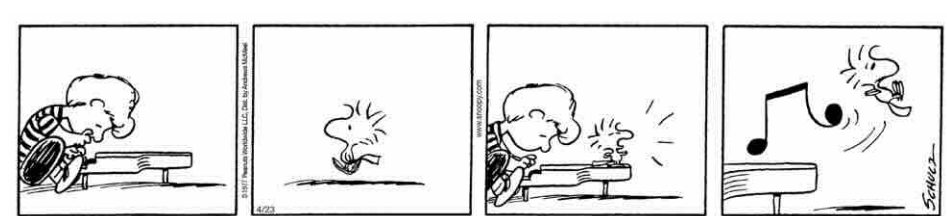
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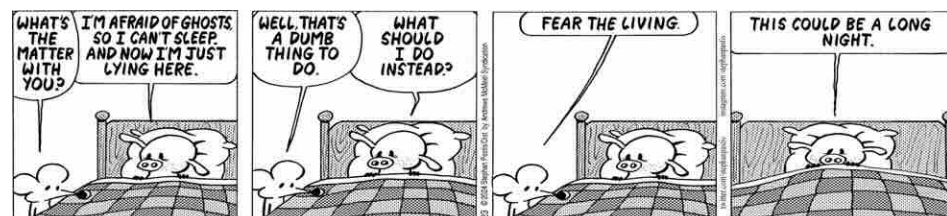
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Stephan Pastis



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19 Arcade pioneer
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24 Use scissors
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26 Airplane measure
30 "This Is Us" network
31 Kayak's cousin
32 Wall St. deal
33 Go by taxi
35 Clarinet insert
36 Get lippy

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7 Chinese chairman
8 Weird
9 Troublemakers
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11 Asian desert
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20 Frank McCourt memoir
21 Type choice

- 22 Jessica o "Fantastic Four"
23 Recoils
24 Elitist
26 Some WWII vets
27 — jiffy
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29 Auction signals
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34 "Dig in!"
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Horoscopes

ROYAL STARS | FROM KING FEATURES SYNDICATE By Georgia Nicols

MOON ALERT: After 11:45 a.m. EDT today (8:45 a.m. PDT) there are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions. The Full Moon in Scorpio peaks at 7:49 p.m. EDT today (4:49 p.m. PDT).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, April 23, 2024. You are friendly and agreeable; however, only a few know who you really are. You are practical and interested in innovation. You like to be informed. This year you will reap the benefits of your previous hard work by attaining power, leadership, a promotion, an award or kudos. Bravo!

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)
★ Do your best to avoid quarrels about shared property or shared responsibilities. It might be necessary to define boundaries with others so they know what to expect of you, and you know what to expect of them. Practice patience today. Tonight: Stay chill.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★ Today the only Full Moon opposite your sign all year is taking place, which will create tension between you and close friends and partners. Power struggles with bosses and parents are also possible. This is not typical. This is challenging. Therefore, cut yourself some slack. Tonight: Be patient.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★ Gemini related to your health, travel plans, publishing, school or your job might be exasperating for you today. However, the good news is that something might reach a stage of resolution, and after today, you will have a better idea of what you're doing.

TONIGHT: Work.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★ Be patient with friends as well as people in groups and organizations today. Likewise, be patient with romantic partners and your own kids, because today's Full Moon will create challenges for you when dealing with others. Be reassured that by tomorrow things will be much less problematic. Tonight: Relax.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★ This is a poor day to ask for permission or approval from parents, bosses, teachers or the police. Their response will likely be, "Talk to the hand." Knowing this ahead of time, steer clear of authority figures. However, later in the week, they might be receptive. Timing is everything. Tonight: Listen.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★ This is an accident-prone day for you, so pay attention to everything you say and do. Go slowly and be mindful. Definitely, think before you act or speak, because feelings of irritation or impatience might make you say something you will later regret. Tonight: Be mindful.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★ Something to do with cash flow, earnings or shared property might come to a head today. This also could deal with taxes, debt or inheritances. Fortunately, after the Full Moon peaks today, there's a good chance that these problems will reach a swift resolution. Tonight: Fingers crossed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★ Today the Full Moon is in your sign, which is why you'll have more intense feelings about absolutely everything. This will especially apply to how you deal with partners and close friends. Don't jump to conclusions, because it's too easy to see things in black and white terms. Tonight: Be

realistic.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★ Be patient with co-workers today. Likewise, be patient with yourself, especially if you're dealing with health issues, because today's Full Moon can exacerbate everything and make problems look bigger than they actually are. Things will be better by Wednesday and Thursday. Tonight: Be friendly.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★ Be patient with friends today. Likewise, be patient when dealing with members of groups, because today's Full Moon will create tension when dealing with others. The thing to know is this tension will greatly diminish in 48 hours. Courage! Tonight: Cooperate.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★ The Full Moon today might create stress in your life, especially with family members, bosses, authority figures and your role in the world. Decide not to make a big issue about things. Let go of the need to be right. Things will come together in a few days. Tonight: Observe.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★ Be mindful and aware of everything today, because today's Full Moon could make you overreact when talking to others or when driving. Don't take things so seriously. For one thing, this Full Moon stress will be gone in 48 hours. Chill out. Tonight: Be helpful.

BORN TODAY
Actor, wrestler John Cena (1977), actor, author, former White House staff member Kal Penn (1977), actor Dev Patel (1990) * * *

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Rail spikes hammered, bullet train being built from Sin City to the City of Angels

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A \$12 billion high-speed passenger train line between Las Vegas and the Los Angeles area has started construction. U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg joined Brightline West company officials on Monday to hammer commemorative yellow rail spikes at the site of terminal due to open in 2028 just south of the Las

Vegas Strip. The company plans to build track in the median of Interstate 15 to a Rancho Cucamonga, California, commuter rail hub connection to Los Angeles. Trains would whisk past at speeds comparable to Japan's bullet trains. A Brightline sister company operates a train about two-thirds that fast between Miami and Orlando.

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PROGRAM

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and teen dating violence, explained Deb Brownlee, TCN Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Crisis Center program manager.

"This is done in a very positive, empowering, non-threatening manner (especially for the younger children) as more about respecting their bodies and others and how to seek a trusting adult if something seems wrong," she explained.

"We also have full disclosure about our lesson plans and parent choice as to allowing their child to participate or not." Brownlee said TCN started its local Violence Prevention Team in February due to Erin's Law, and hired two new staff members to work specifically in this educational capacity — Aliya Furton, violence prevention coordinator; and Mallory Centers, violence prevention advocate.

Furton said she understands that parents might be pensive to hear about this topic being taught in schools. However, like Brownlee, she reiterated that instead of bringing up "taboo" topics like sexual conduct, consent and rape, the programming instead focuses on body positivity,

promoting healthy relationships, and teaching about boundaries and children being able to identify "safe adults" in their lives.

The Violence Prevention Team has age-appropriate curriculum and programming for grades K-12 available to the local school districts.

"We want to empower our local schools with the tools they need, such as lesson plans and presentations. We can bring presenters, or their own teachers can use our lesson plans," Furton said.

During Monday's ceremony, Benjamin Logan Schools and the Mental Health Drug and Alcohol Services Board of Logan and Champaign Counties were each recognized for their efforts to lay the groundwork for implementing this school programming locally. Certificates of Excellence were presented to Sally Stolly on behalf of Benjamin Logan and Cecilia Yelton for the MHDAS Board.

"Benjamin Logan has been our first school to engage with us and MHDAS was the organization that brought us all together," Brownlee said.

"School counselors have been asking for help with this topic for quite some time, so we are very happy to finally have these resources,"



TCN Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Crisis Center staff members wore turquoise in full support of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Pictured from the left are: Jessica Ford, Loren Long, Ji Matthews Debbie Brownlee, Gabrielle Groves, Aliya Furton and Mallory Centers. Regina Pursley also participated in the ceremony. (EXAMINER PHOTO | MANDY LOEHR)

said Yelton, MHDAS director of community and school-based prevention.

The TCN program director noted that Stolly, director of administrative services, was instrumental in helping to get the programming rolling at Benjamin Logan.

Already this year, Benjamin Logan FFA created 31 fleece blankets for individuals housed in the Soteria House shelter for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, fostering empathy and compassion among students, Stolly said. FFA members also partici-

pated in a strong showing for Teen Violence Prevention Month, sporting orange shirts and engaging in programming, "Love Should Never Hurt."

In addition, Stolly related that students in grades 5-8 recently participated in a program facilitated by TCN relating to building healthy relationships, including fun and interactive activities and a speaker for the pupils.

"The program talked not just about romantic relationships, but about healthy relationships across the board and self-awareness," she said.

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NOTICE FOR BIDS LOG BRIDGE TR 209-00.18 REPLACEMENT

Notice is hereby given that bids for the furnishing of labor, equipment and material required for the completion of the subject project will be received at the office of the Logan County Commissioners, 117 E. Columbus Avenue, Suite 100, Bellefontaine, Ohio, 43311, on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at 10:00 A.M. Ohio Standard Time.

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email notifications. Bidders and Contractors and Subcontractors shall be pre-qualified by the Ohio Department of Transportation for all classes of work required and shall be pre-qualified at the time of the bidding, at the time of award, and throughout the life of the construction contract. By signing the specified contract proposal, of which ODOT LPA Template (ODOT Spec Book and LPA Spec Book) revised October 2023 has been incorporated, the bidder agrees to all of the aforementioned provisions. Bidders shall comply with provisions of the federal Davis Bacon prevailing wage requirements. All work, dispute, change orders, rejection, and termination shall comply with the State of Ohio Department of Transportation Construction and Material Specifications dated January 1, 2023. As specified in Ohio Revised 153.54, a bidder must submit a bid guar-

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anty in the form of either (1) a bond for the full amount of the bid or (2) a certified check, cashier's check, or letter of credit in the amount of 10% of the bid. The Logan County Commissioners and Ohio Department of Transportation are to be named as obligees. Bidders shall comply with provisions for contractor liability insurance no less than the amount specified in the State of Ohio Department of Transportation Construction and Material Specifications 107.12. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Goal is 0%. The Notice to Bidders is posted at www.bidexpress.com/businesses/34509/home and may be viewed on Logan County Engineer's website at: <http://lceo.us/Bid Documents/index.html> By Order of the Board of Logan County Commissioners De De Doss, Clerk/Administrator April 23, 30; May 7, 2024

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NOTICE FOR BIDS LOG TR 179-00.85 WIDENING & RESURFACING

Notice is hereby given that bids for the furnishing of labor, equipment and material required for the completion of the subject project will be received at the office of the Logan County Commissioners, 117 E. Columbus Avenue, Suite 100, Bellefontaine, Ohio, 43311, on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at 10:00 A.M. Ohio Standard Time. Bids must be submitted electronically via the Bid Express website. Bid packet materials may be viewed online for free at www.bidexpress.com/businesses/34509/home. All bidders must first register on the Bid Express website and create a Digital ID. Registration and Digital ID creation are free. A fee will be incurred for those who wish to bid electronically on a pay-per-solicitation basis; alternatively, you may subscribe to have unlimited access to all Bid Express solicitations and email notifications.

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Bidders must be ODOT Pre-Qualified: "Work Type 10 - Flexible Paving" and shall be pre-qualified at the time of the bidding, at the time of award, and throughout the life of the construction contract. The Bidder and all Contractors and Subcontractors shall be pre-qualified at the time of the bidding, at the time of award, and throughout the life of the construction contract. By signing the specified contract proposal, of which ODOT LPA Template (ODOT Spec Book and LPA Spec Book) revised October 2023 has been incorporated, the bidder agrees to all of the aforementioned provisions. Bidders shall comply with provisions of the federal Davis Bacon prevailing wage requirements. All work, dispute, change orders, rejection, and termination shall comply with the State of Ohio Department of Transportation Construction and Material Specifications dated January 1, 2023. As specified in Ohio Re-

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vised 153.54, a bidder must submit a bid guaranty in the form of either (1) a bond for the full amount of the bid or (2) a certified check, cashier's check, or letter of credit in the amount of 10% of the bid. The Logan County Commissioners and Ohio Department of Transportation are to be named as obligees. Bidders shall comply with provisions for contractor liability insurance no less than the amount specified in the State of Ohio Department of Transportation Construction and Material Specifications 107.12. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Goal is 6%. The Notice to Bidders is posted at www.bidexpress.com/businesses/34509/home and may be viewed on Logan County Engineer's website at: <http://lceo.us/Bid Documents/index.html> By Order of the Board of Logan County Commissioners De De Doss, Clerk/Administrator April 23, 30; May 7, 2024