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Lakers clinch second straight outright CBC Mad River division softball title



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West Liberty faced with filling third council seat this year

BY SHARYN KOPF
EXAMINER STAFF WRITER

The West Liberty Village Council started their Monday, April 29, meeting by accepting the immediate resignation of Jim Hoffman, who has served as a councilmember since 2021. Hoffman had returned to full-time teaching on the nursing faculty at Rhodes State College, Lima, in the fall of 2022, and no longer felt able to juggle that with his council duties.

"Boy, it's a big loss for us," council president Jayne Griffith admitted.

Later, West Liberty Mayor Brad

Hudson said, "We hate to see him go. He's been a great addition to the council, but he's busy being a professor and we understand that."

The council has 30 days to recommend someone to fill Hoffman's seat. Since they interviewed six applicants when faced with a similar situation in January, they already have a pool of candidates to reach out to.

Though Hoffman stated he'd been thinking about this for a while—and waiting for the right time—it was last minute for the council. They will discuss it further at the next meeting on Monday, May 13.

Newly elected councilmember Shannon Maier was sworn in on January 8, and they chose Mike Woodruff from the six aforementioned applicants for a second empty spot on January 22.

In other action Monday night:

• Bill Detrick, street superintendent, recommended hiring Ricky Lowe to the street department crew. "And I respectfully ask no one give us any more jobs this summer so we can get caught up," Detrick stated. "I wouldn't recommend [Lowe] if I did-

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BELLEFONTAINE LIONS CLUB MEMBERS RECOGNIZED



Bellefontaine Lions Club President Mick Lile, second from the right, presents years of service awards to Lions Club members at the group's meeting Thursday, April 25. Pictured, from the left, are Joyce Furlong, 10 years; Alan Galvez, 50 years; and John Horton, 30 years. Not pictured is Andy Collins, who was recognized for 20 years of service. (LIONS CLUB PHOTO)

Dozens of residents show up for first solar farm "listening tour"



Dr. Patricia Hicks, standing, with Outcomes Management Group of Columbus, Ohio, facilitates the first Grange Solar listening tour on Tuesday to a room full of local residents at Indian Lake High School. (EXAMINER PHOTO | SHARYN KOPF)

BY SHARYN KOPF
EXAMINER STAFF WRITER

With the claim "it's all about you," Open Road Renewables held the first of four listening tours on Tuesday, April 30, in the information tech center at Indian Lake High School in Lewistown. The second stop took place at Ohio Hi-Point Career Center on Wednesday, May 1.

Facilitated by Outcomes Management Group out of Columbus, Ohio, the tour offers residents an opportunity to be heard with regard to the proposed Grange Solar Project.

Over 40 people showed up to participate in five input rounds. Attendees were separated in five groups, then asked questions related to solar farms. These covered agriculture, balancing property value and rights, community benefits and environmental conditions.

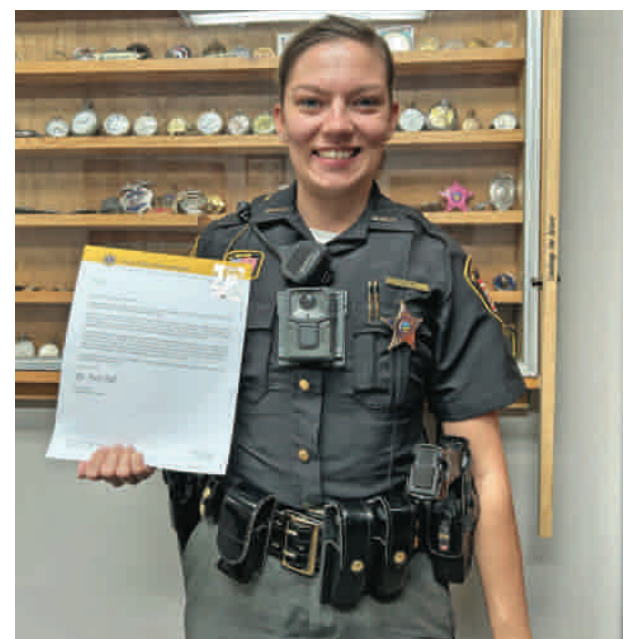
The Grange Solar Project of northwest

Logan County is being developed by Open Road, which has built three other similar solar farms in Ohio.

"It's important for us to hear all the perspectives," Dr. Patricia Hicks (Outcomes Management Group) said. "We want to hear from you."

According to the Grange Solar press release, this is the first time open-to-the-public listening tours have been offered to the area the company plans to affect. The responses will "formally

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Logan County Sheriff's Deputy Megan O'Brien receives her 10 years of service member recognition from the Bellefontaine Lions Club during the April 25 meeting. (LIONS CLUB PHOTO)

AP BREAKING NEWS ALERT

Active shooter 'neutralized' outside Wisconsin school, officials say

MOUNT HOREB, Wis. (AP) — Witnesses described children fleeing amid the sound of gunshots near a Wisconsin middle school where authorities say an active shooter was "neutralized" outside the building. Authorities in Mount Horeb said without elaborating that the "alleged assailant" was harmed and schools districtwide had been placed on lockdown. A woman nearby said she heard gunshots and saw dozens of children running. One student said his class fled on inline skates from a gym class after hearing gunfire. Afterward, SWAT-style trucks and other law enforcement vehicles massed outside the school in Mount Horeb, about 25 miles west of the state capital of Madison.



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BY MANDY LOEHR
EXAMINER STAFF WRITER

Improv performers hailing from a wide variety of backgrounds, from a marketing consultant to a music teacher, programmer, and graduate student and future minister, join together this weekend with their varied personalities, skill sets and a little bit of quirkiness for a hilarious blend of family-friendly comedy

at the Holland Theatre.

Reminiscent of the fan favorite TV show, "Whose Line is it Anyway?", Scriptless in Seattle presents their sketches, improvised musicals, games shows, film noir and much more at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 4. Each show is unique and audience-driven, as the group collaborates and brings to life their live and unscripted show.

"It's the most unique show you've ever been to. It's a show that's never been performed before," said Justin Folger, one of the founding members and the group's manager.

"That's the beautiful and terrifying aspect of it; it's all based

on the audience. We have to bring our 'A' game every night, since no two audiences are ever the same.

"We're looking forward to being at the Holland Theatre, having fun with the audience and even inviting folks up on stage with us. We'll get all kinds of feedback from them, and sometimes they'll feed us a line that will trigger a freestyle rap or another sketch. You never know what's coming next."

For families who would like to bring their children to join in the show, Folger said not to hesitate. And their kids may even get a

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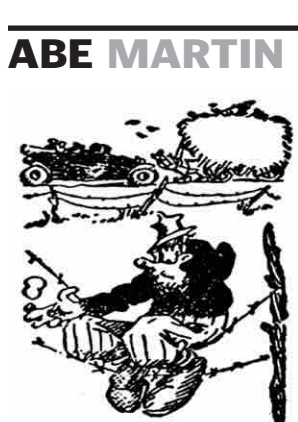
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"Bees are not as busy as we think they are. They just can't buzz any slower."

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BELLEFONTAINE BEAT POLICE & FIRE

Domestic dispute, theft may be connected to inappropriate messages sent to students

A domestic dispute involving a reportedly hysterical female suspect has evolved into an investigation into inappropriate and explicit messages sent to underage high school teenagers, officers of the Bellefontaine Police Department report.

Samantha Seay, 18, of Bellefontaine, was arrested shortly after 7 p.m. Thursday, April 25, on multiple charges including obstructing official business, resisting arrest, assault on a police officer and persistent disorderly conduct following a reported domestic dispute.

Police were dispatched to the area of 105 School Street following multiple 911 calls in which a male and female could be heard yelling at each other.

Upon arrival, police attempted to talk to the male and female individuals reportedly involved. However, Seay was extremely confrontational with officers and was reportedly screaming and refused to calm down. Police attempted to detain her but she resisted, and then began kicking at and pulling away from officers.

She was forcibly detained and placed in the back of a police cruiser. Seay continued to kick at and scream at officers, and at one point reportedly kicked an officer in the chest.

After an extended struggle, Seay eventually was secured, transported and lodged in the Logan County Jail.

Following her arrest, Seay's purse and cell phone were left with her boyfriend.

Around 9 a.m. the next day, Friday, April 26, officers were dispatched to an apartment at 500 Gunntown Road on a report from Seay's sister saying that she'd been attempting to contact Seay's boyfriend to retrieve the purse and cell phone on behalf of her sister, but he was not cooperating.

Police traveled to the jail and made contact with Seay and asked her if she wanted the purse and phone returned to her sister. Seay said yes, and that if he refused Seay indicated to police she wanted to pursue theft charges against her boyfriend.

Police attempted to make contact with Seay's boyfriend to return the items, but were unsuccessful. A message was left, but was not immediately returned.

Later on in the afternoon of April 26, police were made aware of inappropriate messages being sent to students at Bellefontaine High School. The messages were coming from Seay's social media and phone number and purported to be from her.

Officers spoke with two 15-year-old girls who received messages soliciting an explicit encounter with Seay's adult-age boyfriend.

One of the girls was told in a message that was represented to be coming from Seay that she had, "cheated on her boyfriend and needed someone to sleep with him so he would stay with her."

The girls also reportedly were offered money in exchange for the tryst.

Officers are still investigating.

Warrants served

Ryan Crapnell, 46, of Bellefontaine, was arrested around 9:15 p.m. Tuesday, April 30, on outstanding warrant for failure to appear.

Officers of the Bellefontaine Police Department on patrol in the area of 2175 S. Main St. observed the defendant operating a gray pickup truck southbound past that location. A check of the registration revealed the warrant, and a traffic stop was initiated.

The pickup was secured and the defendant was lodged in the Logan County Jail without incident.

• Sheri Wireman, 49, of Bellefontaine, was arrested shortly before 3:45 p.m., Tuesday, April 30, on an outstanding warrant.

Officers observed her walking with two males in the area of the 100 block of west Brown Avenue. A check for warrants revealed a failure to appear through the Logan County Sheriff's Office.

Contact was made with the defendant and she was lodged in jail without incident.

BHS Robotics Team competes at VEX World Championship

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Five Bellefontaine High School students shined in the VEX Robotics World Championship in Dallas, Texas, over the weekend.

Bellefontaine High School Robotics Team 9185A - FOAM showcased its determination and perseverance.

The team went 5-5 and finished 31st in their division.

The FOAM team members are junior Alex Cavanaugh, along with sophomores Ryann Gatchel, Lorenz Henry, Hayden Maus and Mason Swisher.

Throughout the championship, FOAM encountered a series of challenging

matches.

The team's resilience and tenacity drew praise from the audience and fellow competitors.

The FOAM team would like to thank the community for their support and a special thanks to their team sponsors, which are included in the team picture and on their team shirts.

The team advanced to the World VEX competition with a strong finish at the Ohio State VEX event in Marion in early March. FOAM earned the DESIGN Award, which was the second highest award presented to any team in the state.

BHS robotics are coached by Micah Woolf and Dustin Van Buskirk.



Bellefontaine High School Robotics Team Foam members are, from the left, first row: Mason Swisher, Ryann Gatchel and Lorenz Henry; and second row: Hayden Maus and Alex Cavanaugh. (BCS PHOTO)

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SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS: FFA 4 years, Key Club 3 years, SADD 3 years, National Honor Society (Service Coordinator) 2 years, Soccer 3 years (team captain), Swim 3 years, Track (2 years), Spanish Club, Science Club, Honor roll, Honda Achievement Breakfast

If I were principal for a day: Bring back powderpuff activities.

Favorite school memory: Taking open lunches and going to Gathering Grounds with my friends.

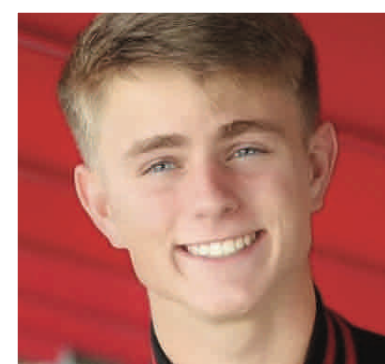
People who have inspired me include: My parents and coaches/teachers

Lately I've been reading: OSU classmate profiles on Instagram

My advice to parents: Keep kids interested in extracurriculars or clubs so they are involved in some way.

My biggest regret: I regret not getting involved with sports and clubs during my freshman year.

Next year I will be: Attending The Ohio State University to study Biology in hopes of becoming a dentist or a physician.



Brody Parsell
Parents: Brian and Michelle Parsell

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS: Soccer, Cross Country, Wrestling, Pole Vault, Choir, Meistersingers, Musical, Honor Roll, National Honor Society

If I were principal for a day: I would host a spike ball tournament.

Favorite school memory: Any day in Mr. Stein's class when our table is messing around.

People who have inspired me include: My Grandpa David, Jesus

Lately I've been reading: "The Catcher in the Rye"

My advice to parents: Go easy on kids. You're only a kid once, let them hangout with friends and have fun.

My biggest regret: I regret not doing soccer my sophomore year.

Next year I will be: Starting my apprenticeship as an electrician.

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Bellefontaine's Owen Larison is hit by a pitch during Wednesday's home game against Tecumseh. (EXAMINER PHOTO | TONY BARRETT)

Arrows pierce Chiefs 8-5 in CBC matchup

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Bellefontaine's baseball team dropped an 8-5 decision to visiting Tecumseh in a Central Buckeye Conference game Wednesday.

The Chiefs are now 12-8 overall and 7-8 in the CBC. Tecumseh improves to 8-12, 6-9.

Bellefontaine led 2-1 after four innings.

However, the Arrows put five runs on the scoreboard in the top of the fifth to jump in front 6-2.

Bellefontaine answered with three runs in the bottom of the fifth to make it 6-5.

Tecumseh then added two runs in the sixth for an 8-5 lead, and the Arrows held the Chiefs scoreless the rest of the game to seal their win.

Riley Neer was an offensive bright spot for the Chiefs, going 4-5 with a double and an RBI.

Carter Caudill went 2-3 and Chris Fogan and Zane Tevis each added a double.

Bellefontaine plays at Graham on Friday in the final CBC game of the season.

TECUMSEH 8
BELLEFONTAINE 5

Arrows. 001 052 0 — 8 10 2
Chiefs. 100 130 0 — 5 11 1
WP—Brown; LP—Crabill.

THE WHIRL NEWSMAKERS IN BRIEF

Gloria's Tumbling Team fares well at state championship

Gloria's Tumbling Team recently competed in the United States Trampoline & Tumbling Association State Championship in Rio Grande.

Gloria's Team placed third overall in tumbling and third overall in double-mini trampoline.

Kaleigha Alig, Rileigh Carroll and Jillian Ullom received high-point scores during the competition.

Allison Moore was named Ohio athlete of the year and was awarded a \$200 scholarship.

Mikey Whaley received the Mosley Sportsmanship Award.

Kaleigha Alig, Rileigh Carroll, Piper James Marley Snoke, Jillian Ullom and Emily Williams made the Ohio Allstate Team for the next season.

Listed below are individual results for Gloria's team in the order of tumbling/double-mini and trampoline.

Kaleigha Alig (10) 1/1/3; Kinzlee Alig (7) 4/8/9; Lucy Butler (8) 7/10/9; Ellie Canter (7) 7/1/8; Mileigh Carroll (11) 1/6/8; Rileigh Carroll (13) 3/1/1; Layla Coleman (12) 3/3/3; Harper Dean (8) 1/1/3; Aricen Faraglia (11) 1/1/3; Kaeleigh Flora (16) 5/5/1; Freya Fout (7) 6/9/7; Aleah France (15) DNP/6/4; Cara France (14) 2/3/6; Brenny Harless (8) 3/6/5; Cooper James (8) 2/2/2; Piper James (10) 5/1/6; Nora Kopus (15) 2/1/2; Colbee Little (10) 1/1/1; Amelia Martin (10) 6/2/1; Brooklynn Miller (8) 11/3/2; Serenity Miller (8) 3/3/4; Allison Moore (18) DNP/2/1; Avery Perkins (10) 6/3/11; Marley Snoke (12) 3/3/2; Abby Stinebaugh (10) 8/7/4; Jillian Ullom (14) 1/2/2; Ashlee Von Deylen (15) 1/1/3; Mikey Whaley (17) 3/1/1; Emily William (17) 2/1/1

Braves top Lakers 1-0 in pitching duel

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Indian Lake's baseball team suffered another tough one-run loss on Wednesday as the Lakers fell to visiting Springfield Shawnee 1-0 in a Central Buckeye Conference game.

It was the seventh one-run loss of the season for the Lakers, who fall to 9-9 overall and 7-8 in the CBC. Shawnee improves to 9-8, 7-7.

The Braves were able to plate the lone run of the game in the top of the fifth inning.

Indian Lake could not get anything going against Shawnee pitcher AJ Hootman, who fired a two-hit shutout with 11 strikeouts.

Burke Lillard did his best to keep Indian Lake close. He allowed five hits, walked two, struck out eight and did not give up an earned run.

Lane Tucci and Dawson Finrock each had a hit for the Lakers.

Indian Lake is back in action today at St. Marys.

SP. SHAWNEE 1
INDIAN LAKE 0

Braves. 000 010 0 — 1 5 0
Lakers. 000 000 0 — 0 2 2
WP—Hootman; LP—Lillard.



Indian Lake's Thomas Elliott makes a catch in left field during Wednesday's game against Springfield Shawnee. (EXAMINER PHOTO | MATT HAMMOND)

Pirates rally for win over Eagles

Riverside's baseball team battled back to beat host Troy Christian 5-4 in a Three Rivers Conference game Wednesday.

The win improves the Pirates to 9-7 overall and 4-7 in the TRC. The Eagles drop to 7-8, 6-3.

Troy Christian scored

two runs in the first inning and added a run in the third for a 3-0 lead.

The Pirates tied the game with three runs in the top of the fifth before the Eagles regained the lead at 4-3 with a run in the bottom of the fifth.

Riverside scored twice in the top of the sixth to lead 5-4 and the Pirates were

able to hang on the rest of the way for the win.

Gavin Orsborne went 2-4 with an RBI and Damian Smith added an RBI for the Pirates.

Landon Purtee went the distance on the mound to get the win. He allowed six hits, three earned runs, struck out seven and walked two.



BASEBALL ROUNDUP

The Pirates play at Milton-Union today.

RIVERSIDE 5
TROY CHRISTIAN 4

Pirates. 000 032 0 — 5 5 1
Eagles. 201 010 0 — 4 6 6
WP—Purtee.

Wildcats upend Raiders

Visiting North Union defeated Benjamin Logan 9-2 in a Central Buckeye Conference baseball game Wednesday.

The Raiders drop to 2-15 overall and 2-13 in the CBC. North Union moves to 11-7, 7-7.

It was a tightly contested game until the fifth inning.

The Wildcats led 1-0 after four frames. They then exploded for eight runs in the top of the fifth to increase their lead to 9-0.

Ben Logan scored a run in the bottom of the fifth to make it 9-1. The Raiders added a run in the seventh.

The Raiders were held to three hits. EJ Martin had an RBI.

Ben Logan is back in action Friday at home against London.

NORTH UNION 9
BEN LOGAN 2

Wildcats. 100 080 0 — 9 7 2
Raiders. 000 010 1 — 2 3 3
LP—Spriggs.

JUNIOR HIGH

TRACK AND FIELD
Chiefs win tri-meet

Bellefontaine's middle school track and field teams both defeated Graham and Emmanuel Christian in a tri-meet Tuesday.

The Chieftain boys were led by wins from Caleb Sechrest in the 200 hurdles, Cale Middlesworth in the pole vault, Bryant Carter in the long jump, Bentley Stewart in the shot put and the 400 relay team of Stewart, Thane Admire, Landon White and Martin Miranda.

Finishing in second place for Bellefontaine were Sechrest in the 200, Middlesworth in the high jump, Landon Rister in the 110 hurdles, Dillon Jones in the 100, Landon Gervels in the 400 and Maxon Phillips in the 800.

Taking third for the BMS boys were Miranda in the high jump, Kyson Collier in the long jump, Jones in the 200 and 200 hurdles, Gervels in the 100, Andrew Myers in the 1,600 and Haydon Argabright in the shot put.

Winning events for the girls team were the 400 relay of Mia Brown, Cameo Greene, Brooklyn Kuntz and Kinley Dunn, the 800 relay team of Layla Davis, Lyla Conner, Brown and Greene, the 3,200 relay team of Sophia Marker, Karysn Newkirk, Cece Reier and Blakely Vollrath, Sloan Stolly in the 100 and 200 hurdles, Arianna Rangel Guillen in the long jump, Kuntz in the 100, Layla Davis in the 400, Chloe O'Chocke in the 800, Greene in the 200 and Vanessa Friedrich in the discus.



Tourney champs

The Bellefontaine Chiefs 12-and-under baseball team won the Logan County Spring Slam tournament last weekend at Southview Park. The Chiefs went 2-0 in pool play Saturday and then won two games Sunday to win the title. (SUBMITTED PHOTO)

Quad

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Finishing in third for Ben Logan were the 3,200 relay team of Estella Wenger, Elliott Butler, Lauren Kennedy and Peyton Smith (11:36.82), Gulick in the 100 hurdles (17.44), Kennedy in the 400 (1:11.14) and Miller in the 300 hurdles (54.08).

Contributing a fourth-place effort for the Raiders was Hadley Boysel in the 400 (1:13.08), while taking fifth were Miller in the 100

hurdles, Maille Ricketts in the 400 (1:16.11), Lahna Cook in the discus (84-06.50), Hemmelgarn in the shot put (31-0), Aleah France in the long jump (16-09.75) and Scarlett Elliott in the pole vault (9-06).

In the boys meet, Versailles won with 96.5 points. The Raiders were next with 61.5 points, Newton had 50 points for third and New Bremen finished fourth with 48 points.

Collin Powell won the long jump (18-10) and the

Raiders had three winning relay teams.

The winning relays included the 800 relay team of Powell, Ben Chamberlain, Carter Buck and Dylan Vance (1:34.19), the 400 relay team of Powell, Chamberlain, Vance and Candin Tucker (PR of 45.46) and the 1,600 relay team of Vance, Eric Hughes, Tyler Shoopman and Chamberlain (3:37.17).

Taking second for the Raiders were Roman Maxwell in the high jump

(5-10), Powell in the 100 (PR of 11.61), Josh Rich in the 300 hurdles (PR of 47.90) and the 3,200 relay team of Shoopman, Eli Rhodes, Kyle Kibler and Hughes (PR of 8:52.64).

Finishing in third place for the BL boys were Gus Bibart in the shot put (41-8), Ethan Miller in the long jump (17-10.5), Greyshan Bailey in the pole vault (11-0) and Carter Buck in the 110 hurdles (17.74).

Fourth-place finishes went to Rich in the long

jump (17-1) and 110 hurdles (18.43), Shoopman in the 400 (55.17), Chamberlain in the 200 (23.88) and the 3,200 relay team of Landon Zehner, Gabe Elsasser, Maxwell Troth and Owen Weeks (9:27.55).

Adding fifth-place finishes were Vance in the 200 (23.96), the 800 relay team of Davis Matthews, Troth, Tucker and Cason Bothel (1:41.60) and the 400 relay team of Matthews, Bothel, Rich and Michael Dilbone (48.71).

BHS netters edged by NW, beat Bluffton

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Bellefontaine's boys tennis team continued its busy schedule this week with a 3-2 loss to Northwestern on Tuesday and a 3-2 victory over Bluffton on Wednesday.

The Chiefs are now 13-5 on the season.

Against Northwestern, Bellefontaine won at third singles and first doubles.

Max Fissel beat the Warriors' Nathan Hackett 7-6, 5-7, 10-6 at third singles, while the Chiefs' first doubles team of Trey Taylor and Bryce Harris won 6-3, 3-6, 10-6 over Isaac Gundolf and Carter Baugh.

Northwestern's Aiden Yeager defeated Xavier Sims 6-0, 6-0 at first singles and the Warriors'

Noah Wildofsky won 6-4, 6-3 over Truman Howell at second singles.

The Warriors' Harleigh Hall and Kyle Macy beat Elias Abrego and Quinn Slagle 6-0, 6-2 at second doubles.

Bellefontaine won both doubles matches against Bluffton.

Howell and Taylor beat Isaiah Kohli and Grady Coonfare 7-5, 6-4 at first doubles and Abrego and Harris defeated Ayden Diller and Hudson Phillips 6-2, 6-0 at second doubles.

The Chiefs also won at first singles, where Sims defeated Branson Hilty 6-4, 6-1.

The Pirates' Wade Ginther beat Max Fissel 6-4, 6-1 at second singles and Nick Lovett upended Slagle 6-1, 6-3 at third singles.

Bellefontaine plays at Northwestern today.

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Indian Lake beats Braves, repeats as outright CBC Mad River champions

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Indian Lake's softball team clinched its second straight outright Central Buckeye Conference Mad River division championship Wednesday with a 3-1 victory over visiting Springfield Shawnee.

The Lakers are now 19-2 overall and 13-2 in the CBC. They hold a three-game lead over second-place Shawnee with one league game remaining.

"This team is one of the most talented softball teams from top to bottom that I have ever coached," said second-year Laker head coach John Stahl. "Their softball knowledge is unparalleled. The effort, hustle and will to win is amazing. They always pick each other up and have each other's backs.

"Every single game over the last two years someone steps up in a crucial spot and does something to help the team win. I've seen it so many times, but it still amazes me."

The Braves fall to 16-6, 10-5.

Indian Lake led 1-0 after one inning.

The Braves tied the game briefly after scoring a run in the top of the third.

Indian Lake regained the lead with a run in the bot-



Indian Lake's Kayleigh Zedlitz attempts to tag a Graham player on a pickoff attempt at first base during Wednesday's game at Indian Lake. (EXAMINER PHOTO | MATT HAMMOND)

tom of the third.

The Lakers added an insurance run in the fifth.

Katie Roby had a huge day for the Lakers at the plate, hitting two home runs and adding a triple and two RBI.

Halle Roby added two hits and an RBI for Indian Lake.

Madison Brentlinger earned another win in the pitching circle for the Lakers. She gave up six hits, struck out two and did not walk a batter. The run was not earned.

Indian Lake beat the Braves 3-2 in the first matchup on Monday. "We had some great

defensive plays in these two games against Shawnee," said Stahl. "We also had some huge hits by players I didn't expect to get them. That's the sign of a great team. The girls have taught me many things about myself as a person and coach.

"When they talk about

something in a serious manner, I listen. The coaches and I have great relationships with these young ladies. They have spent lots of time, energy, sweat and blood to become a great quality softball team. They earned and deserve back-to-back CBC titles by doing every-

thing the right way. I am proud of every player on the team and the entire coaching staff."

The Lakers will host Lima Bath today for a non-league game.

INDIAN LAKE 3 SP. SHAWNEE 1

Braves.	001	000	0	-	1	6	0
Lakers.	101	010	X	-	3	7	1

WP—Brentlinger; LP—Trimmer.

Lady Chiefs grab win over Tecumseh on senior night

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Bellefontaine's softball team celebrated its six seniors with a 9-2 victory over visiting Tecumseh on Wednesday.

The Chiefs improve to 13-9 overall and 8-7 in the Central Buckeye Conference. The Arrows drops to 10-9, 5-9.

SOFTBALL ROUNDUP

"We would like to thank our six seniors," said BHS head coach Katie Buffkin. "These amazing young women have each spent four years in our program being great role models and leaders for us. We look forward to the great things they will accomplish."

Tecumseh took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first inning, but Bellefontaine responded with four runs in the bottom of the first to lead 4-1.

Tecumseh plated a run in the second inning to make it 4-2.

Bellefontaine scored three times in the fourth to lead 7-2. The Chiefs tacked on a run in the fifth and another in the sixth.

Averie Vigansky was the winning pitcher.

At the plate for the Chiefs, Ellie Mitchell went 2-3 with a double, Alexa Clifton went 2-3, Rianna Fullerton went 2-4, Laila Butler went 2-4 and Addison Wical and Vigansky each had a double.

Bellefontaine wraps up the regular season Friday at Graham.

BELLEFONTAINE 9, TECUMSEH 2							
Arrows	110	000	0	-	2	9	1
Chiefs	400	311	X	-	9	13	0

WP—Vigansky.



Bellefontaine's Rianna Fullerton makes a diving stop during Wednesday's home game against Tecumseh. (EXAMINER PHOTO | TONY BARRETT)

Pirates top Troy Christian

Riverside used a late surge to record a 4-2 victory over host Troy Christian in a Three Rivers Conference softball game Wednesday.

The Pirates improve to 9-10 overall and 6-6 in the TRC. The Eagles drop to 3-14, 2-9.

Troy Christian led 1-0 after one inning of play.

The Pirates tied the game with a run in the third inning.

The Eagles went ahead 2-1 after plating a run in the fourth.

However, the Pirates scored once in the fifth to tie the game at 2-2 and they scored two runs in the sixth to grab the lead for good.

Jayden Hoffer went 2-4 with a

double and an RBI, Avery Perk went 2-3 with a triple and an RBI and Miah Carmen had a double for the Pirates.

Keira Manahan was the winning pitcher. She allowed five hits, one earned run, struck out 11 and did not walk a batter.

Riverside plays at Milton-Union today.

RIVERSIDE 4, TROY CHRISTIAN 2							
Pirates	001	012	0	-	4	8	3
Eagles	100	100	0	-	2	5	1

WP—Manahan; LP—Dersham.

Wildcats claw Raiders

Benjamin Logan's softball team lost to visiting North Union 9-1 in a Central Buckeye Conference contest Wednesday.

The Raiders are now 13-6 over-

all and 8-6 in the CBC. The Wildcats improve to 12-13, 6-9.

After two scoreless innings to start the game, North Union scored seven times in the third inning to lead 7-0.

The Wildcats pushed their lead to 8-0 with a run in the top of the fourth.

Ben Logan scored its lone run in the bottom of the fourth.

North Union tacked on an insurance run in the seventh.

The Raiders were held to two hits.

Ben Logan will host Tecumseh today.

NORTH UNION 9, BEN LOGAN 1							
Wildcats	007	100	1	-	9	13	0
Raiders	000	100	0	-	1	2	1

WP—DeCamp.

Panthers run past Tigers

West Liberty-Salem's softball team was tripped up by visiting Fairbanks 15-3 in five innings in an Ohio Heritage Conference game Wednesday.

The Tigers slip to 6-9 overall and 4-9 in the OHC. The Panthers are now 16-2, 13-2.

Fairbanks led 3-0 after the first inning and the Panthers piled up 12 runs in the second inning to lead 15-0.

The Tigers scored twice in the third and once in the fifth.

WL-S was held to five hits.

FAIRBANKS 15, WL-S 3							
(FIVE INNINGS)							
Panthers	3	12	0	-	15	15	1
Tigers	002	01	-	-	3	5	5

WP—Kise.



Benjamin Logan's Georgia Bates set a new school record in the 800-meter run during Tuesday's meet at Versailles. (KIKI CHAMBERLAIN PHOTO)

Ben Logan squads take 2nd at Versailles quad

BY THE EXAMINER STAFF

Benjamin Logan's boys and girls track and field teams both finished second in a quad meet Tuesday at Versailles.

The host Tigers won the girls meet with 110.5 points, with the Raiders scoring 77 for second. New Bremen was third (50) and Newton finished fourth (16).

Leading the Lady Raiders were Isabel Henderson and Georgia Bates. They both set new school records during the meet.

Bates ran a time of 2:23.20 to win the 800. Her time broke the previous school record of 2:25.15, set by Stacey Wroten in 1998.

Henderson broke her own school record in the

100 hurdles with a winning time of 15.32. Her old mark was 15.37.

Also getting wins for the Lady Raiders on Tuesday were the 800 relay team of Scarlett Elliott, Mya Burrey, Storm LeVan and Kate Vickroy (1:53.73), Henderson in the 300 hurdles (48.79) and long jump (16-09.75), Lauren Hemmelgarn in the discus

(106-04) and Nora Elliott in the pole vault (10-0).

Taking second for the Raiders were the 400 relay team of Kate Gulick, Avah Miller, LeVan and Vickroy (54.26), Gulick in the 300 hurdles (52.64) and the 1,600 relay team of Lexi Archer, Burrey, Mylee Boysel and Bates (4:35.63).

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