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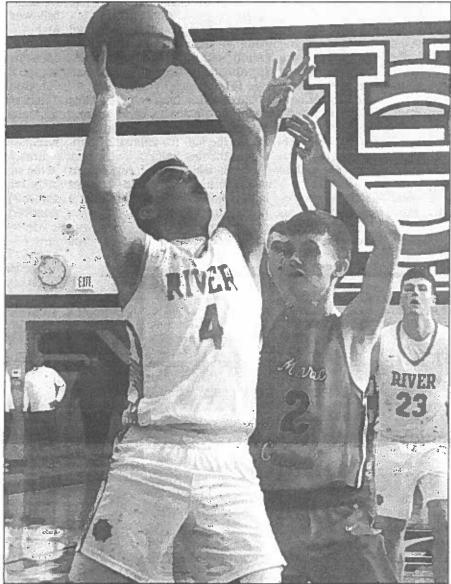
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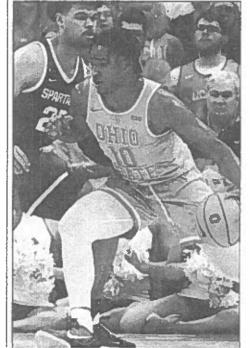
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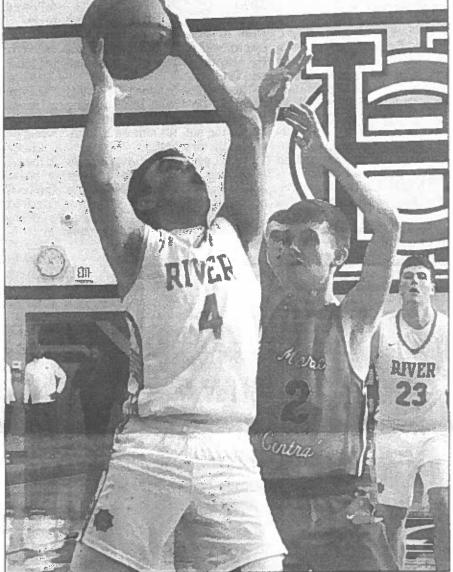
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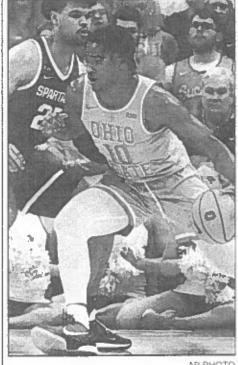
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OHIO STATE'S Brice Sensabaugh (10) tries to dribble past Michigan State's Carson Cooper, left, during the first half of an NCAA college basketball game on Sunday in Columbus.

## Six area swimmers win **D-II sectional crowns**

swimmers have assured themselves Dover in both the boys and girls a spot in next Thursday's Division meets. II District Championship meet at Ohio State University.

Saturday at Steubenville High the 50 freestyle. School's Natatorium. Only the Junior Evan Y champion earns an automatic spot. sive winner in the 100 butterfly. It's expected that several other area athletes will advance based on time dualification, but those bids won't er added the 100 backstroke crown be formally announced until later with a time of 54.67. today or Monday when all of the sectional results are compiled.

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St. Clairsville sophomore Zach May was the first area male to as-They earned that right based on sure himself a spot individually. He winning a sectional championship touched the wall in 23.19 to claim

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Photo/KRISTIN MAZGAJ

ST. CLAIRSVILLE'S Evan Yost swims toward a sectional championship in the 100 but-St. Clairsville's 200 medley re- terfly Saturday at Steubenville High School. Yost also won the 100 backstroke later in the lav team of Evan Yost. Luke Stack, meet to earn his way to the district meet, which will be held on Thursday at Ohio State University in Columbus.

### Super Bowl MVP Mahomes rallies Chiefs to win • Ferry

GLENDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Pat- for the go-ahead score. rick Mahomes and his ailing right ankle are headed for a Super Bowl his 27-yard field goal with 8 secvictory parade.

After aggravating the sprained time in his career.

Mahomes finished with 182 champs!" yards passing and three touchdowns, but he was especially bril- a 50-year title drought when he led Rhianna's performance inside liant on his hurt ankle in the section the Chiefs past the 49ers in 2020. State Farm Stadium. And by the ond half: 13 of 14 for 93 yards. Three years later, the do-every- time the field was cleared of the and two touchdowns. The league's thing quarterback has delivered a stage, No. 15 was at the head of the MVP also had 44 yards rushing, third Lombardi Trophy to Kansas pack as he led the Chiefs back to including his 26-yard sprint with City while joining Tom Brady, Joe the field, facing a 24-14 deficit but just over 2 minutes left in a 35-all Montana, Bart Starr, Eli Manning knowing they would get the opengame as Kansas City was driving and Terry Bradshaw as the only ing kickoff.

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"I told you all this week there's needs to be said: MVP. ankle he suffered three weeks ago, nothing that's going to keep me off the All-Pro quarterback led the that football field," said Mahomes, Kansas City Chiefs to a thrilling who hurt the ankle in the divisional Eagles linebacker T.J. Edwards 38-35 come-from-behind victory round against Jacksonville. "I just spun him to the ground. over the Philadelphia Eagles on want a shoutout to my teammates Sunday, hoisting his second Lom- - we challenged each other, we before hobbling off the field in a bardi Trophy and taking with it the needed everyone to win this foot- scene eerily reminiscent of earlier game's MVP honor for the second ball game - so shoutout to my in the playoffs. teammates. We're Super Bowl

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Mahomes reinjured his ankle late in the first half Sunday when

He lay there for several seconds

Mahomes no doubt benefited from some extra treatment thanks Mahomes helped the Chiefs end to a longer halftime to allow for

to adjust and do some things we didn't necessarily want to do.

Though the Purple Riders cut down on their miscues in the second half, the hole was simply too deep to climb out of because Linsly continued to make shots. All told, the Cadets knocked down 10 bonus goals and had eight different players find the scoring column.

However, it was senior Gavin Jackson, who repeated as the winner of the John Howell MVP winner. who Ferry truly had no answer for. He scored 25 and made 10 of 18 from the field.

"Gavin has done a heck of a job all year, but he's really been playing at a high level the last two weeks. Wojcik said. "I am very excited for him because he's worked hard and deserves that success.

Ferry the lead down 11 a couple of times, but could never fully get over the hump to swing the momen-

"Anytime we got back within striking distance, we either made an error or they made a play," Edwards said. "You simply can't have those errors against a team like that because Linsly went down and made us pay for it. They're a really, really good team, but our guys played their tails off and didn't leave anything on the court.

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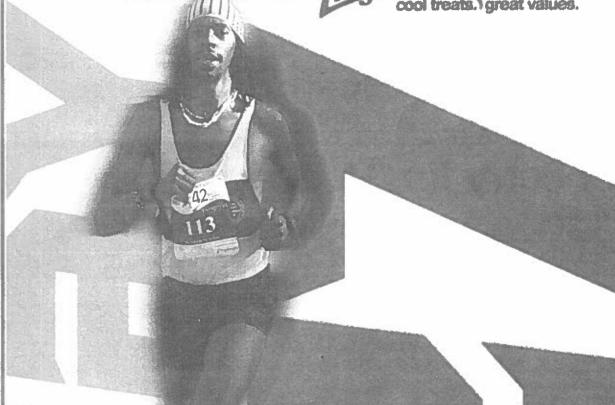
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Martins Ferry's John Consort claimed the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:01.54.

Steubenville's Janyah Withers was the 50 freestyle champion in 26.21.

#### Area Sports Card

Monday, Feb. 13 **BOYS BASKETBALL** Calhoun Co at Paden City GIRLS BASKETBALL Division IV Sectional Bridgeport at River

Regular Season
Oak Glen at Cameron HOCKEY

Wheeling Central at Shaler Blackhawk at Wheeling Park, 6 p.m.

### **Ohio Hoops Scores**

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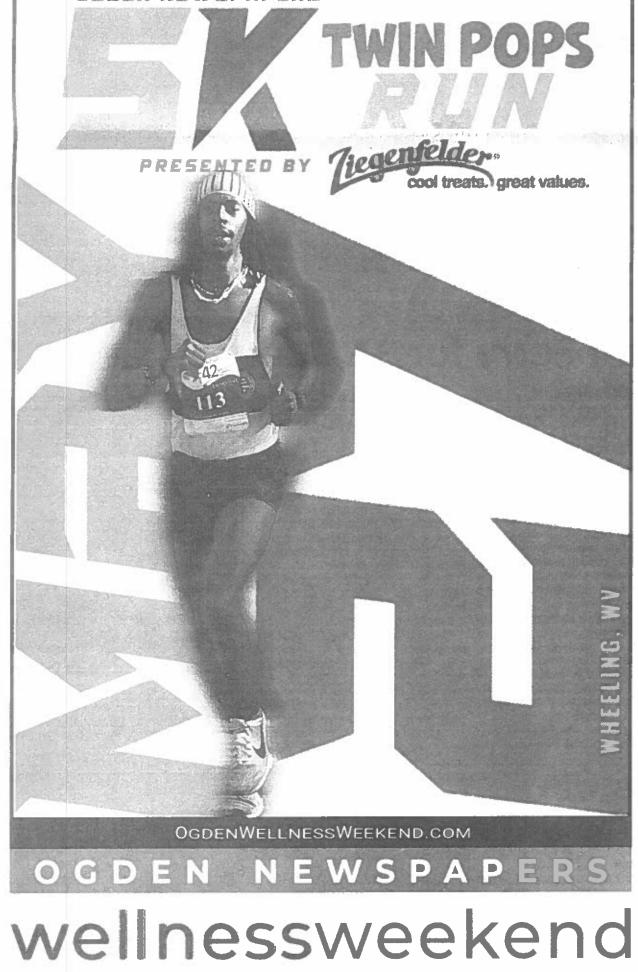
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COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S) 7 p.m. CBSSN — America U. at Bucknell ESPN - Miami at North Carolina ESPN — Texas at Texas Tech ESPN2 — West Virginia at Pay COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S) 7 p.m. BTN — Indiana at Chic St. ESPN2 — Texas at lova St. SECN — Kentucity at Mississippi COLLEGE GYNNASTICS (WOMEN'S) 9 p.m. BTN — Chie St. at illinois

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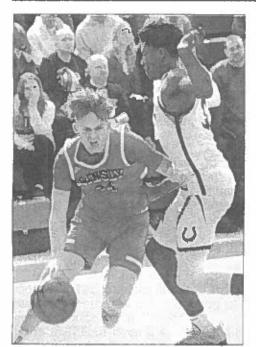


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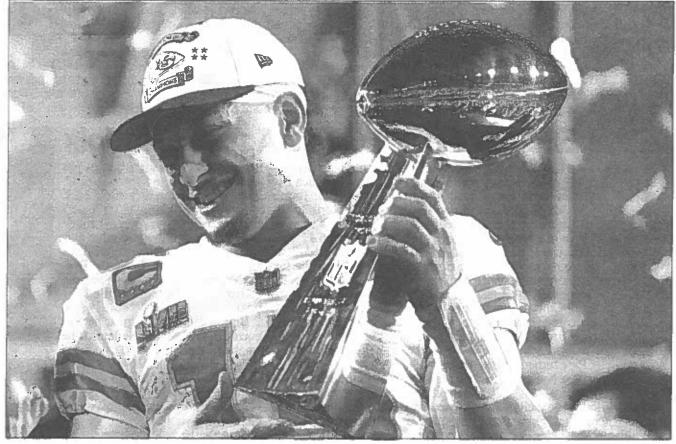




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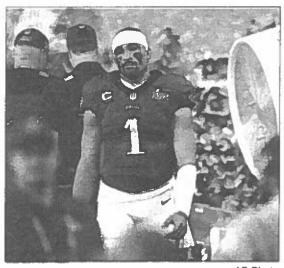
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CADIZ – In big games, sometimes an unexpected hero emerges.

Madonna during Saturday's OVAC Class 1A Championship game, as senior Santo DoBraska drained eight 3-pointers and finished with a game-high 32 points to lead the Blue Dons to the title with a 69-55 win over rival Cameron.

"Santo's 32 points were huge," veteran Madonna head coach George Vargo said. "He hit 3s when we needed them, that was huge. We make a lot of mistakes, but we're able to recoup and rebound and somebody always picks us up — (Saturday) that was Sonny (Do-Braska).

"I never thought Sonny would have 32 or hit eight 3s, but God bless us, he did and we won.

guys (to win the OVAC title). Bringing an OVAC banner back to Madonna feels great, we haven't had one of these Dons (12-8) three in double digits.

Junior standout Anthony Mascio



Photo by Andrew Grimm Madonna's Santo DoBraska drives in the lane as Cameron's Cole Burkett defends during Saturday's OVAC Class 1A championship game at Harrison Central High School.

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### **Potters Capture** Class 4A Crown As Last Shot For Weir Doesn't Fall

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CADIZ - East Liverpool showed for most of Saturday's OVAC Class 4A Championship why it was the top seed and defending champion, while Weir High showed the resilience that led to the final and a strong season in the end.

Having not played their best and trailing by seven in the final minute, the Red Riders, who made a late rally Tuesday against Harrison Central in the semifinals, again stormed back and broke that last year. We had five new got within a point, and had the ball on starters coming into this year.' the offensive end down by two at the end of the game.

A last-chance shot at the horn, how-

This means a lot to so back to-back gym.



Photo by Andrew Grimm Weir High's Colin "G" Cross looks for room to drive as East Liverpool's Cohen Pease defends during Saturday's OVAC Class 4A championship game held Saturday at Harrison Central.

Colin "G" Cross, who tallied eight of his game-high 21 points in the fourth quarter. led the Red Riders' ever, did not fall allowing the Potters late charge, draining back-to-back to escape with a 59-57 victory to re- 3-pointers in a span of 10 seconds to peat as conference champs.

"It was a great game," East Liverpool head coach Nate Conley said. loud crowd inside Harrison Central's

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### Nailers Explode For 10 Goals Against Norfolk

WHEELING — The Wheeling frame, as both teams put two bis-Bunz's shot 1:13 after that to put Nailers had one thing on their mind cuits into the baskets. Gianluca Es- a snowman on the scoreboard. C. on Saturday, and they were going teves gave the Nailers their fourth Johnson then won a face-off back to do everything in their power not tally of the night, and Norfolk fol- to Brooklyn Kalmikov for a left only to defeat, but dominate the Nor- lowed with two goals in a span of circle snipe and goal number nine. folk Admirals in front of a crowd of 2:14, Addamo responded 47 sec-3,201 at WesBanco Arena.

all night long, as the team scored shelf on the right side of the goal. ten goals in a game for the first time since 2010. Justin Addamo mission, and in the third period, final. netted his second career hat trick, they put a bunch of exclamation Tyler Drevitch and Brooklyn Kalmikov put four points each on the Pare used extra effort to collect his stopped 31 of the 33 shots he faced board, and Felix Pare turned on the second of the night, as he lunged red light twice as the Nailers clobbered the Admirals, 10-2.

the Nailers needed as Felix Pare, the parade of two-goal players, goals on 21 shots. Justin Addamo and Tyler Drevitch as he converted on a power play, found the back of the net.

Wheeling's offense was on fire he ripped a wrist shot into the top

points on their enormous triumph. mance in goal for the Nailers, as he forward to touch in the rebound of five goals on 16 shots in the loss Brooklyn Kalmikov's initial shot. for the Admirals, before giving The first period was exactly what 31 seconds later, Drevitch joined way to Brett Epp, who allowed five which was set up by Bobby Hamp- week on the road, as they will visit Wheeling maintained its three- ton. Carter Johnson crashed in to the Iowa Heartlanders on Friday, goal advantage through the middle poke home the rebound of Davis Saturday and Sunday.

All that was left was double digonds to put Wheeling ahead 5-2, as its, and that came courtesy of Addamo's hat trick, assisted by Drevitch's fourth point, as Wheeling The Nailers were a team on a potted five in the third for the 10-2

> Brad Barone had a great perforin the victory. Cale Morris gave up

The Nailers will spend next



Texas guard Sir'Jabari Rice drives to the basket

### against West Virginia forward Emmitt Matthews Jr. during the second half in Austin, Texas, Saturday.

## **After Building Some** Momentum, WVU Hits Wall vs. No. 5 Texas

making shots, and the of West Virginia's first Texas guard wasn't shy 12. But the Mountaineers

ginia coach Bob Huggins said of Rice.

Rice from scoring or let- 51-30 at the break. ting the Mountaineers

"I was just being com- Fouls calls and free petitive," said Rice, a throws were about even guard who transferred for the two teams, but from New Mexico State.

Texas (20-5) remained in nent the Mountaineers 15-10, 4-8) lost for the

horns. Rice was nearly per- horns alw fect: He converted 5 of that way. 6 field-goal attempts, including 4 of 5 3-pointers Allen said. "Be physical and all 10 free throws. when we guard. Be physi-The Longhorns only cal on rebounds." missed one free throw in 17 3-pointers.

for Texas, making 7 of Kansas on Monday. 11 shots and contributand four assists - and grit." passed the 2,000-point mark for his five-year cagames).

Texas scored 32 points day in Morgantown. off West Virginia's turnovers and had a 23-7 have not lost two in a roedge in fast-break points this season, giving thei in 144 games.

a season-best 20 points when they were 22-3.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) against Iowa State on - Sir'Jabari Rice kept Wednesday, scored nine failed to take advantage

They committed 13 turnovers in the half, Huggins' team could matching their average do nothing to prevent per game, and Texas led

The Longhorns went know about it en route to 16-for-16 at the freehis season-best 24 points throw line in the first "We had a great run in the third in just 17 minutes as No. half, matching the most 5 Texas defeated West they've ever made in a Virginia 94-60 Saturday. half without missing.

Huggins said Texas was Thanks largely to him, the most physical oppo-

> "I don't think we were prepared for the physical-

Allen said the Longhorns always want to play

"That's our mindset,"

Interim coach Rod-25 attempts and hit 10 of ney Terry suggested the Longhorns lacked that Marcus Carr added 16 toughness during a loss at

"You have to be willing four assists and three ing to do the dirty work," steals. Timmy Allen had Terry said. "You have to 14 points, nine rebounds be willing to have some

#### **BIG PICTURE**

The Mountaineers hit reer (2,013 points in 144 a wall after arriving in Austin with some mo-Emmitt Matthews Jr. mentum. They won five led West Virginia with of their previous seven 13 points. The Mountain- games after losing five eers shot 35.2%, which straight in January. Their is their second-worst accuracy of the season, and Baylor, which will be matched the most turn-their third game in six overs of the season with days. They beat No. 12 Iowa State on Wedne:

Texas: The Longhorn their best record throug Matthews, who had 25 games since 2010-1

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However, it was senior Gavin 18 from the field.

all year, but he's really been playing him because he's worked hard and deserves that success.

Ferry got the lead down to 11 a did what we asked them to do." couple of times, but could never the momentum.

tion, Linsly received 12 points title since 2017. ished with eight.

ner, who Ferry truly had no answer Alex Reese. While both were once tional week." for. He scored 25 and made 10 of again solid with 18 and 16, respectively, they were both held below Wojcik believed would be critical.

jcik said. "Give the kids the credit. moved from their last outing. They followed the game plan and

consecutive conference crown and trophy games. The Ruckeye 8 title game.

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"Talks a lot," West Virof that start. Along with Jackson's produc- nying the Purple Riders their first Buckeye 8 title game.

Martins Ferry was led once again then all season to get to this point. Jackson, who repeated as the win-ner of the John Howell MVP win-nior Denali Jackson and sophomore bounced back during a tough, emo-

Linsly's week included a road victory at Caldwell in the semifinals, 'Gavin has done a heck of a job their average, which is something but it fell to rival Wheeling Central, at the buzzer, at home Thursday. at a high level the last two weeks," "We did a good job defensively The Cadets showed no ill effects Wojcik said. "I am very excited for on both Reese and Denali," Wodespite being less than 48 hours re-

Meanwhile, on the other side, Martins Ferry is now 17-2, but The win gave Linsly its second both of its losses have come in fully get over the hump to swing consecutive conference crown and trophy games. The Riders fell last

"As bad as this hurts, we have from senior Carter Anderson. Taylor added nine and Coleman finkids," Wojcik said. "They put the there are a lot of positives that come work in during the offseason and from this game," Edwards said.

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Luke (Amaismeier), Chase (Little-rivalry and they had our number for ton) were good on the boards and a few years. Hopefully Madonna is Anthony (Mascio) did a good job of getting to the hole," Vargo said. The Blue Dons this win.'

ing of the season between the foes, Madonna winning all three. A potential fourth showdown could be at the end of three. looming in a couple of weeks in the sectional tournament.

"Cameron is a very good bas-ketball team," Vargo said. "Cam-back. to retake control and did not look back. each from Colson Wichterman and Lance Hartley.

"We rebounded great as a team, eron-Madonna has become a good

"A combination of things led to to as many as 18 points in the third and (DoBraska) was lighting it up. quarter, but the Dragons came His first three or four shots we didn't The game was the third meet-charging back with a 12-2 run and g of the season between the foes, scored 29 points in the third to rally all the way to within four points gave a valiant effort to make that first place in the Big 12 at have faced this season.

Madonna, though, scored the first 12 points of the fourth quarter

quarter ... but we dug ourselves too deep of a hole," Hart said. "You can't do that against a team like Madonna, The Blue Dons opened the lead you just can't. They're well coached contest, then he was feeling it.

"I'm proud of my guys, they run and get back in it, but hats off 9-3, while West Virginia to Madonna.'

Cameron was led by 14 points sixth time in its last seven ity ... I think that bothered ich from Colson Wichterman and games against the Long- us," Huggins said.









# Kraken Snap Losing Streak vs. Flyers

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Jaden Schwartz career two-goal game and Montreal earned wins on scored twice. Jordan Eberle had a goal and an assist back-to-back afternoons. and the Seattle Kraken sapped some of Philadelphia's Super Bowl Sunday excitement with a 4-3 victory over the Flyers.

Eeli Tolvanen also scored and Philipp Grubauer made 18 saves for the Kraken, who snapped a and extend their winning streak to three games. three-game losing streak. Seattle entered in fourth place in the Pacific Division and two points out of

CANADIENS 6, OILERS 2

MONTREAL (AP) - Jordan Harris had his first trip by beating Washington.

**GOLDEN KNIGHTS 7, DUCKS 2** 

LAS VEGAS (AP) - Seven Vegas players had two points and the Golden Knight scored five times in the third period to break open a one-goal game **SHARKS 4, CAPITALS 1** 

WASHINGTON (AP) - Erik Karlsson had a goal and two assists, Aaron Dell stopped all eight shots he faced in relief and San Jose ended its road

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With the score tied at 35-35, the Eagles tried to let the Chiefs score a touchdown with under two minutes left so they could get the ball back. But Jerick McKinnon slid at the 2, forcing the Eagles to use their last timeout.

After Mahomes took a knee two times. Butker nailed his kick, sending thousands of red-clad Chiefs fans into a frenzy.

The Chiefs won their second Super Bowl following the 2019 season, 50 years after the first one. It took just three years to get another Lombardi.

Chiefs fans were outnumbered in the stadium, but they did their part to silence the boisterous Philly fans with the tomahawk chop chant.

Down 24-14 with a limping Mahomes, the Chiefs (17-3) followed up Rihanna's electrifying halftime performance with a sensational offensive outburst.

"Everybody had that determination, that look in their eye," Travis fense, forcing Philly to punt. Then Kelce said.

Mahomes, who suffered a high ankle sprain in the divisional round, hurt it again on a 3-yard scramble late in the second quarter. no ill effects on Kansas City's next possession.

Mahomes slipped - several play. players lost their footing on the natural grass surface - in the pocket away. yet somehow regained his balance and scrambled 14 yards to the Eato 24-21.

After Jake Elliott's 33-yard field to go. goal extended Philadelphia's lead to 27-21, the Chiefs struck again.

Mahomes tossed a 5-yard TD pass to a wide-open Kardarius Toney to give Kansas City its first



AP Photo Kansas City Chiefs wide receiver Skyy Moore (24) celebrates after a touchdown during Super Bowl 57 Sunday in Glendale, Ariz.

Toney returned a line-drive kick longest punt return in Super Bowl play of the second quarter. history

He limped off the field but showed homes connected with Skyy Moore to extend their lead to 35-27. Moore also was wide open on the Nick Bolton picked it up and raced

But the Eagles wouldn't go

Hurts hit DeVonta Smith for a fumbles. 46-yard gain to the Chiefs and ran gles 4, setting up Isiah Pacheco's in for his third score of the game. 1-yard TD run that cut the deficit He also ran in for the 2-point control 24-21. He also ran in for the 2-point conversion to tie it at 35-35 with 5:15

> Ās "Fly! Eagles! Fly!" reverberated throughout the stadium, Mahomes and the Chiefs went back to

The 27-year-old Mahomes belead. 28-27, early in the fourth came the third player to win his Mahomes finished 21 of 27 for quarter.

Mahomes finished 21 of 27 for second NFL MVP award before 182 yards with three TDs and no The Chiefs tightened up their de- age 28. He also became the young- turnovers. He ran for 44 yards.

est OB to start three Super Bowls. Then, Mahomes became the first player to win the Super Bowl the same season he was MVP after nine straight players lost.

Just five years after winning the first Super Bowl in franchise history, the Eagles (16-4) came close with a different coach and new quarterback. Sirianni replaced Doug Pederson in 2021 and Hurts took over for Carson Wentz in late 2020.

Hurts set a Super Bowl record with 70 yards rushing and tied a record with three rushing scores. He also threw for 304 yards and

The Eagles marched 75 yards down the field with Hurts scoring from the 1 for a 7-0 lead, and controlled the ball for almost 22 minutes in the first half.

Hurts, who missed two games late in the season with a shoulder injury, had no trouble throwing a perfect deep ball to A.J. Brown, giving the Eagles a 14-7 lead with 65 yards to the Eagles 5 for the a 45-yard connection on the first

But Hurts then made a rare mis-On third down from the 4, Ma- take on the next drive when he fumbled without being hit while scrambling away from pressure. 36 yards for a score that made it 14-14. Hurts had just eight turnovers this season, six picks and two

Undeterred, Hurts kept running. He took off for 14 yards on the first play after the fumble. On fourth-and-5 from Chiefs 44, Hurts ran 28 yards. He finished off the drive with a 4-yard TD run to put Philadelphia ahead 21-14.

Elliott kicked a 35-yard field goal to send the Eagles into half-

time leading 24-14.

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### **Brooke's Moore Claims** Title At West Virginia **Girls Wrestling Tourney**

PARKERSBURG - champion Brooke's Audrey Moore Huntsman Championships Saturday Kirk (285). the Elite Sports Center. She earned her championship with a pin in 1:32.

out of 39 teams with 48.

Other placers included pin. teammates Sophie Diaz (165, 3rd) and Ember Giglio (138, 5th).

Amos was third at 235.

took fifth at 114. **BOYS WRESTLING** 

**Barnesville Takes Third** Shamrocks brought home ing Shayden Fogle (150) the bronze medal after who earned two decisions competing in the Divi- and had a pin. sion III Ohio High School Wrestling Coaches Association State Duals on Versailles Saturday at High School.

45-23 victory over No. 7 champion Braxton Coun-Versailles in the quarters, ty's 225.5. but fell to No. 3 Root-Christian, 37-28, in the

(106/113).(235) won a state title OVAC champion Reese at the W.Va. Girls State Stephen (150) and Blake

Stephen recorded two pins and a decision, while Kirk had a pair of falls Brooke finished sixth and a forfeit. Huntsman had two decisions and a

Martins Ferry, which was seeded No. 8, finished eighth as the Purple Paden City's Rory Riders fell to top-seeded and eventual champion Linsly's Caitlin Lewis Archbold (57-15); Liberty Center (35-30) and Perry (48-27).

Only one Purple Rider VERSAILLES - The went unscathed, that be-

#### Tyler Consolidated 2nd At LKC

ELIZABETH, W.Va. The Silver Knights finished second at the 59th Barnesville, which was Little Kanawha Conferseeded second, advanced ence Championships with to the semifinals with a 146.5 points, well behind

Tyler Consolidated had stown, 39-33, before a pair of individual titlists defeating No. 5 Legacy in juniors Kaden Humbefore a pair of individual titlists phrey (113) and Sean consolation final. Winfrey (175). Colsen Only three Shamrocks were able to go 3-0 on the day. They were OVAC both second.

### **Scheffler Repeats At Phoenix Open To Regain No. 1 Ranking**

(AP) - Scottie Scheffler um hole. successfully defended his WM Phoenix Open title Sunday at TPC Scottsdale "I was just trying to hit a solid putt," Scheffler said about the putt on 16. "In the world.

Taylor by two strokes in the speed. I had my line.' breezy conditions on the Scheffler birdied the firm and fast Stadium short par-4 17th and Course. The 26-year-old closed with a par to finish Texan will jump from second to first in the rankings,

for par after hitting his tee course."

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. shot far left on the stadi-

to regain the No. 1 spot in those situations that's really all you can do. So. when Scheffler closed with a 1'm standing over that ball 6-under 65 to beat Nick all I'm thinking about is

at 19-under 265.

"I hit some wild shots taking the top spot from off the tee that were pretty Rory McIlroy with his uncharacteristic for how I fifth PGA Tour victory. usually shape the ball," Scheffler made a 22- Scheffler said. "I was just foot eagle putt on the able to grind it out, make par-5 13th to break a tie a lot of putts. I think I with Taylor, then took a only had two bogeys this two-shot lead on the par- week, which is really, re-3 16th with a 15-footer ally good around this golf

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Riders pull out several close wins late this season, the comeback we're always in the game with a hopes grew even stronger on the chance to win it. Weir (13-8) side of the bleachers as the Potters (14-6), up by two came out firing. They were patient, time. with 10.6 seconds left, missed a they handled the press well, they pair of key foul shots to give the Riders the ball back.

An inbound pass on the offensive end with 6.9 seconds left, as them on top)." the Riders had hoped, ended up in the hands of Cross for one last ers narrowly missed a 3-point try shot, but it hit the rim and did not that would have given them the fall and the clock expired before lead with 11 seconds left. Weir could attempt a shot off the

"It was there, he had a chance," Weir High head coach Anthony Santangelo said of the last shot. "How we got there was awesome. Us getting steals, them missing foul shots, us getting rebounds ... it was exciting. Our guys responded.

"This group never stops fighting. Down 10, 12, it doesn't matter, they don't quit. I love this group. They keep playing hard no matter what and that's why I love this

It doesn't matter if we start slow ... ted 18.

The Potters had held a 10-point lead twice in the fourth quarter, including inside four minutes to play.

as long as we could, but he showed things you have to do to win these what kind of player he isothere at types of games with a lot on the said it was a "clear case the end," Conley said. "He brought line, especially as you get deeper of a jersey grab." them back and had a good look to and deeper into the tournament." tie it at the end.

Having seen the No. 2 seed Red group. We're never out of a game. 20 points, while Cohen Pease net-

The Potters scored the game's first six points and led by five after "Give East Liverpool credit, they the first quarter and by six at half-

Weir High netted the first four won the rebounds and the loose points of the third quarter and got that ball battles. Those are the little within two twice early in the third, light things East Liverpool did (that put but Pease drained triples on backto-back possessions to move the it didn't appear to af-On the possession prior, the Rid-margin back out, ultimately sitting fect the play much. Still, to essentially run out the at a five-point lead after three.

The Red Riders also got 18 points from Damarr Turner.

"This is a huge learning experiad twice in the fourth quarter, inuding inside four minutes to play.

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Preston Kerr led the Potters with ren Harding on Tuesday night.

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Replays Smith-Schuster, though defensive holding. the cornerback said he clock from that point wasn't upset at officials for the call.

"We have to finish out games better and make our foul shots, shall on Friday for their regular but we're going to celebrate this. We're proud of it."

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Kansas City was able forward. Chiefs running back Jerick McKinnon "It was a holding. I made a smart move on the Referee Carl Cheffers scoring a touchdown.

Mahomes then was able to kneel twice as the "The receiver went to clock ran down after the the inside and he was at- Eagles used their final

sey with his right hand proved to be the winner.

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# **Martins Ferry** takes down Bellaire in 3A

By SETH STASKEY Times Leader Sports Editor

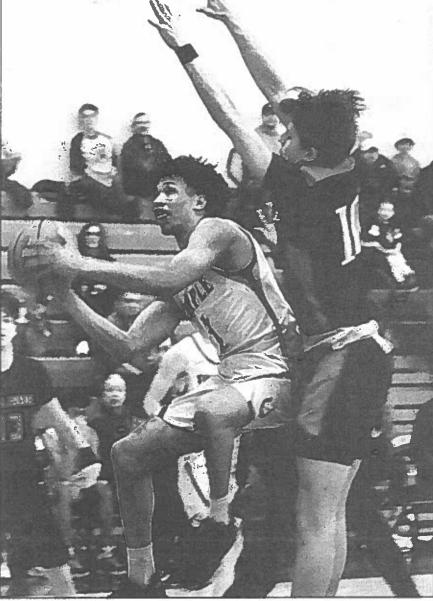
MARTINS FERRY – Martins Ferry's boys basketball team will be playing for its first Ohio Valley Athletic Conference championship since 2017 Saturday afternoon after it handed rival Bellaire by a 64-54 score inside the Tolbert Gymnasium Tuesday eve-

ning.
Unfortunately, head coach Derek Edwards opened his post-game remarks by expressing his disappointment with events that allegedly occurred outside that led to a heavy police presence and a Martins Ferry High School game staff member informing both teams and those remaining in the gymnasium and cafetorium that they were not permitted to leave because of what was transpiring outside. transpiring outside.

"Everyone needs a little bit of perspective," an upset Edwards said. "Win or lose, (sports) are about the student-athletes and competing in the Ohio Valley. Nothing should take attention away from the kids, especially the people in the stands. All of us need to do a better job of that and leave it to the players to enjoy the experience especially." to the players to enjoy the experience, especially in a game like this. I am very disappointed.

Prior to the post-game events, the Purple Riders and Big Reds played a game that had nary an issue. The Purple Riders, who now own two victories against the Big Reds this season, came out on fire and jumped to a 7-0

"We got off to a bad start and Martins Fer-See, FERRY, Page B2



season, came out on fire and jumped to a 7-0 lead and eventually a 16-3 reading. Quite simply, the Big Reds never recovered.
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"We got off to a had start and 64-54 victory.

# River trips Shadyside in 2A semi

By MARK DIERKES For The Times Leader

HANNIBAL -River High punched its ticket for a shot at the OVAC 2-A crown Tuesday night with a physical, defensive-minded 42-31 semi-final win over a determined defending champion Shadyside at the R.L Potts

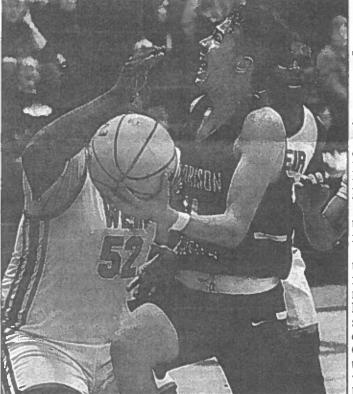
Coach Mark Romick's 18-3 record Pilots earned a berth in the final at Harrison Central, Saturday at 10 versus county rival Monroe Central, which beat Southern in OT.

The hosts led wire-to-wire at the wheelhouse, but coach Ed Andes' Tigers were dealt a huge blow 34 seconds in when junior floor leader Ben Wach injured his ankle while attempting to block a shot along the baseline and fell awkwardly. After a delay of a few minutes he had to be assisted to the bench and was unable to return.

"If you'd told me we'd shoot one-for-12 in the first (six-for-26 in the half) and only be down five at the half I'd take it," said Andes, whose 11-10 record club couldn't get within four in the second half.

The Pilots received a game-high 15 points from junior Kabel Isaly, a steadying contributor in the backcourt who had 11 in the second half. Senior

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Photo/ANDREW GRIMM

HARRISON CENTRAL junior Hayden Cassidy goes up for a Shot against Weir High's Cam Jones (52) and Malachi Stroprentice got fouled after mile during Tuesday's OVAC Class 4A semifinal in Weirton.

With the Scote Milotos, big wins.

2A final by toppling defending champic "It's awesome for this Shadyside Tuesday night in Hannibal. See, HARRISON, Page B2"

## **Harrison Central** falls to Weir in 4A

By ANDREW GRIMM For The Times Leader

from behind to win it.

This time squaring off finals, and entering the tour- pionship. ney having been two of the hottest teams in the Valley again," since their first meeting, a "Give credit to (Harrison double-overtime contest in Central), they fight, they get Cadiz, the game was every- rebounds, they hit outside thing a basketball fan could shots ... that's a really good want with the outcome in the team. We are proud of get-

bound with 2.8 second to go, and made one of two from

WEIRTON - For the second time this season, Weir the ball somehow pinballed high and Harrison Central off an inbound heave to the played an instant classic of Huskies' Daniel Ody in the a game.

Huskies' Daniel Ody in the corner, but his last-second And, also for the second jumper as the horn sound-time, the Red Riders came ed did not drop through the hoop, giving the Red Riders a 62-61 victory and a trip to the OVAC Class 4A semi- Saturday's Class 4A Cham-

"This was a dogfight Santangelo said. With the score knotted, were coming off some very



T-L File Photo/SETH STASKEY

balance until the final horn. ting a win over them, they RIVER JUNIOR point guard Kabel Isaly and the Pilots advanced to the OVAC A final by toppling defending champion

### St. Clairsville fends off Brooke for OVAC consolation win

By BUBBA KAPRAL

For the Times Leader

ST. CLAIRSVILLE - The Red Dev-

ils are growing up. ecuted near flawlessly down the stretch playing a solid second half. to outlast Brooke, 74-69, in an OVAC Tournament consolation game on John Jenkins Court Tuesday night.

line (Tuesday). I was happy with the forts from a trio of Red Devils. poise we displayed in the fourth quar-

The win was the ninth against 10 losses for St. Clairsville. Brooke, duced 23 counters. Senior Luke Por- solid game in the paint for the visitors, St. Clairsville's youthful charges ex- meanwhile, dropped to 7-10, despite ter, who made several keys plays with meshed a layup before Porter netted a

playing a poor second quarter. We

poured in a game-high 26 points while edge. junior sharpshooter Cole Thoburn prothe outcome hanging in the balance, free throw with 1:39 remaining. Bruin

tightened things up in the second half heading into the fourth quarter. The Brooke deficit to 67-64 with 1:20 to "We would have lost this game earlier in the year," Red Devils' head coach Adam Shinskey noted. "We put ourthan the final margin in the final eight

sponded with a conventional three-Rising sophomore Tyson Pastor point play for a five-point Red Devil

Nathan Kimball, who enjoyed a "We dug ourselves a big hole by chipped in with 17 points.

talented point guard Leighton Toepfer aying a poor second quarter. We St. Clairsville held a slim 54-51 lead drove the paint for a deuce, cutting the

Pastor held the Bruins at bay by

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group to get to the championship game. I don't think Weir's won it since 2011, so this is cool to have a shot. We knew what was on the line and it's good to finish a game like this to get there when it was down to the nitty gritty.

The point was Prentice's 11th of the game. making him one of three Red Riders (13-7) in double digits.

Setting up the comeback was another senior, Colin "G" Cross, getting going in the fourth quarter after the No. 3 seed Huskies (11-8) defense had limited him to just six in the first three quarters. Cross, who dropped 45 points in the first meeting. netted 14 in the fourth quarter, including a pair of key triples.

While Cross was being defended, Damarr Turner • River carried the load for Weir and finished with 18 Continued from Page B1

After Weir opened a 15-11 lead after one, Harrison Central nearly dou- lythe second and led 30-25 Brody (Lollathin) did a great job defenat the break thanks to a sively 9-0 run that flipped the momentum. Hayden Cassidy, who led all players at the second quarter horn

Cassidy scored nine-Huskies with 3:52 to go in the quarter when Cabot Arbaugh went down with

## Linsly, Monroe advance to OVAC final

CALDWELL - Third-seeded Linsly will have a chance to defend its OVAC Class 3A title.

Linsly, which had to win several big games over the course of the last couple of weeks to even qualify for the tourup an impressive 72-50 victory against 13. Caldwell.

The Cadets were led by senior Gavin

Jackson's 26 points. Carter Anderson picked up an OVAC consolation victoadded 17 and Will Taylor posted 11.

Caldwell was once again led by All-Ohioan Bede Lori. The senior dan- all scorers with 22 points. Jaki Threet dy pumped in a game-high 28.

Monroe Central 61, Southern 58 WOODSFIELD - Monroe Central has earned the right to take on River for ils won a low-scoring contest against a third time with a conference title on the line. The Seminoles advanced to the solation bracket. title game by virtue of a victory against Southern Local.

The Seminoles were led by sophomore Tucker Howell, who went for 20 points. Loghan Brown scored 15 points, proved to be too much for the Jets Tueswhile Lane Demchak added 14 for the day in an OVAC consolation game. winners.

CONSOLATION Buckeye Local 72, Edison 50

3-A final a year ago when it fell to Lins-

"We wanted to speed (Shadyside)

RICHMOND - Buckeye Local used a strong second quarter and never looked back en route to an OVAC consolation victory against the Wildcats.

The Panthers were led by Ryder Kindberg-Colabelli's 19. Dayne Carter nament, went on the road and picked added 16 and Gavyn Romanyak posted

Conotton Valley 57, Bridgeport 47 ry by fending off the Bulldogs Tuesday.

Bridgeport senior Gavin Jackson led added 12.

Beallsville 39, Wood Co. 21 BEALLSVILLE - The Blue Dev-Wood Co. Christian in the OVAC con-

The Blue Devils were led by Logan Taylor's 16.

**University 68, Union Local 43** MORRISTOWN - The Hawks

The Jets were led by senior D.J. Butts' 18. Beezer Porter added seven.

but we executed and defended well," ermen took a 20-15 lead at the break said Romick, who had his crew in the when Peyton Blue's steal turned into a Long layup.

When Luke Bell nailed his second '3' bled-up the Red Riders in up because it worked to our advantage. of the game it pulled the visitors within 22-18, but Isaly matched it with one of his own at the 5:00 mark. Brock picked

> It was 30-20 after a Lollathin '3' and Thompson took a feed from Isaly to

The Pilots worked the clock to open Bowers forced a Tiger timeout at 4:01. Despite Brock's six points in the frame

Shadyside will face Southern in the

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Ferry-

Ferry had a lot to do with that," Bellaire head coach J.R. Battista said. "Their length in the lane is a prob-lem and we were giving extra (defensive) help to (Denali) Jackson and he did what good players do and that's make the other guys around him better.'

Jackson certainly raised the level of play. In the opening spurt, Mason Redinger hit a 3 pointer and senior Gaige O'Connell got a bucket. In the second Ferry run, which was a 9-0 spurt following a Jakob Dowling trey, O'Connell hit a bonus goal and Tev'n Williams got on the board.

"I am very, very proud of how we came out playing in the first quarter," Edwards, who picked up career win number 100 in his career, said. "We can shoot. We shoot it at a high percentage, especially here (at home). We're willing to work for the good shot. I am very proud of how well our guys shared the ball and made shots.

Bellaire chipped away in the second after staring up at an 18-6 deficit at the end of one. Actually, after Martins Ferry's two leaders - Jackson and sophomore Alex Reese - both picked up their second personal foul and went to the bench, the Big Reds got a bucket from Lucas Littell and another Dowling 3 to make it a 24-18.

Edwards didn't hesitate. Jackson and Reese were quickly re-inserted into the lineup and Ferry closed the half with a 33-24 lead.

"We knew Bellaire wasn't going to go away, but when you're two horses go out (of the game), other guys have to step up," Edwards said.

Jackson was a handful throughout, but especially so

in the first half.

He scored 10 of his 24 in the second quarter. All told, he had 16 points and 12 rebounds at halftime. He finished with 16 rebounds.

"Ferry was able to steady the ship and calm the waters," Battista said. "We were never able to make them nervous. We could never make the play we needed to put us over the top either offensively or defensively. Martins Ferry made all of the hinge plays in the game and that's a credit to them and why they won.'

Martins Ferry, which was led by Jackson's production, also received solid scoring from Williams, who added 15. Reese was held well below his average and finished with 13 and seven rebounds. He also blocked three shots.

The Big Reds (13-7) were led by Dowling's 20. Junior Mayson Sochor finished with 18, while senior Ray Ray Pettigrew added eight.

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ing it a 69-66 St. Clairsville advantage. Thoburn's two charity tosses with 41.8 seconds left stretched the lead to five.

Brooke refused to go quietly. Nick Cipoletti buried a trey with 30 seconds showing, bringing the visitors to within 71-69. Thoburn, however, proved clutch again, sinking two more freebies. After a Bruin miss from the floor, Pastor added a charity toss with 16.1 seconds showing to seal the deal for the hosts.

Kimball led a trio of Brooke double-figure scorers with 20 points. Leighton Toepfer finished with 15 tallies, all coming in the second half, while Charlie Fuscardo added 12 counters, all via the bonus ball.

St. Clairsville, which visits University Friday, gained a 22-18 lead after the opening frame. Thoburn sparked the hosts with nine points in the round, courtesy of a trio of treys, while Porter added seven lightings. Kimball countered with six for the Bruins.

The Red Devils, using 11 Pastor points, stretched their advantage to 42-31 at halftime. Brooke tightened matters with a strong third quarter as Leighton Toepfer, Kimball and Fuscardo each scored six points. The Red Devils, meanwhile, were guilty of seven turnovers as their lead was sliced to three heading into the fourth.

We didn't play a good third quarter," Clifford said. "Brooke switched to a zone defense and we had some issues with it. We also got sloppy with the ball.

"But it is a nice win. Brooke is a solid team. Like us, they have played a challenging schedule," he continued. "We have another real tough stretch coming up. We go to University Friday then we have Wheeling Park and Harrison Central next week.'

### Tellitocci

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and officiating for more than six years. Beyond Tellitocci's role as assistant commissioner, while at the OVC, he also was the tournament manager for the men's and women's basketball championships and the baseball championship. He also served as the tournament manager for the 2018 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament First and Second Round games at Bridgestone Arena in Nashville, Tennessee. In addition to his work for the OVC, he also serves on the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Competition

'Throughout the search process, Travis demonstrated that he is an emerging leader in college athletics, and is well-suited to build on the incredible success of Rich Ensor," said Niagara University president, the Rev. James J. Maher, C.M., who also serves

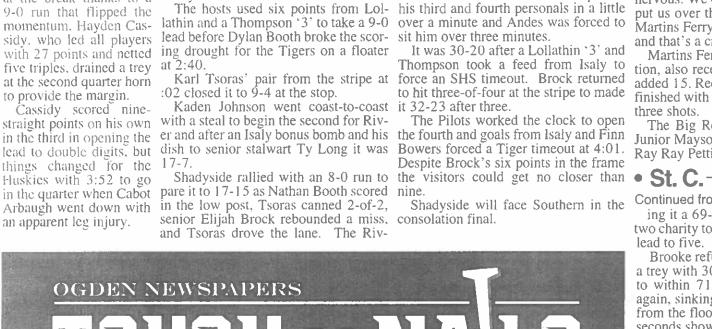




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WVU's Jimmy Bell (15) works toward the basket during a game from earlier this season. He has been a bright spot for the Mountaineers this season.

### Three Question Marks Have Turned Into Nice Surprises For WVU

MORGANTOWN - Think about this for a minute. Bob Huggins' best players since he's come home to West Virginia have been skill type guys.

You know the names ... Da'Sean Butler, Devin Ebanks, Jevon Carter, Miles Mc-Bride.



**BOB HERTZEL** WV News

a run of tough, solid, inside men who created the character with which his teams play. It's quite a list: Kev-in Jones, Devin Wil-liams, Sagaba Konate, Derek Culver, Oscar Tshiebwe.

But he's also had

As he entered this season, though, there seemed to be a gap there, no proven big man.

Rebounding, a Huggins staple, seemed inadequate. Shot blocking the same thing.
Huggins thought — maybe 'hoped' is

a better word — that he could cover that hole up with three very tall, athletic question marks in Jimmy Bell Jr., a converted football play who had even outgrown football at 6-10 and more than 300 pounds when he arrive; James Okonkwo, who had outgrown tennis in his native England; and Mo Wague, a one-time soccer player in Mali who was pushing 7 feet.

Only Bell had Division I experience at St. Louis but was coming from junior college, as was Wague, while Okonkwo came in a year ago planning to redshirt after skipping his senior year of high school.

All had a problem adjusting at first, as did the Mountaineers as a team. They had to start over with seven new players, a team that popped out of the transfer portal as if it were a toaster.

But all of a sudden, midway through the threesome began finding itself. Bell muscling for points down low and rebounds up nigh: Okonkwo grabbing off rebounds and blocking shots with a flare not seen since Konate, and Wague, long, lean and enthusiastic to block shots, score some points. run the floor and battle on that very same floor for loose balls.

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**OVAC BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT SEMIFINALS** 

# **Dragons Slay Warriors** To Reach 1A Finals Again

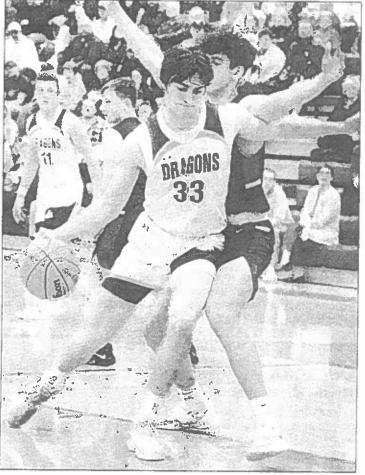


Photo by Kim North

Cameron's Lance Hartley (33) makes a move to the basket against Trinity Christian Tuesday night inside Dragons Indoor Stadium. He had 22 points and 12 rebounds.

Top-Seeded Cameron Holds Off Trinity Christian, 47-41

> **By KIM NORTH** Staff Writer

CAMERON - They are back and looking for more gold.

Top-seeded Cameron (10-8) built a big enough lead in the middle two quarters Tuesday night and then held off a late run by No. 4 Trinity Christian (9-9) for a 47-41 victory in an OVAC Class 1A Boys Basketball championship semifinal inside Dragons Indoor Stadium.

With the triumph, the Dragons advanced to Saturday night's title tilt against second-seeded Madonna, a 62-50 winner over No. 3 Valley in the other semi..

That game will tip at approximately 6 o'clock.

"They hit some big baskets for us," Cameron head coach Tom Hart said of Cole Burkett and Lance Hartley. "They really did, but I also thought we played really good team defense and got solid minutes off our bench. It was a real team effort."

Behind the excellent play of Hartley, Cameron extended a 13-12 lead after one quarter to 25-10.

extended a 13-12 lead after one quarter to 25-19 at the half. The 6-5 junior netted 10 of the Dragons 12 points in the second quarter, including a pair of

Leading 29-23 with a little more than five min-utes remaining in the third quarter and the War-riors converting back-to-back baskets, Hart called a 30-second timeout. Whatever he said to his troops worked as they went on a 12-5 run - sparked by six points each from Hartley and Burkett - to lead 41-28 entering the final panel.

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Photo by William Wotring

Wheeling Park's Mykel Davis drives to the basket Tuesday night as Morgantown's Jacob King defends during an OVAC Class 5A Boys Basketball championship semifinal contest in Morgantown.

## Wheeling Park Beaten By Morgantown In 5A

Patriots Fall To Mohigans For 3rd Time This Season

By CODY NESPOR For The Intelligencer

MORGANTOWN - The Morgantown boys' basketball team survived an absolute battle against Wheeling Park Tuesday, defeating the Patriots 59-45 in an OVAC Class 5A semifinal inside the Rowdie Center.

It was the teams' second meeting in five days after MHS won 52-48 in Wheeling last Friday. That familiarity showed early in the game Tuesday as the Patriots (11-6) were able to take away Morgantown's (18-1) usual go-to options on offense while tiring out the Mohigans' defense with constant motion.

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## Ferry To Play For 3A OVAC Boys Basketball Crown

By SETH STASKEY For The Intelligencer **MARTINS** - Martins Ferry's boys permitted to basketball team will be leave because playing for its first Ohio of what was

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Tallman said, "That's great coaching by (Mike) Jebbia, the 59-45 win. he wore us down but at the It's a good win.'

Kisner were held scoreless in the first half and with standout point guard Sha- is driving in and getting Ron Young sidelined with buckets inside and it's an injured hand, it was junior Izzy Everett who stepped up when the team Mike Jebbia said. "Their needed it.

Everett scored six points problems. in the first quarter and eight "(Wheeling Park) shot in the second to lead MHS the absolute lights out of with 14 of the half. with 14 at the half.

he's stepped up huge.' great job.

"Thank goodness Izzy had to gut it out." was here (Tuesday). Other guys weren't producing and he stepped up.

Morgantown led 15-12 after one quarter and 32-Mohigans all over standout Aiden Davis, Park turned to freshman Amare Johnson, who hit four treys off the bench in the first half.

15-5 scoring run out of the day in a consolation thirdbreak to lead by 14 mid- place game. way through the third quarter, but the Patriots battled burg South 59-53 in the eight, 49-41 entering the day night.

"We chased then a lot final frame. Morgantown's Mohigans pulled away for

defense wore them down. for Park while Davis ended up with 17 with three team's 45 points.

"A lot of our strength just not going to be there against them." Park coach length just causes those

it (Tuesday)," Tallman of-"Izzy's been big time, fered. "Aiden Davis is a first team all-state kind in Tallman said. "I'm really my mind for sure. They did proud of him, he's doing a a great job, they schemed us up a little bit and we just

Everett led Morgantown with 15 points, Jacob King was the only other player in double figures with 10. Tallman said he wants his 28 at halftime. With the seniors — Brody Davis (nine points), Cam Danser (nine) and Kisner (eight) to step up with Young sidelined.

Wheeling Park will play Morgantown went on a at Parkersburg South Fri-

Dover defeated Parkers-

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"I feel like it's not a time to reflect," Hurts said about his journey to stardom. "We came here to finish the job.

Chiefs coach Andy Reid got numerous questions about his time in Philadelphia and food. The cheeseburger fanatic would not name his favorite city to eat outside of Kansas City, Green Bay and Philly.

"They won't let you back in if I do," he said. Overall, opening night wasn't quite as outrageous

In Arizona in 2008, a female reporter showed up wearing a white wedding dress and veil and proposed to Tom Brady, who was trying to lead the Patriots to the first 19-0 season in NFL history.

One radio host walked around shirtless wearing a barrel. A television reporter from Mexico asked people to play pin the tail on the donkey and then asked them to toss foam footballs into a basket. Some of the Eagles cheerleaders participated.

Otherwise, it was more about odd questions than

Someone asked Mahomes and Sirianni if this was a

Both said yes in the most polite way possible. "The job is not finished," said Mahomes, who is

ilso an MVP finalist. Mahomes got the loudest ovation of the night.

Oh, his favorite song of all time is Rihanna's "Umbrella." Rihanna will be the halftime performer but he won't be watching. "Coach Reid said if we go out there to watch to just

keep walking," Mahomes said. The Eagles (16-3) and Chiefs (16-3) meet on Sun-

day, both aiming for their second Super Bowl title within five years. Perhaps the most anxious person in the stadium will

be Donna Kelce, mom of All-Pros Jason and Travis. Donna Kelce, who took part in some of the night's festivities on stage, wore a jersey that was half-green for Jason's Eagles and half-red for Travis' Chiefs. She had No. 87 for Travis on the front and No. 62 for Jason on the back.

Who is the biggest momma's boy? Donna held up a photo of Travis.

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### **3A**

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tigue," MHS coach Dave the fourth, however, as the nior Gaige O'Connell got a bucket. In the second Ferry run, which was a 9-0 spurt following a Jakob and Reese were quickly re-inserted blocked three shots. Johnson finished with Dowling trey, O'Connell hit a bo- into the lineup and Ferry closed the end, I'd like to think our a game-high 19 points nus goal and Tev'n Williams got half with a 33-24 lead. on the board.

Usual MHS threats Bro-three-pointers. Those two second after staring up at an 18-6 half. He scored 10 of his 24 in the dy Davis and Garrison combined for 36 of the deficit at the end of one. Actually, second quarter. All told, he had 16 after Martins Ferry's two leaders - Jackson and sophomore Alex Reese - both picked up their sec-

Dowling 3 to make it a 24-18.

Edwards didn't hesitate. Jackson

Jackson was a handful through-Bellaire chipped away in the out, but especially so in the first Ray Ray Pettigrew added eight. points and 12 rebounds at halftime. He finished with 16 rebounds.

Martins Ferry, which was led by in the other semifinal.

Jackson certainly raised the level ond personal foul and went to the Jackson's production, also received so we were tired but we've defense clamped down to of play. In the opening spurt, Ma- bench, the Big Reds got a buck- solid scoring from Williams, who got to fight through fa- allow just one field goal in son Redinger hit a 3 pointer and se- et from Lucas Littell and another added 15. Reese was held well below his average and finished with 13 and seven rebounds. He also

The Big Reds (13-7) were led by Dowling's 20. Junior Mayson Sochor finished with 18, while senior

The Purple Riders will now shift their attention to a date with defending 3A champion Linsly, which defeated Caldwell, 72-50.

#### DRAGONS

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three-point land in the first three quarters, connected on a trio of triples down the stretch.

Carter Hartsock scored seven of his 21 points in the fourth quarter, and when Lucas Kniska tickled the treys, while Chayce Adams added eight. Hartsock twine from bonus land, it was 44-41 with 7.1 seconds

2.7 ticks remaining and made the first shot. The second was off the mark, but Hartley sliced between two Warriors for the offensive rebound and banked the ball off the glass ahead of the final buzzer for the sixpoint final.

The Dragons were their own worst enemy in the final eight minutes as they went 1-for 4 from the floor, only made half of their eight free throws and charted four turnovers.

"We were playing so hard ... trying to make things happen," Hart said of the lackluster fourth quarter in which Cameron was outscored 13-6. "Basketball is a game of runs and Trinity made a nice run there, but comment after the contest. we were able to hold them off at the end.'

Hartley finished with a double-double of 22 points more turnover at 13-12.

Trinity Christian, which was a cool 2-for-13 from and 12 rebounds - both game-highs. Hartley chipped in 17 points and half-a-dozen rebounds. Wichterman added six markers and a like number of boards.

> Kniska supported Hartsock with nine on three also pulled down 11 rebounds.

The win came just over 24 hours after the Dragons Cameron's Colson Wichterman was fouled with lost to Buffalo Putnam in the Par Mar Big House Classic at West Virginia State University in Institute. However, Hart said that game probably helped his team.

"Actually, I think playing Monday might have helped us because we had been off for a week," he noted. "We were a little rusty but we came to play to-

night. The boys were focused and I'm proud of them."
"It doesn't matter who we play," Hart admitted. "We know Valley well. We know Madonna well. They are both good teams that are well-coached. We know we will be in a battle because they are both rivals of ours."

Trinity Christian head coach Codey Horton had no

Cameron led 30-24 off the glass and also had one

#### QUESTION -

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back to cut the lead to other 5A semifinal Tues- points in two of the last six games while grabbing of 33 rebounds in and rebounds while adding some highlight blocks in each of the last few games.

"I think I'm a little more confident now, getting into the groove more,' Okonkwo said. "I think my positioning on the court is getting a bit better and I think it's all just going to cme with time. No rush. Everything is going to come when it comes.

One thing is certain, as Erik Stewo say that.

"He's going to be a problem. That's what he's trying to stay,

Bell, the starter, has scored 15 he's going to be a problem," Ste- to go." Huggins said in his Tuesvenson said.

reer double-double with 10 points talking about a guy who was a tennis player. He just continues to get better and better and I think our other guys have started to understand how talented he is.

> "I think they are much more encouraged by where he could go, but I think more importantly, they're going to be encouraging him to to work at it.'

He's been getting more playing venson said when he heard Okonk time the last five games and that adds to his confidence.

And as for Wague? "He can go as far as he wants get a better base here."

day press conference. "The weight "James is a guy who could end up room is going to be critical for him. those games, laying claim to the being a force in college basketball especially lower body. He's long, area down low, while Okonkwo, if he continues to improve," Hugarinst Oklahoma, had his first cagins said the other day. "You're there for him. It's just, is he going to put the effort in?

They have learned to play in the physically challenging Big 12, learning the games - as tough as they are - are not as tough as the practices Huggins puts them through.

"They go at each other pretty good," Huggins said. "Jimmy usucontinue to improve and continue ally wins. He has been great for those other two guys because they are learning you've got to use your lower body. After he's knocked them out of the lane a couple of times they start to realize 'I got to

### MOUNTAINEERS

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regular season title, sit- Oklahoma. ting second at 7-3 in the What changed Steven-conference behind a 9-2 son after he struggled nament.

Iowa State isn't worried like to find a path to the Gansey, and Mike talked ing profile. conference crown that no to him.' one thought it could win became a two-point defeat at Allen Field House.

Texas team. West Virgin- through a tough shooting ia, at 3-7 in conference slump and let his emo- a calming effect on peo- always a big game, and he play, is trying to rally it- tions and mouth get out of self into the NCAA Tour- control? ple. He's not loud. He's straight to the point."

Maybe this.

Cavaliers.

hand, stumbled blindly get tired of hearing the on the other. into Big 12 play, losing same voice, man. I get

has. He has been, in the as I remember. What changed Steven- last four or five or six games, a great teammate.

"I'll tell you the truth," teams in need of victory, they leave. about its tournament re- Huggins said. "I put him each for a different reason sume but certainly would on the phone with Mike and each with a contrast- ly different team on the

WVU is a big, strong Gansey, of course, is team that will try to mus- them. They're still a good no one, that is, except the former Mountaineer cle its way past an Iowa team, but there are holes themselves ever since star who now is general State team that goes with in their game when they scaring Kansas in what manager of the Cleveland four guards and one in- get on the road. side player, and this one "If you've been around will be decided by whom- in the Hilton. That crowd WVU, on the other sports, you know you ever can impose his will

The Mountaineers do has, by coach Bob Hug- voice now," Huggins factor that is not found on road. gins' own admission, re- said. "That's common in the statistic sheet, and that two games.

Home-court ferent team on the road and Mo Wague.

The Cyclones, living Stevenson has scored uations where you are place to play," Huggins off an undefeated 12-0 more than 30 points in uncomfortable that you said. "The fans are terrifseason to date at home, two of the past three, vic- have to find ways to calm ic. They are really good. are contending for the tories over Auburn and it down. To his credit, he They were good as long

Guard Joe Toussaint played at Iowa State when "Mike is Mike. He has he was at Iowa. That was got to see the Iowa State fans at their rowdiest. It So what we have is two makes a difference when

They are a completeroad," Toussaint said. "That's not a knock on

"It's really hard to play is ridiculous, their fan base is ridiculous. That's why they struggle a little its first five games, but tired of hearing Erik's possess the one major bit when they are on the

WVU has the fan base covered to win three of sports. You are together is a home crowd that was this time, and Huggins' its past five as guard Erik so much and are in sit- rip-snorting wild the past idea against them will be to work the ball inside to advan- Jimmy Bell and his two tage is huge against Iowa rapidly improving young State, which is a far dif- partners, James Okonkwo

Want More Free Time? How about having 1 less chore to deal with?

### LOCAL CARD

Wednesday, Feb. 8 BOWLING John Marshall vs. Martins Ferry GIRLS BASKETBALL Martins Ferry at Wheeling Central Wheeling Park at Union Local Edison at Wellsville Steubenville Central at Buckeye

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men Wheeling University at Concord, 7:30 p.m West Liberty at Glenville State, 7:30 p.m. Women

Wheeling University at Concord, 5:30 p.m. West Liberty at Glenville State,

5:30 p.m. Bethany at Franciscan, 6 p.m. PREP WRESTLING Barnesville at John Marshall Southern Local, Union Local at Steubenville Weir at East Liverpool

### Sports on TV

Wednesday, February 8 COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S) 6 p.m. CBSSN — Hofstra at Northeastern

6:30 p.m. BTN — Nebraska at Michigan FS1 — Creighton at Seton Hall 7 p.m. ACCN — Boston College at Virgin-

ESPN2 — Iowa St. at West Virginia ESPNU — Syracuse at Florida St. SECN — Tennessee at Vanderbilt

8 p.m. CBSSN — Georgetown at Provi-

8:30 p.m.
BTN — Wisconsin at Penn St.
FS1 — DePaul at Villanova

PS1 — Deratif at Vindinova 9 p.m. ESPN2 — Florida at Alabama ESPNU — Oklahoma at Baylor SECN — LSU at Mississippi St. 10 p.m. CBSSN — San Diego St. at Utah

( 10:30 p.m. FS1 — UNLV at Wyoming GOLF

St.

GOLF 12:30 a.m. (Thursday)
GOLF — DP World Tour: The Singapore Classic, First Round, Laguna National Golf Resort Club, Singapore

NBA BASKETBALL 7:45 p.m. ESPN — Philadelphia at Boston 10:05 p.m. ESPN — Dallas at LA Clippers NHL HOCKEY

8:30 p.m. Minnesota at Dallas RUGBY (MEN'S) · TNT -2 a.m. (Thursday) FS2 — NRL: Wests at New Zealand, Preseason Trials SOCCER (MEN'S)

1:50 p.m. — FIFA Club World Cup: Al Ahly vs. Real Madrid, Semifinal, Rabat, Morocco 3 p.m.

USA — Premier League: Leeds United at Manchester United TENNIS

TENNIS
6 a.m.
TENNIS — Dallas-ATP, Montpellier-ATP, Cordoba-ATP, Abu Dhabi-WTA, Linz-WTA Early Rounds
6 a.m. (Thursday)
TENNIS — Dallas-ATP, Montpellier-ATP, Cordoba-ATP, Abu Dhabi-WTA, Linz-WTA Early Rounds

### **NFL PLAYOFFS**

Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 12 At Glendale, Ariz.

Philadelphia vs. Kansas City, 6:30

### PREP SCORES

W.VA. BOYS Beallsville, Ohio 39, Wood County Christian 21 Bluefield 74, Chapmanville 63 Buffalo 43, Poca 37 Cameron 47, Trinity 41 Cameron 47, Trinity 41
4. Greenbrier West
Charleston Catholic 85, Saint Joseph
5. Webster County Doddridge County 69, Braxton

Dover, Ohio 59, Parkersburg South

53
East Hardy 72, Union Grant 41
Frankfort 70, Petersburg 49
George Washington 79, Jefferson 54
Liberty Harrison 62, Grafton 55
Lincoln County 50, Lewis County 48
Madonna 62, Valley Wetzel 50
Martinetus 60, Machinetus 50 Madonna 62, Valley Wetzel 50 Martinsburg 60, Washington 50 Montcalm 61, Meadow Bridge 54 Morgantown 59, Wheeling Park 45 Nicholas County 65, Midland Trail 54 Paw Paw 75, Timber Ridge, Va. 24 Princeton 59, PikeView 49 Sherman 61, Van 45 South Harrison 90, Calhoun County

Spring Mills 99, Southern Fulton,

Spring Valley 71, Parkersburg 63 Steubenville, Ohlo 67, John Marshall

Tug Valley 69, Mingo Central 47 University 68, Belmont Union Local Ohio 43 Weir 62, Cadiz Harrison Cent., Ohio

Winfield 65, Ripley 60 Wirt County 68, Parkersburg Catho-lic 38 Wyoming East 79, Liberty Raleigh 59 W.VA. GIRLS

East Carter, Ky. 58, Saint Joseph Central 54 Huntington 54, Parkersburg South

Lewis County 51, Lincoln County 44 Meadow Bridge 49, Montcalm 33 Princeton 62, Oak Hill 34 South Charleston 44, Parkersburg

Spring Valley 65, Parkersburg 41 Summers County 49, PikeView 36 Tolsia 54, Buffalo 39

### W.VA. Polls

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - The Associated Press high school boys basketball poll with first-place votes in parentheses and total Rec Pts Prv

Class AAAA Class AAAA

Morgantown (10) 17-1 100
Parkersburg South 11-4 84
George Washington 15-2 82
Huntington 14-2 74
Spring Mills 13-4 47
Greenbrier East 9-6 41
Jefferson 10-4 34
15-4 34 9-6 41 10-4 34 15-4 34 (tie) Hedgesville 9. South Charleston 11-5 19 10 10. Wheeling Park Others receiving votes: Bridgeport 7, St. Albans 3, Spring Valley 3, Woodrow Wilson 2, Cabell Midland 2.

Class AAA Shady Spring (10)
 Fairmont Senior 13-1 90 2 15-1 77 3 14-1 73 4 11-8 51T7 3. Ripley 4. East Fairmont 5. Logan 6. Winfield 8-7 44 6 11-7 43 5 12-6 31 9 9-7 22 T7 Scott 8. Herbert Hoover 9-7 22 T7 8-8 8 10 Others receiving votes: Weir 7, North Marion 2, Philip Barbour 2. Class AA 1. Williamstown (0)

2. Bluefield (1) 3. Chapmanville 4. South Harrison 10-4 14-1 Charleston Catholic 13-3 54 Wyoming East 11-5 40 Ravenswood 13-4 38 Ravenswood 8. St. Marys 9. Poca 10. Wheeling Central 11-4 36 10-7 27 8-9 Others receiving votes: Wirt County 5, Ritchie County 1. Class A

1. James Monroe (10) 15-2 100 2. Webster County 13-3 85 13-3 85 13-3 81 10-4 73 10-6 471 9-7 43 3. Tug Valley 4. Tucker County 5. Clay-Battelle 6. Cameron East Hardy Pendleton County 13-5 41 10-5 37 9. Tolsia 12-6 20NR 10. Doddridge County 9-7 11T7 Others receiving votes: Madonna 5, St. Joseph 4, Tygarts Valley 3.

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - The Associated Press high school girls basketball poll with first-place votes in parentheses and total

points: **Team** Class AAAA 18-2 92 Rec PtsPrv Class AAA

1. Wheeling Park (4)
2. Morgantown (3)
3. Spring Valley (3)
4. Spring Mills
5. Cabell Midland
6. University
7. Huntington 15-0 14-5 65 12-7 44 7. Huntington 10-8 41 8. Woodrow Wilson 9. Parkersburg South 10. Geo. Washington 10-7 31 10-8 12 11-5 81 (tie) St. Albans 11-8 8 10 Others receiving votes: Bridgeport 3, John Marshall 3. Class AAA

1. North Marion (6) 2. Wayne (3) 18-1 89 3. Ripley (1) 4. East Fairmont 12-4 52 10-7 52 9-9 34 5. Robert C. Byrd (tie) Philip Barbour 7. Nitro 8. Logan 9. Lewis County 10. PikeView 9-10 31 Others receiving votes: Keyser 4, Winfield 2. Class AA 1, Mingo Central (10) 2, Wyoming East 3. Summers County 16-1 100 2 15-4 65 5

4. Wheeling Central 5. Williamstown 6. St. Marys 14-4 62 13-7 48 Charleston Catholic 10-8 36 (tie) Parkers. Catholic 9. Ritchie County 11-6 36 11-7 17 12-6 15 10. Chapmanville Others receiving votes: Petersburg 2, Trinity 1. Class A 1. Cameron (10) 2. Doddridge County 3. Tucker County 14-5 100 1 15-3 86 2 14-2 83 3 James Monroe 13-5 51 10-8 40 Gilmer County Tolsia 9. Tug Valley 7-6 18T8 10. Pendleton County 8-3 13NR Others receiving votes: Meadow

### **ECHL**

Tuesday's Games Worcester at Reading, late Wichita at Kansas City, late

Wednesday's Games Adirondack at Newfland, 5:30 p.m. Adirondack at Newfland, 5:30 p.m Greenville at Atlanta, 7 p.m. Reading at Norfolk, 7:05 p.m. Toledo at Wheeling, 7:10 p.m. Jacksonville at Florida, 7:30 p.m. Indy at Iowa, 8:05 p.m. Tulsa at Idaho, 9:10 p.m. Thursday's Games S. Carolina at Savannah, 7 p.m. Fort Wayne at Allen, 8:05 p.m.

### NHL

Tuesday's Games Pittsburgh 2, Colorado 1, OT San Jose 4, Tampa Bay 3, OT N.Y. Islanders 4, Seattle 0 Edmonton 5, Detroit 2 Vegas 5, Nashville 1

Vegas 5, Nashville 1
Anaheim 3, Chicago 2, OT
Wednesday's Games
Vancouver at N.Y. Rangers, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday's Games
Calgary at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.
Edmonton at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
San lose at Florida 7 p.m. San Jose at Florida, 7 p.m. Seattle at New Jersey, 7 p.m. Vancouver at Islanders, 7:30 p.m. Vegas at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

**SPORTS** 

BOYS BASKETBALL OVAC Championship Semifinals Class 5A

Class 5A
Morgantown 59, Wheeling Park 45
WHEELING PARK (45) - A. Davis 7
1-2 17; Stephens 1 1-2 3; M. Davis 1 0-0 2; Phillips 1 1-2 3; Johnson 6
3-3 19; Totals: 16 6-9 45. MORGAN-TOWN (59) - Danser 3 2-2 9; Everett 6 1-2 15; King 4 0-1 10; Davis 4 0-1 9; Kisner 4 0-2 8; Neal 1 4-4 6; Johnson 1 0-0 2; Totals: 23 7-12 59.. 3-point goals: WP – Johnson (4), A. Davis (3). M – Everett (2), King (2),

Class 4A
Weir High 62, Harrison Central 61
HARRISON CENTRAL (61) – Jurosko
1 0-0 2; Madzia 2 3-5 7; Cassidy 10
2-2 27; Cuito 4 0-1 8; Arbaugh 0 2-2
2; Elliot 0 0-0 0; Fluharty 0 0-0 0; Ody
1 0-0 3. Totals: 22, 11-18; 61. WEIR
HIGH (62) – Cross 5 8-8 20; Lyons 1
0-0 2; Prentice 4 3-4 11; Brueck 1 0-0
2; Turner 65-7 18; Jones 2 0-1 4; Stromile 2 0-15: Smith 0 0-0 0. Totals: 21. mile 2 0-1 5; Smith 0 0-0 0. Totals: 21, 16-21; 62.

3-point goals: HC – Cassidy 5, Ody; WH – Cross (2), Stromile, Turner Class 3A

Martins Ferry 64, Bellaire 54
BELLAIRE (54) — R. Pettigrew 3, 2-4
8; M. Pettigrew 0, 0-0 0; Sochor 5, 6-7 8; M. Pettigrew 0, 0-0 0; Sochor 5, 6-7
18; Dowling 8, 0-0 20; D'Aquila 1, 0-0
2; Littell 2, '2-2 6; Totals: 19, 10-13 54.
MARTINS FERRY (64) — Jackson 10,
4-5 24; Reese 3, 7-8 13; Williams 6,
2-2 15; O'Connell 2, 0-0 5; Redinger
3, 0-0 7; Booth 0, 0-0 0; Krol 0, 0-0 0;
Totals: 24, 13-15 64.
3-point goals: B — Sochor (2), Dowling (4). MF — Redinger, Williams,
O'Connell.
Linsly 72, Caldwell 50

O'Connell.

Linsly 72, Caldwell 50

LINSLY (72) — Taylor 4, 2-3 11; Jackson 11, 0-0 26; Anderson 7, 0-0 17; Goodwin 0, 0-0 0; Coleman 4, 0-0 8; Vaysbakh 2, 0-0 6; L. Ruiz 2, 0-2 4; J. Ruiz 0, 0-0 0; Gill 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 30, 2-5 72. CALDWELL (50) — Wheeler 1, 2-3 4; Lori 10, 7-8 28; Devolld 1, 2-2 4; Wheeldin 3, 1-2 8; Harlan 2, 1-2 5; Pfeffer 0, 0-0 0; Starr 0, 0-0 0; Schott 0, 0-0 0; Crock 0, 0-0 0; Curry 0, 0-0 0; 0, 0-0 0; Crock 0, 0-0 0; Curry 0, 0-0 0; Guiler 0, 1-2 1; Totals: 17, 15-19 50. 3-point goals: L — Jackson (4), Taylor, Anderson (3). C — Lori, Wheel-

Class 2A
Monroe Central 61, S. Local 58
SOUTHERN LOCAL (58) — Perfetto
1, 0-0 2; Soukip 7, 0-2 14; Ketchum 5, 1-5 11; McCulley 0, 0-0 0; Smith 2, 0-0 5; Tribelo 2, 3-4 7; Riggs 7, 0-0 19; To-tals: 24, 4-11 58. MONROE CENTRAL (61) — Demchak 5, 0-1 14; Brown 6, 2-3 15; Parden 2, 0-0 4; Whitacre 2,

2-3 15; Parden 2, 0-0 4; Whitacre 2, 0-1 4; Silva 1, 0-0 2; Fogle 0, 0-0 0; Howell 9, 2-2 20; Kinney 1, 0-1 2; Totals: 26, 4-8 61.

3-point goals: SL — Riggs (5), Smith. MC — Demchak (4), Brown.

River 42 Shadyside 31

River (42) - Isaly 4, 5-7 15; Thompson 3, 1-2 8; Lollathin 3, 4-6 11; Johnson 1, 0-0 2; Bowers 1, 0-0 2; Blue 0, 0-0 0, Long 2, 0-1 4, Willis 0, 0-0 0. Totals 14-44, 10-16. SHADYSIDE (31) - Stot-14-44, 10-16. SHADYSIDE (31) - Stot-temyer 0, 0-0 0; N. Booth 1, 0-0 2; Bell 2, 0-1 6; Wach 0, 0-0 0; Tsoras 3, 4-5 10; D. Booth 1, 0-2 2; Brock 2, 7-8 11; Gorby 0, 0-0 0. Totals 9-35, 11-16. Three-point goals: River (4) - Isaly, Thompson 1, Lollathin 1. Shadyside

Class 1A Cameron 47, Trinity 41
TRINITY CHRISTIAN (41) – L. Kniska
3 0-0 9; Adams 3 1-2 8; Teets 0 1-3 1; Hartsock 9 2-2 21; White 0 0-0 0; Lohmann 0 2-2 2; Hancox 0 0-0 0; Totals: 15-44 6-11 41. CAMERON (47) – Burkett 6 4-7 17; Wichterman 2 2-5 6; Hartley 9 2-3 22; Debolt 0 0-0

0; Winters 1 0-0 2; Marling 0 0-0 0; Angel 0 0-0 0; Scott 0 0-0 0; Totals: 18-41 8-15 47

3-point goals: T - L. Kniska (3), Adams, Hartsock; C - Hartley (2), Bur-Madonna 62, Valley 50

Madonna 62, Valley 50 VALLEY (50) – Preat 1 2-2 4, Higgin-botham 4 3-3 14, Stackpole 1 0-0 2, Derby 5 3-4 16, Anderson 1 2-2 4, Jerico 4 0-0 10, Kennedy 0 0-0 0. Totals: 16 10-11 50. MADONNA (62) – Amaismeier 5 2-2 14, Mascio 6 2-2 15, S. DoBracksa 2 3-4 8, Miller 0 0-0 Muzri 6 2-3 14, Contes 0 0-0 0 1 is 0, Muzzi 6 2-3 14, Gontas 0 0-0 0, Lit-tleton 6 2-3 14, Connors 1 0-0 2, A. DoBraska 0 0-0 0. Totals: 24 10-16 62. 3-point goals: V – Higginbotham (3), Derby (3), Jerico (2); M – Amaismeier (2), Mascio, S. DoBraska)

**Consolation Round** Wheeling Central 47,

Buckeye Trail 42 BUCKEYE TRAIL (42) - Rome 1 0-0 2; Parry 6 0-0 13; Beaver 3 2-2 11; Hast rary 0 0-2 2; Geiger 2 0-0 5; Burga 2 193 10-2 2; Geiger 2 0-0 5; Burga 2 5-8 9; Totals: 15 7-12 42. WHEELING CENTRAL (47) – T. Dean 1 0-0 3; Bur-lenski 7 0-0 18; Ratcliffe 2 0-1 6; E. Dean 1 2-2 4' Olejasz 1 1-2 3; Anthony 3 2-2 9; Crall 0 0-0 0; Schmitt 1 2-2 4; Totals: 16 7-9 47

Totals: 16 7-3 47 3-point goals: BT – Parry, Beaver (3), Geiger; WC – Burlenski (4), Ratcliffe (2), T. Dean, Anthony

(2), T. Dean, Anthony
Beatlsville 39, Wood Co. Christian 21
WOOD CO CHRISTIAN (21)
Greene 2, 0-0 4; Parsley 1, 0-0 2; Joseph 1, 1-2 3; Seigneur 1, 1-2 4; Dimit 3, 0-0 6; Cappernell 0, 0-0 0; Allphin 0, 0-0 0; Wise 1, 0-0 2; Allman 0, 0-0
Totals: 9, 2-4 21. BEALLSVILLE (39)
— Allen 0, 2-5 2; Hughes 2, 1-1 6; Hagen 1, 3-4 5; Taylor 7, 2-3 16; Perkins gan 1, 3-4 5; Taylor 7, 2-3 16; Perkins 1, 1-1 3; McCulley 1, 0-0 3; Louden 1, 0-0 3; Stoffel 0, 1-4 1; Anderson 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 13, 10-18 39. 3-point goals: WCC — Seigneur. B

- Hughes, McCulley. Buckeye Local 72, Edison 50
BUCKEYE LOCAL (72) — McCutcheon 2, 0-0 5; Basich 0, 0-0 0; Ro-manyak 5, 2-2 13; Preston 0, 0-0 0; Jones 0, 0-0 0; Walker 4, 0-0 8; Dom-Jones O, 0-0 0; Walker 4, 0-0 8; Dombroski 0, 0-0 0; Hess 1, 0-0 2; Carter 8, 0-0 16; Deitch 4, 0-0 9; Kindberg-Colabelli 9, 0-0 19; Totals: 33, 2-2 72. EDISON (50) — Long 0, 0-0 0; Taylor 2, 0-0 5; Hayes 2, 0-0 4; Rawson 7, 0-4 14; Moses 3, 2-2 9; Cline 6, 4-4 16; Watson 0, 2-2 2; Jones 0, 0-0 0; Smith 0, 0-0 0; McRapa 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 20 0, 0-0 0; McBane 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 20,

## PREP BOXSCORES Linsly Tops Caldwell In Class 3A, Will Have Chance To Defend Title

CALDWELL - Third-seeded Linsly scorched the nets for a game-high 27. will have a chance to defend its OVAC Class 3A Boys Basketball title.

Linsly, which had to win several big of weeks to even qualify for the tour- trio of players in defeating the visting nament, went on the road and picked Lumberjacks inside the Dube Dome. up an impressive 72-50 victory against

The Cadets, who will take on Martins Luca Muzzi. Ferry at noon in the title game, were led by senior Gavin Jackson's 26 points. rick Higgenbotham had 14. Carter Anderson added 17 and Will Taylor posted 11.

Caldwell was once again led by All-Ohioan Bede Lori. The senior dandy pumped in a game-high 28.

> Class 2A Monroe Central 61, Southern Local 58

WOODSFIELD - Monroe Central has earned the right to take on River for a third time with a conference title on the line. The Seminoles advanced to the title game by virtue of a victory against Southern Local.

The Seminoles were led by sophomore Tucker Howell, who went for 20

while Lane Demchak added 14 for the winners

Jason Riggs led Southern with 19. River 42, Shadyside 31

HANNIBAL -- Kabel Isaly scored 15 points and Brody Lollathin added 11 as the the top-seeded Pilots (18-3) defeated the No. 4 Tigers for the third time this season.

River Thompson added eight points. Shadyside was led by Elijah Brock with 11 and Karl Tsoras with 10.

The Tigers played most of the contest added 12. with Ben Wach who injured his ankle early on and didn't return.

Class 4A Weir 62, Harrison Central 61

WEIRTON -- For the second time this season, the Red Riders (13-7) and solation bracket. Huskies (11-8) played an instant clas-

And, also for the second time, Weir High came from behind to win it.

This time squaring off in the OVAC Class 4A semifinals, and entering the tourney having been two of the hottest first meeting, a double-overtime contest ed 16. in Cadiz, the game was everything a fan could want with the outcome in the bal- Butts' 18. Beezer Porter added seven. ance until the final horn.

With the score knotted, Weir High senior MoMo Prentice got fouled after grabbing an offensive rebound with 2.8 the line for a one-point lead.

Prentice would finish with 11 points. than Damarr Turner.

Harrison Central's Hayden Cassidy a dozen.

Class 1A

Madonna 62, Valley 50

WEIRTON -- The Blue Dons (11-7) games over the course of the last couple received double-digit scoring from a

Anthony Mascio led the way with 15, one more than Luke Amaismaier and

Gavin Derby had 16 for Valley. Pat-

**Consolation Bracket** Wheeling Central 47, Buckeye Trail 42

EAST WHEELING - The Maroon Knights received 18 points from Quinton Burlenski in a 5-point win over the visiting Warriors on Coach Skip Prosser Court inside the Maroon Knights Athletic Complex.

Troy Anthony nine points and Jeremy Ratcliffe six.

**Buckeye Local 72, Edison 50** 

RICHMOND - Buckeye Local used a strong second quarter and never looked back en route to an OVAC consolation victory against the Wildcats.

The Panthersa were led by Ryder Loghan Brown scored 15 points, Kindberg-Colabelli's 19. Dayne Carter added 16 and Gavyn Romanyak posted

Gage Cline led the Wildcats with 16 and Deacon Rawson added 14.

Conotton Valley 57, Bridgeport 47 BRIDGEPORT - Conotton Valley picked up an OVAC consolation victory by fending off the Bulldogs Tuesday. Gaige Galigher led the Rockets with

Bridgeport senior Gavin Jackson led all scorers with 22 points. Jaki Threet

> Beallsville 39, Wood Co. Christian 21

BEALLSVILLE - The Blue Devils won a low-scoring contest against Wood Co. Christian in the OVAC con-

The Blue Devils were led by Logan Taylor's 16.

University 68, Union Local 43

MORRISTOWN - The Hawks proved to be too much for the Jets Tuesday in an OVAC consolation game.

James Fortney-Garbart scored 17 to teams in the Ohio Valley since their lead the Hawks, while Carson Ford add-

The Jets were led by senior D.J.

St. Clairsville 74, Brooke 69 ST. CLAIRSVILLE -- Tyson Pastor poured in a game-best 26 points and Cole Thoburn added 23 for the Red second to go, and made one of two from Devils (9-10). Luke Porter chipped in

The Bruins (7-10) were led by Na-G Cross led the way with 20, two more than Kimball with 20 points. Leighton Toepfer added 15 and Charlie Fuscardo

### Scoring King: James Surpasses Abdul-Jabbar

By TIM REYNOLDS AP Basketball Writer new career scoring leader.

shot with 10.9 seconds left in the third quarter in the Los Angeles Lakers' game against the Oklahoma City ing in 1989 with 38,387 James pushed his career total to 38,388 points and reem Abdul-Jabbar held for retired 1,459 points behind nearly four decades.

arms, threw both hands in Michael Jordan was 6,095 dressed the crowd. the air, then smiled. Ab- points away. dul-Jabbar rose from his cluding his mother, wife played 20 NBA seasons. and children, took the floor

time Laker and one of many LeBron James is the NBA's celebrities and sports stars who made sure they were With a stepback jump there to see history - beleading scorer on April 5, 1984 and wound up retir-Thunder on Tuesday night, points. It was a record that some thought would last forever, with very few even Abdul-Jabbar, Kobe Bryant James outstretched his was 4,744 points shy, and James passed them all,

seat and clapped. The game then caught Abdul-Jabbar, was stopped as some mem- too. He did it in his 20th bers of James' family, in- season. Abdul-Jabbar also be in the presence of such a

for a ceremony recognizing - a moniker he's had give a standing ovation to since high school, when he the Captain, please."

Abdul-Jabbar - a long- was just a kid from Akron. Ohio — is the NBA's scor ing king.

"A record that has stood for nearly 40 years, which came the league's all-time many people thought would leading scorer on April 5, never be broken," NBA Commissioner Adam Silver said.

Abdul-Jabbar held the ball aloft, then handed it to James. the ceremonial passing of the broke the record that Ka- coming close. Karl Malone torch. They posed for photos with Silver, then with one another. James wiped away tears from his eyes, then ad-

"I just want to say, thank you to the Laker faithful. You guys are one of a kind," James said. "To be able to legend as great as Kareem, And now, King James it's very humbling. Please

### etang's OT Winner Caps Pens Rally

PITTSBURGH (AP) - The Pitts- od since returning to the team on Jan. burgh Penguins talked about hitting re- 24.

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# SPORTS

SECTION

Thursday, February 2, 2023

# OVAC boys hoops tourney brackets set

**By SETH STASKEY** Times Leader Sports Editor

As it pertains to the OVAC Basket- the 2A schools opening the ac-ball titles, only 20 teams find them- tion at 10 a.m. The games will selves still alive in the chase.

for next Tuesday's semifinals, which Here's a will be held on the higher seed's court, each class: Wednesday morning when the basketball committee met at Belmont College to finalize those pairings and set the top-ranked team in the state consolation games for the teams that didn't advance to the semifinals.

The championship finals will be held David Tallman's team is 15-1 on the three losses came at Dover last Friday. on Saturday, Feb. 11 at Harrison Cen- season. The Mohigans will welcome

tral High School in Cadiz with lives still alive in the chase. be begin every two hours and Those teams learned their opponents run 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A and 1A.

Here's a capsule look at

**CLASS 5A** 

Morgantown, which is the

fourth-seeded Wheeling Park. Wednesday in Morgantown. The Patriots entered Wednesday's game at 10-4.

Defending champion Dover top seed. sits at 15-1 with its only loss coming to rival New Philadel-

phia. The Tornadoes will take of West Virginia, is also the top seed in on Parkersburg South, which is third the big-school OVAC division. Coach seed with a 10-3 record. One of those

**CLASS 4A** 

Defending champion East Liverpool These two play on Friday in (12-5) has been atop the standings in Wheeling and just played last this class basically all season an despite three consecutive losses to OVAC schools (Linsly, Wheeling Park and Harrison Central), the Potters are the

> Coach Nate Conley's team will welcome Indian Creek, which has also dropped a couple in a row, but still managed to garner the fourth seed. Creek is See, OVAC, Page B2

### **Eagles reserve** lineman Sills accused of rape

### Case dates back to 2019 for Meadowbrook product

CAMBRIDGE, Ohio (AP) - Josh Sills, a reserve offensive lineman for the NFC champion Philadelphia Eagles, has been indicted on rape and kidnapping charges that stem from an incident in his native Ohio just over three years ago, authorities said Wednesday.
Sills, an undrafted free agent who

appeared in just one game this season, was placed on the commissioner's exempt list. That means he can't practice, play or travel with the team as it prepares for the Super Bowl.

The NFL announced the move Wednesday and

said the issue is being reviewed under the league's personal conduct policy.

The rookie, who played at West Virginia and Oklahoma State, was indicted Tuesday by a Guernsey County grand jury in Ohio and ordered to appear in court on Feb. 16, four days after the Eagles are to play the Kansas City Chiefs in the Super Bowl.

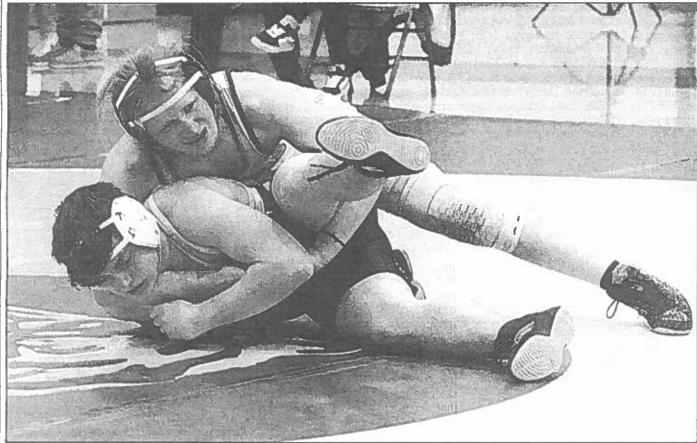
His attorney, Michael Connick, said the allegations are false and that Sills will be aggressively defended.

Sills was listed as a backup guard and played just four snaps on special teams against the Cardinals on Oct. 9, the one game he played. He was on the inactive list for most of the year, including this past Sunday in Philadelphia's conference title victory over the San Francisco

"The organization is aware of the legal matter involving Josh Sills. We have been in communication with the league office and are in the process of gathering more information. We have no further comment at this time," the Eagles said in a statement.

The indictment accuses Sills, who is from Sarahsville and attended Meadowbrook High School, of engaging in sexual activity that was not consensual and holding a woman against her will on Dec. 5, 2019.

A statement issued by Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost said the incident was immediately reported, and that the county sheriff's office conducted a detailed investigation.



Photos/KIM NORTH

ABOVE: SHADYSIDE'S Josh Harris works toward near-fall points against Bridgeport's Kaleb McCamick during their 150-pound match Wednesday evening at Brooke High School in the annual Bill Hinegardner OVAC Duals. Harrison won via a pin and Shadyside, claimed the match and conference title, on the 12th criteria.

BELOW: ST. Clairsville's Cody Stecyk controls an Oak Glen wrestler during their martch in the semi-final round of the OVAC Bill Hinegardner Duals at Brooke.

# Shadyside claims OVAC Class 1A/2A dual wrestling on criteria

By KIM NORTH For The Times Leader

WELLSBURG - Whenev- down to it again." er Bridgeport and Shadyside athletic event, the final result there out for the coming years. usually comes down to the Hinegardner Class 1A/2A wrestle for us next year." Dual Meet championship

contested due to low numbers 2017. on each squad, the Bulldogs and Tigers evenly divided them, with both capturing I couldn't be any prouder of a pair of pins. Each also re- them." Kinemond praised. ceived a pair of forfeits.

to do this. I'm really happy

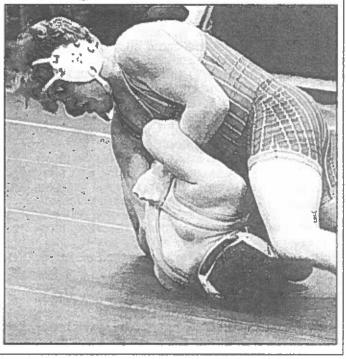
for the kids," Kinemond said. "It came down to criteria earlier this season and it came

Kinemond is hoping this get together in any type of will draw some more wres-

"Hopefully, there are some very end. Wednesday night it kids out there that see that took a little longer than nor- we won the Class 1A/2A timal to decide the OVAC Bill tle and want to come out and

He is also proud of the kids match inside the Brooke High that have kept the program School Wellness Center. that have kept the program alive after it won OVAC ti-With just four bouts being tles in 2013, 2014, 2016 and

"I've had these kids since first started coaching and They have been through so "It's nice that we were able much, but to win the OVACs See, WRESTLING, Page B2



# Brady retires at 45, insisting this time it's 'for good'

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) - This time, Tom Brady says he's done for good.

The seven-time Super Bowl winner



"I really thank you guys so much, to every single one of you for supporting me. My family, my friends, teammates,

get back to who we've been this year." gether four quarters. For our team to

ing 13 points, said she's becoming better at country is good. "letting the game come to me." She enjoys Buckeyes uniform.

"She's an amazing player and shooter, and teams like to try to take away her game on half for Ohio State.

Thierry, who entered the game averag- we're competing with top-10 teams in the

Ohio State scored 12 points off Wisconsin on six straight first-quarter possessions. feeding off the energy of Mikesell, a transt urnovers to take a 45-34 halftime lead. The fer who reached the 1,000-point mark in a Buckeyes finished with 24 points off Badgers' miscues in the game.

But no lead was safe early in the second

gether four quarters. For our team to see that taking care of the ball, which gave the Buckeyes an opportunity to increase their firsthalf lead. Wisconsin committed turnovers

**UP NEXT** 

Ohio State: Hosts No. 8 Maryland Sun-

Wisconsin: Travels to Rutgers Sunday.

### Spectator dies after brawl at middle school boys basketball game

ALBURGH, Vt. (AP) - A brawl broke out among spectators at a middle school basketball game in er's table involving both head coachnorthern Vermont, and a 60-year-old man who participated in the fight died, police said.

nity Education Center just before 7 p.m. Tuesday af- clared the Tigers were the winners. ter a report of a large fight involving spectators during a seventh- and eighth-grade boys basketball game between Alburgh and St. Albans.

The fight ended before troopers arrived, and many of the participants had left. Russell Giroux, of Alburgh, sought medical attention, police said.

He was taken by ambulance to the Northwestern Medical Center in St. Albans, where he was pronounced dead.

Jay Nichols, the executive director of The Vermont Principals' Association, said in a statement that the things up a little bit," McFarland not-group, which oversees school sports in the state, had ed. "There's a couple of things I wish group, which oversees school sports in the state, had no information about the event beyond what the au- I could go back and do over, we gave it thorities provided.

#### OVAC

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The other half of the bracket finds second-seeded Weir sitting at 11-6, welcoming red-hot Harrison Central, which has defeated Martins Ferry and East Liverpool in its last two outings.

The Huskies of first-year head coach Aaron Foldi lion (190) evened things at 18, but

are 10-7 on the season.

**CLASS 3A** 

This has been arguably the deepest and most interesting race for the top four of all five classes.

Martins Ferry, which won 14 in a row before its aforementioned loss to Harrison last weekend, is 15-1 and the top seed. It will welcome Bellaire, which has endured a 10-game win streak, a six-game losing streak and is now riding a three-game win streak.

One of those six consecutive losses for the Big Reds (13-6) came inside the Tolbert Gymnasium at

Caldwell, which features 2,000-point scorer Bede Lori, is the second seed in this class after moving up a division this winter. The Redskins are an impressive 16-2 with neither loss coming to an OVAC foe.

The Redskins will receive a stern test when they welcome surging Linsly, which is the defending champion in this division. Coach Dave Wojcik's Cadets are 11-6 after defeating Steubenville on Tuesday. Linsly owns numerous quality wins, including story of four lifelong friends, played by one over Parkersburg South.

CLASS 2A

River has been on top of these standings all winter and is the top seed with a solid 16-3 record. The Pilots, who were runnerup in 3A last season, will he felt a connection working with womwelcome defending 2A champion Shadyside, which en squeezed into the field by 36 hundredths of a point 76

Coach Ed Andes' Tigers are 10-9 on the season. The other half of the bracket finds Monroe Central Associated Press. "You know, it's just ing offense and, forced to rely almost as the second seed. The Seminoles are 13-6 and will that's what life is about. You got to, you solely of Brady's arm, struggled to get host 11-5 Southern Local.

**CLASS 1A** 

Defending champion Cameron has earned the top you love to do, you know, it's hard to 2021, Tampa Bay slipped to 31 last seed with a 9-7 record. The Dragons will host Trinity stop. You really enjoy it. And there's a season and averaged just 18.4 points Christian, which is 8-8 on the season in one semifinal.

sits at 9-8 after toppling the Dragons on Tuesday evening, welcoming Valley, which qualified with a 10-6 much energy they have. And I certainly in over two decades as a NFL starter,

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### Wrestling

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I'm happy for them." Nick Norris in the last bout at 285 pounds, the scoreboard read 24-all. After a lengthy discussion at the scores - Bridgeport's Matt McFarland and Shadyside's Chase Kinemond - and

The final decision came after officials delved into the rule book, finally determining the winner on criteria (1) - the 12th - of the dual meet tiebreak er system - the most reversals. There was only one in the match. Ironically, it came by Shadyside's Jacob Brown in a Hayden Lamb (132/138) who recordmatch he was pinned in at 175 pounds ed a pair of technical falls; C.J. Duty by Peyton Pyle.

our all and wrestled well.'

The teams swapped forfeits at 126 (Shadyside's Eli Gallaher) and 132 (Bridgeport's Owenn Clark) before a double forfeit at 138. The Bulldogs' 144 as they led 12-6, but a pin by Josh Harris at 150 made it 12-all. Double forfeits at 157 and 165 preceded Pyle's pin that put Bridgeport up 18-12.

A forfeit to the Tigers' Chris Stil-Shadyside's William Robinson earned a pin at 215 to put the top-seeded Orcome was determined.

"I told Will we needed a pin and went and that's all I can ask for as a coach. Start time is 6. He stepped up."

momentum going, and we did. Double winners for the Golden Bears included Aiden Anderson (106), Wyatt Wolanski (120/126) and Kaiden

Logan Davis (113/120) and Braxton Dlugopolski (165) each had a pin and forfeit, and Nathan Pasco (113) had a

"We fell behind early like we did last year, but we didn't have the firepower we had last year to come back," Indian Mason Aberts was awarded a forfeit at Creek head coach Brandon Pendleton said. "We knew Oak Glen was going to be tough to beat."

> Pownall (144, pin), C.J. Spencer (150, forfeit), Dom Paterra (157, maj. dec.), Ethan Llewellyn (175, dec.) and Elijah Llewellyn (215).

The Class 3A and Class 5A schools will go for titles tonight inside the John ble Beach. Call out there and got us one," McFarland will go for titles tonight inside the John said of his freshman. "He gave us a shot Marshall Field House in Moundsville.

In Class 4A, fourth-seeded Oak Glen When Bridgeport's Will Hunt pinned started both the semifinals and finals with four straight victories and never looked back as it defeated short-handed top seed St. Clairsville, 62-21, and No. 2 Indian Creek, 47-25.

"We expected to go out and win early," Cornell said. "We wrestled Creek State troopers were called to the Alburgh Commu- match referee Jack Regis, it was de- in a dual right before the OVAC Tournament and they came back and won it. We talked all week about keeping the

> Hebrock (285) who all won by pins: [126/132] with a pin and decision; and "We gave it a whirl and changed Greg Sauers (190) who earned a pair of

pin in the finals.

Indian Creek's winners were Gavin

Indian Creek had defeated Edison in ange back on top, 24-18. Hunt squared the semifinals, 39-30, but the Wildcats things for the final time before the out-rebounded to place third with a 57-21 win over the Red Devils.

### Brady

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felt for years to come."

Brady announced his retirement one day after attending the premiere of "80 for Brady" - which comes out Friday in Los Angeles. The movie tells the Lily Tomlin, Jane Fonda, Rita Moreno and Sally Field, who went to a Super was as good as any coach could ever ask Bowl to see Brady play.

He was asked Tuesday night whether - the four stars range in age from 76 to 91 - who don't want to retire.

"They're working hard and they love it. So good for them," Brady told The know, wake up every day with a pur- the ball into the end zone. pose. And when you find something lot of aspects that you do enjoy. So they per game - down from over 30 in The other half of the bracket finds Madonna, which still bring it at this age. It's really unbelievable to watch them on set and how was inspired by them and learned a lot of lessons on this whole experience."

the NFL - he was picked 199th in year. the 2000 draft by the Patriots, behind six other quarterbacks, three kickers and a punter - Brady certainly wasn't expected to become synonymous with greatness. He played in one game as a rookie, completing one of three passes for six yards.

The next year, it all changed.

Brady took over as the Patriots' starter, the team beat the St. Louis Rams in the Super Bowl that capped the 2001 season and he and New England coach Bill Belichick were well on their way to becoming the most successful coach-QB duo in football history.

More Super Bowl wins came after in a 10-year, \$375 million deal. the 2003 and 2004 seasons. The Patriots returned to football's mountaintop for a fourth time in Brady's era a decade later to cap the 2014 season, the start of three more titles in a span of

He signed with Tampa Bay in free

accolades, and his influence will be ens of times saying there's no quarterback I'd rather have than Tom Brady, and I still feel that way," Belichick said

NBA BASKETBALL
7:30 pm in 2021 - shortly before Tampa Bay, with Brady, came to New England and beat the Patriots in a game dubbed "The Return." "I was very lucky to have Tom as the quarterback, to coach him, and he

> Brady set league single-season records for completions (490) and pass Rounds attempts (733) while throwing for 4,643 yards, 25 touchdowns and nine interceptions in his final season. The Bucs, however ranked dead last in rush-

After scoring 61 touchdowns in Brady's first two seasons with the Bucs.

At 8-9, Brady's only losing season lofel the Bucs became just the fourth team in league history to earn a postseason Famously underrated coming into berth with a losing mark in a non-strike

The offensive struggles continued during a lopsided loss to Dallas in the NFC wild-card round.

Brady won three NFL MVP awards, was a first-team All-Pro three times and was selected to the Pro Bowl 15 times.

Brady and model Gisele Bundchen finalized their divorce this past fall, during the Bucs' season. It ended a 13vear marriage between two superstars who respectively reached the pinnacles of football and fashion.

It was announced last year that when Brady retires from playing, he would join Fox Sports as a television analyst

### WVU women lose

MORGANTOWN, W. Va. (AP) -Sonya Morris scored 17 points, Rori Harmon scored nine of her 14 in the fourth guarter and No. 24 Texas turned

Brooke at Beaver Local St. Clairsville at University Buckeye Trail at East Liverpool Manetta at Barnesville Shenandoah at Clay-Battelle Weir at Toronto Magnolia at Caldwell Shadyside at Steubenville Central Conotton Valley at Paden City Bridgeport at Madonna Wood Co, Christian at Valley

OVAC Bill Hinegardner Duals at John Marshall Field House Class 3A and Class 5A

### Sports on TV

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)

CBSSN - LIU Brooklyn at Merrimack

CBSSN - FAU at UAB ESPN2 — Michigan at Northwestern ESPNU — High Point at UNC-Asheville

FS1 - Wisconsin at Ohio St. PAC-12N - Stanford at Utah

CBSSN - Loyola Marymount at BYU

ESPN2 — Houston at Wichita St. ESPNU — UTEP at Middle Tennessee FS1 - Washington at UCLA

PAC-12N - California at Colorado

10:30 p.m. ESPN - Oregon at Arizona

11 p.m. CBSSN — Santa Clara at Gonzaga ESPNU - San Francisco at Saint Mary's (Cal)

FS1 — Washington St. at Southern Cal COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S) ACCN - Pittsburgh at Duke

6:30 p.m.

BTN - Illinois at Michigan

7 p.m. SECN — Kentucky at South Carolina

ACCN — NC State at Georgia Tech

8:30 p.m. BTN - Michigan St. at Nebraska ESPN - Maryland at Iowa

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

12:30 p.m ESPNU - Senior Bowf: Practice, Mobile, Ala

ESPN2 - Senior Bowl: Practice, Mobile, Ala.

NFLN — Shrine Bowl: East vs. West, Las Vegas GOLF 3.30 a.m. GOLF — DP World Tour: The Ras Al Khaimah Classic, First Round, Al Hamra GC, Ras Al Khaimah

United Arab Emirates 3 p.m. GOLF — PGA Tour: The AT&T Pebble Beach

Pro-Am. First Round, Pebble Beach Golf Links, Peb 3:30 a.m. (Friday GOLF - DP World Tour: The Ras Al Khaimah

Classic, Second Round, Al Hamra GC, Ras Al Khaimah, United Arab Emirates HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL (BOY'S)

ESPNU - Axe Metro Classic, Montverde (Fla.)

vs. LA Lumiere (Ind.), Union, N.J. 5 p.m. ESPNU - NIBC Series: Sunrise Christian (Kan.)

7:30 p.m. TNT — Memphis at Cleveland

10 p.m. TNT — LA Clippers at Milwaukee NFL FOOTBALL

7 p.m. ESPN — NFL Pro Bowl Skills Showdown: AFC vs. NFC Events. Las Vegas

TENNIS TENNIS - Lyon-WTA, Hua Hin-WTA Early

12:30 p.m. TENNIS — Lyon-WTA Early Rounds TENNIS - Lyon-WTA, Hua Hin-WTA Quarter-

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### Girls Prep Scores

GIRLS PREP BASKETBALL Alliance Marlington 77, Alliance 49 Ashtabula Edgewood 62. Geneva 35 Baltimore Liberty Union 73, Marion Elgin 42 Beechwood, Ky, def. Cin. Riverside Academy.

Burton Berkshire 38, Orwell Grand Valley 34 Canlield 54, Warren Harding 31 Centerburg 47, Cardington-Lincoln 41 Chagrin Falls 32. Mentor Lake Cath. 28 Chagrin Falls Kenston 41, Maylield 26 Chardon 69, Eastlake North 63 Cin. Wyoming 44, Cin. Finneytown 31 Cle. Hts. Beaumont 74, Andrews Osborne Academy 33

Columbiana 48, Lisbon David Anderson 35 Copley 60. Amherst Steele 43 Dresden Tri-Valley 77. Coshocton 31 Elyna Cath. 61. Rocky River 55 Gates Mills Gilmour 48, Cuyahoga Falls Walsh Jesuri 46

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Independence 47, Brook y 34 Kirtland 45. Wickliffe 38 Louisville 60, N. Can. Hoover 42 Massillon Perry 51, Massillon Jackson 34 Mt. Gilead 50, Howard E. Knox 25 N. Royalton 48, Barberton 33 New Lexington 67, Zanesville Maysville 20 Painesville Harvey 54, Ashtabula Lakeside 18 Ravenna SE 50. Mogadore 44 Richmond Hts. 55, Garfield Hts. Trinity 23 Salem 43, Beloit W. Branch 29 Sidney 52. Tipp Crty Trppecanoe 33 Stow-Munroe Falfs 38, Rocky River Magnifical 31 Strasburg-Franklin 60, Lore City Buckeye Trait 22 Strongsville 57, Berea-Midpark 44 Sugarcreek Garaway 31, Uhrichsville Claymont

Tuscarawas Cent. Cath. 55, Malvern 49, OT

### LOCAL GARD

Friday, Feb. 3 BOYS BASKETBALL Wheeling Central at Pitts.

Morgantown at Wheeling Park Calhoun Co. at Valley Barnesville at Martins Ferry Harrison Central at St. Clairsville Caldwell at Monroe Central Steubenville at Dover Shenandoah at Shadyside Brooke at Weir Edison at Steubenville Catholic

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

Indian Creek at Toronto Oak Glen at Beaver Local

> OVAC CHAMPIONSHIPS (at Harrison Central High School, Cadiz Saturday

Class 2A, 10 a.m. No. 1 River vs. No. 2 Wheeling Central

Class 3A, 12 noon 1 Union Local vs. No. 2 Fort

Class 4A, 2 p.m. No. 1 Indian Creek vs. No. 3 Oak

Class 5A, 4 p.m. No. 1 Wheeling Park vs. No. 2 Morgantown

Class 1A, 6 p.m. No. 2 Cameron vs. #1 Frontier

#### BOYS BASKETBALL OVAC CHAMPIONSHIPS

(at Harrison Central High School, Cadiz Saturday, February 11 10:00 a.m. – Class 2-A 12 noon -- Class 3-A 2:00 p.m. – Class 4-A 4:00 p.m. – Class 5-A 6:00 p.m. - Class 1-A SEMI-FINALS Tuesday, February 7

Class 5A No. 4 Wheeling Park at No. 1 Morgantown No. 3 Parkersburg South at No. 2

Class 4A No. 4 Indian Creek at No. 1 East 3 Harrison Central at No. 2

Class 3A No. 4 Bellaire at No. 1 Martins Fer-

No. 3 Linsly at No. 2 Caldwell Class 2A No. 4 Shadyside at No. 1 River No. 3 Southern Local at No. 2 Mon-roe Central

Class 1A No. 4 Trinity Christian at No. Cameron No. 3 Valley at No. 2 Madonna

CONSOLATION FINALS Friday, February 10

**CONSOLATION POOL** Tuesday, February 7 John Marshall at Steubenville Brooke at St. Clairsville University at Union Local Edison at Buckeye Local Buckeye Trail at Wheeling Central Beaver Local at Toronto Steubenville Catholic at Wellsville Oak Glen at Clay-Battelle Shenandoah at Fort Frye Barnesville at Magnolia Wood County Christian at Bealls

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Paden City art Frontier
Conotton Valley at Bridgeport
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Bridgeport at Hundred
Steubenville at Beaver Local
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### NFL INJURY LIST

State Farm Stadium Glendale, Ariz.
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS vs. PHILA-DELPHIA EAGLES — (Teams did not practice-estimation) KANSAS CITY: DNP: WR Mecole Hardman

(pelvis), WR JuJu Smith-Schuster (knee), CB LOJarius Sneed (con-cussion), WR Kadarius Toney (ancussion), WR Radarius Toney (ankle, hamstring). LIMITED: LB Willie Gay (shoulder), G Trey Smith (ankle). FULL: QB Patrick Mahomes (ankle), RB Jerick McKinnon kle), FULL: UB Patrick Mahomes (ankle), RB Jerick McKinnon (ankle, ankle), RB Isiah Pacheco (wrist), WR Justin Watson (illness). PHILADELPHIA: DNP: G Landon Dickerson (NIR-resting player/el-bow), T Lane Johnson (NIR-resting player/el-bow). ing player/groin), C Cam Jurgens (NIR-resting player/hip), CB Avonte Maddox (NIR-resting player/ toe), DE Robert Quinn (NIR-resting

### NFL PLAYOFFS

Sunday, Jan. 15 Buffalo 34, Miami 31 N.Y. Giants 31, Minnesota 24 Cincinnati 24, Baltimore 17 Monday, Jan. 16 Dallas 31, Tampa Bay 14 Divisional Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 21
Kansas City 27, Jacksonville 20
Philadelphia 38, N.Y. Giants 7
Sunday, Jan. 22
Cincilinated 20, 184 (1918) Cincinnati 27, Buffalo 10 San Francisco 19, Dallas 12 Conference Championships

Sunday, Jan. 29 AFC

Kansas City 23, Cincinnati 20

### PREP BOXSCORES

GIRLS BASKETBALL Martins Ferry 50, Bellaire 36
BELLAIRE (36) — Ault 2, 0-0 6; Harveth 5, 4-7 15; McAnnich 4, 0-0 10; Mason 1, 1-7 3; Rowson 1, 0-0 2; Kanyuch 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 13, 5-14
36. MARTINS FERRY (50) — Lude 2, 0-1 5; Sidon 3, 0-0 8; 8est 5, 2-2 2, 0-1 5; Sidon 3, 0-0 8; Best 5, 2-2 12; McFarland 1, 0-0 3; Roe 4, 3-3 11; Marchbank 3, 0-0 9; Smith 0, 0-0 0; Clark 1, 0-0 2; Totals: 19, 5-6

3-point goals: B — Ault (2), Harveth. MF — Marchbank (3). Sidon - Marchbank (3), Sidon

veth. MF — Marchbank (3), Sidon (2), McFarland, Lude. Linsly 61, John Marshall 58 JOHN MARSHALL (58) — Derrow 2 5-12 9; Updegraff 1 0-0 2; Storm 7 1-1 16; N. Miller 0 0-0 0; Inclan 0 1-2 1; White 0 2-2 2; Babiczuk 4 2-4 10, Blake 7 4-6 18; Totals: 21 15-27 58. LINSLY (61) — H. Cook 10 4-7 26; Hinebaugh 0 0-0 0; Ratcliffe 0 0-0 0; Martinez 5 3-4 15; Purpura 0 0-0 0; Sohlberg 3 0-1 7; White 3 0-0 8; Redd 2 1-2 5; Totals: 23 8-14 61 3-point goals: JM — Storm; L — H. Cook (2), Martinez (2), Sohlberg, White (2) White (2)

White (2)

Buckeye Local 57,

Harrison Central 51

HARRISON CENTRAL (51) — Rensi 0, 2-2 2; Fischer 3, 1-1 8; Banal 0, 0-0 0; Butler 6, 1-1 13; Ferri 5, 2-2 14; Lewis 3, 0-1 6; Harbold 3, 0-0 6; Sedgmer 1, 0-0 2; Ledger 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 21, 6-7 51. BUCKEYE LOCAL (57) — McKeever 7, 12-15 28; Ankrom 1, 3-5 5; Stock 0, 0-0 0; Dailey 1, 0-0 3; Kandrach 7, 1-3 18; Kinyo 0, 0-0 0; Long 0, 0-0 0; Valuska 1, 1-4 3; Totals: 17, 17-27 57. 3-point goals: HC — Fischer, Ferri (2), BL — McKeever (2), Dailey, ri (2). BL - McKeever (2), Dailey,

Kandrach (3).

Madonna 54, Bridgeport 39 Madonna 54, Bridgeport 39
BRIDGEPORT (39) - Clemens 0, 2-2
2; Bain 7, 2-4 20; Smith 0, 1-1 1;
Stewart 4, 1-4 12; McElroy 0, 0-0 0;
Herman 1, 0-0 2; Gonzalez 0, 0-0 0;
Allen 1, 0-1 2; Totals: 13, 6-12 39.
MADONNA (54) — Wingett 5, 4-6
17; McCoy 5, 3-6 13; Long 3, 0-1
6; Pietranton 0, 1-3 1; Birkhimer
2, 1-3 5; Cody 6, 0-0 12; Totals: 21, 7-18 54. 7-18 54.

3-point goals: B — Bain (4), Stew-art (3). M — Wingett (3). art (3). M — Wingett (3).

Shadyside 43, Steubenville CC 36

SHADYSIDE (43) — Stewart 0, 0-0

0; T. Fulton 1, 2-2 4; Sims 0, 0-0

0; Brown 7, 5-6 20; Hendershot 2,
0-0 6; Smith 2, 0-0 6; Tsoras 2, 2-3

7; Totals: 14, 9-11 43. STEUBENVILLE CC (36) — Rohde 0, 0-0 0;
Cherepico 0, 0-0 0; Mayagos 2, 0-0

4; E. Rohde 2, 5-6 9; Kerker 2, 0-0

5; O'Karma 2, 0-0 4; Arai 4, 6-8 14;
Totals: 12, 11-14 36.

3-point goals: S — Brown, Hendershot (2), Smith (2), Tsoras. SCC
— Kerker.

Monroe Central 55,

Monroe Central 55,

Southern Local 37
SOUTHERN LOCAL (37) — Shrodes 1, 0-0 3; Brewer 1, 0-0 3; Jones 0, 0-0 0; Kerns 2, 3-5 7; Riggs 0, 0-0 0; Rodgers 1, 0-0 3; Forbes 0, 0-0 0; Lewis 1, 0-0 3; Shroades 7, 2-3 18; Lewis 1, 0-0 3; Shroades 7, 2-3 18; Jones 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 13, 5-8 37. MONROE CENTRAL (55) — Emery 0, 2-2 2; Henthorn 0, 0-0 0; Hiles 0, 0-0 0; Thompson 3, 1-2 7; English 3, 2-2 10; Bishop 6, 3-5 15; Bom-mer 3, 0-0 7; McGarry 0, 0-0 0; Bet-thores 6, 14, 14, Totals 21, 9, 15, 55 tinger 6, 1-4 14; Totals: 21, 9-15 55. 3-point goals: St. — Shrodes, Brewer, Rodgers, Lewis, Shroades (2), MC — English (2), Bommer, Bettinger.

Bettinger.

University 80, St. Clairsville 33
ST. CLAIRSVILLE (33) — Malin
2, 3-8 8; Tuttle 3, 0-2 7; Moran 2,
2-4 7; Gray 1, 0-0 2; Kain 3, 0-4 7;
Barrera 1, 0-0 2; Totals: 12, 5-18 33.

UNVERSITY (80) — Sharkey 8, 0-0
17; Gibson 2, 0-0 4; Boateng 3, 0-0
6, Simpson 8, 0-0 17; Stemple 6,
1-2 15; Maisel 1, 0-0 3; Weaver 3,
2-2 9; Byers 1, 0-0 2; L. Simpson
1, 2-2 4; Fox 1, 1-1 3; Totals: 34,
6-7 80.

5-7 80.
3-point goals: StC — Malin, Tutlte, Moran, Kain. U — Sharkey, Simpson, Stemple (2), Maisel, Weaver.
BOYS BASKETBALL

BOYS BASKETBALL
Beallsville 65, Hundred 48
HUNDRED (48) — Morgan 0, 0-0
0; Morris 0, 0-0 0; Parson 1, 0-0 3;
Michael 1, 0-0 2; Bartrug 5, 6-6 16;
Huggins 2, 1-2 5; Sleeth 2, 0-0 5; J.
Huggins 5, 2-2 13; Johnson 2, 0-0
4; S. Michael 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 18,
9-10 48. BEALLSVILLE (65) — Allen 13, 3-3 30; Hughes 3, 0-1 8; Hagan 3, 0-0 9; Taylor 2, 3-4 7; Perkins
1, 1-2 3; McCulley 2, 0-0 4; Louden 1, 1-2 3; McCulley 2, 0-0 4; Louden 0, 0-0 0; Stoffel 2, 0-0 4; Anderson 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 26, 7-10 65. 3 point goals: H — Parson, Sleeth, Huggins. B — Allen, Hughes (2), Hagan (3).

### NBA

Thursday's Games L.A. Lakers 112, Indiana 111 New York 106, Miami 104 Cleveland 128, Memphis 113 Chicago 114, Charlotte 98 Dallas 111, New Orleans 106 Denver 134, Golden State 117 Milwaukee 106, L.A. Clippers 105 Friday's Games

Charlotte at Detroit, 7 p.m. Portland at Washington, 7 p.m. Sacramento at Indiana, 7 p.m. Phoenix at Boston, 7:30 p.m. Orlando at Minnesota, 8 p.m. Philadelphia at San Antonio, 8

Toronto at Houston, 8 p.m. Atlanta at Utah, 9 p.m. Saturday's Games

L.A. Lakers at New Orleans, 6 p.m. Washington at Brooklyn, 6 p.m. L.A. Clippers at New York, 7 p.m. Phoenix at Detroit, 7 p.m. Houston at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m. Miami at Milwaukee, 8 p.m Portland at Chicago, 8 p.m. Dallas at Golden State, 8:30 p.m. Atlanta at Denver, 9 p.m.

Sunday's Games Orlando at Charlotte, 1 p.m.

### PREP SCORES

W.VA. BOYS Beallsville, Ohio 65, Hundred 48 Buckhannon-Upshur Chapmanville 61, Winfield 50 East Fairmont 60, Liberty Harrison

East Hardy 75, Pendleton County Fairmont Senior 81, North Marion

Huntington 81, Riverside 45 Keyser 65, Berkeley Springs 44 Midland Trail 64, Greenbrier West

Philip Barbour 82, Elkins 67 Ravenswood 75, Wahama 57 Ripley 78, Calvary Baptist 52 Sarahsville Shenandoah, Ohio 75, Wood County Christian 30 South Harrison 87, Doddridge

Moorefield 62, Pocahontas County

Tucker County 67, Gilmer County

University 75, Hampshire 20 W.VA. GIRLS Cabell Midland 66, Capital 17 Caldwell, Ohio 35, Magnolia 31 Charleston Catholic 45, Parkers-burg Catholic 32 George Washington 53, Hurricane

Huntington 52, Riverside 38 Independence 49, Meadow Bridge

Linsly 61, John Marshall 58 Nicholas County 44, Herbert Hoover 43 Sarahsville Shenandoah, Ohio 55, Clav-Battelle 30 South Charleston 42, St. Albans 34 Spring Mills 59, Martinsburg 45 Trinity 52, Hundred 27 Tucker County 64, East Hardy 34 Winfield 61, Scott 42 OHIO BOYS

Beallsville 65, Hundred, W.Va. 48 Bloom-Carroll 55, Logan 42 Caledonia River Valley 61, Marion Caledonia River valley 61, Marion Harding 45
Gahanna Cols. Academy 43, Cols. Patriot Prep 28
Lancaster Fairfield Union 54, Circleville Logan Elm 33
Marion Pleasant 71, Bellville Clear

Ontario 66, Galion 62 Proctorville Fairland 67, Ironton

Rock Hill 35 Sarahsville Shenandoah 75, Wood County Christian, W.Va. 30
CANCELLATION
Cols. Marion-Franklin vs. Cols. Cols. Mar KIPP, ccd.

OHIO GIRLS
Andover Pymatuning Valley 65, NBATV Windham 47 Anna 55, Botkins 35 Antwerp 41, Hicksville 24 Apple Creek Waynedale 45, Cres-

Applie Creek Waynedale 45, Creston Norwayne 32
Arcadia 48, Vanlue 16
Arcanum 55, Newton Local 26
Archbold 52, Swanton 17
Athens 49, McArthur Vinton Countv 35

Atwater Waterloo 62, Mineral Ridge 35 Bellbrook 52, Waynesville 40 Berlin Center Western Reserve 39, McDonald 33

Bristol 50, Vienna Mathews 41 Brookfield 56, Newton Falls 37 Bryan 60, Metamora Evergreen 22 Bucyrus Wynford 63, Plymouth 28 Caldwell 35, Magnolia, W.Va. 31 Casstown Miami E. 44, Covington

Chesapeake 61, Gallipolis Gallia 28 Cin. Turpin 59, Cin. Anderson 33 Cin. West Clermont 47, Milford 45

Clyde 38, Oak Harbor 35 Cols. DeSales 50, Bishop Ready 36 Columbiana 39, Leetonia 20 Columbiana Crestview 58, Gar-rettsville Garfield 52, OT Columbus Grove 50, Bluffton 36 Convoy Crestview 50, Ottoville 39 Cortland Lakeview 32, Jefferson

Cory-Rawson 46, Mt. Blanchard Riverdale 39 Day, Oakwood 62, Franklin 30 Defiance Tinora 39, Paulding 33 Delphos Jefferson 62, Van Wert Lincolnview 33 Dola Hardin Northern 54, Mt. Vic-

tory Ridgemont 18 Doylestown Chippewa 62, Rittman

Edgerton 53, Defiance Aversville Elmore Woodmore 55, Rossford

Findlay 54, Oregon Clay 20 Findlay Liberty-Benton 63, Pando-ra-Gilboa 15 Fostoria 57, Millbury Lake 49

Fremont Ross 61, Tol. St. Ursula 32 Gibsonburg 35, Old Fort 31 Girard 44, Canfield S. Range 35 Hanoverton United 52, E. Palestine Kings Mills Kings 57, Morrow Little

Kinsman Badger 43, Southington

Lakeside Danbury 70, Fremont St. Joseph 46 Lebanon 51, Cin. Winton Woods

Lees Creek E. Clinton 57, Williamsburg 40 Legacy Christian 63, Day. Christian

Lewisburg Tri-County N. 50, Ansonia 48 Lima Bath 32, Wapakoneta 21 Loveland 40, Cin. Walnut Hills 32 Lowellville 57, Sebring McKinley

Martins Ferry 50, Bellaire, Mich. 36 McComb 58, N. Baltimore 31 Mechanicsburg 61, W. Liberty-Sa-

Middletown Madison Senior 45, Eaton 39 Millersburg W. Holmes 42, Mansfield Madison 31 Minster 50, Ft. Recovery 29 Monroe 50, Carlisle 8 Napoleon 57, Bowling Green 40 New Madison Tri-Village 71, Cam**SPORTS ON TV** 

Friday, February 3 BOXING 10 p.m. ESPN — Top Rank Main Card: Emanuel Navarrete vs. Liam Wilson (Super-Featherweights), Glen-

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S) 5 p.m. ESPNU — Yale at Harvard 6:30 p.m. CBSSN — E. Michigan at Ball St. 7 p.m.
ESPN2 — VCU at Saint Louis ESPNU — Fairfield at Quinnipiac

9 p.m.
ESPNU — Kent St. at Akron
FS1 — Boise St. at San Diego St. 11 p.m.
CBSSN — Air Force at Nevada
FS1 — Fresno St. at UNLV
COLLEGE BASKETBALL
(WOMEN'S)

St. Marys 62, Tyler Consolidated PAC-12N — Utah at Oregon St. PAC-12N — Oran at Oregon'S 11 p.m. PAC-12N — Arizona at UCLA COLLEGE GYMNASTICS (WOMEN'S)

6 p.m. SECN — Kentucky at Missouri 7:30 p.m. SECN — Auburn at Alabama 9 p.m. ESPN2 UCLA at Utah SECN — Georgia at LSU COLLEGE HOCKEY (MEN'S)

8:30 p.m. CBSSN - W. Michigan at Minn Duluth COLLEGE WRESTLING

7 p.m. ACCN — North Carolina at Pittsburgh BTN — Penn St. at Ohio St. 9 p.m.
BTN — Iowa at Minnesota

GOLF 3:30 a.m.
GOLF — DP World Tour: The
Ras Al Khaimah Classic, Second Round, Al Hamra GC, Ras Al
Khaimah, United Arab Emirates

Khaimah, United Arab Emirates
3 p.m.
GOLF — PGA Tour: The AT&T
Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Second
Round, Pebble Beach Golf Links,
Pebble Beach, Calif.
3:30 a.m. (Saturday)
GOLF — DP World Tour: The Ras
Al Khaimah Classic, Third Round,
Al Hamra GC, Ras Al Khaimah,
United Arab Emirates
HORSE RACING HORSE RACING

3 p.m. FS2 — NYRA: America's Day at the

**NBA BASKETBALL** 7:30 p.m. Phoenix at Boston NHL HOCKEY 7 p.m.
ESPN — NHL All-Star Skills Competition: From Sunrise, Fla.

SOCCER (MEN'S) 3 p.m. Premier League: Fulham

at Chelsea **TENNIS** 6 a.m. TENNIS — Lyon-WTA, Hua Hin-WTA Quarterfinals 11:30 a.m TENNIS - Lyon-WTA Quarterfi-

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5 a.m. (Saturday)
TENNIS — Lyon-WTA, Hua HinWTA Semifinals
6 a.m. (Saturday)
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### COLLEGE SCORES Men

**EAST** Drexel 70, Coll. of Charleston 69 Elon 69, Stony Brook 55 Hofstra 76, Towson 72 Md. Eastern Shore 89, Regent 41 Merrimack 76, LIU 59 Monmouth (NJ) 70, Delaware 62 N. Kentucky 65, Robert Morris 52 Sacred Heart 65, Wagner 56 St. Francis (NY) 53, CCSU 48 Stopphill 24, St. Eaglis (Pa.) 61 Stonehill 74, St. Francis (Pa.) 61 SOUTH

Cent. Arkansas 91, Florida Gulf E. Kentucky 69, Jacksonville St. 67 FIU 57, Charlotte 54 Georgia St. 64, Georgia Southern

Hampton 62, William & Mary 57 James Madison 78, Old Dominion

Lamar 70, McNeese St. 63 Liberty 82, Austin Peay 70 Lipscomb 66, Queens (NC) 60 Louisiana Tech 80, Rice 72 Louisiana-Lafayette 82, Texas St.

Louisiana-Monroe 83, Coastal Car olina 70 Marshall 66, Appalachian St. 58 Middle Tennessee 84, UTEP 72 Morehead St. 64, Tennessee Tech

North Florida 76, Jacksonville 63 SE Louisiana 77, Incarnate Word Southern Miss 74 Troy 65 Stetson 79, North Alabama 57 Texas A&M-CC 86, New Orleans

UAB 86, FAU 77 UNC-Asheville 89, High Point 63 UNC-Greensboro 69, Mercer 49 UNC-Wilmington 87, NC A&T 63 VMI 75, The Citadel 69 W. Kentucky 81, UTSA 74
MIDWEST
Detroit 85, Cleveland St. 67

Fort Wayne 82, Oakland 73 Houston 70, Wichita St. 61 Kennesaw St. 90, Bellarmine 84, 20T

Lindenwood (Mo.) 80, E. Illinois 67 Michigan 68, Northwestern 51 Milwaukee 72, IUPUI 69 S. Dakota St. 96, North Dakota 73 SE Missouri 99, UALR 98 SE Missouri 99, UALR 98
STU-Edwardsville 89, UT Martin 75
South Dakota 71, N. Dakota St. 62
St. Thomas (MN) 89, Omaha 83
Tennessee St. 80, S. Indiana 76
Wisconsin 65, Ohio St. 60
Youngstown St. 91, Wright St. 89,



Martins Ferry's Charli Roe makes a move to the basket Thursday night against Bellaire.

# **Martins Ferry Tops Bellaire To End 3rd** Again In OVAC 3A

By SETH STASKEY For The Intelligencer

MARTINS FERRY - It's gotten to the point where the Martins Ferry girls basketball team isn't just excited to have qualified for the OVAC Tourna-

Thursday evening's 50-36 victory against rival Bellaire gave the Purple Riders their third consecutive third-place finish in the conference tournament. And head coach Dave Reasbeck wants more.

"You just don't know what you're going to get from us and it's been that way for three years." Reasbeck lamented. "Are we going to play 15-point halves where we look absolutely terrible or are we going to flip the switch like we did (Thursday)?

When the switch flipped on at halftime, the Purple Riders looked more like the club that Reasbeck expects and has seen glimpses of during the latter portion of the season.

"We looked pretty good in the second half, but we can't keep having third-place years and 14-win seasons," Reasbeck said. "That's decent, but we have to elevate this program somehow. We're just not consistent enough. We have to eliminate the blah halves we've put out there."

The first half would qualify as one those halves, but still the Purple Riders found themselves with the lead

"We kind of set basketball back a little bit in the first half," Bellaire head coach John Farrier said. "Most of our games have been pretty ugly, but we've been short handed. The outcome didn't go our way, but our kids continued to battle and did that again

Both teams picked up the energy, shot making and took better care of the ball after the first half when both teams had more turnovers than points.

The Purple Riders outscored the Big Reds, 18-17, in the third. Six different players scored for Ferry with sophomore Lindse Sidon netting five. Senior Avery Marchbank, who connected on two bonus goals in the first half, hit another from behind the arc in the third.

Bellaire was able to stay close thanks to sophomore Zara Harveth, who scored six of her 15 in the third. The Riders were able to stretch it out in the fourth.

Sophomore Lindsey Best and freshman Charli Roe each had six points in the final quarter.

The Purple Riders (13-8) are off until Wednesday when they visit Wheeling Central.

"I am physically sick that we're not playing on Sautrday (in the OVAC final)," Reasbeck said. "We do this to win championships. And this is three years where we've come in third place. We have another championship, in front of us (in the sectional), that I think we can contend for. But, we have to be more consistent. We know we can do it because we've done it. We've put 70 or 80-point games on the board this year, but we revert back to scoring 20 points. We have to find consistency to reach the elevation level we're striving for.'

Ferry was led by sophomore Lindsey Best's 12 points. Freshman Charli Roe scored 11 and completed the double-double with a like number of rebounds. Marchbank and Sidon went for nine and eight, respec-

Bellaire (11-10) was led in the scoring column by Harveth. She was complemented by senior Lizzie McAninch, who was solid with 10 points.

game between West Virginia and TCU this was proven once again.

A fan in the TCU student section, according to the account of a near incident as WVU was heading toward its locker room after a difficult defeat to swallow, drew the very wrath of the very large Jimmy Bell Jr. when the Mountaineer center saw him shaking a finger in his mother's face.

Now there's stupidity and there's stupidity, but this rooting against the opponents in a civil manner. kind of thing breaks the parameters. If there ever is a no-no, it is not to be provocatively rude and stupid to



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Seeing that, Bell reacted as all of us would and tried to get into the stands but was restrained by teammates and coaches. It could have evolved into an incident shared on ESPN and Court TV had cooler heads not intervened.

Most fans — and we must get this straight up front - are not a problem. They come out to have a good time, they root for their team while

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West Virginia fans cheer during a Mountaineers game inside the WVU Coliseum earlier this sea-

OVAC BILL HINEGARDNER DUAL MEET CHAMPIONSHIPS

# Shadyside Wins Class 1A/2A On Criteria Over Bridgeport

### No. 4 Oak Glen Claims Class 4A Championship

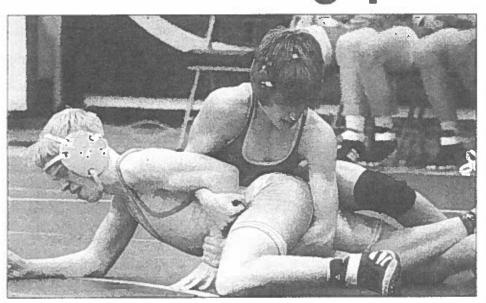
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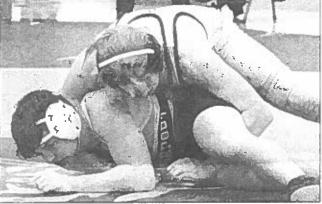
WELLSBURG - Whenever Ohio River rivals Bridgeport and Shadyside get together in any type of athletic event, the final result usually comes down to the very end. Wednesday night it took a little longer than normal to decide the OVAC Bill Hinegardner Class 1A/2A Dual Meet championship match inside the Brooke High School Wellness Center.

With just four bouts being contested due to low numbers on each squad, the Bulldogs and Tigers evenly divided them, with both capturing a pair of pins. Each also received a pair of forfeits.

"It's nice that we were able to do this. I'm really happy for the kids," Kinemond said. "It came down to criteria earlier this season and it came down to it again.'

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TOP: Indian Creek's Brent Rayburn (top) has a grip on Oak Glen's C.J. Duty at 132 pounds, but Duty

prevailed, 6-5. LEFT: Shadyside's Josh Harris looks for a cradle against Bridgeport's Kaleb McCamick at 150 pounds. Harris won by pin.

Photos by Kim North

# **Boys OVAC Pairings Are Announced**

Cameron (1A), River (2A), Martins Ferry (3A), East Liverpool (4A), Morgantown (5A) Earn Top Seeds

By SETH STASKEY For The Intelligencer

As it pertains to the OVAC Basketball titles, only 20 teams find themselves still alive in the chase.

Those teams learned their opponents for next Tuesday's semifinals, which will be held on the higher seed's court, Wednesday morning when the basketball committee met at Belmont College to finalize those pairings and set the consolation games for the teams that didn't advance to the semifinals.

The championship finals will be held on Saturday, Feb. 11 at Harrison Central High School in Indian Creek, which has also dropped a couple in a row, Cadiz with the 2A schools opening the action at 10 a.m. but still managed to garner the fourth seed. Creek is 9-9. The games will be begin every two hours and run 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A and 1A.

Here's a capsule look at each class: **CLASS 5A** 

Morgantown, which is the top-ranked team in the state of West Virginia, is also the top seed in the big-school OVAC division. Coach David Tallman's team is 15-1 on the season. The Mohigans will welcome fourth-seeded Wheeling Park. These two play on Friday in Wheeling race for the top four of all five classes. and just played last Wednesday in Morgantown. The Patriots entered Wednesday's game at 10-4.



Defending champion Dover sits at 15-1 with its only loss coming to rival New Philadelphia. The Tornadoes will take on Parkersburg South, which is third seed with a 10-3 record. One of those three losses came at Dover last Friday.

CLASS 4A

Defending champion East Liverpool (12-5) has been atop the standings in this class basically all season an despite three consecutive losses to OVAC schools (Linsly, Wheeling Park and Harrison Central), the Potters are the top seed.

Coach Nate Conley's team will welcome

The other half of the bracket finds second-seeded Weir sitting at 11-6, welcoming red-hot Harrison Central, which has defeated Martins Ferry and East Liverpool in its last two outings.

The Huskies of first-year head coach Aaron Foldi are 10-7 on the season.

CLASS 3A

This has been arguably the deepest and most interesting

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# Tom Brady Retires From Football ... Again

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) – This time,

the NFL on Wednesday, exactly one playoff exit. year after first saying his playing days lasting just under one minute on social media.

Tom Brady says he's done for good. in the form of a long Instagram post. go on forever. There's too many. The seven-time Super Bowl win- But about six weeks later, he decid- Thank you guys for allowing me to ner with New England and Tampa ed to return for one more run, citing live my absolute dream. Bay announced his retirement from "unfinished business" after an early

The Buccaneers – with whom he

A year ago when he retired, it was teammates, my competitors. I could

"I wouldn't change a thing. Love

Brady is the NFL's career leader were over, by posting a brief video won a Super Bowl two seasons ago in yards passing (89,214) and touch- made the playoffs again this sea- downs (649). He is the only player to son, losing in their playoff opener. win more than five Super Bowls and Unlike last winter, though, the And at the time, it begged the ques- has been MVP of the game five times. most successful quarterback in league tion about whether Brady would play He also holds marks for regular-seahistory, as well as one of the greatest again.

son wins (251), Super Bowl appearance of the greatest again.



Wheeling Park's Aiden Davis makes a move to the basket in a recent game against East Liverpool. The sophomore knocked down 31 points Wednesday in a win over Brooke.

# Park Romps Past Brooke On Sr. Night

### Sophomore Davis Nets Career-High 31 Points

By KYLE LUTZ For The Intelligencer

WHEELING - As the Wheeling Park boys' basketball team celebrated Senior Night, it was an underclassmen that made the most noise for the Patriots.

Aiden Davis scored 24 points in the first half en route to a career-high 31 including six shots from behind the arc to lead the Patriots to a victory over Brooke Wednesday night, 84-52 at the Palace on the Hill.

While Davis had the career-night, it was a pair of seniors that got Wheeling Park off to a hot start. Brett Phillips and Cole Wilkinson each had four points in the early going as the Patriots raced out to an early 8-0 lead before Brooke called a time out.

"I told them it was probably one of the best Senior Nights we've had in a while," Wheeling Park coach Michael Jebbia said. "All five (seniors) contributed and played well. It was a good start for us and we preached to them to just play solid defense. We knew that Brooke had guards that could shoot. They played a lot of different defenses, but I thought we reacted to each of them well. Brett Phillips and Cole Wilkinson really stepped up as seniors and Adien... When Aiden gets it going, there's not much there you can do, especially if it's open.'

Such was the case in the second quarter. After Blake Shorts hit the first basket of the second quarter to cut the Bruins' deficit to 23-12, the Patriots scored 15 unanswered points over the next three minutes with Davis draining three treys in that span. A Wilkinson bucket capped the run to put Wheeling Park up, 38-12 with 3:10 left in the first half.

Davis' 31 points broke his career-high by one point. Just this past Saturday against Buckhannon-Upshur, the sophomore poured in 30. He also dished out five assists.

"The best thing about him is he comes out in the third quarter and he's dishing it out to the seniors," Jebbia said. "He's getting the other guys involved and that's what we need. We understand we have the No. 1 team (Morgantown) coming on Friday. We got a day to get ready and it was just good to have this type of win, we understand what we're up against on Friday, but we're going to come out ready to play.

Wilkinson secured 16-points while Phillips, who signed his letter of intent to play football at Frostburg State hours earlier, finished with 15 points to round out the double

'We were not ready to play. We were

### Local Card

Thursday, Feb. 2 BOYS BASKETBALL Hundred at Beallsville BOWLING

Union Local vs. Buckeye Local Barnesville at St. Clairsville Linsly at Weirton Madonna Brooke at Weir

HOCKEY
Norwin at Wheeling Central Montour at Wheeling Park, 6 p.m.

### OVAC WRESTLING

OVAC Bill Hinegardner Dual Meet Championships Thursday, Feb. 2, 6 p.m. (at John Marshall F. H.) Semifinals Class 3A

No. 1 Linsly vs. No. 4 Magnolia No. 2 Barnesville vs. No. 3 Ferry Class 5A

No. 1 Whg Park vs. No. 4 Brooke No. 2 Big Red vs. No. 3 J.Marshall Immediately following semis

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

OVAC CHAMPIONSHIPS (at Harrison Central High School, Cadiz Saturday Class 2A, 10 a.m. No. 1 River vs. No. 2 Wheeling

Central Class 3A, 12 noon No. 1 Union Local vs. No. 2 Fort

Class 4A, 2 p.m. No. 1 Indian Creek vs. No. 3 Oak

Class 5A, 4 p.m. No. 1 Wheeling Park vs. No. 2 Mor-

gantown Class 1A, 6 p.m. No. 2 Cameron vs. #1 Frontier **Consolation Finals** Class 5A

No. 4 Warren at No. 3 Marietta Class 4A No. 2 Harrison Central at No. 4

Buckeye Local Class 3A No. 4 Bellaire at No. 3 Martins

Class 2A No. 4 Southern Local at No. 3

Monroe Central Class 1A No. 4 Trinity Christian at No. 3

Hundred Consolation Bracket Buckeye Trail at East Liverpool St. Clairsville at University Conotton Valley at Paden City Bridgeport at Madonna Magnolia at Caldwell Parkersburg South at Barnesville Wood County Christian at Valley Shadyside at Steub. Catholic Shenandoah at Clay Battelle John Marshall at Linsly Steubenville at Dover ambridge at Edison

#### BOYS BASKETBALL

Brooke at Beaver Local

**OVAC CHAMPIONSHIPS** (at Harrison Central High School, Cadiz Saturday, February 11 10:00 a.m. – Class 2-A 12 noon – Class 3-A 2:00 p.m. – Class 4-A 4:00 p.m. – Class 5-A 6:00 p.m. – Class 1-A SEMI-FINALS

Tuesday, February 7 Class 5A No. 4 Wheeling Park at No. 1 Mor-

gantown No. 3 Parkersburg South at No. 2 Class 4A

No. 4 Indian Creek at No. 1 East No. 3 Harrison Central at No. 2

Class 3A No. 4 Bellaire at No. 1 Martins Fer-

No. 3 Linsly at No. 2 Caldwell

Class 2A No. 4 Shadyside at No. 1 River No. 3 Southern Local at No. 2 Monroe Central Class 1A

No. 4 Trinity Christian at No. 1

CONSOLATION FINALS Friday, February 10

CONSOLATION POOL Tuesday, February 7 John Marshall at Steubenville Brooke at St. Clairsville University at Union Local Edison at Buckeye Local Buckeye Trail at Wheeling Central Beaver Local at Toronto Steubenville Catholic at Wellsville Oak Glen at Clay-Battelle Shenandoah at Fort Frye Barnesville at Magnolia Wood County Christian at Bealls-

Paden City art Frontier
Conotton Valley at Bridgeport
Wednesday, February 8 Hundred at Wood County Christian

Friday, February 10
Bridgeport at Hundred
Steubenville at Beaver Local Wellsville at Edison
Buckeye Local at John Marshall
St. Clairsville at University Union Local at Brooke Fort Frye at Buckeye Trail Wheeling Central at Shenandoah Clay-Battelle at Steub. Catholic Magnofia at Oak Glen Toronto at Conotton Valley Frontier at Barnesville Beallsville at Paden City

### Prep Boxscores

**BOYS BASKETBALL** Wheeling Park 84, Brooke 52 B - Shorts 2 0-0 4; P. Toepfer 4 0-0 10; L. Toepfer 3 7-8 15; Petrella 0 Cipoletti 2 0-0 6; Fuscardo 2 Kamarados 1 0-0 2; Sperringer 1 0-1 2; Kimball 4 0-0 8. Totals: 19 7-9 52.

- Linder 0 0-0 0; A. Davis 12 -1-1 31; Stephens 0 0-2 0; M. Davis 4 0-0 8; Huffman 0 1-2 1; Doyle 1 0-0 3; Wilkinson 7 2-4 16; K. Davis 0 0-0 0; Johnson 1 0-0 2; Lewis 0 0-0 0; Phillips 7 1-1 15; Demko 3 0-0 6; Hays 1 0-0 2. Totals: 36 5-10 84. 3-Point Goals: P. Toepfer (2), L. Toepfer (2), Cipoletti (2), Fuscardo; A. Davis (6), Doyle. GIRLS BASKETBALL

St. Mary's 78,
Tyler Consolidated 36
TYLER CONSOLIDATED (36) –
Westbrook 1 2-2 4; Kuntz 1 0-0 2;
Henderson 2 0-0 5; Louden 0 2-2 2; Lattea 3 0-0 6; Grimm 2 0-0 4; Wall Lattea 3 0-0 6; Grimm 2 0-0 4; Wall 2 2-2 7; Weber 1 0-0 2; Northcraft 1 0-0 2; Lemasters 1 0-2 2; Totals: 14 5-8 36. ST. MARYS (78) – Armstrong 1 0-0 3; Price 6 3-5 16; Martin 3 3-5 9; Callie Powell 6 0-0 12; A. Davis 6 2-2 15 Z. Davis 9 0-0 23; Totals: 3 8-12 78.

A, Davis 6 2-2 15 2. Davis 9 0-0 25; Totals: 31 8-12 78 3-point goals: TC – Westbrook, Henderson, Wall; SM – Z. Davis (5), A. Davis, Price, Armstrong

### PREP SCORES

W.VA. BOYS Bath County, Va. 68, Richwood 30 Buffalo 81, Saint Joseph Central 55 Herbert Hoover 87, Nicholas Co. 68 Nitro 75, Wayne 56

CANCELLATION Mount View vs. James Monroe, ccd.

W.VA. GIRLS Bath County, Va. 57, Richwood 21 Bridgeport 57, Buckhannon-Up-Doddridge County 55, Gilmer County 40 East Fairmont 70, Philip Barbour

Hampshire 40, Berkeley Springs 10

Lincoln 53, Preston 50 Logan 41, Nitro 32 North Marion 63, Lewis County 34 Petersburg 56, Moorefield 40 Ritchie County 50, Williamstown

48
River View 57, James Monroe 51
Saint Joseph Central 60, Buffalo 27
Tygarts Valley 54, Pocahontas
County 42
Wayne 44, Chapmanville 26
POSTPONEMENTS

AND CANCELLATIONS
Greenbrier West vs. Meadow

Bridge, ccd. Independence vs. Van, ppd. Pendleton County vs. Elkins, ccd. OHIO GIRLS

Akr. Ellet 71, Akr. Firestone 31 Alliance Marlington 77, Alliance 49 Ashtabula Edgewood 62, Geneva

Avon 50, Brecksville-Broadview Hts. 41 Baltimore Liberty Union 73, Mari-on Elgin 42 Batavia 40, Williamsburg 32 Beechwood, Ky. def. Cin. Riverside Academy, forfeit Burton Berkshire 38, Orwell Grand

Burton Berksnire 38, Orwell Grand Valley 34 Can. McKinley 38, Green 34 Can. South 52, Orrville 30 Canal Fulton Northwest 58, Akr. Manchester 35 Canfield 54, Warren Harding 31

Carrollton 53, Minerva 15 Centerburg 47, Cardington-Lincoln

Centerville 47, Springboro 44 Chagrin Falls 32, Mentor Lake Cath. 28 Chagrin Falls Kenston 41, Mayfield

Chardon 69, Eastlake North 63 Chesterland W. Geauga 59, Orange 40 Chillicothe Unioto 57, Greenfield

McClain 22 Cin, Indian Hill 43, Cin. Deer Park 42. OT Cin. Madeira 44, N. Bend (Cleves)

Cin. McNicholas 67, Bishop Brossart, Ky. 65, OT Cin. Purcell Marian 80, Cin. Country Day 66

Shroder 49 Cin Aiken 42 Cin. Sycamore 42, Middletown 34 Cin. Wyoming 44, Cin. Finneytown

Cle. Hts. Beaumont 74, Andrews Osborne Academy 33 Columbiana 48, Lisbon David An-

Coulombiana 48, Lisbon David Anderson 35
Copley 60, Amherst Steele 43
Cuyahoga Falls CVCA 67, Navarre
Fairless 33

Dresden Tri-Valley 77, Coshocton Elyria Cath. 61, Rocky River 55 Fairfield 49, Cin. Colerain 47 Gates Mills Gilmour 48, Cuyahoga Falls Walsh Jesuit 46 Gnadenhutten Indian Valley 36, W. Lafayette Ridgewood 31 Hamilton Badin 47, Seton 41 Hilliard Davidson 69, Cols. Whet-

Independence 47, Brooklyn 34 Johnstown 40, Pataskala Watkins Memorial 34

Wemorial 34 Kettering Fairmont 47, Huber Hts. Wayne 38 Kirtland 45, Wickliffe 38 Louisville 60, N. Can. Hoover 42 Mason 59, W. Chester Lakota W.

Massillon Perry 51, Massillon Jackson 34 Medina 43, Mentor 19 Medina 43, Mellor 15, Shaker Hts. Hathaway Brown 46 Miamisburg 57, Springfield 42 Mt. Gilead 50, Howard E. Knox 25

#### BRADY -

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We will certainly miss him as our don't want to retire. quarterback, but I will also miss him as a leader and friend," Licht added:

"Our entire organization is indebted to him for what he provid- about. You got to, you know, wake ed us over the past three years. We won't ever forget the wins or the accolades, and his influence will be felt for years to come."

by Lily Tomlin, Jane Fonda, Rita on this whole experience. Moreno and Sally Field, who went to a Super Bowl to see Brady play.

helped take us to the mountaintop. range in age from 76 to 91 - who

"They're working hard and they love it. So good for them," Brady told The Associated Press. "You know, it's just that's what life is up every day with a purpose. And when you find something you love Brady announced his retirement lot of aspects that you do enjoy. So comes out Friday - in Los An- on set and how much energy they geles. The movie tells the story have. And I certainly was inspired new team. of four lifelong friends, played by them and learned a lot of lessons

The next year, it all changed. Brady took over as the Patriots'

He was asked Tuesday night starter, the team beat the St. Lou- behind Kansas City (46) and Bufwhether he felt a connection work- is Rams in the Super Bowl that falo (41).

"His imprint on this organization ing with women — the four stars capped the 2001 season and he and New England coach Bill Belichick were well on their way to becoming the most successful coach-QB duo in football history.

More Super Bowl wins came after the 2003 and 2004 seasons. The Patriots returned to football's mountaintop for a fourth time in Brady's era a decade later to cap to do, you know, it's hard to stop. the 2014 season, the start of three You really enjoy it. And there's a more titles in a span of five years.

He signed with Tampa Bay in one day after attending the prethey still bring it at this age. It's free agency in 2020 and added a miere of "80 for Brady" — which really unbelievable to watch them seventh Super Bowl ring to his collection in his first season with his

The Bucs and won 37 games (including postseason) with Brady at quarterback - third most in the league over the past three seasons

#### Boys

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Martins Ferry, which won 14 in a row before its aforementioned loss to Harrison last weekend, is 15-1 and the top seed.

It will welcome Bellaire, which has endured a 10game win streak, a six-game losing streak and is now riding a three-game win streak.

One of those six consecutive losses for the Big Reds (13-6) came inside the Tolbert Gymnasium at Martins Ferry.

Lori, is the second seed in this class after moving up host 11-5 Southern Local. a division this winter. The Redskins are an impressive 16-2 with neither loss coming to an OVAC foe.

welcome surging Linsly, which is the defending champion in this division. Coach Dave Wojcik's Cadets are 11-6 after defeating Steubenville on Tuesday.

over Parkersburg South.

CLASS 2A

River has been on top of these standings all winter and is the top seed with a solid 16-3 record. The Pilots, who were runnerup in 3A last season, will welcome defending 2A champion Shadyside, which squeezed into the field by 36 hundredths of a point over Toronto.

Coach Ed Andes' Tigers are 10-9 on the season. The other half of the bracket finds Monroe Central Caldwell, which features 2,000-point scorer Bede as the second seed. The Seminoles are 13-6 and will

#### CLASS 1A

Defending champion Cameron has earned the top The Redskins will receive a stern test when they seed with a 9-7 record. The Dragons will host Trinity Christian, which is 8-8 on the season in one semifinal.

The other half of the bracket finds Madonna, which sits at 9-8 after toppling the Dragons on Tuesday eve-Linsly owns numerous quality wins, including one ning, welcoming Valley, which qualified with a 10-6 mark.

#### Criteria -

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draw some more wrestlers out for I wish I could go back and do over, tum going, and we did. the coming years.

out there that see that we won the Class 1 A/2 A title and want to come out and wrestle for us next year."

it won OVAC titles in 2012-13,

2013-14, 2015-16 and 2016-17. started coaching and I couldn't be at 157 and 165 preceded Pyle's any prouder of them," Kinemond pin that put Bridgeport up 18-12. praised. "They have been through so much, but to win the OVACs ...

I'm happy for them. at the scorer's table involving both determined. head coaches = Bridgeport's Matt McFarland and Shadyside's Chase went out there and got us one," Mc-

gers were the winners. The final decision came after in the match. Ironically, it came an Creek, 47-25. by 'Shadyside's Jacob Brown in pounds by Peyton Pvle.

e coming years. we gave it our all and wrestled "Hopefully, there are some kids well."

126 (Shadyside's Eli Gallaher) and 132 (Bridgeport's Owenn Clark) He is also proud of the kids that before a double forfeit at 138. awarded a forfeit at 144 as they led 12-6, but a pin by Josh Harris at "I've had these kids since I first 150 made it 12-all. Double forfeits a pair of decisions.

A forfeit to the Tigers' Chris Stillion (190) evened things at 18, but Shadyside's William Robin-When Bridgeport's Will Hunt son earned a pin at 215 to put the pinned Nick Norris in the last bout top-seeded Orange back on top, at 285 pounds, the scoreboard read 24-18. Hunt squared things for the 24-all. After a lengthy discussion final time before the outcome was

"I told Will we needed a pin and

officials delved into the rule book, Glen started both the semifinals lyn (215). finally determining the winner and finals with four straight vicon criteria (1) - the 12th - of the tories and never looked back as it

"We gave it a whirl and changed OVAC Tournament and they came in Moundsville. things up a little bit," McFarland back and won it. We talked all

Kinemond is hoping this will noted. "There's a couple of things week about keeping the momen-

Double winners for the Golden Bears included Aiden Anderson The teams swapped forfeits at (106), Wyatt Wolanski (120/126) and Kaiden Hebrock (285) who all won by pins; Hayden Lamb (132/138) who recorded a pair have kept the program alive after The Bulldogs' Mason Aberts was of technical falls; C.J. Duty (126/132) with a pin and decision; and Greg Sauers (190) who earned

Logan Davis (113/120) and Braxton Dlugopolski (165) each had a pin and forfeit, and Nathan Pasco (113) had a pin in the finals.

"We fell behind early like we did last year, but we didn't have the firepower we had last year to come back tonight," Indian Creek head coach Brandon Pendleton said. We knew Oak Glen was going to be tough to beat."

Indian Creek's winners were Kinemond - and match referee Farland said of his freshman. "He Gavin Pownall (144, pin), C.J. y Day of the Seven Hills 54, Cin. Christian Jack Regis, it was declared the Ti-gave us a shot and that's all I can Spencer (150, forfeit), Dom Paterask for as a coach. He stepped up." ra (157, maj. dec.), Ethan Llewel-In Class 4A, fourth-seeded Oak lyn (175, dec.) and Elijah Llewelra (157, maj. dec.), Ethan Llewel-

Indian Creek had defeated Edison in the semifinals, 39-30, but dual meet tiebreaker system - the defeated short-handed top seed St. the Wildcats rebounded to place most reversals. There was only one Clairsville, 62-21, and No. 2 Indi- third with a 57-21 win over the Red Devils.

by Shadyside's Jacob Brown in "We expected to go out and win The Class 3A and Class 5A a match he was pinned in at 175 early," Cornell said. "We wrestled schools will go for titles tonight in-Creek in a dual right before the side the John Marshall Field House

Start time is 6.

### FANS

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Sometimes, watching a play-by-play Mountaineer Maniacs, so harmless fun. you expect some idiotic hehavior.

WVU's place is called the looking like him. Good, include fan behavior.

"Our fans respected age John Chaney, but they just to the Fort Worth knowing that they've had Unless they carry it too also wanted to beat him area, even if the ESPNU a good time, made new far by throwing objects, and if the masks could cameras missed it, hav- friends not new enemies

announc- an ugly enough basketcrowd work an opponent, er Tony Caridi, then not ball game. Strange, isn't idea of enjoying a sportincluding at the Colise- yet having replaced Jack it, no matter how heated ing event comes out of the um, you wonder if they Fleming, was behind, the game becomes — and dedication to the team of aren't pushing the bound- Chaney, it turned out, they often do challenge an one's choice and the soaries a bit, but you have loved the welcome he got athlete's control - that cialization that goes on to remember the name at by a student section all the worst incident has to before, during and after

Of course, this im-

Let's all agree that the games.

Everyone can't leave wasn't restricted happy, but they can leave not words, out of the stugive the Mountaineers ing switched to the next and look forward to a re-



### Fighting for Workers

### **OVAC GIRLS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

# 3rd Time Is Charm For Morgantown

### Mohigans Avenge Losses To Park, Capture 5A Title

By KIM NORTH Staff Writer

CADIZ - The third time was definitely a charm for Morgantown Saturday afternoon. After dropping a pair of regular-season contests to top-seeded Wheeling Park, the Mohigans more than made up for it with a 59-49 victory in the OVAC Class 5A Girls

Basketball championship game at Harrison Central High School.

The coveted triumph also allowed Morgantown (16-4) repeat as the 'Big School' titlists, as it also defeated the Patriots (18-2) in last year's champion-

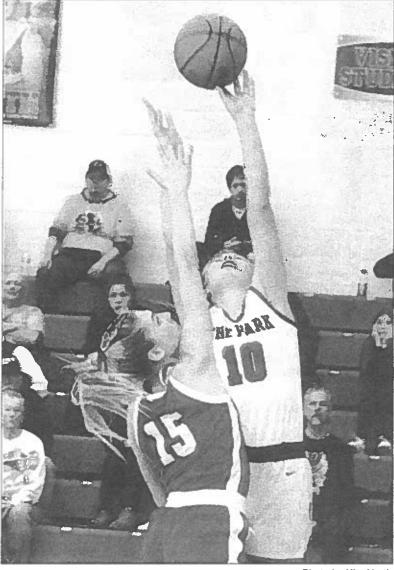
ship contest. 'Morgantown wanted it more than us. Morgantown deserved to win the game," Wheeling Park head coach Ryan Young said. "They played four full quarters and we played just one. We played a good third quarter, and even in that third quarter when we got the lead, there was a sequence of a couple of things ... selfish play, an offense rebound that led to a score. That was kind of the story of the game.

"You've got to give Morgantown credit," Young added.
"They played an absolutely fantastic game. I tip my hat to them."

As far as his team goes, "if we had played a whole game like we played in the third quarter it might have been a different story."

Morgantown started the game on a 15-6 run and led 23-13 midway through the second quarter before Woods scored five and Alexis Bordas added a basket that made it a tickled the twine twice, giving 23-20 deficit. However, the Mo- Wheeling Park its first lead at higans netted 10 of the final 12 39-37. points of the half to lead 33-22.

It was the Patriots turn to



Wheeling Park's Abby Delk (10) goes up for a shot during the Patriots' 59-49 loss to Morgantown in the OVAC 5A championship game.

make a run as a layup by Natalie Daugherty capped a 14-4 spree that made the score 37-37.

After a Morgantown miss, Bordas was fouled. The sophomore

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. Union Local cruises to a thirdstraight OVAC 3A title over Fort Frye, while Indian Creek's suffocating defense gets the Redskins past Oak Glen in the

Class 4A championship game/10

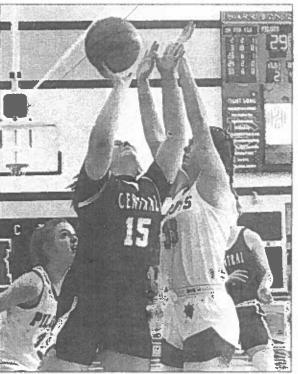


Photo by Mike Hughes

Wheeling Central's Lily Vogrin (15) scores two of her team-high 12 points Saturday against River in the OVAC Class 2A championship game at Harrison Central High School.

# **River Sinks** Central In 2A

By MIKE HUGHES For The Intelligencer

CADIZ - River broke open a nip-and-tuck game against Wheeling Central with a big run, then hung on in the fourth as the Pilots defeated the Maroon Knights 57-46 on Saturday in the OVAC Class 2A championship.

Pilots head coach Rick Islay received MVP-worthy performances from both junior point guard Kelsey Harlan and senior post Rylee Knight who

combined for 40 points.

Harlan, who totaled 19 points and had a number of steals and assists, also did an admirable job de-

fending Wheeling Central's leading scorer Brook Edge, who totaled nine points.

Knight, meanwhile, led all scorers with 21 points while snagging an equal number of rebounds in a dominating effort in the paint.

The pair are peaking at the right time, having each scored 23 points in a semifinal win against Southern Local to reach Saturday's finale at Cadiz.

"Hats off to Kelsey, our point guard," Isaly said. "She can do it all, drive, shoot, play defense, and Rylee was just a beast on the boards.

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## Cameron Makes It Back-To-Back 1A Crowns



Photo by Kim North

Cameron's Ashlynn Van Tassell makes a move to the basket Saturday night during the OVAC Class 1A Girls Basketball championship game at Harrison Central High School in Cadiz.

#### By KIM NORTH **Staff Writer**

CADIZ - Back-to-back!

accomplished Saturday ball Championship with a hard-fought, 47-36, nod over top-seeded Frontier.

really good. I like the sound of stalemate after one quarter. that," Cameron head coach Holly A 10-3 run to open the s Pettit said. "It means a lot."

Class A queenpins (14-5).

a time. I still don't think we've 23-16 at the half. played our best basketball yet," Pettit noted. "Tonight was a pret- tit said. "She got two fouls early That's what No. 2 seed Cam- ty ugly game. You could tell that on and had to sit, but when Maci we've been off for almost a week. night inside Harrison Central We play Monday and then we and played really High School when it defended its travel to Morgantown on Friday. best basketball.

quarter built the lead to 18-11 Although the victory is sweet, as four different Dragons scored Pettit knows there's still work during the spurt. Gracie Carter ahead for the defending W.Va. and Emilee Dobbs both knocked down treys to spark the designat-'We're taking it one game at ed visitors as the margin grew to

"Gracie really stepped up," Petgot her second, she went back in

After the Cougars Kara Ram-OVAC Class 1A Girls Basket- so it's time to get to playing our sey scored to open the third quarter, Cameron used a basket from The Cougars (15-6) were up to Maci Neely, two free throws from the task early as both teams bat- Ashlynn Van Tassell and a Ken-"Back-to-back sounds really, tled nerves and ended up an 8-all zi Clutter bucket to lead by 11, alemate after one quarter. 29-18, prompting Frontier head coach Mike Cisler to call timeout.

Frontier would run off 10 of the next 14 points to pull to within five, 33-28, and trailed 35-28 with eight minutes to play.

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Kidney Posts



# Role Players Deliver In A Big Way Creek Takes Over For Union Local In 3A Title Game

**By SETH STASKEY** For The Intelligencer

CADIZ - The plan, when playing Union Local's girls basketball team, to take away senior All-Ohioans Reagan Vinskovich and Torre Kildow makes good sense.

But when the Jets "role players" like Lauren Miller, Emily Kellaway and Ella Pietranton are making shots early in the game, the plan needs revision.

Such was the case Saturday afternoon when the Jets took on Fort Frye for the OVAC Class 3A title at Harrison Central High School. Miller, Kellaway and Pietranton all rained in bonus goals in the opening quarter, allowing the Jets to build a 23-6 lead after one and they never looked back en route to a 49-34 victory and the program's third consecutive conference title.

"We prepared to be in a grind game, but when we were able to get the lead like we did they had to play our game a little bit," UL head coach Scooter Tolzda said. "Fort Frye rolled the dice and left our role players open and we said , 'our role players will definitely have to play well (Saturday)." They delivered.

In the first quarter, which proved to be the decisive chapter, Union Local connected on its first eight shots from the field. It didn't miss any of its five, 3-point shots and simply had their way.

"Lauren (Miller), (Vinskovich), Emmy (Kellaway) and Ella (Pietranton) all did admirable jobs," Tolzda said. "They were the key because they were guarding Reagan and Torre. And

On the other end, veteran and higly successful Cadets head coach in a while.' Dan Liedtke, who owns more than 700 career victories, simply could tip his cap to the Jets.

going to shoot it. The ball was gothis, you simply can't get buried like that that early in the game because you're not going to be able

The Jets cooled off considerably, scoring just 26 points for the

next three quarters.

ess, which has been unheralded at finished with seven points. times in the last couple of seasons. make too much of a run.

"We quit attacking (offensive- sists and a blocked shot. ly) and tried to take some time off



Union Local's Ella Pietranton takes a shot during the Jets' 49-34 victory over Fort Frye in the OVAC Class 3A championship game at Harrison Central High School in Cadiz.

honestly, we'll probably go as far the clock, which we are trying to (in the tournament) as our role improve on," Tolzda said. "It got ished with nine.

a little bit sloppy from our point of While the title is Union Local's

On top of their defense, despite the Cadets' concerted efforts to "They were really hot that first on the interior, Union Local's 4A. Regardless quarter," Liedtke said. "It didn't all-time leading scorer was able what class, the seem like it mattered who was to get hers. She scored 12 of the doesn't change. Jets' 16 in the second half. All ing to go in. Against a team like told, Vinskovich finished with 22 points, putting her the 1,900 mark eryone of for her career. She also collected da said. seven rebounds.

by junior Lauren Miller, who hit Class 5A runnerup Wheeling Park four bonus goals and finished with on Wednesday in Morristown. The However, their defensive prow- id with the ball and defensively, ular season.

wasn't about to let the Cadets only took one shot, still made an sphere," Tolzda said. "It's going impact with six rebounds, three as- to be worth the price of admission

Fort Frye was led by Emmy heck of a game.'

view, which happens every once third consecutive, it's the second straight on the floor because the 2021 crowns were decided via paper because of the pandemic and take away Reagan Vinskovich last season's title came in Class 4A. Regardless of how, where and what class, the excitement level

> "I've been fortunate enough to win a few (OVAC titles) and everyone of them is precious." Tolz-

Next up for the Jets is the reg-Vinskovich was complemented ular-season finale against OVAC 14 points. Kellaway, who was sol- Jets will be seeking a perfect reg-

nished with seven points. "It's going to be an excit-Kildow, who didn't score and ing game with an electric atmoand we think it's going to be a

# In 2nd Half To Win **4A Championship**

By BUBBA KAPRAL For The Intelligencer

CADIZ the classification.

ed his defensive-minded locked in from the start. and top-seeded Redskins past third-seeded Oak we had balanced scoring Glen, 42-26, Saturday afternoon in the OVAC 4A he continued. "We got

pionship trophy to the 5A al of our players for the crown his Redskins pock- MVP award. eted in 2020 when they downed Wheeling Park in morial MVP Award went overtime.

title. Its been three years displaying loads of savvy since the last one," Eft point play. said. "It's nice to see all fall pay dividends."

"The girls are a very Redskins. committed group. We Creek improved to a have great leadership and sparkling 15-4 on the camaraderie," he added. campaign. The Redskins "Winning the OVAC is have a stern test Monday always one of our goals. at Tusky Valley. I am very happy for these girls."

upstart Golden Bears as 8-10 on the campaign. points were at a premium

take control in the third quarter.

Creek surge with five make the finals.' points in the period.

ing junior forward Kylie evenly divided 12 tallies. Anderson delivered six points for the Jefferson on East Liverpool Monday. Countains while only one Golden Bear was able to turnovers. Oak Glen was score in the fourth period guilty of 15 miscues.

"We missed a lot of Indian easy shorts early on, but I Creek head coach Steve thought we began to settle collecting in offensively late in the OVAC basketball cham- second quarter. We bepionships, regardless of gan to find holes in their e classification. zone," Eft said. "De-The affable mentor guid-fensively. I felt we were

"I really like the fact solid contributions from Eft adds his fresh- everyone today. They ly-minted Class 4A cham- could have chosen sever-

The John Howell Meto McKenna Scott. The "It really feels great talented sophomore guard winning another OVAC netted 10 points while

Anderson led Creek the hard work these girls with 14 points while and my coaches put in Robertson chipped in during the summer and with 11 counters. Eft received scoring from six

Oak Glen, which upset second-seeded Harrison Creek had its hands full Central Tuesday to make for one half against the the title tilt, dropped to

"We lost to a very good in the opening two quarteam today. Give Creek ters. The Redskins took a lot of credit." Golden a 16-15 lead into inter- Bears' head coach Ryan mission as both teams en- Wells noted. "I was hapcountered shooting woes. py with our defensive ef-The Redskins began to fort. We held them to 42 points.

we obviously "But Eft's charges limit had trouble scoring. We ed Oak Glen to just five missed way too many easy points in the frame while shots and we did a poor job getting scoring from five at the foul line (5-of-13)." Redskins to forge a 30- he added. "But I am proud 20 advantage entering the of my girls they played final eight minutes. Junior hard and didn't quit. It is Tori Robertson keyed the also a nice achievement to

oints in the period. Ward topped the Oak
The Redskins method- Glen attack with 12 ically pulled away in the points while Lizzie Kell final stanza. Hard-work- and Alexus Greenlief

The Golden Bears take

Creek committed nine

## Wheeling Park Places Third At W.Va. Class AAA State Duals

2-1 at the West Virginia Class AAA each, while Ayden King (157) had a pin and a pin. State Duals Saturday, winning their and was awarded a forfeit. Johnathan quarterfinal match over St. Albans (55- Huntsman (106) received two forfeits. 24) before falling in the semifinals to Spring Mills (39-30).

33) in the third-place match.

OHSWCA District Team Duals, Division III Barnesville, Ferry Headed To State

state tournament with lop-sided victo- Gymnasium. ries over Waterford (76-6) and Pleasant (52-21) inside "The Greenhouse."

Andrews (120), Hines Ford (126), Kar-forfeits each. They defeated Woodrow Wilson (44- son Milhoan (165), Robby Nixon (175) and Marshall Meade (190).

MARTINS FERRY – The Purple Riders will be making their first trip Linsly 2,382 and Wheeling Central to Versailles and the state tournament BARNESVILLE – The Shamrocks after defeating Shenandoah (59-21) Wheeling Park's Mikel Henderson Sandy and Brayden Bartrug bot advanced to their third consecutive and Malvern (49-24) inside Tolbert was the individual winner with games 10. All three were named MVPs.

Registering two pins were David Proctor (106), Shayden Fogle (150) OVAC champions Dakota King and Johnny McFarland (165), while (132). Skyer King (138) and Reese Kaden Archer (138) and Alexander tuneup for next week's OVAC Class the Lumberjacks topped the Red Devils.

LEWISBURG - The Patriots went Stephen (150) all recorded two pins Finsley (190/215) each had a decision 3A semifinal at Caldwell with a victory

Trey Regis (144) received a forfeit and won a decision. Dylan Ward (120) Other double winners were Aydan and George Hulsey (175) received two

**BOWLING** Wheeling Park Boys Win City Title

The Patriots rolled a 2,860 to beat 2,020 on Saturday.

of 211, 213 and 202 for a 626 series.

BOYS BASKETBALL Linsly 72, Spire Academy 62

against SPIRE Academy Saturday inside the Stifel Fieldhouse.

Linsly was led by Carter Anderson's 24. Gavin Jackson added 12, while Dharae Goodwin and Nate Coleman went for 11 and 10, respectively.

HIT Tournament Finals Hundred 60, Harman 51

HUNDRED - The Hornets were led by Josiah Morgan with 14 points. Colt Sandy and Brayden Bartrug both had

Valley 50, Calhoun Co. 34 (Late Friday)

PINE GROVE - Gavin Derby scored WHEELING - Linsly got a final 27 points and Dallas Preat added 10 as

## Stevenson's 34 Keys WVU Rout Of Oklahoma

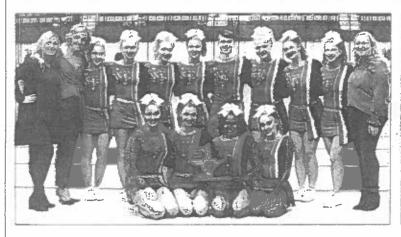
By BOB HERTZEL WV News MORGANTOWN - It's Erik

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# VAC CHEERLEADING CHAMPIONSHIPS DECIDED





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closer than six.
"With teams doubling and triple-teaming Ashlynn, we've got to have some other players step up, and she does a good job of looking for them when she gets the ball in the post with defenders on her," Pettit added.

Emilee Dobbs support-ed Van Tassell's scoring with eight, while Clutter had six points, seven rebounds and half-a-dozen assists. Neely also had six boards while Van Tassell completed a double-double with a game best 16.

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### KIDNEY

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back in 2020. It was just a hair off her cord time for her share of the title. pool record 57.64 set at the OVAC Championships last month.

She was also part of the 200 free relay unit that placed second in 1:48.60 swimmers to the state meet, as the Bruto earn a state qualifying spot. Joining ins placed fourth in the girls team score her on that unit were Sierra Taylor, and fifth on the boys side. Sydney Hess and Maitlyn Miller.

us," JM head coach Timothy Martin the high point results. said. "We're very proud of everything we did (Saturday).

more records and a previous record she freestyle in 57.20. set before. We came in with a goal to tions as always.

The event wins gave her 18 points,

57.80, about eight tenths quicker than a hair over her meet and pool record, the day overall. I think a lot of teams Molly George, Heilman, Ava Sunseri her previous meet record of 58.63 set and the 100 breaststroke in a meet redid well, and we did well, too.

fifth overall.

The host Bruins also will be sending

"It was another successful day for Ella McCullough (10th) both placed in

Farrell, a freshman for the Bruins, topped the girls 50 freestyle in 26.48. "Victoria is a rockstar. She broke two McCullough was second in the 100

excel and she blew away the expecta- ished third in the 50 free in 24.47 to girls side, Lacie Langmeyer was fourth earn a trip to states.

"I thought we did very well, a lot of

Her winning swim in the girls 100 which was matched by Riggs for a tie our kids dropped time," Bruins coach backstroke broke one of her own records as she turned in a meet record commit, topped the 200 freestyle in just chunks of time. I was very pleased with commit, topped the 200 freestyle in just chunks of time. I was very pleased with commit, topped the 200 freestyle in just chunks of time. I was very pleased with commit, topped the 200 freestyle in just chunks of time. I was very pleased with commit, topped the 200 freestyle in just chunks of time. I was very pleased with commit, topped the 200 freestyle in just chunks of time. I was very pleased with commit, topped the 200 freestyle in just chunks of time.

"It's great to have this at home. It's The Monarchs as a team finished so nice to have the pool here, we're one 200 free in 2:02.14, Parker topped the of two high schools to have a pool. The boys 200 free in 1:52.78, Langmeyer kids get to walk down the hall and into the pool. It makes a big difference."

delegation to the state meet, as the Pa- the 100 breaststroke. Brooke's Faith Farrell (sixth) and triots had swimmers finish in the high girls sides.

Levi Parker, who followed his strong showing in the OVACs last month with another good day, placed second overall on the boys side with Jackson On the boys side, Dameon Rea fin- Kiziminski coming in at No. 11. On the and Abby Heilman was sixth.

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Parkersburg South won the boys team and individual titles, as its Quade Harris was the top male swimmer.

Morgantown won the girls team title. The state meet takes place Feb. 16-

### LOCAL GARD

Monday, Feb. 6 BOYS BASKETBALL Phar Mor Big **House Shootout** Cameron vs. Buffalo Putnam

**GIRLS BASKETBALL** Valley at Cameron Linsly at Wheeling Central Williamstown at Magnolia Steubenville at Steubenville Catholic

Weir at Toronto Weirton Madonna at Edison Oak Glen at East Liverpool **BOWLING** 

Weir at Barnesville St. Clairsville at Brooke Beallsville/Monroe Central HOCKEY

Wheeling Park at North Hills, 7:15 p.m.

### SPORTS ON TV

Monday, February 6 AHL HOCKEY

7 p.m. NHLN — 2023 All-Star Classic: From Laval, Quebec COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)

CBSSN — Lafayette at Holy Cross **ESPN** - Duke at Miami

9 p.m. - Texas at Kansas ESPNU — Bethune-Cookman at Texas Southern 11 p.m.

ESPNU - Weber St. at N. Colorado

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL** (WOMEN'S) 6 p.m.

ESPN2 - Virginia Tech at **NC State** 7 p.m.

BTN - Nebraska at Northwestern SECN — Tennessee at

Mississippi St.
COLLEGE GYMNASTICS (WOMEN'S) 9 p.m. lowa at Nebraska
 HIGH SCHOOL

BASKETBALL (BOYS) 7 p.m. ESPNU — GEICO Showcase: Newton (Ga.) vs. Wheeler (Ga.), Marietta, Ga

**NBA BASKETBALL** 7:30 p.m. NBATV — LA Clippers at

Brooklyn 10 p.m. NBATV — Milwaukee at

Portland NFL FOOTBALL 8 p.m. ESPN2 - Super Bowl

Opening Night FS1 — Super Bowl Opening Night NFLN — Super Bowl Open-

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Morgantown 59,

5 0-0 14; Bechtel 3 1-4 7; Hawkins 3 3-4 9; Jordan 6 3-4

15; Sweeny 1 0-0 2; Smith 0 1-2 1; Totals: 21-49 11-18 59. WHEELING PARK (49) - Bor-

Totals: 16-49 13-17 49

Woods (3), Abraham Class 4A

Indian Creek 42, Oak Glen 26 OAK GLEN (26) - Kell 2, 1-3 6; Greenlief 2, 2-4 6; Barr

0-2 2; Sy. Brown 0, 0-0 0;

Ward 5, 2-4 12; Sa. Brown 0, 0-0 0. Totals 10, 5-13 26. INDI-

AN CREEK (42) - Anderson 5,

4-8 14; Taylor 0, 2-2 2; Robertson 5, 1-2 11; Ballato 1, 2-4 4;

Scott 3, 2-2 10; Starkey 0, 1-2

1; Ketron 0, 0-0 0. Totals 14,

3-point goals: OG - Kell; IC

Class 3A

FORT FRYE (34) - Ludwig 1, 0-0 2; E. Duskey 4, 2-2

Duskey 2, 0-2 4; Lang 0, 2-4 2; Buckhanan 0, 2-2 2; Wynn 0, 0-0 0; O'Brien 2, 3-4 9; Rauch

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UL -- Miller (4), Pietranton,

Class 2A

River 57, Wheeling Central 46 WHEELING CENTRAL (46) - Olejasz 5-8 0-0 10; Downing

3-8 0-0 8; Edge 4-13 0-0 9; Vogrin 4-12 1-2 12; Wilkinson 3-5 1-2 7; Downer 0-0 0-0 0;

Severns 0-1 0-0 0; Payton 0-1

0-0 0; Ratcliffe 0-0 0-0 0: To-

tals: 19-48 2-4 46. RIVER (57)

3-5 0-0 19; Reed 0-2 0-0 0; Raper 4-9 0-0 11; Knight 9-21

2-2 21; Fox 1-8 0-0 2; Primm

0-1 0-2 0; Totals: 24-62 2-4 57 3-point goals: WC – Vogrin (3), Downing (2), Edge; R –

Cameron 47, Frontier 36 CAMERON (47) – Clutter 2 2-4 6; E. Dobbs 3 1-2 8; Neely

1 2-5 4; A. Dobbs 2 0-0 4; Van

Schrack 0 0-0 0; Francis 0 0-0

0; Neehouse 0 0-0 0; Littleton 0 0-0 0; Totals: 15-47 15-27

47. FRONTIER (36) - Ramsey

2 2-3 6; Lirlpatrick 0 1-2 1; Schmidt 0 2-2 2; Shapley 0 5-8 5; Bowersock 0 0-0 0; Dye

0 0-0 0; Barrows 0 0-0 0; Allen 0 0-0 0; El. Cisler 0 0-0 0;

Totals: 11-36 12-19 36

6 1-2 14: Knowlton 3 1-2 8;

Em. Cisler 0 0-0 0; Haught

Tassell 6 10-16; 22; Carter

1 0-0 3; Bertram 0 0-0 0;

Raper (3), Knight Class 1A

- Hobbs 2-3 0-0 4; Harlan 8-18

Kellaway.

12; Treadway 0, 0-0 0; A.

Union Local 49, Fort Frye 34

12-20 42.

Wheeling Park 49 MORGANTOWN (59) -

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**NCAA MEN** Sunday, Feb. 5 EAST Houston 81, Temple 65 Iona 70, Fairfield 61 La Salle 73, Saint Joseph's 65 Marist 75, Canisius 67 Seton Hall 69, DePaul 64 SOUTH

das 2 7-9 11; Abraham 3 1-2 Richmond 68, Fordham 58 8; Woods 7 5-6 22; Daugh-erty 2 0-0 4; Heller 2 0-0 4; MIDWEST Michigan 77, Ohio St. 69 Nebraska 72. Penn St. 63 Huffman 0 0-0 0; Delk 0 0-0 0; Northwestern 54, Wisconsin 3-point goals: M - Wassick, Henkins (4), Hawkins; WP -

S. Illinois 73, Missouri St. 53 SOUTHWEST Wichita St. 86, Tulsa 75 **FAR WEST** Colorado 84, Stanford 62 Utah 61, California 46 **NCAA WOMEN** Sunday, Feb. 5 EAST

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Arkansas 54, Auburn 51 Georgia 79, Vanderbilt 61 Louisville 62, North Carolina

Miami 64, Georgia Tech 58 Mississippi 68, Florida 42 Wake Forest 69, Clemson 64,

**MIDWEST** Alabama 76, Missouri 69 Duke 57, Notre Dame 52 Illinois 69, Minnesota 62 indiana 69, Purdue 46 Michigan 77, Michigan St. 67 Milwaukee 62, Detroit 57 N. Iowa 91, Indiana St. 51 SOUTHWEST

LSU 72, Texas A&M 66 Texas Tech 78, Kansas St. 68 **FAR WEST** Arizona 81, Southern Cal 75,

Colorado 67, Oregon St. 48 Hawaii 80, Cal Poly 58 UCLA 82, Arizona St. 63 Utah 100, Oregon 92 Washington 72, Stanford 67 Washington St. 70, California

### GOLF SCORES

Sunday Pebble Beach, Calif. a-Monterey Peninsula Shore Course (Host Course) 6,934 yards; Par 71 b-Pebble Beach Golf Links 6,972 yards; Par 72 c-Spyglass Hill Golf Course 7,041 yards; Par 72 Purse: \$9 million

**Partial Final Round** 

Suspended due to darkness

Leade	rboard	
	SCORE	THRU
Justin Rose	-15	9
Denny McCarth	ry -13	15
Brendon Todd	-13	12
Peter Malnati	-13	9
Taylor Pendrith	-12	18
Beau Hossler	-12	. 12
Keith Mitchell	-12	10
Brandon Wu	-12	10
Michael Kim	-10	17
Richy Werensk	i -10	15
Ryan Moore	-10	13
Brent Grant	-10	12

# Nailers Shut Out By Walleye; **Drop Third Straight, 8th in 10**

The Wheeling Nailers and into the net. threw everything they had Toledo Walleye.

into the hot goaltending and that went to Toledo. of the more challenging of John Lethemon, who Gordie Green dropped a nights of the season for stopped every single one pass to Conlan Keenan in the Wheeling Nailers. of them to earn a point in the left circle, then skated who suffered back-tohis 13th straight outing. to the right post, where back losses at the hands Toledo gave him four Keenan put a return feed of the Iowa Heartlanders. goals of support to pick on his tape for a tap-in and up its first home win of a 2-0 advantage. the season series, 4-0.

the right circle, and drove for a 4-0 final.

a wrist shot along the ice

ternoon, as they recorded match, and in the middle night at 7:10 p.m. 40 shots on goal at Hun-frame, three sets of matchtington Center against the ing minor penalties were handed out. There was Unfortunately, they ran also a goal in period two,

Wheeling poured 13 Despite the score, the more shots on target in the Arena. Nailers turned in a decent third period for a game tofirst period, as they out- tal of 40, but the Walleye Hanson was one of four shot Toledo, 15-8. How- tacked on two insurance players with multiple ever, a goal with 2:32 markers in the closing points for Iowa, who got left in the stanza gave the minutes. Lacroix won a two goals from Brendan Walleye the lead. Cedric face-off back to Charlie Robbins. Samuel Trem-Lacroix led the way on Curti, who launched a blay and Felix Pare were a transition rush, as he one-timer under the cross- the Wheeling goal scordelivered a pass to Drew bar, then Conlan Keenan ers, while David Drake Worrad, who stepped into threw in an empty netter pitched in with a pair of

The Nailers and Walleye will make their way There was plenty of to WesBanco Arena for a at the net on Sunday af- physicality throughout the re-match on Wednesday

**HEARTLANDERS 7,** NAILERS 2 (SATURDAY)

Saturday night was one

Iowa scored multiple goals in each period of a 7-2 result at WesBanco

Nailer Former

## **AP Source: Nets Deal All-Star Kyrie Irving To The Mavericks**

DALLAS (AP) - All-Star point guard Kyrie Irving is being traded add 17 points for the Knicks, who were by the Brooklyn Nets as the team has struck a deal with the Dallas Mavericks.

That's according to a person with knowledge of the situation who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because neither team had announced the move. The Mavericks will trade Dinwiddie, IRVING Spencer Dorian Finney-Smith and

a package of draft picks to the Nets. The blockbuster trade ends Irving's

pairing with Kevin Durant before it ever had much of a chance to click. Dallas also gets Markieff Morris in the deal.

In on-court action in the NBA Sunday:

**CAVALIERS 122, PACERS 103** INDIANAPOLIS (AP) – Darius added 20 and Cleveland made 15 3-pointers to rout Indiana. **KNICKS 108, 76ERS 97** 

NEW YORK (AP) - Julius Randle had 24 points, nine rebounds and seven assists, Jalen Brunson scored 21 points and the New York Knicks overcame an early 21-point deficit to beat the Phila- took advantage of Charlotte's poor foul 12 delphia 76ers 108-97 on Sunday night. shooting.

Evan Fournier came off the bench to playing a night after an overtime loss to the Los Angeles Clippers.

RAPTORS 106, **GRIZZLIES 103** 

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) - Pascal Siakam scored 19 points, including a pair of free throws with 9 seconds left, and Toronto rallied from a 15-point deficit to beat Memphis.

TIMBERWÖLVES 128. **NUGGETS 98** 

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - D'Angelo Russell had 18 points and 10 assists. Anthony Edwards scored 20 and Minnesota cruised past Denver, which was missing two-time MVP Nikola Jokic and three other starters on the second night of a back-to-back.

PELICANS 136, KINGS 104 NEW ORLEANS (AP) - Trey Murphy III made six 3-pointers and scored

Garland scored 24 points, Isaac Okoro 30 points as New Orleans overcame the absence of several starters to beat Sacramento.

MAGIC 119, HORNETS 113 CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) - Paolo Banchero had 22 points and 10 rebounds, Wendell Carter Jr. added 20 points and 12 rebounds and Orlando

#### NBA

#### EASTERN CONFERENCE **Atlantic Division** Boston 37 16 .698 34 18 .654 21/2 Philadel. 32 20 .615 41/2 Brooklyn New York 29 26 .527 Toronto 25 30 .455 13 **Southeast Division** W L Pct 29 25 .537 27 27 .500 GB Miami Atlanta Washing. 24 28 .462 22 32 .407 7 15 40 .273 14½ Orlando Charlotte **Central Division** W L Pct Milwaukee 36 17 .679 Cleveland 33 22 .600 25 27 .481 10½ 25 30 .455 12 14 40 .259 22½ Chicago Indiana Detroit WESTERN CONFERENCE **Southwest Division** W L Pct GB 32 21 .604 — 28 26 .519 4½ 28 27 .509 5 Memphis Dallas New Orl. San Antonio 14 39 .264 Houston 13 40 .245 Houston 19

Northwest Division

Pacific Division W L Pct GB Sacramento 29 23 558 —

Denver

**Portland** 

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Minnesota

W L Pct 37 17 .685 29 27 .518

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# 3-point goals: C – E. Dobbs, Carter F – Ramsey, Knowlton

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Boston	51 39 7 5 83	192	111			
Toronto	52 31 13 8 70	175	141			
Tampa Bay	48 32 15 1 65	175	141			
Buffalo	50 26 20 4 56	186	170			
Florida	52 24 22 6 54	178	183			
Ottawa	50 24 23 3 51	151	159			
Detroit	48 21 19 8 50	145	160			
Montreal	51 20 27 4 44	134	189			
Montreal	Metropolitan Division	10-1				
	GP W L OT Pts	GF	GA			
Carolina	51 34 9 8 76	173	136			
New Jersey	49 32 13 4 68	171	131			
N.Y. Rangers	49 27 14 8 62	157	129			
Washington	53 27 20 6 60	166	152			
Pittsburgh	49 24 16 9 57	161	153			
N.Y. Islanders	52 25 22 5 55	148	144			
Philadelphia	51 21 21 9 51	142	162			
Columbus	51 15 32 4 34	131	198			
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	Central Division					
	GP W L OT Pts	GF	GA			
Dallas	51 28 13 10 66	173	133			
Winnipeg	52 32 19 1 65	167	137			
Minnesota	48 27 17 4 58	151	138			
Colorado	48 27 18 3 57	151	133			
Nashville	48 24 18 6 54	137	141			
	51 23 25 3 49	156	185			
St. Louis	50 16 28 6 38	131	177			
Arizona	48 15 29 4 34	118	176			
Chicago	Pacific Division	110	170			
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ó w		177	151			
Seattle						
Los Angeles	53 28 18 7 63	173	183			
Vegas	51 29 18 4 62	160	148			
Edmonton	50 28 18 4 60	187	163			
Calgary	50 24 17 9 57	160	153			
Vancouver	49 20 26 3 43	166	196			

## Rose Has 2-Shot Lead At Pebble **Heading Into A Monday Finish**

weather-delayed AT&T leads by two over Denny pro-am.

PEBBLE BEACH, Ca- Pebble Beach Pro-Am. McCarthy, Peter Malnati lif. (AP) — On a day of That gives him a two-shot and Brendon Todd. The wild weather at Pebble lead going to the Monday day featured rain, wind, Beach, Justin Rose was a finish and a good chance hail and sunshine, somesteady presence. Rose was to win for the first time in times all in one hour. 9 under in the 19 holes four years. Rose still has Green Bay quarterback he played Sunday in the the back nine to play. He Aaron Rodgers won the

### Ryland And Haener Lead National Team's 27-10 Win At Senior Bowl

to lead the National team to a 27-10 touchdown. victory over the American team in the Senior Bowl.

Stanford receiver Michael Wilson in the November.

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) - Maryland's fourth quarter. The American team's Chris Ryland kicked four field goals and biggest play came early in the fourth Fresno State quarterback Jake Haener when Virginia's Anthony Johnson Jr. passed for 139 yards and a touchdown returned an interception 37 yards for a Johnson was wearing the No. 15 jer-

sey in honor of wide receiver Devin Haener, named the game's MVP, de- Chandler, who was among three livered a 44-yard touchdown pass to Cavaliers players shot and killed in

### Cousins Rallies NFC Over AFC In Pro Bowl

# **SPORTS**

SECTION

Monday, February 6, 2023

# **UL** claims 3A OVAC title, 49-34

By SETH STASKEY Times Leader Sports Editor

CADIZ -- The plan, when playing Union Local's girls basketball team, to take away senior All-Ohioans Reagan Vinskovich and Torre Kildow makes good sense.

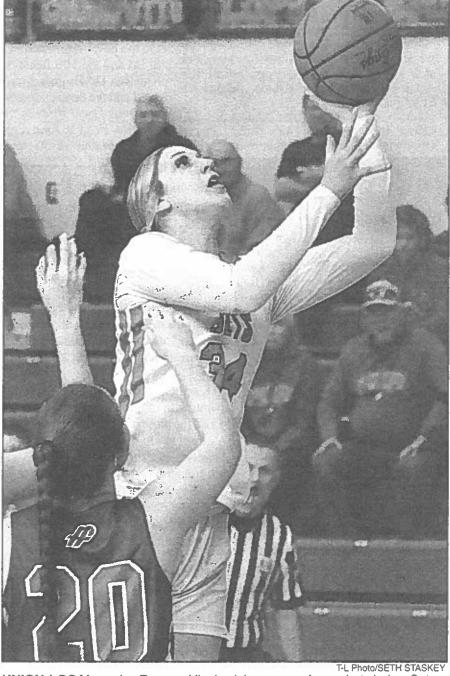
But when the Jets "role players" like Lauren Miller, Emily Kellaway and Ella Pietranton are making shots early in the game, the plan needs revision.

Such was the case Saturday afternoon when the Jets took on Fort Frye for the OVAC Class 3A title at Harrison Central High School. Miller, Kellaway and Pietranton all rained in bonus goals in the opening quarter, allowing the Jets to build a 23-6 lead after one and they never looked back en route to a 49-34 victory and the program's third consecutive conference title.

"We prepared to be in a grind game, but when we were able to get the lead like we did they had to play our game a little bit," UL head coach Scooter Tolzda said. "Fort Frye rolled the dice and left our role players open and we said 'our role players will definitely have to play well (Saturday).

They delivered.

In the first quarter, which proved to be the decisive chapter, Union Local connected on its first eight shots from the field. It didn't miss any of its five, 3-point shots and simply had their way.



"Lauren (Miller), Laken (Vinskovich),
Emmy (Kellaway) and Ella (Pietranton)
all did admirable jobs," Tolzda said.

UNION LOCAL senior Reagan Vinskovich goes up for a shot during Saturday's OVAC Class 3A title game against Fort Frye. Vinskovich scored 22 points to their third straight conference title.

# River tops Wheeling CC for 2A title

By MIKE HUGHES

For The Times Leader

CADIZ - River broke open a nipand-tuck game against Wheeling Central with a big run, then hung on in the fourth as the Pilots defeated the Maroon Knights 57-46 on Saturday in the OVAC Class 2A championship.

Pilots head coach Rick Islay received MVP-worthy performances from both junior point guard Kelsey Harlan and senior post Rylee Knight who combined for 40 points.

Harlan, who totaled 19 points and had a number of steals and assists, also did an admirable job defending Wheeling Central's leading scorer Brook Edge. who totaled nine points.

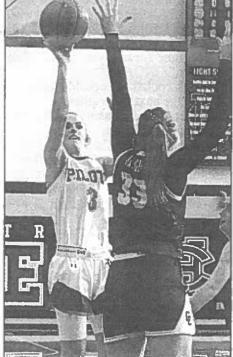
Knight, meanwhile, led all scorers with 21 points while snagging an equal number of rebounds in a dominating

effort in the paint. The pair are peaking at the right time, having each scored 23 points in a semifinal win against Southern Local

to reach Saturday's finale at Cadiz.

"Hats off to Kelsey, our point guard," Isaly said. "She can do it all, drive, shoot, play defense, and Rylee was just a beast on the boards."

Edge's lone 3-pointer of the game came with 5:14 left in the second quarter to cut River's lead to one at 21-20. That was the last time Central scored until senior Reagan Olejasz stuck a amass a 19-point lead courtesy of the



Photo/MIKE HUGHES

a shot over Wheeling Central's Valerie proud of, including reaching the finale Downing during Saturday's OVAC Class after not making the OVAC tourna-2A championship game.

putback of a Valerie Downing missed second-half resurgence, with Vogrin triple attempt in the third quarter.

The preceding span saw the Pilots and fourth quarters, and Oleiasz scor-

18-0 run that began with a Hannah Raper triple in the second quarter and ended with a Knight putback, one of eight second-chance points for the se-

Central had success beating River's press early, resulting in six first quarter points from Keiera Wilkinson, one of the Knights' 6-footers. Wilkinson was able to get position behind the defense and convert easy buckets off the break.

But Wilkinson was forced to sit in the second quarter after picking up her second foul, and things quickly turned south for the designated visitors.

"Not having her inside to help hurt quite a bit (in the second) and that's the quarter they blew up on us," Wheeling Central coach Roberta Olejasz said. "We battled back and got to within six and made it a ball game.

'Kelsey is a heck of a point guard and I hope that (River) goes deep, but I'm also really proud of the way our girls played today.

Robinson admitted while the sting of losing may linger for her Knights, RIVER'S KELSEY Harlan goes up for there's still plenty to play for and be ment the previous season.

Vogrin and Reagan Olejasz led the canning three triples between the third

See, RIVER, Page B2

# Ohio State falls again at Michigan

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) - Hunter Dickinson scored 26 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to lead Michigan to a 77-69 win over Ohio State on Sun-

Jett Howard added 16 points and Kobe Bufkin 13 with eight rebounds for the Wolverines (13-10, 7-5 Big Ten

Conference), who missed their last four shots to drop to 49% for the game.

Bruce Thornton scored 22 points to lead the Buckeyes (11-12, 3-9), who have lost four straight and 10 of 12.

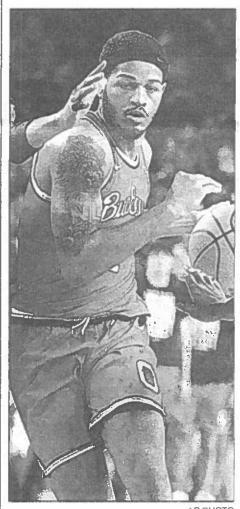
Justice Sueing and Brice Sensabaugh both had 13 with Sensabaugh snaring prine rebounds. Thornton was 10-of 13. nine rebounds. Thornton was 10-of-13 shooting and Ohio State made five of its last eight shots but that only raised the shooting percent to 41.

Bufkin, Dickinson and Howard combined for a Michigan 12-3 run for a 24-14 lead midway through the first half. Despite a poor shooting half, the Buckeyes closed it to 41-36 at the half as Sueing hit a last-minute 3-pointer.

The Wolverines hit five 3-pointers and shot 52% (16 of 32) but they also had four more turnovers and the Buckeyes had three more offensive rebounds. which helped off-set Ohio State's 34% shooting (12 of 35). Ohio State had three 3s but was 9 of 12 from the line to Michigan's 4 of 7.

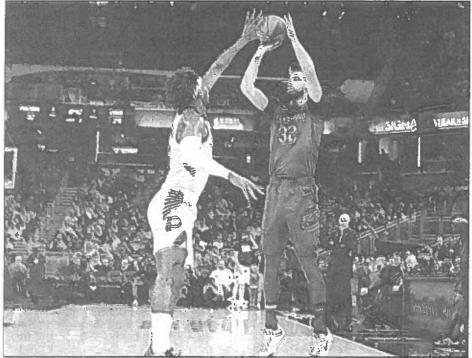
Ohio State shot better after the break (48%) but couldn't put together a run as Dickinson scored 13 points and the Wolverines made 9 of 11 free throws.

Michigan's three-game homestand continues Wednesday with a visit from Nebraska. Northwestern visits Ohio State on Thursday.



OHIO STATE guard Roddy Gayle Jr. (1) drives next to Michigan guard Kobe Bufkin (2) during the first half of an NCAA college basketball game, Sunday in Ann Arbor, Mich.

OVAC Cheering Champs



CLEVELAND CAVALIERS forward Dean Wade (32) shoots over Indiana Pacers guard Buddy Hield (24) during the first half of an NBA basketball game in Indianapolis, Sunday.

### Garland leads hot-shooting Cavs to 122-103 win over Pacers

Garland scored 24 points, Isaac Okoro many as 26 in the fourth. added 20 and the Cleveland Cavaliers made 15 3-pointers Sunday in a 122-103 rout of the Indiana Pacers.

All five starters scored in double figures for the Cavaliers, who shot 52.3% plement a top-ranked defense that held Indiana to 43.5% shooting

Jarrett Allen contributed 18 points and 13 rebounds, Evan Mobley had 17 points and 10 rebounds, and Donovan Mitchell added 19 points and six assists for the Cavs. Garland - a Gary, Indiana, native who was not named an AllStar despite averaging 22 points and in the pick-and-roll," Haliburton said. 8.2 assists — made four 3s and had six assists.

"No extra fuel," Garland said, "I think I was a snub, but I've just got to come out and prove it every night.

Myles Turner had 27 points and 10 rebounds for Indiana, which has lost 12

All-Star Tyrese Haliburton finished with 15 points and 11 assists, while

Buddy Hield had 16 points. at halftime and stretched its advantage seven points and nine assists.

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) – Darius to 23 points in the third quarter and as

"There's a seriousness to our approach and an attitude to how we are playing," Cleveland coach J.B. Bickerstaff said. "I think we are taking steps in the right direction. Sometimes when percent from the field, including 15 of the offense comes easy, you just get in 37 (40.5%) from long range, to com- a back-and-forth, but in the fourth we did a much better job of tightening back up and controlling the tempo. We are growing in that area of understanding the intensity level that it takes.

The Pacers were within 27-25 at the end of the first quarter but couldn't keep up after that.

"We weren't able to get stops, and that allowed them to set their defense. Kudos to them. A lot of different guys contributed for them. They just outplayed

Cavaliers: This was Cleveland's NBA-best 23rd double-figure victory. . Caris LeVert, who played parts of the 2020-21 and 2021-22 seasons with the Pacers, sat out his second straight game After alternating wins and losses over with a sore right hamstring. He is averits prior eight games, Cleveland took aging 12.5 points per game. ... Backup control in the second quarter, led 62-46 point guard Ricky Rubio finished with

### Ohio State women routed at Maryland

amond Miller and her Maryland team- The Buckeyes (20-4, 9-4 Big Ten) mates took out their frustrations on have dropped four of five since starting

Miller scored 16 of her 29 points in eyes 90-54 on Sunday in the program's 11 points in the opening quarter, and afmost lopsided win over a top-10 opponent. Maryland rebounded emphatically from its loss to No. 6 Iowa on Thursday play by Ohio State.

"I was definitely pissed off. They from 3 were playing dirty," Miller said. "Not by 17. really dirty I guess, because people call me a dirty player, but they were very aggressive towards me, and I guess I just of the third quarter, and then Maryland showed them what real aggression is."

Shyanne Sellers contributed 19 points since losing 100-56 to UConn on Nov. and nine assists for the Terrapins. Tay- 16, 2015.

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) - Di- lor Thierry scored 21 for Ohio State. the season 19-0.

Maryland (19-5, 10-3) took control the third quarter, and the eighth-ranked by scoring the final 12 points of the Terrapins routed the 10th-ranked Buck- first quarter to lead 19-7. Meyers had Miller took over.

to what she thought was some physical Miller's 3-point play made it 52-37, and after another layup, she connected

Another 3-point play by Miller made the score 64-44. It was 69-44 at the end dominated the fourth as well, as Ohio Abby Meyers added 22 points and State suffered its most lopsided defeat

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ing all 10 of her points in the half.

With Central's inside game requiring a bit more attention, the Knights' were able to work the ball around and get better looks from the perimeter that weren't there early.

"We decided not to press (in the second half) as we didn't want to give up any transition buckets, but if I had to do it over again, I might go back and press a bit, just to wear them down," Isaly admitted. "They were fresher in the second half and made more of their shots."

Knight noted the Knights' size advantage in the paint, with multiple 6-footers, adding that it made her work far more difficult in grabbing boards.

Prior to tip-off, Central's perimeter game was a concern, but the early success inside necessitated a shift in focus.

"They have good 3-point shooters and we wanted ba-ATP, Abu Dhabi-WTA, Linz-WTA Early Rounds to get out on them a little more, but we got beat on the inside a few times and we needed to close that off," Knight said.

Harlan won the MVP award for the game. Raper backed her and Knight with 12 points, including eight

Vogrin led the Knights with 12, followed by Olejasz's 10, Edge's nine, and eight from Downing.

#### • UL

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"They were the key because they were guarding Reagan and Torre. And honestly, we'll probably go as far (in the tournament) as our role players take us.'

On the other end, veteran and highy successful Cadets head coach Dan Liedtke, who owns more than 1.2 | Keton 0.000 Totals 14, 12-20 42 700 career victories, simply could tip his cap to the

"They were really hot that first quarter," Liedtke said. "It didn't seem like it mattered who was going to shoot it. The ball was going to go in. Against a team like this, you simply can't get buried like that that earin the game because you're not going.

Mellaway 0, 0-0 0; Butler 0, 0-0 0, Butler 0, 0-0 0, Butler 0, 0-0 0, Totals: 21, 1-3 49.

3point goals: FF - E. Duskey (2), O'Brien (2).
Rauch. UL - Miller (4), Pietranton. Kellaway.
Class 24. ly in the game because you're not going to be able to come back.'

points for the next three quarters.

unheralded at times in the last couple of seasons. wasn't about to let the Cadets make too much of a run.

"We quit attacking (offensively) and tried to take some time off the clock, which we are trying to improve on," Tolzda said. "It got a little bit sloppy from our point of view, which happens every once in a

On top of their defense, despite the Cadets' con
Edge R-Raper (3), Knight

Class 1A certed efforts to take away Reagan Vinskovich on the interior, Union Local's all-time leading scorer was able to get hers. She scored 12 of the Jets' 16 in the second half. All told, Vinskovich finished with 22 points, putting her the 1,900 mark for her career. She also collected seven rebounds.

Vinskovich was complemented by junior Lauren Miller, who hit four bonus goals and finished with 14 points. Kellaway, who was solid with the ball and defensively, finished with seven points.

Kildow, who didn't score and only took one shot, still made an impact with six rebounds, three assists and a blocked shot.

Fort Frye was led by Emmy Duskey's 12. Kianna O'Brien finished with nine.

While the title is Union Local's third consecutive, ter the Terps entered halftime up 42-30, it's the second straight on the floor because the 2021 crowns were decided via paper because of the pan-The Buckeyes couldn't keep the demic and last season's title came in Class 4A. Renight, and Miller had quite a response 6-foot-3 guard away from the hoop, gardless of how, where and what class, the excitement level doesn't change.

"I've been fortunate enough to win a few (OVAC from 3-point range to put the Terps up titles) and everyone of them is precious," Tolzda said.

Next up for the Jets is the regular-season finale against OVAC Class 5A runnerup Wheeling Park on Wednesday in Morristown. The Jets will be seeking a perfect regular season.

"It's going to be an exciting game with an electric atmosphere," Tolzda said. "It's going to be worth the price of admission and we think it's going to be a heck of a game."

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S) 6 p.m. ESPN2 — Virginia Fech at NC State BTN - Nebraska at Northwestern SECN - Tennessee at Mississinoi St COLLEGE GYMNASTICS (WOMEN'S) BTN - lowa at Nebraska HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL (BOY'S) ESPNU - GEICO Showcase; Newton (Ga.) vs. Vheeler (Ga.), Marietta, Ga. NBA BASKETBALL 7:30 p.m. NBATV — LA Clippers at Brooklyn

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NBATV — Milwaukee at Portland

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#### Girls Boxscores

**GIRLS BASKETBALL** OVAC Championship Games Class 5A

Morgantown 59, Wheeling Park 49 MORGANTOWN (59) - Wassick 3 4-4 11 Hen-kins 5 0-0 14 Bechlel 3 1-4 7; Hawkins 3 3-4 9; Jordan 5 3-4 15; Sweeny 1 0-0 2; Smith 0 1-2 1; Totals: 21-49 11-18 59. WHEELING PARK (49) - Bordas 2 7-9 11. Abraham 3 1-2 8. Woods 7 5-6 22: Daugherry 2 0-0 4. Heller 2 0-0 4. Hulfman 0 0-0 0; Delk 0 0-0 0; Totals 16-49 13-17 49

3-point goals: M - Wassick, Henkins (4). Hawkins; WP - Woods (3), Abraham Class 4A Indian Creek 42, Oak Glen 26

OAK GLEN (26) - Kell 2, 1-3 6; Greenlief 2, 2-4 6; Barr 1, 0-2 2; Sy. Brown 0, 0-0 0; Ward 5, 2-4 12; Sa. Brown 0, 0-0 0. Totals 10, 5-13 26. INDIAN CREEK (42) - Anderson 5, 4-8 14; Taylor 0, 2-2 2; Robertson 1-2 11: Bailato 1, 2-4 4; Scott 3, 2-2 10; Starkey 0, 3-point goals: OG - Kell; IC - Scott (2)

Union Local 49, Fort Frye 34 FORT FRYE (34) -- Ludwig 1, 0-0.2; E. Duskey 4. 2-2 12: Treadway 0, 0-0 0; A. Duskey 2, 0-2 4; Lang 0, 2-4 2; Buckhanan 0, 2-2 2; Wynn 0, 0-0 0; O'Brien 2, 3-4 9; Rauch 1, 0-0 3; Morgenstern 0, 0-0 0; Totals: .10, 9-14 34. UNION LOCAL (49) - R. Vinskovich 11, 0-1 22: Kildow 0, 0-0 0: Miller 5, 0-0 13; Pietranton 1,

Class 3A

River 57, Wheeling Central 46 WHEELING CENTRAL [46] - Olejasz 5-8 0-0 10: Downing 3-8 0-0 8; Edge 4-13 0-0 9; Vognn 4-12 1-2 ; Wilkinson 3-5 1-2 7; Downer 0-0 0-0 0; Severns 0-1 0-0 0: Payton 0-1 0-0 0, Ratcliffe 0-0 0-0 0; Totals 19-48 2-4 46. RtVER (57) - Hobbs 2-3 0-0 4; Harlan 8-18 3-5 0-0 19: Reed 0-2 0-0 0: Raper 4-9 0-0 11 Knight 9-21 2-2 21; Fox 1-8 0-0 2; Primm 0-1 0-2 0; Totals: 24-62 2-4 57

3-point goals: WC - Vogrin (3), Downing (2)

Cameron 47, Frontier 36

CAMERON [47] - Clutter 2 2-4 6; E. Dobbs 3 1-2 8, Neely 1 2-5 4; A. Dobbs 2 0-0 4; Van Tassell 6; 10-16; 22; Carter 1 0-0 3; Bertram 0 0-0 0; Schrack 1 0-0 0; Francis 0 0-0 0; Neehouse 0 0-0 0; Littleton 0 0-0 0; Totals: 15-47 15-27 47, FRONT/ER (36) - Ramsey 6 -2 14: Knowlton 3 1-2 8 Em. Cisler 0 0-0 0; Haught 2 2-3 6; Liripatrick 0 1-2 1; Schmidt 0 2-2 2; Shapley 0 5-8 5; Bowersock 0 0-0 0; Dye 0 0-0 0; Barrows 0 0-0 0; Allen 0 0-0 0; El. Cisler 0 0-0 0; Totals; 11-36

3-point goals: C - E. Dobbs, Carter F - Ramsey.

### Ohio Boys Scores

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**NUGGETS 134.** WARRIORS 117

DENVER (AP) - Jamal Mur-James has 38,325 points, with out their All-Star to hamd trav- after one trip down the court, ray scored 33 points and Nikola Kareem Abdul-Jabbar holding el-weary New Orleans its 10th the 23-year-old star screamed Jokic had his 17th triple-double in frustration as he limped to the of the season, leading Denver past short-handed Golden State. Jokic finished with 22 points,

The Mavericks were up by 27 16 assists and 14 rebounds.

### Cavs-

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As the altercation the seats, officials and players were able to get things under control before any punches were thrown.

having a tough night with just six points on 2-of-11 shooting, received a loud ovation from the sellout Cleveland crowd as he made his way to the locker room following his dismissal.

The Mitchell-Brooks tussle seemed to motivate the young Cavs.

They built a 12-point lead after three quarters, pushed it to 21 in the fourth and handed Memphis its seventh loss in eight games.

The Grizzlies, who have a reputation as the NBA's most talkative team, lost their sixth straight road game.

Cedi Osman scored 21 Name 02:22:Babiczuk 42:4 10:Blake 74:6 points and Jarrett Allen added 18 points and 11 rebounds for Cleveland.

Evan Mobley had 17 points and 14 rebounds.

Desmond Bane scored 25 points and All-Star eight rebounds and eight assists for Grizzlies despite being in foul trouble most of the night.

Memphis played without All-Star forward Jaren Jackson Jr., who sustained a thigh bruise in Tuesday night in a loss to Portland.

There were 10 lead changes in the first six minutes of the second

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Landon Taylor (215) Anderson Palian (285) all won by pin. with Hayes needing just

### - AFC takes early lead over NFC • Ferry in newly designed Pro Bowl

back Derek Carr scored an event-high 31 points in the precision passing contest of the Pro Bowl skills competitions Thursday night to give the AFC an early 9-3 lead over the NFC.

Carr, in familiar territory with the events being held Mitchell, who was at Raiders headquarters, said he will not extend the Feb. 15 deadline to help facilitate a trade from Las Vegas. The Raiders must trade or release the quarterback by that date — three days after the Super Bowl or Carr's contract will become guaranteed and Las Vegas will have to pay him \$40.4 million over the next two years.

But his performance during the two-day competitions boosted the AFC with each event counting as

The AFC also won the lightning round — a series of competitions that included a water balloon toss – and long drive contest, and the NFC got on the scoreboard by winning the dodgeball tournament.

The NFL changed the Pro Bowl format this year, replacing the traditional all-star game with a flag football contest and series of other skills events. Four skills events take place Sunday at Allegiant Stadium, and those also will be three points each.

Three flag football games will then be played, the be combined with those accumulated from the skills events, which will be the score entering the third and final flag football game to determine the winner.

12 teams and NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell.

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The Purple Riders outscored the Big Reds, 18-17. HENDERSON, Nev. (AP) - Las Vegas quarter- in the third. Six different players scored for Ferry with sophomore Lindse Sidon netting five. Senior Avery Marchbank, who connected on two bonus goals in the first half, hit another from behind the arc in the third.

Bellaire was able to stay close thanks to sophomore Zara Harveth, who scored six of her 15 in the third.

The Riders were able to stretch it out in the fourth. Sophomore Lindsey Best and freshman Charli Roe each had six points in the final quarter.

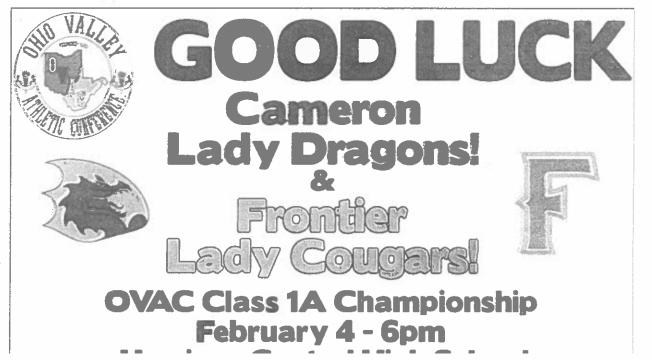
The Purple Riders (13-8) are off until Wednesday

when they visit Wheeling Central.
"I am physically sick that we're not playing on Sautrday (in the OVAC final)." Reasbeck said. "We do this to win championships. And this is three years where we've come in third place. We have another championship, in front of us (in the sectional), that I think we can contend for. But, we have to be more consistent. We know we can do it because we've done it. We've put 70 or 80-point games on the board this year, but we revert back to scoring 20 points. We have to find consistency to reach the elevation level we're striving for.'

Ferry was led by sophomore Lindsey Best's 12 points. Freshman Charli Roe scored 11 and completed the double-double with a like number of rebounds. Marchbank and Sidon went for nine and eight, respec-

Bellaire (11-10) was led in the scoring column by first two each worth six points. The points will then Harveth. She was complemented by senior Lizzie McAninch, who was solid with 10 points.

The ultimate goal is to win, but I am proud of the resiliency these kids have shown," Farrier said. Most of Thursday's events were played at the Raid- "These girls are winners because they've been here. ers' facility before about 500 fans, cheerleaders from stuck it out and that's what basketball and sports are really about," Farrier said.

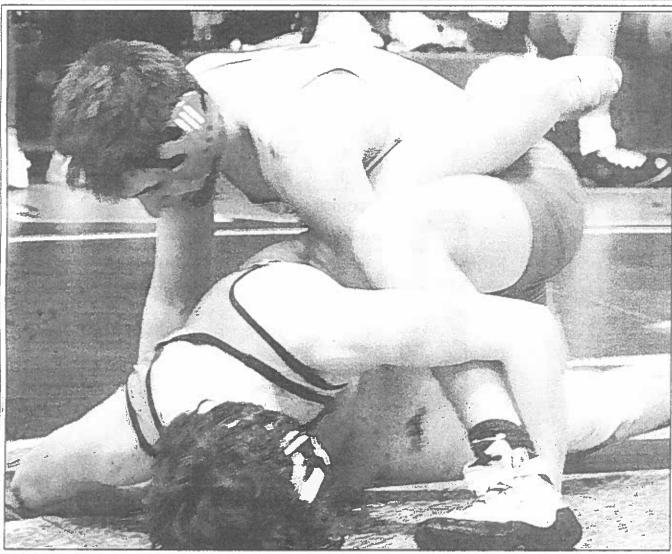


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# SPORTS



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ABOVE: BARNESVILLE'S Hines Ford works for control of Linsly's Lucca Troullos during their match in the OVAC Class 3A championship at the Bill Hinegardner OVAC Dual Championships held Thursday evening at John Marshall High School.

**BELOW:** LINSLY'S Anderson Palian flips Barnesville's Brent Kirk onto his back during their 285-pound match during the OVAC duals at John Marshall. Palian recorded the pin.

## Barnesville wins OVAC 3A duals

By KIM NORTH

For The Times Leader

MOUNDSVILLE - You'll have to excuse Barnesville wrestling coach Jayson Stephen for not getting too excited Thursday night after watching his team roll to another OVAC Bill Hinegardner Class 3A Dual Meet Championship. After all, the yeterange Championship. After all, the veteran mat boss and his young Shamrocks have a lot bigger goals in mind.

Seeded second, Barnesville took care of Belmont County rival and third-seeded Martins Ferry 51-26, before reeling off the



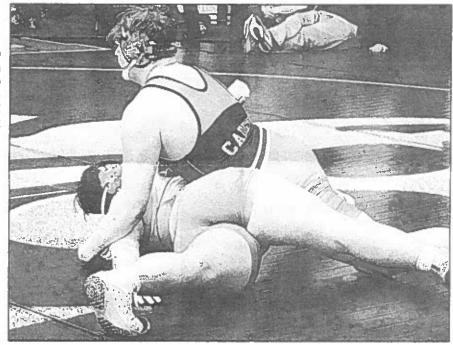
first 55 points in a 55-23 victory over No. 1 Linsly in the title tilt inside the John Marshall Field House.

"I'm happy for the kids. They're the ones that go out there and wrestle," Stephen said. "They do all the hard work. It's nice for them to win a championship. I'm proud of them."

Barnesville is the two-time defending Division III district champions and are eyeing a third next month. They are ranked third in the team standings, according to Borofan, with 84 points. The Shamrocks only trail small school powers Legacy Christian (117) and Milan Edison (88) in a three-team race. No. 4 Troy Christian has just 64.

as a team and individually, but this is nice for the kids.

The triumph completed a dou-



ble-double as the Shamrocks easily a forfeit. Skyler King (138), ranked They piled up 200.5 and had five individual champions in finishing fourth overall behind Class 5A heavyweights Parkersburg South, University and Wheeling Park.

In the championship match Connor Wilson (106) received a forfeit and OVAC titlist Johnathan Huntsman (113) recorded a pin in 1:09 for a 12-0 lead. Ayden Andrews (120) was "We've got some much bigger also awarded a forfeit and Hines Ford goals ahead," Stephen noted. "Both (126) picked up a 4-2 decision as the margin grew to 21-0.

Dakota King (132), a two-time OVAC kingpin and the top-ranked cal fall while Wvatt Havnes (190), wrestler in his weight class, was given

captured the Class 3A team title at No. 3 in the Buckeye State and an the recently completed 69th annu- OVAC champ, earned a 12-1 major al OVAC Ron Mauck Tournament, decision before a trio of consecutive pins ballooned the count to 50-0.

Logan Tague (144), the lone senior of murder's row who is ranked No. 8, needed just 46 seconds in his match, while No. 1-ranked Reese Stephen (150) finished up in 1:32. Fifthranked Ayden King (157) posted the quickest fall in 42 seconds. The latter two are OVAC champs.

Karson Milhoan (165) completed the blitz with an 18-3 technical fall.

The Cadets won the last four match-

Neri Weiner (175) won by techni-See, BARNESVILLE, Page B3

# Ferry girls top Bellaire for third in OVAC 3A

By SETH STASKEY Times Leader Sports Editor

MARTINS FERRY - It's gotten to the point where the Martins Ferry girls basketball team isn't just excited to have qualified for the OVAC Tournament.

Thursday evening's 50-36 victory against rival Bellaire gave the Purple Riders their third consecutive third-place finish in the conference tournament. And head coach Dave Reasbeck wants more.

"You just don't know what you're going to get from us and it's been that way for three years," Reasbeck lamented. "Are we going to play 15-point halves who will be a brollytchy torrible or are we going to look absolutely terrible or are we going to flip the switch like we did (Thursday)?"
When the switch flipped on at halftime,

the Purple Riders looked more like the club that Reasbeck expects and has seen glimps-

es of during the latter portion of the season.
"We looked pretty good in the second half, but we can't keep having third-place years and 14-win seasons." Reasbeck said. 'That's decent, but we have to elevate this program somehow. We're just not consistent enough. We have to eliminate the blah halves we've put out there."

The first half would qualify as one those halves, but still the Purple Riders found themselves with the lead at 15-9.

"We kind of set basketball back a little bit in the first half," Bellaire head coach John Farrier said. "Most of our games have been pretty ugly, but we've been short handed. The outcome didn't go our way, but our kids continued to battle and did that again (Thursday).'

Both teams picked up the energy, shot making and took better care of the ball after the first half when both teams had more turnovers than points.

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MARTINS FERRY'S Lindsey Best drives to the basket against Bellaire's Sidney Rowson during an OVAC Class 3A consolation game inside the Tolbert Gymnasium at Martins

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first lead on a 3-pointer with ter taking a hard fall in the third the Dallas bench. 2:35 left, and Anthony Davis' quarter when he was winding up

cic was bumped by Jonas Valanciunas.

Doncic stayed in the game af- locker room without looking at

The Mavericks were up by 27 16 assists and 14 rebounds.

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - 11-footer with 35.1 seconds left for a one-handed dunk on a drive points when Doncic exited with LeBron James had 26 points, was the decisive basket. Davis and Brandon Ingram knocked 6:47 remaining in the third, and seven rebounds and seven as- had 31 points and 14 rebounds. the ball out of his hand as Don- the lead was all the way down to four when Herbert Jones hit a layup with 58 seconds left in the Ingram was called for a foul, game. Ingram scored 26 points.

**NUGGETS 134.** WARRIORS 117

DENVER (AP) - Jamal Mur-James has 38,325 points, with out their All-Star to hamd trav- after one trip down the court, ray scored 33 points and Nikola Kareem Abdul-Jabbar holding el-weary New Orleans its 10th the 23-year-old star screamed Jokic had his 17th triple-double in frustration as he limped to the of the season, leading Denver past short-handed Golden State. Jokic finished with 22 points,

### Cavs-

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the altercation threatened to spill into the seats, officials and players were able to get things under control before any punches were

Mitchell, who was having a tough night with just six points on 2-of-11 shooting, received a loud ovation from the sellout Cleveland crowd as he made his way to the locker room following his dismissal.

The Mitchell-Brooks tussle seemed to motivate the young Cavs.

lead after three quarters, pushed it to 21 in the fourth and handed Memphis its seventh loss in eight games.

The Grizzlies, who have a reputation as the NBA's most talkative team, lost their sixth straight road game.

Cedi Osman scored 21 points and Jarrett Allen added 18 points and 11 rebounds for Cleveland.

Evan Mobley had 17 points and 14 rebounds.

Desmond Bane scored 25 points and All-Star Ja Morant had 24 points. eight rebounds and eight assists for Grizzlies despite being in foul trouble most of the night.

Memphis played without All-Star forward Jaren Jackson Jr., who sustained a thigh bruise in Tuesday night in a loss to Portland.

There were 10 lead changes in the first six minutes of the second quarter.

#### Barnesville – Continued from Page B1

Landon Taylor (215) and Anderson Palian (285) all won by pin, with Hayes needing just

### AFC takes early lead over NFC • Ferry in newly designed Pro Bowl

back Derek Carr scored an event-high 31 points in the precision passing contest of the Pro Bowl skills competitions Thursday night to give the AFC an early first half, hit another from behind the arc in the third. 9-3 lead over the NFC.

Carr, in familiar territory with the events being held at Raiders headquarters, said he will not extend the Feb. 15 deadline to help facilitate a trade from Las Vegas. The Raiders must trade or release the quarterback by that date - three days after the Super Bowl - or Carr's contract will become guaranteed and Las Vegas will have to pay him \$40.4 million over the next two years.

But his performance during the two-day competitions boosted the AFC with each event counting as

The AFC also won the lightning round — a series They built a 12-point of competitions that included a water balloon toss and long drive contest, and the NFC got on the scoreboard by winning the dodgeball tournament.

The NFL changed the Pro Bowl format this year, replacing the traditional all-star game with a flag football contest and series of other skills events. Four skills events take place Sunday at Allegiant Stadium, and those also will be three points each.

Three flag football games will then be played, the be combined with those accumulated from the skills events, which will be the score entering the third and final flag football game to determine the winner.

12 teams and NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell.

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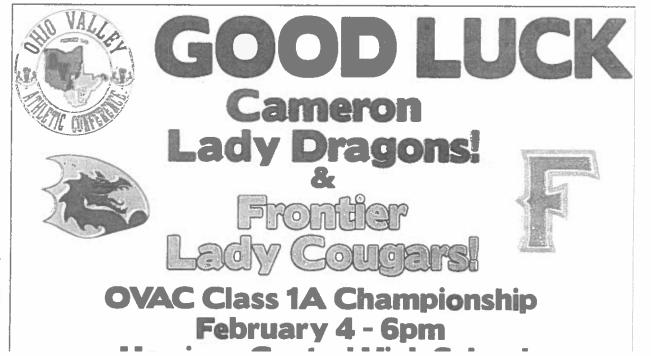
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we're striving for." Ferry was led by sophomore Lindsey Best's 12 points. Freshman Charli Roe scored 11 and completed the double-double with a like number of rebounds. Marchbank and Sidon went for nine and eight, respec-

first two each worth six points. The points will then Harveth. She was complemented by senior Lizzie Bellaire (11-10) was led in the scoring column by McAninch, who was solid with 10 points.

The ultimate goal is to win, but I am proud of the resiliency these kids have shown," Farrier said. Most of Thursday's events were played at the Raid- "These girls are winners because they've been here. ers' facility before about 500 fans, cheerleaders from stuck it out and that's what basketball and sports are really about," Farrier said.



### .ocal Card

Friday, Feb. 3 BOYS BASKETBALL Wheeling Central at Pitts. North Catholic

Morgantown at Wheeling Park Calhoun Co. at Valley Barnesville at Martins Ferry Harrison Central at St. Clairsville Caldwell at Monroe Central Steubenville at Dover Shenandoah at Shadyside Brooke at Weir Edison at Steubenville Catholic Indian Creek at Toronto Oak Glen at Beaver Local

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

**OVAC CHAMPIONSHIPS** (at Harrison Central High School, Cadiz Saturday Class 2A, 10 a.m. River vs. No. 2 Wheeling

Central Class 3A, 12 noon 1 Union Local vs. No. 2 Fort

Frye Class 4A, 2 p.m. No. 1 Indian Creek vs. No. 3 Oak

Class 5A, 4 p.m. No. 1 Wheeling Park vs. No. 2 Morgantown

Class 1A, 6 p.m. No. 2 Cameron vs. #1 Frontier

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6:00 p.m. SEMI-FINALS Tuesday, February 7 Class 5A

No. 4 Wheeling Park at No. 1 Morgantown No. 3 Parkersburg South at No. 2

Class 4A No. 4 Indian Creek at No. 1 East 3 Harrison Central at No. 2

Class 3A No. 4 Bellaire at No. 1 Martins Fer-

No. 3 Linsly at No. 2 Caldwell Class 2A No. 4 Shadyside at No. 1 River No. 3 Southern Local at No. 2 Mon-

roe Central Class 1A No. 4 Trinity Christian at No. 1 Cameron

No. 3 Valley at No. 2 Madonna **CONSOLATION FINALS** Friday, February 10

**CONSOLATION POOL** Tuesday, February 7 John Marshall at Steubenville Brooke at St. Clairsville University at Union Local Edison at Buckeye Local Buckeye Trail at Wheeling Central Beaver Local at Toronto Steubenville Catholic at Wellsville Oak Glen at Clay-Battelle Shenandoah at Fort Frve Barnesville at Magnolia
Wood County Christian at Beallsville

Paden City art Frontier Conotton Valley at Bridgeport

Wednesday, February 8
Hundred at Wood County Christian
Friday, February 30
Bridgeport at Hundred
Steubenville at Beaver Local
Wellsville at Edison Buckeye Local at John Marshall St. Clairsville at University Union Local at Brooke Fort Frye at Buckeye Trail Wheeling Central at Shenandoah Clay-Battelle at Steub, Catholic Magnolia at Oak Glen Toronto at Conotton Valley Frontier at Barnesville Beal/sville at Paden City

### **NFL INJURY LIST**

Sunday

Super Bowl
State Farm Stadium
Glendale, Ariz.
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS vs. PHILADELPHIA EAGLES — (Teams did
not practice-estimation) KANSAS
CITY: DNP: WR Mecole Hardman
(pelvis), WR JuJu Smith-Schuster
(knee), CB LUJarius Sneed (concussion), WR Kadarius Toney (ankle, hamstring), LIMITED: LB Willie
Gay (shoulder), G Trey Smith (ankle), FULL: QB Patrick Mahomes
(ankle), RB Jerick McKinnon
(ankie, ankle), RB Isiah Pacheco
(wrist), WR Justin Watson (illness). (wrist), WR Justin Watson (illness), PHILADELPHIA: DNP: G Landon Dickerson (NIR-resting player/el-bow), T Lane Johnson (NIR-rest-ing player/groin), C Cam Jurgens (NIR-resting player/hip), CB Avon-te Maddox (NIR-resting player/ toe), DE Robert Quinn (NIR-resting player/foot) player/foot).

### NFL PLAYOFFS

Sunday, Jan. 15 Buffalo 34, Miami 31 N.Y. Giants 31, Minnesota 24 Cincinnati 24, Baltimore 17 Monday, Jan. 16 Dallas 31, Tampa Bay 14
Divisional Playoffs Saturday, Jan. 21 Kansas City 27, Jacksonville 20 Philadelphia 38, N.Y. Giants 7 Sunday, Jan. 22 Cincinnati 27, Buffalo 10 San Francisco 19, Dallas 12 Conference Championships Sunday, Jan. 29 AFC

Kansas City 23, Cincinnati 20

### Prep Boxscores

GIRLS BASKETBALL Martins Ferry 50, Bellaire 36
BELLAIRE (36) — Ault 2, 0-0 6; Harveth 5, 4-7 15; McAninch 4, 0-0 10; Mason 1, 1-7 3; Rowson 1, 0-0 2; Kanyuch 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 13, 5-14
36. MARTINS FERRY (50) — Lude 2, 0-1 5; Sidon 3, 0-0 8; Best 5, 2-2 12; McFarland 1, 0-0 3; Roe 4, 3-3 11; Marchbank 3, 0-0 9; Smith 0, 0-0 0; Clark 1, 0-0 2; Totals: 19, 5-6

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Linsly 61, John Marshall 58
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5-12 9; Updegraff 1 0-0 2; Storm 7
1-1 16; N. Miller 0 0-0 0; Inclan 0
1-2 1; White 0 2-2 2; Babiczuk 4 2-4
10; Blake 7 4-6 18; Totals: 21 15-27
58. LINSLY (61) — H. Cook 10 4-7
26; Hinebaugh 0 0-0 0; Ratcliffe 0
0-0 0; Martinez 5 3-4 15; Purpura 0
0-0 0; Sohlberg 3 0-1 7; White 3 0-0
8; Redd 2 1-2 5; Totals: 23 8-14 61
3-point goals: JM — Storm; L — H.
Cook (2), Martinez (2), Sohlberg,
White (2)

**Buckeye Local 57** 

Buckeye Local 57, Harrison Central 51
HARRISON CENTRAL (51) — Rensi 0, 2-2 2; Fischer 3, 1-1 8; Banal 0, 0-0 0; Butler 6, 1-1 13; Ferri 5, 2-2 14; Lewis 3, 0-1 6; Harbold 3, 0-0 6; Sedgmer 1, 0-0 2; Ledger 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 21, 6-7 51. BUCKEYE LOCAL (57) — McKeever 7, 12-15 28; Ankrom 1, 3-5 5; Stock 0, 0-0 0; Dailey 1, 0-0 3; Kandrach 7, 1-3 18; Kinyo 0, 0-0 0; Long 0, 0-0 0; Valuska 1, 1-4 3; Totals: 17, 17-27 57, 3-point goals: HC — Fischer, Ferri (2), BL — McKeever (2), Dailey, Kandrach (3).

Kandrach (3).

Madonna 54, Bridgeport 39

BRIDGEPORT (39) - Clemens 0, 2-2
2, Bain 7, 2-4 20; Smith 0, 1-1 1;
Stewart 4, 1-4 12; McElroy 0, 0-0 0;
Herman 1, 0-0 2; Gonzalez 0, 0-0, 4llen 1, 0-1 2; Totals: 13, 6-12 39.

MADONNA (54) — Wingett 5, 4-6
17; McCoy 5, 3-6 13; Long 3, 0-1
6; Pietranton 0, 1-3 1; Birkhimer
2, 1-3 5; Cody 6, 0-0 12; Totals: 21. 1-3 5; Cody 6, 0-0 12; Totals: 21, 7-18 54.

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3-point goals: B — Bain (4), Stewart (3). M — Wingett (3).
Shadyside 43, Steubenville CC 36
SHADYSIDE (43) — Stewart 0, 0-0
0; T. Fulton 1, 2-2 4; Sims 0, 0-0
0; Brown 7, 5-6 20; Hendershot 2, 0-0 6; Smith 2, 0-0 6; Tsoras 2, 2-3 0-0 0; Smith 2, U-0 6; Isoras 2, 2-3 7; Totals: 14, 9-11 43, STEUBEN-VILLE CC (36) — Rohde 0, 0-0 0; Cherepico 0, 0-0 0; Mayagos 2, 0-0 4; E. Rohde 2, 5-6 9; Kerker 2, 0-0 5; O'Karma 2, 0-0 4; Arai 4, 6-8 14; Totals: 12, 11-14 36.

3-point goals: S — Brown, Hendershot (2), Smith (2), Tsoras. SCC Kerker.

Monroe Central 55

Monroe Central 55, Southern Local 37 SOUTHERN LOCAL (37) — Shrodes 1, 0-0 3; Brewer 1, 0-0 3; Jones 0, 0-0 0; Kerns 2, 3-5 7; Riggs 0, 0-0 0; Rodgers 1, 0-0 3; Forbes 0, 0-0 0; Lewis 1, 0-0 3; Shroades 7, 2-3 18; Jones 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 13, 5-8 37. MONROE CENTRAL (55) — Emery 0, 2-2 2; Henthorn 0, 0-0 0; Hiles 0, 0-0 0; Thompson 3, 1-2 7; English 3, 2-2 10; Bishop 6, 3-5 15; Bommer 3, 0-0 7; McGarry 0, 0-0 0; Betmer 3, 0-0 7; McGarry 0, 0-0 0; Bettinger 6, 1-4 14; Totals: 21, 9-15 55. 3-point goals: SL — Shrodes, Brewer, Rodgers, Lewis, Shroades (2), MC — English (2), Bommer, Bettinger.

Bettinger.

University 80, St. Clairsville 33
ST. CLAIRSVILLE (33) — Malin 2, 3-8 8; Tuttle 3, 0-2 7; Moran 2, 2-4 7; Gray 1, 0-0 2; Kain 3, 0-4 7; Barrera 1, 0-0 2; Totals: 12, 5-18 33.

UNVERSITY (80) — Sharkey 8, 0-0 17; Gibson 2, 0-0 4; Boateng 3, 0-0 6, Simpson 8, 0-0 17; Stemple 6, 1-2 15; Maisel 1, 0-0 3; Weaver 3, 2-2 9; Byers 1, 0-0 2; L. Simpson 1, 2-2 4; Fox 1, 1-1 3; Totals: 34, 6-7 80. 6-7 80.

3-point goals: StC — Malin, Tutlte, Moran, Kain. U — Sharkey, Simp-son, Stemple (2), Maisel, Weaver. BOYS BASKETBALL

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Beallsville 65, Hundred 48
HUNDRED (48) — Morgan 0, 0-0
0; Morris 0, 0-0 0; Parson 1, 0-0 3;
Michael 1, 0-0 2; Bartrug 5, 6-6 16;
Huggins 2, 1-2 5; Sleeth 2, 0-0 5; J.
Huggins 5, 2-2 13; Johnson 2, 0-0
4; S. Michael 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 18,
9-10 48, BEALLSVILLE (65) — Allen 13, 3-3 30; Hughes 3, 0-1 8; Ha-gan 3, 0-0 9; Taylor 2, 3-4 7; Perkins 1-2 3: McCulley 2, 0-0 4: Louden 1, 1-2 3; WcCulley 2, 0-0 4; Edden 0, 0-0 0; Stoffel 2, 0-0 4; Anderson 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 26, 7-10 65. 3-point goals: H — Parson, Sleeth, Huggins. B — Allen, Hughes (2), Hagan (3).

### NBA

Thursday's Games L.A. Lakers 112, Indiana 111 New York 106, Miami 104 Cleveland 128, Memphis 113 Chicago 114, Charlotte 98 Dallas 111, New Orleans 106 Denver 134, Golden State 117 Milwaukee 106, L.A. Clippers 105

Friday's Games Charlotte at Detroit, 7 p.m. Portland at Washington, 7 p.m. Sacramento at Indiana, 7 p.m. Phoenix at Boston, 7:30 p.m. Orlando at Minnesota, 8 p.m. Philadelphia at San Antonio, 8

Toronto at Houston, 8 p.m. Atlanta at Utah, 9 p.m Saturday's Games

L.A. Lakers at New Orleans, 6 p.m. Washington at Brooklyn, 6 p.m. L.A. Clippers at New York, 7 p.m. Phoenix at Detroit, 7 p.m. Houston at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m. Miami at Milwaukee, 8 p.m. Portland at Chicago, 8 p.m. Dallas at Golden State, 8:30 p.m. Atlanta at Denver, 9 p.m.

Sunday's Games Orlando at Charlotte, 1 p.m.

### PREP SCORES

W.VA. BOYS Beallsville, Ohio 65, Hundred 48 Buckhannon-Upshur County 46 Chapmanville 61, Winfield 50 East Fairmont 60, Liberty Harrison

East Hardy 75, Pendleton County Fairmont Senior 81, North Mar on

Huntington 81, Riverside 45 Keyser 65, Berkeley Springs 44 Midland Trail 64, Greenbrier West

Moorefield 62, Pocahontas County

Philip Barbour 82, Elkins 67 Ravenswood 75, Wahama 57 Ripley 78, Calvary Baptist 52 Sarahsville Shenandoah, Ohio 75, Wood County Christian 30 South Harrison 87, Doddridge County 52 9 p.m.
St. Marys 62, Tyler Consolidated PAC-12N — Utah at Oregon St.

University 75, Hampshire 20

W.VA. GIRLS
Cabell Midland 66, Capital 17
Caldwell, Ohio 35, Magnolia 31
Charleston Catholic 45, Parkers-burg Catholic 32 George Washington 53, Hurricane

Huntington 52, Riverside 38 Independence 49, Meadow Bridge

Nicholas County 44, Herbert Hoover 43 Linsly 61, John Marshall 58 Sarahsville Shenandoah, Ohio 55,

Clay-Battelle 30 South Charleston 42, St. Albans 34 Spring Mills 59, Martinsburg 45 Trinity 52, Hundred 27 Tucker County 64, East Hardy 34 Winfield 61, Scott 42

OHIO BOYS

Beallsville 65, Hundred, W.Va. 48

Bloom-Carroll 55, Logan 42

Caledonia River Valley 61, Marion Harding 45 Gahanna Cols. Academy 43, Cols. Patriot Prep 28 Lancaster Fairfield Union 54, Cir-

cleville Logan Elm 33 Marion Pleasant 71, Bellville Clear Ontario 66, Galion 62 Proctorville Fairland 67, Ironton Rock Hill 35 Sarahsville Shenandoah 75, Wood

County Christian, W.Va. 30
CANCELLATION
Cols. Marion-Franklin vs. Cols. KIPP, ccd.

OHIO GIRLS

Andover Pymatuning Valley 65, NBATV —
Windham 47
Anna 55, Botkins 35 Antwerp 41, Hicksville 24 Antwerp 41, incksvine 24
Apple Creek Waynedale 45, Creston Norwayne 32
Arcadia 48, Vanlue 16
Arcanum 55, Newton Local 26
Archbold 52, Swanton 17

Athens 49, McArthur Vinton County 35 Atwater Waterloo 62, Mineral Ridge 35 Bellbrook 52, Waynesville 40 Berlin Center Western Reserve 39 McDonald 33

Bristol 50, Vienna Mathews 41 Brookfield 56, Newton Falls 37 Bryan 60, Metamora Evergreen 22 Bucyrus Wynford 63, Plymouth 28 Caldwell 35, Magnolia, W.Va. 31 Casstown Miami E. 44, Covington

Chesapeake 61, Gallipolis Gallia 28 Cin. Turpin 59, Cin. Anderson 33 Cin. West Clermont 47, Milford 45 Cle. Hts. Lutheran E. 61, Cle. VASJ

Clyde 38, Oak Harbor 35 Cols. DeSales 50, Bishop Ready 36 Columbiana 39, Leetonia 20 Columbiana Crestview 58, Gar-rettsville Garfield 52, OT Columbus Grove 50, Bluffton 36 Convoy Crestview 50, Ottoville 39 Cortland Lakeview 32, Jefferson Area 24

Cory-Rawson 46, Mt. Blanchard Riverdale 39 Day, Oakwood 62, Franklin 30 Defiance Tinora 39, Paulding 33 Delphos Jefferson 62, Van Wert Lincolnview 33 Dola Hardin Northern 54, Mt. Vic-

tory Ridgemont 18 Doylestown Chippewa 62, Rittman Edgerton 53, Defiance Aversville

Elmore Woodmore 55, Rossford

Findlay 54, Oregon Clay 20 Findlay Liberty-Benton 63, Pando-ra-Gilboa 15 ra-Gilboa 15
Fostoria 57, Millbury Lake 49
Fremont Ross 61, Tol. St. Ursula 32
Gibsonburg 35, Old Fort 31
Girard 44, Canfield S. Range 35
Hanoverton United 52, E. Palestine

Kings Mills Kings 57, Morrow Little Kinsman Badger 43, Southington Chalker 28 Lakeside Danbury 70, Fremont St.

Joseph 46 Lebanon 51, Cin. Winton Woods Lees Creek E. Clinton 57, Williamsburg 40 Legacy Christian 63, Day. Christian

Leipsic 51, Ada 15 Lewisburg Tri County N. 50, Ansonia 48

Lima Bath 32, Wapakoneta 21 Loveland 40, Cin. Walnut Hills 32 Lowellville 57, Sebring McKinley Martins Ferry 50, Bellaire, Mich. 36

McComb 58, N. Baltimore 31 Mechanicsburg 61, W. Liberty-Salem 45 Middletown Madison Senior 45, Eaton 39

Eaton 39
Millersburg W. Holmes 42, Mansfield Madison 31
Minster 50, Ft. Recovery 29
Monroe 50, Carlisle 8
Napoleon 57, Bowling Green 40
New Madison Tri-Village 71, Cam-

### Sports on TV

Friday, February 3 BOXING 10 p.m. Top Rank Main Card Emanuel Navarrete vs. Liam Wilson (Super-Featherweights), Glen-COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)

5 p.m. ESPNU — Yale at Harvard 6:30 p.m. CBSSN — E. Michigan at Ball St. 7 p.m. ESPN2 — VCU at Saint Louis ESPNU - Fairfield at Quinnipiac

ESPNU — Fairfield at Quinnipiac 9 p.m.

ESPNU — Kent St. at Akron
FS1 — Boise St. at San Diego St.
11 p.m.

CBSSN — Air Force at Nevada
FS1 — Fresno St. at UNLV

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

(WOMEN'S)
9 p.m.

Tucker County 67, Gilmer County PAC-12N — Arizona at UCLA 23 COLLEGE GYMNASTICS University 75, Hampshire 20 (WOMEN'S)

6 p.m. SECN — Kentucky at Missouri 7:30 p.m. SECN — Auburn at Alabama 9 p.m.
ESPN2 — UCLA at Utah
SECN — Georgia at LSU
COLLEGE HOCKEY (MEN'S)

8:30 p.m. CBSSN — W. Michigan at Minn. Duluth COLLEGE WRESTLING

7 p.m. ACCN — North Carolina at Pittsburgh BTN — Penn St. at Ohio St. 9 p.m. BTN — Iowa at Minnesota

GOLF 3:30 a.m.
GOLF The Ras Al Khaimah Classic, Second Round, Al Hamra GC, Ras Al Khaimah, United Arab Emirates

3p.m.
GOLF — PGA Tour: The AT&T
Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Second
Round, Pebble Beach Golf Links,
Pebble Beach, Calif.

3:30 a.m. (Saturday)
GOLF — DP World Tour: The Ras
Al Khaimah Classic, Third Round,
Al Hamra GC, Ras Al Khaimah,
United Arab Emirates
HORSE RACING

3 p.m. FS2 — NYRA: America's Day at the Races

**NBA BASKETBALL** NBA BASKETBALL
7:30 p.m.

NBATV — Phoenix at Boston
NHL HOCKEY
7 p.m.

ESPN — NHL All-Star Skills Competition: From Sunrise, Fla.

SOCCER (MEN'S) 3 p.m.

USA - Premier League: Fulham at Chelsea **TENNIS** 

6 a.m.
TENNIS — Lyon-WTA, Hua Hin-WTA Quarterfinals 11:30 a.m.
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5 a.m. (Saturday) TENNIS — Lyon-WTA, Hua Hin-WTA Semifinals 6 a.m. (Saturday)
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### COLLEGE SCORES

Men EAST Drexel 70, Coll. of Charleston 69 Drexel 70, Coll. of Charleston 69 Elon 69, Stony Brook 55 Hofstra 76, Towson 72 Md.-Eastern Shore 89, Regent 41 Merrimack 76, LIU 59 Monmouth (NJ) 70, Delaware 62 N. Kentucky 65, Robert Morris 52 Sacred Heart 65, Wagner 56 St. Francis (NY) 53, CCSU 48 Stonehill 74, St. Francis (Pa.) 61 SOUTH Cent. Arkansas 91, Florida Gul

Cent. Arkansas 91, Florida Gulf Kentucky 69, Jacksonville St. 67 FIU 57, Charlotte 54 Georgia St. 64, Georgia Southern

James Madison 78, Old Dominion

Lamar 70, McNeese St. 63 Liberty 82, Austin Peay 70 Lipscomb 66, Queens (NC) 60 Louisiana Tech 80, Rice 72 ouisiana-Lafayette 82, Texas St.

Louisiana-Monroe 83, Coastal Carolina 70 Marshall 66, Appalachian St. 58 Middle Tennessee 84, UTEP 72 Morehead St. 64, Tennessee Tech

North Florida 76, Jacksonville 63 SE Louisiana 77, Incarnate Word

Southern Miss. 74, Troy 65 Stetson 79, North Alabama 57 Texas A&M-CC 86, New Orleans

UAB 86, FAU 77
UNC-Asheville 89, High Point 63
UNC-Greensboro 69, Mercer 49
UNC-Wilmington 87, NC A&T 63
VMI 75, The Citadel 69
W. Kentucky 81, UTSA 74
MIDWEST
Detroit 85, Cleveland St. 67
Fort Wayne 82, Oakland 73
Houston 70, Wichita St. 61
Kennesaw St. 90 Bellarmine 84

Kennesaw St. 90, Bellarmine 84, 20T Lindenwood (Mo.) 80. E. Illinois 67

Michigan 68, Northwestern 51 Milwaukee 72, IUPUI 69 S. Dakota St. 96, North Dakota 73 SE Missouri 99, UALR 98 SIU-Edwardsville 89, UT Martin 75 South Dakota 71, N. Dakota St. 62 St. Thomas (MN) 89, Omaha 83 Tennessee St. 80, S. Indiana 76 Wisconsin 65, Ohio St. 60 Youngstown St. 91, Wright St. 89,



Photo by Seth Staskey

Martins Ferry's Charli Roe makes a move to the basket Thursday night against Bellaire.

# **Martins Ferry Tops Bellaire To End 3rd** Again In OVAC 3A

By SETH STASKEY For The Intelligencer

MARTINS FERRY - It's gotten to the point where the Martins Ferry girls basketball team isn't just excited to have qualified for the OVAC Tourna-

Thursday evening's 50-36 victory against rival Bellaire gave the Purple Riders their third consecutive third-place finish in the conference tournament. And head coach Dave Reasbeck wants more.

'You just don't know what you're going to get from us and it's been that way for three years," Reasbeck lamented. "Are we going to play 15-point halves where we look absolutely terrible or are we going to flip the switch like we did (Thursday)?"

When the switch flipped on at halftime, the Purple Riders looked more like the club that Reasbeck expects and has seen glimpses of during the latter portion of the season.

'We looked pretty good in the second half, but we can't keep having third-place years and 14-win seasons," Reasbeck said. "That's decent, but we have to elevate this program somehow. We're just not consistent enough. We have to eliminate the blah halves we've put out there.

The first half would qualify as one those halves, but still the Purple Riders found themselves with the lead at 15-9

'We kind of set basketball back a little bit in the first half." Bellaire head coach John Farrier said. "Most of our games have been pretty ugly, but we've been short handed. The outcome didn't go our way. but our kids continued to battle and did that again (Thursday)."

Both teams picked up the energy, shot making and took better care of the ball after the first half when

both teams had more turnovers than points. The Purple Riders outscored the Big Reds. 18-17. in the third. Six different players scored for Ferry with sophomore Lindse Sidon netting five. Senior Avery Marchbank, who connected on two bonus goals in the first half, hit another from behind the arc in the third.

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Ferry was led by sophomore Lindsey Best's 12 points. Freshman Charli Roe scored 11 and completed the double-double with a like number of rebounds. Marchbank and Sidon went for nine and eight, respec-

we're striving for."

Bellaire (11-10) was led in the scoring column by Harveth. She was complemented by senior Lizzie McAninch, who was solid with 10 points.

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**OVAC GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT SEMIFINALS** 

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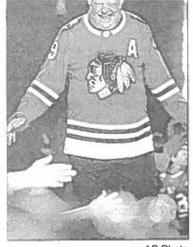


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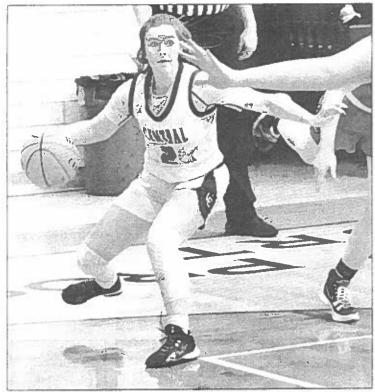
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Photo by Andrew Grimm Harrison Central's Mackenzie Harbold drives to the paint against Oak Glen's Kami Ward during their OVAC Class 4A semifinal Monday night in

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## No. 15 TCU Without Top Scorer Vs. WVU **Due To Knee Injury**

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - TCU leading scorer Mike Miles Jr. will miss tonight's home game against West Virginia because of a hyperextended right knee.

Miles got hurt less than four minutes into 15thranked TCU's overtime loss at Mississippi State on Saturday in the SEC/Big 12 Challenge. A subsequent MRI showed no serious issues for the Big 12's second-leading scorer.

While the timetable for his return was still uncertain, coach Jamie Dixon said Miles didn't have an

ACL or MCL injury.

"I don't anticipate him being out as long as others have been." Dixon said before practice Monday

The Horned Frogs (16-5) have also played their last two games without Eddie Lampkin Jr., their leading rebounder (6.8 per game).

Lampkin suffered a high left ankle sprain in their win at Kansas on Jan. 21.

Miles was the preseason player of the year, as chosen by the Big 12 coaches.

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Senior Sophie Abraham ignited the spurt with scorers with 28, had 20 a three-pointer and sopho- at the break. She did. more Lala Woods added a however, reach a mileconventional bucket and a stone with a free throw trey. Following a Warren at the 3:53 mark of the Local timeout. Abraham third quarter that gave her knocked down another 1,000 career points. Warriors Alex Frazee hit Frazee. "Warren played a bonus goal with just un- us tough there for a while, der a minute left to make but then we finally broke it 36-31.

A three by Woods, who netted 16 of her 21 in the third quarter on a 22-9

Sophomore Alexis Bor- three quarters. das caught fire in the third cal had pulled to within in a reserve role. 13 - to spark.

Lala played really well to- I thought we were pretty tandem.

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markers. Bordas grabbed of their 35 boards. Woods shots," Young added.

Trailing 28-24 with added four assists, a like just over 4 minutes left number of steals and a in the second quarter, pair of rebounds to her the Patriots turned it up a point total, while Seneca notch, on a 16-3 run to Heller charted seven retake a 40-31 lead into the bounds (5 offensive), four steals and a trio of assists.

Frazee, who led all

away.

The hosts started the first half, and a layup by scoring spree that led to Stevenson slumped, and to Abraham capped the half. a 65-45 advantage after ing time as he improved.

Abraham, a West Libquarter with 17 of her erty recruit, added 14 team-high 26 points. She points and Natalie Daughtallied nine of her team's erty had nine, four assists but the offense and the defense. first 13 points and con- and three rebounds. Mernected on back-to-back ritt Delk chipped in four triples - after Warren Lo- rebounds and three assists

"For the most part I "I thought Alexis and thought we played fine.

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its hands full.

Despite never trailing after the early stages of the first quarter, the shaved to two at 34-32. Maroon Knights found themselves in a 23-all battle after three.

eight, 3-pointers in the game, got from Lily Vogrin and added in a aren't used to seeing that.' pair of baskets from junior guard than two minutes to play.

It was far from over, though.

"Our girls persevered," Olejasz go said. "I thought they were warnot won a game like this. We've played in games like this, but top of the key. we've figured out how to win this way, which is a huge step for us.

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a pair and with 1:46 to play, the there and that's life.' Maroon Knights lead had been

"That (five-point) possession a 23-all battle after three. hurt us a little bit even though they chipped in with 12. Central, which connected on never pulled ahead," Olejasz said. Monroe Central, n two of those on back-to-back trips but it was weird because you just

Another missed front end of ing a 34-25 edge with a little more the Seminoles to tie the game on Kynzi Bishop with 67 seconds to

kissed in a trey from basically the

"That was obviously a huge working out for us." shot for us." Olejasz said. "Then Monroe Central ( We've won a lot of games in (Downing) hit a couple of big foul shots, too. We've not been the

Downing then knocked down a The Seminoles, who knocked pair at the line and Keiera Wilkindown just 14 of 49 shots from son got one of two from the stripe the field and only had two bonus for a 40-34 reading, which simply goals, ignited a run of theirs with proved to be too much for Mon-

"I'm okay with how our girls ation by Central opened the gates played, but it stinks that a banked played, but it stinks that a banked River was led by junior Kelsey three is the difference in the game, Harlan, who scored 23 points and

in the air, Central committed a not think it was going in, and I was the Pilots.

Before any attention could shift foul, which sent Abby Thomp- looking to see how far our it was to the Pilots, however, Central had son to the line. She calmly sank going to rebound, but it stuck in

The Maroon Knights were led by Vogrin's 14.

Edge added 13 and Downing

Monroe Central, meanwhile, re-"It was the correct call on the foul, ceived 12 points from Bettinger and 10 from Abby Thompson in the paint. Bommer added seven.

"We got good looks, but we Brooke Edge and it ended up be- a one plus one set the stage for didn't shoot it well," Baker said. "We got a little sped up at times, a well executed high low play to but I am okay with all of the shots

"We had 16 turnovers, most On the ensuing trip, Central took of which were because of good riors out on the floor. We've really the lead for good when Downing defensive plays by Central. Our turnovers are what I consider aggressive plays that didn't end up

> Monroe Central (15-6) will return to action Thursday, at home, against Southern Local in the 2A consolation game.

> River 68, Southern Local 37 HANNIBAL - River locked up its spot in the title game without much issue.

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#### TURNAROUND

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While all this was going on Huggins tried to make player and a much better teammate." the most of what he had. He tried not to play Johnson bonus goal and Woods "She's one heckuva together in the backcourt with Joe Toussaint for fear scored again before the player." Young said of of foul trouble at the point and brought young James Okonkwo along slowly as a big man, even while his team was being beaten badly on the boards and in the paint, using him as a replacement for Bell and Mo

Events, however, forced him to use more and more Stevenson slumped, and to increase Okonkwo's play-

Recently, with both Mitchell and Matthews going through rough times, he has used Okonkwo and Bell together and it has given a new life to the team and helped not only the rebounding, as one would expect,

Okonkwo's progress has been most impressive.

"I think the biggest thing is his teammates are desaid after he made a 10-rebound, 5-point and 2-block contribution against Auburn, often sharing the floor time. with Bell, "I think that really helps him.

James came over here from England and didn't night." Young said of his good in the third quarter know anybody, talked funny and really didn't know high-scoring backcourt and we rebounded the ball anything about basketball. I think as he matures as a player and as he matures as a person, he's just going very well. player and as he matures as a perso to continue to get better and better."

A couple of games back against Texas Tech it all ties.

lot of eyes; most importantly, it opened James' eyes,"

"I liked it," He said. "It's just hard to get Tre out because he's played well and has been our best player. But he had a bad day and that happens. He wasn't as bouncy."

Another who liked the new look was Stevenson as he poured in 31 points against Auburn.

Erik struggled. He'll be the first to admit that," Huggins said, "but he came out of it a much better



And Stevenson liked what he saw of Bell and Okonkwo on the court together.

"I like it," Stevenson said. "We're so comfortable with having Tre out there. He's more of a finesse and perimeter guy; so versatile that he can get to the block and score as well. But when you have James out there, he's so athletic.

"Four for five at the free throw line," Stevenson of Johnson and Toussaint together in the backcourt as went on. "That's big, huge. And he helps us ... helps us defensively and he helps us on the glass. He's probably one of the best athletes I've ever played with. He is just now tapping into his potential.

"We've been on him since the summer. During the summer, I was watching highlights and saw Sags (Sagaba-Konate) blocking shots and I'm like 'James can do that.' He was doing that in the summer in pick-up games. You could ask anybody.

"You saw that (two-handed) block against Texas veloping confidence in him more and more," Huggins Tech! He was doing that in the summer. He had another one today. I was like, you can do that all the

While that is going on, Toussaint has been turned loose by Huggins and developed a side no one really knew he had, that of being a scorer. He always was a solid guard at Iowa, but the points came from elsewhere and that's one of the reasons he transferred, to get to a place where he could display his other abili-

"Keddy's been banged up. They've really banged "I think what James did at Texas Tech opened a him up, but Joe has come in and done a terrific job for us," Huggins said.

Toussaint has shown an ability to penetrate into Huggins admits he liked what he saw of the combi- the heart of the defense and shoot midrange, which is effective with Stevenson demanding defensive attention almost as far back as half-court with his shooting

And, if Huggins were to go with three guards --Kedrian Johnson, Stevenson and Toussaint -- and Bell and Okonkwo, you have Johnson penetrating to the hoop, Toussaint at midrange, Stevenson shooting from wherever and Bell and Okonkwo down low.

With Mitchell able to shoot from the outside or inside and Matthews shooting 3s from the corner when he's on and slashing to the rim, the offense is versatile and can be intimidating.

"At the beginning we were kind of lost," Huggins said. "We had such a conglomeration of a lot of different people who had been coached so many different ways. To get all those guys on the same page was really a struggle.

"I think everyone understands what his role is. They understand what they can do, what their teammates can do and that puts us in a much better place. But, that being said, everybody else has played as many games as we have and gone through the same kind of things we have."





### LOCAL CARD

Tuesday, Jan. 31 BOYS BASKETBALL Brooke at Wheeling Park Cameron at Madonna Steubenville at Linsly Valley at Hundred Magnolia at Parkersburg

Trinity at Paden City Union Local at Barnesville Beallsville at Newcomer-

Bellaire at Beaver Local Bridgeport at Buckeye Lo-

Harrison Central at East Liverpool

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### Sports on TV

Tuesday, January 31 COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S) 6:30 p.m. SECN — Mississippi St. at South Carolina 7 p.m.

ACCN -- Clemson at Boston College BTN — Nebraska at Illinois CBSSN — VCU at Davidson ESPN — Wake Forest at Duke ESPN2 — Texas A&M at Arkansas ESPNU — Virginia Tech at Miami 8 p.m. 5 FS1 — UConn at DePaul

8:30 p.m.

SECN — Vanderbilt at Alabama 9 p.m.

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10 p.m. FS1 — Fresno St. at Wyoming 11 p.m.

CBSSN - San Diego St. at Neva-**COLLEGE GOLF** 

4:30 p.m.
GOLF — The Southwestern Invitational: Second Round, North Ranch CC, Westlake, Calif.
NBA BASKETBALL

7:30 p.m.

TNT — LA Lakers at New York
10 p.m.
TNT — New Orleans at Denver

(i NBA G-LEAGUE BASKETBALL 7:30 p.m. NBATV — Texas at Sioux City NHL HOCKEY

7 p.m.
NHLN — Los Angeles at Carolina
SOCCER (MEN'S)

3 p.m.
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### **OVAC WRESTLING**

OVAC Bill Hinegardner Dual Meet Championships (at Brooke High School) Wednesday, Feb. 1, 6 p.m. Semifinals Class 4A

No. 1 St. Clairs. vs. No. 4 Oak Glen No. 2 Indian Creek vs. No. 3 Edison Finals 7. Immediately following semis Class 1A/2A

O No. 1 Shadyside vs. No. 2 Bridge

2 port Thursday, Feb. 2, 6 p.m (at John Marshall F. H.) Semifinals

Class 3A No. 1 Linsly vs. No. 4 Magnolia No. 2 Barnesville vs. No. 3 Ferry Class 5A

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Saturday, Jan. 21

Kansas City 27, Jacksonville 20 Philadelphia 38, N.Y. Giants 7 Sunday, Jan. 22

Cincinnati 27, Buffalo 10 San Francisco 19, Dallas 12 Conference Championships

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Sunday, Feb. 12 At Glendale, Ariz Philadelphia vs. Kansas City, 6:30

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

OVAC CHAMPIONSHIPS (at Harrison Central High School, Cadiz Saturday Class 2A, 10 a.m.

No. 1 River vs. No. 2 Wheeling Class 3A, 12 noon No. 1 Union Local vs. No. 2 Fort

Class 4A, 2 p.m. No. 1 Indian Creek vs. No. 3 Oak

Glen Class 5A, 4 p.m. No. 1 Wheeling Park vs. No. 2 Morgantown

Class 1A, 6 p.m. No. 2 Cameron vs. #1 Frontier Consolation Finals Thursday

Class 5A No. 4 Warren at No. 3 Marietta Class 4A No. 2 Harrison Central at No. 4 Buckeye Local Class 3A

No. 4 Bellaire at No. 3 Martins

Class 2A No. 4 Southern Local at No. 3 Monroe Central Class 1A

No. 4 Trinity Christian at No. 3 Hundred

Consolation Bracket Buckeye Trail at East Liverpool St. Clairsville at University Conotton Valley at Paden City Bridgeport at Madonna Magnolia at Caldwell Weir at Toronto Weer at Toronto
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### PREP SCORES

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Fort Hill, Md. 74, Berk. Springs 35
High. Mont., Va. 67, U. Grant 39
Keyser 70, Bishop Walsh, Md. 55
Logan 80, Nitro 76
Roane County 59, Buffalo 46
W.VA. GIRLS

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Bluefield 47, Graham, Va. 35
Brooke 61, Edison 36
Cameron 85, Hundred 29
E. Liverpool, Ohio 53, Weir 32
Herbert Hoover 67, Scott 58
John Marshall 51, Dover, Ohio 24
Magnolia 66, Valley Wetzel 41
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Morgantown 54, Marietta, Ohio 19
Oak Glen 53, Harrison Cent. 33
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Philip Barbour 54, Lincoln 39
Robert C. Byrd 43, Sissonville 33
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U. Grant 67, High-Mont., Va. 29
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Can. McKinley 64, Cle. Hts. Lutheran E. 34
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Georgetown 50, W. Union 45 Girard 56, Jefferson Area 37 Goshen 48, Wilmington 29 Greenwich S. Cent. 60, Sullivan Black River 48 Hubbard 48 Hubbard 48, Niles McKinley 36 John Marshall, W.Va. 51, Dover 24 Kings Mills Kings 51, Milford 46

Kinsman Badger Mathews 45 58, Lebanon 56, Cin. Turpin 29 Leetonia 47, Youngs. Valley Chris-Liberty Center 55, Sherwood Fair-

### W.VA. Polls

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - The Associated Press high school boys basketball poll with first-place votes in parentheses and total points:

Class AAAA M'town (10) 14-1 Parkers, South G. Washington 10-3 86 13-2 77 Huntington 13-2 Green.East Hedgesville Spring Mills Jefferson 9. Whg Park 10-4 20 10. S. Charleston 9-4 10 10 NR Others receiving votes: C Midland 4, Bridgeport 3, Sp Valley 3, Woodrow Wilson 1. Spring

Class AAA

1. S. Spring (7) 11-3

2. Fmt Senior (2) 12-1 12-1 14-0 3. Ripley (1) 4. E. Fairmont 5. Scott 13-1 10-5 39 35 35 6. Winfield 7. Logan (tie) Elkins 9-6 33 11 9. H. Hoover 10. Nitro 8-6 7-7 10 Others receiving votes: Weir 5,

North Marion 2. Class AA 1. Williams. (8) 15-0 2. Bluefield (2) 3. Chapman. 4. S. Harrison Ravenswood Wyo. East 12-3 11-3 12-3 58 42 37 7. Charles. Cath. 8. St. Marys 9. Whg Central 36 20 10. Poca 8-7 12 10 Others receiving votes: Wirt Coun-

Class A 1. J. Monroe (10) 14-2 100 2. Webster Co. 11-3 86 3. Tug Valley 10-3 70 3. Tug Valley 4. Tucker Co. 70 Cameron Pendleton Co. 8-4 41 7. Clay-Battelle (tie) Dodd. Co. 9. East Hardy 11-4 23 10. St. Joseph 9-5 18 T10 Others receiving votes: Tolsia 16, Madonna 6, Hundred 2, Tygarts

Valley 2. CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The Associated Press high school girls basketball poll with first-place votes in parentheses and total points:

Class AAAA

1. Whg Park (6) 14-1

2. Sp. Valley (4) 12-2

3. M'town 10-3

4. C. Midland 11-4 94 74 67 55 Sp. Mills Hunt. University 9-0 49 42 8. Parkers. So. 9. St. Albans 10. W. Wilson 11-5 7-6 Others receiving votes: George Washington 3, John Marshall 2, Bridgeport 1.

Class AAA 1. Wayne (10) 2. N. Marion 14-0 12-1 3. Ripley 4. East Fair. 5. Nitro 6. Lewis Co. 7. Philip Bar. 8. R.C. Byrd 13-0 7-5 8-4 49 38 35 21 Keyser 9-4 Logan Others receiving votes: PikeView

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### **OVAC Boys**

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17 492 28.941 18 304 16.889 19 250 13.158 9 Beav. L. Buck, L. Camb. 4 15 4 14 18 206 11.444 1 14 15 46 3.067 CLASS 3-A Oak Glen TG CP AVE. 15 980 65.333 17 896 52.706 SCHOOL M. Ferry Caldwell 10 6 16 770 48.125 12 6 18 854 47.444 11 7 18 778 43.222 Bellaire

### PREP BOXSCORES

GIRLS BASKETBALL OVAC Semifinal Games Class 5A Wheeling Park 77,

Wheeling Park 77, Warren Local 56 WARREN LOCAL (56) -Cochran 3 2-2 9; Pettey 3 2-5 8; Frazee 10 5-8 28; Shotwell 4 1-2 9; James-Mc-Guire 1 0-0 2; Chidester 0 0-0 0; Byrd 0 0-0 0; Totals: 21-47 10-17 56. WHEELING PARK (77) - Bordas 10 2-2 26; Woods 9 1-2 21; Abraham 6 0-0 14; Daugherty 4 0-0 9; Heller 1 2-3 4: Huffman 0 1-2 1: Delk 0 2-2 2-3 4; Huffman 0 1-2 1; Delk 0 2-2 2; Stone 0 0-0 0; Derrow 0 0-0 0; Ticich 0 0-0 0; Totals: 30-72 8-11 77 3-point goals; WL – Cochran, Frazee 3; WP – Bordas (4), Woods (2), Abraham (2), Daugherty, Class 4A

Indian Creek 70, Buckeye Local 36 BUCKEYE LOCAL 361 - McKeever 4 0-0 10, Ankrom 1 0-0 2, Carmalt 0 0-0 0, Stock 0 0-0 0, Koran 0 0-0 0, Dailey 1 0-0 2, Kandrach 4 8-9 16, Roset 0 0-0 0, Kinyo 0 0-0 0, Long 0 0-0 0, Valuska 2 0-0 4, Totals: 13 8-9 36, INDIAN CREEK (70) - Crites 0 0-1 0, Scott 2 3-7 8, Taylor 4 5-5 13, Sadler 0 2-2 2, Starkey 0 0-0 0, Ballato 5 1-1 11, Bates-Dallman 0 0-0 0, Westfall 0 0-0 0, Ketron 0 0 0 0, Anderson 8 6-12 24, Anderson 5 0-0 12, Allen, Totals: 24 17-28 70. 3-point goals: BL = McKeever( 2); IC = Anderson (2), Robertson (2).

Oak Glen 53, Harrison Central 33
OAK GLEN (53) = Sy. Brown 2
0-0 6; Kell 8 0-3 16; Clark 1 0-0 3;
Greenlief 1 7-9 9; Ward 2 1-4 5; McConnachie 0 0-0 0; Sa. Brown 2 0-2 5; Barr 4 1-2 9. Totals: 20, 9-20; 53. HARRISON CENTRAL (33) - Rensi 1 2-2 5; Fischer 0 0-0 0; Banal 0 0-0 0; Butler 2 4-4 10; Ferri 2 2-3 8; Lewis 2 0-0 4; Harbold 1 1-2 4; Sedgmer 1 0-0 2; Ledger 0 0-0 0. Totals: 9, 9-11; 33.

9-11; 33. 3-point goals: OG ~ Sy. Brown (2), Clark, Sa. Brown; HC ~ Ferri (2), Butler (2), Rensi, Harbold. CLASS 3A Union Local 50, Bellaire 21

Offion Cocal 30, Behalfre 21
BELLAIRE [21] - Ault 3, 0-9 9, Harveth 3, 2-4 8; McAninch 0, 0-0 0; Mason 2, 0-2 4; Rowson 0, 0-0 0, Kanyuch 0, 0-0 0. Totals 8, 2-6.
UNION LOCAL (50) - R. Vinskovich 9, 3-4 21; Kildow 6, 1-2 15; Miller 3, 0-7; Kellaway 0, 0-0 0; Pictorson

9, 3-4 21; Kildow 6, 1-2 15; Miller 3, 0-0 7; Kellaway 0, 0-0 0; Pietranton 1, 0-0 3; L. Vinskovich 1, 0-0 2; Day 1, 0-0 2. Totals 21, 4-6.
Three-point goals: B - Ault (3), U - Kildow (2), Miller, Pietranton.
Fort Frye 49, Martins Ferry 26
MARTINS FERRY (26) — Lude 1, 1-2 4; Sidon 1, 0-0 3; Best 6, 2-2 14; Roe 0, 0-0 0; McFarland 1, 0-0 3; Call 0, 0-0 0; McFarland 1, 0-0 3; Call 0, 0-0 0; Marchonk 0, 0-0 0; Trandon 1, 0-0 2; Smith 0, 0-0 0; Matz 0, 0-0 0; Shreve 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 10, 3-4 26. FORT FRYE (49) — Ludwig 1, 0-1 2; Duskey 3, 5-8 11; Treadway 1, 0-0 2, A. Duskey 4, 2-2 12; Lang 1, 3-4 6; Buckhanan 1, 0-0 3; Wynn 0, 0-0 0; O'Brien 4, 0-0 11; Rauch 1, 0-0 2; Morgan 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 16, 10-15 49.

Totals, 16, 10-15 49. 3-point goals: MF — Lude, Sìdon, McFarland, FF — O'Brien, Buchan-

an, Lang, A. Duskey (2). Class 2A Wheeling Central 41, Monroe Central 37

MONROE CENTRAL (37) --- Emery 0, 0-0 0; Thompson 4, 2-2 10; English 0, 2-2 2; Bishop 3, 0-4 6; Bommer 2, 2-2 7; McGarry 0, 0-0 0; Bettinger 5, 1-2 12; Totals: 14, 7-12 37; WHEELING CENTRAL (41) — Olejasz 0, 1-2 1; Downing 3, 3-4 12; Edge 6, 0-2 13; Vogrin 5, 0-1 14;

Wilkinson 0, 1-4 1; Ratcliffe 0, 0-0 0; Severns 0, 0-0 0; Downer 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 14, 5-13 41. 3-point goals: MC — Bommer, Bettinger, WC — Downing (3), Edge, Vogrin (4).

Vogrin (4).

River 68, Southern Local 37

SOUTHERN LOCAL (37) — Al.

Shroades 2, 0-0 5; Jones 2, 0-0 4;

Rodgers 1, 3-4 6; Forbes 2, 0-0 4;

Lewis 0, 0-0 0; A. Shroades 6, 1-5

12; Stanley 0, 1-2 1; Jones 2, 0-0

4; Totals: 15, 4-9 37. RIVER (68)

— Hobbs 1, 0-0 2; Harlan 9, 2-3

23; Reed 3, 0-0 6; Wohnas 0, 0-0 0;

Dotterer 0, 0-0 0; Indermuhle 0, 0-0

0; Pring 2, 0-0 4; Ranger 4, 0-0 8; Fox 0; Prim 2, 0-0 4; Raper 4, 0-0 8; Fox 1, 0-0 2; Knight 11, 1-2 23; Totals: 31, 3-5 68,

3-point goals: SL — Al. Shroads, Rodgers. R — Harlan (3). Class 1A

Cameron 85, Hundred 29 HUNDRED (29) –Peters 4 10-14 19, Dean 0 2-4 2; Zarco 0 0-0 0; Shreve 1 0-0 2; Morris 0 0-0 0; Morgan 3 0-0 6; Totals: 8 12-18 29. CAMER-ON (85) - Clutter 8 0-0 20; E. Dobbs 6 0-0 13; A. Dobbs 1 0-0 2; Neely 6 0-0 13; Van Tassell 7 0-0 14; Carter 2 0-0 4; Neehouse 1 0-0 3; Schrack 1 0-0 2; Littleton 2 0-2 2; Bertram 1 0-0 3: Thomas 1 0-0 2: Francis 3 0-0 7; Totals: 36 0-2 85. 3-point goals: H – Peters; C – Clutter (4), E. Dobbs, Neely, Neehouse,

Bertram, Francis Consolation Games

Magnolia 66, Valley 40 VALLEY (40) - W. Higgins 4 4-5 12; Rush 2 0-0 4; Dawson 3 2-4 9; Thomas 0 2-4 2; C. Higgins 0 1-2 1; Bates 2 1-6 5; Highley 0 0-0 0; Miller 0 5-9 5; Booher 1 0-0 2; Totals: 15-30 40. MAGNOLIA (66) – Litton 2 4-6 8; Williams 0 0-0 0; McKeever 1 0-0 2; Blain 7 6-9 22; Perry 1 0-0 2; Mc 10-0 2; Blain 7 6-9 22; Perry 1 0-0 2; McDiffitt 3 2-4 8; Hudson 0 0-0 0; Gaiser 4 1-2 9; Holliday 2 2-2 7; Warder 4 0-0 8; Totals: 24 15-23 66. 3-point goals: V — Dawson; M-Blain (2), Holliday John Marshall 51, Dover 24 DOVER (24) — Albaugh 0 0-0 0; Shankle 0 0-0; Zobel 2 0-0 4; Sines 0 0-0 0; Freeman 0 0-0 0; Noretto 1

0 0-0 0; Freeman 0 0-0 0; Noretto 1 0-0 3; Pfaffer 1 0-0 2; Karam 5 0-0 15; Werntz 0 0-0 0; Kuecher 0 0-0 0; Totals: 9 0-0 24. JOHN MARSHALL (51) – Finley 0 0-0 0; Derrow 7 5-6 19; Ebert 0 0-0 0; Updegraff 0 0-0 0; Storm 2 1-2 5; Miller 1 0-0 2; Inclan 0 0-0 0; White 3 0-0 7; Babiczuk 0 0-0 0; Blake 7 4-4 18; Totals: 20 10-

**Cameron Girls Rout** Hundred In 1A Semi

Union Local Rolls To 20th Victory Of Season CAMERON - Defending OVAC Class A champion Cameron (11-4) didn't waste any time in returning to the title game with an 85-29 rout of visiting Hundred in a semifinal matchup Monday night.

Senior Kenzie Clutter led four Dragons in double digits with a game-high 20, which included four triples. Ashlynn Van Tassel added 14 while Emilee Dobbs and Maci Neely had 13 each.

Second-seeded Cameron, the defending Class A state champs, is tied for first in the latest Class A rankings released Monday with Tucker County.

The Dragons will play top-seeded Frontier in Saturday's championship game at 6 p.m. inside Harrison Central High School in Cadiz. The Cougars defeated No. 4 Trinity, 59-33, in the other semifinal.

The third-seeded Hornets, which entered in 10th in the Class A poll, were paced by Ashlynn Peters with 19 points, which included a 10-for-14 showing from the foul line.

> Class 3A Union Local 50, Bellaire 21

MORRISTOWN -- The top-seeded Jets (20-0) took the first step in repeating their Class 3A crown with a defensive-minded win over the No. 4 Big Reds inside 'The Hangar.'

Regan Vinskovich scored 21, Torre Kildow added 15 and Lauren Miller added seven for Union Local. which faces No. 2 Fort Frye.

Allie Ault Bellaire with nine points. Zara Harveth added seven.

Fort Frye 49, Martins Ferry 26

BEVERLY -- The Purple Riders lengthy trip didn't go as it had hoped as the host Cadets got out of the gates quickly and never looked back en route to claiming the other spot in the 3A title game.

Alyssa Duskey led the Fort with 12, while Emmie Duskey and Keranna O'Brien each had 11.

Martins Ferry sophomore Lindsey Best led all scorers in the game with 14.

Class 4A

Indian Creek 70, Buckeye Local 36

WINTERSVILLE -- The top-seeded Redskins (14-4) pulled away from the No. 4 Panthers (7-12) in the second half to advance to the championship game opposite Oak Glen, which upset Harrison Central.

Kylie Anderson had a game-high 24 points for Indian Creek and pulled down 13 rebounds. Gabby taylor added 15 points. Tori Robertson 12 and Maddie

Pam Kandrach paced Buckeye Local with 16 point and a dozen rebounds. Brynn McKeever added 10.

**Consolation Games** John Marshall 51, Dover 29

MOUNDSVILLE - Kayli Derrow had 19 points and Kaitlyn Blake 18 as the Monarchs outscored the visiting Tornadoes 25-6 in the fourth quarter to win going away inside the John Marshall Field House.

Magnolia 66, Valley 40 NEW MARTINSVILLE - Jenna Blain fired in 22 points as the Blue Eagles topped the Lumberjills.

Winter Higgins scored 12 for Valley.

Shadyside 68, Toronto 37 SHADYSIDE - The homestanding Tigers were quite impressive in cruising past Toronto to a 68-37

Shadyside was led by senior standout Gentry Brown, who pumped in a career-high 34 points. Macy Hendershot added eight.

Thomas paced Toronto with 15.

Paden City 47, Bridgeport 37

BRIDGEPORT - Paden City bounced back from setback to the Bulldogs on Saturday to post a win on Monday.

The Wildcats were led by Thomas 16 and Burch's

Bridgeport received 14 points from Brooke Stewart and 11 from Ashlynn Allen.

St. Clairsville 56, Clay-Battelle 33 ST. CLAIRSVILLE - The Red Devils had their way, basically, with the CeeBees on Monday night.

Makenna Moran paced St. Clairsville with 19. Lacy

Tuttle added eight.

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"I cannot be any happier snowball away as they with our defense," Wells got out-paced 10-2 in the said. "We're holding teams second, an Oak Glen run to some really low totals that eventually went to right now, and we knew 18-2 before the Huskies coming into the season de- offense got going again fense was going to be our down by 24. strength. Those first three ter, we weren't scoring, we first quarter we executed kept them from scoring, it well," Harrison Central the half court and we were said. "Their speed hurt us, 3-point goals: D - Noretto, Karam could shoot, covering the somebody back on them...

"We had a good game

minutes of the third quar- plan ... I thought in the They were being patient in head coach Chace Smith getting to the spot, cover- they got back in transition ing the girls who we knew quick and we tried to get

iviississippi ot, at ouutii Shadyside at Steub, Catholic Carolina Shenandoah at Clay Battelle 7 p.m. John Marshall at Linsly Steubenville at Dover ACCN - Clemson at Boston College BTN Cambridge at Edison Nebraska at Illinois Brooke at Beaver Local CBSSN — VCU at Davidson ESPN — Wake Forest at Duke
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**COLLEGE GOLF** 4:30 p.m.
GOLF — The Southwestern In-

vitational: Second Round, North Banch CC, Westlake, Calif.

7:30 p.m.
TNT — LA Lakers at New York
10 p.m.
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II NBA G-LEAGUE BASKETBALL
7:30 p.m.
NBATV — Texas at Sioux City

NHL HOCKEY
7 p.m.
NHLN — Los Angeles at Carolina

ta at Inter Milan, Quarterfinal TENNIS

TENNIS

SOCCER (MEN'S) 3 p.m. CBSSN — The Italian Cup: Atalan-

6 a.m. TENNIS — Lyon WTA, Hua Hin-WTA Early Rounds

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OVAC WRESTLING

**OVAC Bill Hinegardner** 

Dual Meet Championships (at Brooke High School)

Wednesday, Feb. 1, 6 p.m.

Semifinals

Class 4A

Class 1A/2A Finals

Thursday, Feb. 2, 6 p.m. (at John Marshall F. H.)

Semifinals

Class 3A
No. 1 Linsly vs. No. 4 Magnolia
No. 2 Barnesville vs. No. 3 Ferry
Class 5A
No. 1 Who Park vs. No. 4 Brooke

No 2 Big Red vs. No. 3 J.Marshall Immediately following semis

NFL PLAYOFFS

Wild-card Playoffs

Saturday, Jan. 14
San Francisco 41, Seattle 23
Jacksonville 31, L.A. Chargers 30
Sunday, Jan. 15
Buffalo 34, Miami 31

Monday, Jan. 16 Dallas 31, Tampa Bay 14
Divisional Playoffs

Saturday, Jan. 21 Kansas City 27, Jacksonville 20 Philadelphia 38, N.Y. Giants 7

Cincinnati 27, Buffalo 10 San Francisco 19, Dallas 12 Conference Championships

Kansas City 23, Cincinnati 20

Sunday, Jan. 22

Sunday, Jan. 29 AFC

NFC Philadelphia 31, San Francisco 7

Super Bowl

Sunday, Feb. 12 At Glendale, Ariz.

Philadelphia vs. Kansas City, 6:30

**ECHL** 

Monday's Games

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Monday's Game

Los Angeles at Carolina, 7 p.m. Ottawa at Montreal, 7 p.m. Washington at Columbus, 7 p.m.

**NBA** 

Monday's Games Orlando 119, Philadelphia 109 Brooklyn 121, L.A. Lakers 104 Golden State 128, Okla. City 120

Sacramento 118, Minnesota 111, OT Washington 127, San Antonio 106 Dallas 115, Detroit 105

Tuesday's Games Miami at Cleveland, 7 p.m. L.A. Lakers at New York, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Orlando at Philadelphia, 7 p.m. Portland at Memphis, 7 p.m. Washington at Detroit, 7 p.m.

Brooklyn at Boston, 7:30 p.m. Golden State at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Oklahoma City at Houston, 8 p.m. Sacramento at S. Antonio, 8 p.m. Toronto at Utah, 9 p.m.

Atlanta at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

Charlotte at Milwaukee, 8 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Chicago, 8 p.m. New Orleans at Denver, 10 p.m.

Phoenix 114, Toronto 106 Atlanta at Portland, late

No games scheduled Tuesday's Games

Winnipeg 4, St. Louis 2 Tuesday's Games

No games scheduled

p.m. (FOX)

N.Y. Giants 31, Minnesota 24 Cincinnati 24, Baltimore 17

NBA BASKETBALL

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Valley 35 Valley 35
Piqua 31, Clayton Northmont 23
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Portsmouth Notre Dame 70,
Pomeroy Meigs 46
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Rockford Parkway 49, Van Wert 44 Seton 41, Hamilton Ross 30 Southington Chalker 59, Windham

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Tallmadge 51, Akr. Firestone 14 Thornville Sheridan 43, New Concord John Glenn 40 Tipp City Bethel 59, Riverside 20 University 51, Steubenville 48 Wadsworth 46, Hudson 35 Warren JFK 43, Cle. Cent. Cath. 35 Wauseon 47, Tol. Bowsher 29 Waynesville 63, Greeneview 33 Wellston 50, Vinton County 26 Youngs. Liberty 57, LaBrae 30 W. Muskingum 61, Zanesville 39

Others receiving votes: Wirt Coun-

Class A J. Monroe (10) 14-2 100 . Webster Co. 11-3 86 Tug Valley Tucker Co. 5. Cameron 6. Pendleton Co. 9-6 54 32 7. Clay-Battelle 8-6 9-5 (tie) Dodd. Co. 32 11-4 23 9-5 18 10. St. Joseph Others receiving votes: Tolsia 16, Madonna 6, Hundred 2, Tygarts CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The Associated Press high school girls basketball poll with first-place

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points: Class AAAA Whg Park (6) Sp. Valley (4) M'town C. Midland Sp. Mills 10-3 6. Hunt. 7-6 49 7. University 8. Parkers. So. 9. St. Albans 11-5 26 10. W. Wilson Others receiving votes: Washington 3, John Marshall 2, Bridgeport 1. Class AAA

1. Wayne (10) 14-0 2. N. Marion 3. Ripley 12-1 11-3 13-2 4. East Fair. 5. Nitro 6. Lewis Co. 9-4 Philip Bar. 8. R.C. Byrd 9. Keyser 10. Logan 7-8 14 10 Others receiving votes: PikeView

Class AA

1. Wyo. East (5) 10-2 (tie) M. Cent. (4)12-1 3. Summ Co. (1)11-4 4. Williams. 11-3 5. Whg Central 13-1 6. Park. Cath. 8-4 68 8-4 10-4 Chapman. 8. St. Marvs 10-6 28 9. Char. Cath. 10. Petersburg Others receiving votes: Ritchie County 6, Roane County 2, Ravenswood 1.

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### MLB Moves

American League NEW YORK YANKEES — Named Brad Wilkerson assistant hitting

National League
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Signed
OF Monte Harrison to a minor league contract
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES
Signed INF Josh Harrison to a one-year contract.

HARRISON CENTRAL (33) – Rensi 1 2-2 5; Fischer 0 0-0 0; Banal 0 0-0 0; Butler 2 4-4 10; Ferri 2 2-3 8; Lew-is 2 0-0 4; Harbold 1 1-2 4; Sedgmer

1 0.0 2; Ledger 0 0.0 0. Totals: 9, 9-11; 33. 9-11; 33.
3-point goals: OG – Sy. Brown (2),
Clark, Sa. Brown; HC – Ferri (2),
Butler (2), Rensi, Harbold,
CLASS 3A

Union Local 50, Bellaire 21
BELLAIRE (21) - Ault 3, 0-0 9; Harveth 3, 2-4 8; McAninch 0, 0-0 0; Mason 2, 0-2 4; Rowson 0, 0-0 0; Kanyuch 0, 0-0 0. Totals 8, 2-6. UNION LOCAL (50) - R. Vinskovich 0, 2-4 (2); Kildova 6, 1-2, 15; Miller 3, 2-4 (2); Kildova 6, 1-2, 15; Miller 8, 2-4 (2); Kildova 6, 3-4 21; Kildow 6, 1-2 15; Miller 3, -0 7; Keliaway 0, 0-0 0; Pietranton , 0-0 3; L. Vinskovich 1, 0-0 2; Day 1, 0-0 3, E. Vilskovich 1, 0-0 2, Day 1, 0-0 2. Totals 21, 4-6. Three-point goals: B – Ault (3), U I – Kildow (2), Miller, Pietranton.

Fort Frye 49, Martins Ferry 26
MARTINS FERRY (26) — Lude 1,
1-2 4; Sidon 1, 0-0 3; Best 6, 2-2 14;
Roe 0, 0-0 0; Marchbank 0, 0-0 0;
McFarland 1, 0-0 3; Call 0, 0-0 0;
Brandon 1, 0-0 2; Smith 0, 0-0 0;
Mart 0, 0 0; Shran Brandon 1, 0-0 2; Smith 0, 0-0 0; Matz 0, 0-0 0; Shreve 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 10, 3-4 26. FORT FRYE (49)
— Ludwig 1, 0-1 2; Duskey 3, 5-8
11; Treadway 1, 0-0 2; A. Duskey 4, 2-2 12; Lang 1, 3-4 6; Buckhanan 1, 0-0 3; Wynn 0, 0-0 0; O'Brien 4, 0-0
11; Rauch 1, 0-0 2; Morgan 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 16, 10-15 49.
3-point goals: MF — Lude, Sidon, McFarland. FF — O'Brien, Buchanan, Lang, A. Duskey (2).
Class 2A
Wheeling Central 41,

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Monroe Central 37
MONROE CENTRAL (37) — Emery 0, 0·0 0; Thompson 4, 2·2 10;
English 0, 2·2 2; Bishop 3, 0·4 6;
Bommer 2, 2·2 7; McGarry 0, 0·0
0; Bettinger 5, 1·2 12; Totals: 14,
7·12 37. WHEELING CENTRAL (41)
— Oleiasz 0, 1·2 1: Downing 3, 3·4 — Olejasz 0, 1-2 1; Downing 3, 3-4 12; Edge 6, 0-2 13; Vogrin 5, 0-1 14; Wilkinson 0, 1-4 1; Ratcliffe 0, 0-0 0; Severns 0, 0-0 0; Downer 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 14, 5-13 41.
3-point goals: MC — Bommer, Bettinger, WC — Downing (3), Edge,

Vogrin (4).
River 68, Southern Local 37 River 68, Southern Local 37
SOUTHERN LOCAL (37) — Al.
Shroades 2, 0-0 5; Jones 2, 0-0 4;
Rodgers 1, 3-4 6; Forbes 2, 0-0 4;
Lewis 0, 0-0 0; A. Shroades 6, 1-5
12; Stanley 0, 1-2 1; Jones 2, 0-0
4; Totals: 15, 4-9 37. RIVER (68)
— Hobbs 1, 0-0 2; Harlan 9, 2-3
23; Reed 3, 0-0 6; Wohnas 0, 0-0 0;
Dotterer 0, 0-0 0; Indermuhle 0, 0-0
0; Prim 2, 0-0 4; Raper 4, 0-0 8; Fox
1, 0-0 2; Knight 11, 1-2 23; Totals:
31, 3-5 68.

3-point goals: SL — Al. Shroads, Rodgers, R — Harlan (3).

Class 1A.
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Cameron 85, Hundred 29
HUNDRED (29) -Peters 4 10-14 19;
Dean 0 2-4 2; Zarco 0 0-0 0; Shreve
1 0-0 2; Morris 0 0-0 0; Morgan 3
0-0 6; Totals: 8 12-18 29. CAMER-ON (85) - Clutter 8 0-0 20; E. Dobbs 6 0-0 13; A. Dobbs 1 0-0 2; Neely 6 0-0 13; Van Tassell 7 0-0 14; Carter 2 0-0 4; Neehouse 1 0-0 3; Schrack 1 0-0 2; Littleton 2 0-2 2; Bertram 1 0-0 3; Thomas 1 0-0 2; Francis 3 0-0

7; Totals: 36 0-2 85. 3-point goals: H – Peters; C – Clutter (4), E. Dobbs, Neely, Neehouse, Bertram, Francis Consolation Games

Consolation Games
Magnolia 66, Valley 40
VALLEY (40) – W. Higgins 4 4-5
12; Rush 2 0-0 4; Dawson 3 2-4 9;
Thomas 0 2-4 2; C. Higgins 0 1-2 1;
Bates 2 1-6 5; Highley 0 0-0 0; Miller 0 5-9 5; Booher 1 0-0 2; Totals: 12
15-30 40. MAGNOLIA (66) – Litton 2 4-6 8; Williams 0 0-0 0; McKeever 1 0-0 2: Blain 7 6-9 22: Perry 1 0-0 2 4-6 ; Williams 01-0 ), McKeever 1 0-0 2; Blain 7 6-9 22; Perry 1 0-0 2; McDiffitt 3 2-4 8; Hudson 0 0-0 0; Gaiser 4 1-2 9; Holliday 2 2-2 7; Warder 4 0-0 8; Totals: 24 15-23 66. 3-point goals: V — Dawson; M-Blain (2), Holliday John Marshall 51, Dover 24

DOVER (24) - Albaugh 0 0-0 0; Shankle 0 0-0 0; Zobel 2 0-0 4; Sines 0 0-0 0; Freeman 0 0-0 0; Noretto 1 0-0 3; Pfaffer 1 0-0 2; Karam 5 0-0 15; Werntz 0 0-0 0; Kuecher 0 0-0 0; Totals: 9 0-0 24, JOHN MARSHALL (51) - Finley 0 0-0 0; Derrow 7 5-6 19; Ebert 0 0-0 0; Updegraff 0 0-0 0; Storm 2 1-2 5; Miller 1 0-0 2; Inclan 0 0-0 0; White 3 0-0 7; Babiczuk 0 0-0 0; Blake 7 4-4 18; Totals: 20 10-

12 51 3-point goals: D - Noretto, Karam (5); JM - White

Shadyside 68, Toronto 37 RONTO (37) — Derringto TORONTO (37) — Derrington 0, 1-4 1; Rex 1, 0-0 2; L. Anderson 1, 0-2 2; C. Anderson 2, 2-6 6; M. 1, 0-2 2; C. Anderson 2, 2-6 6; M. Anderson 3, 1-1 8; Rebich 1, 0-0 3; Crago 0, 0-0 0; Owings 0, 0-0 0; Thomas 6, 3-8 15; Timko 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 14, 7-21 37, SHADYSIDE (68) — Stewart 1, 0-0 2; Zdunczyk 0, 0-0 0; T. Fulton 1, 0-0 3; R. Fulton 3, 0-1 7; Sims 1, 0-0 2; Brown 13, 6-8 34; Hendershot 3, 0-0 8; Smith 1, 1-2 4, Tsoras 2, 0-0 4; S. Boltz 1, 1-2 4, Tsoras 2, 0-0 4; S. Boltz 1 1-2 4; Tsoras 2, 0-0 4; S. Boltz 1,

1, 1-2 4; Tsoras 2, 0-0 4; S. Boltz 1, 2-2 4; Totals: 26, 9-13 68.
3-point goals: T — M. Anderson, Rebich. S — T. Fulton, R. Fulton (2), Brown (2), Hendershot (2), Smith. Paden City 47, Bridgeport 37
PADEN CITY (47) — Sowinski 0, 0-0 0; Mathis 3, 1-8 7; Wallon 0, 0-0 (Householder 0, 0-0 0: Thomas 5

0; Householder 0, 0-0 0; Thomas 5, 5-5 16; Dennis 0, 1-2 1; Burch 6, 1-3 15; Wade 4, 0-2 8; Blake 0, 1-2 1; Totals: 18, 9-22 47. BRIDGEPORT (37) — Clemens 1, 0-0 3; Bain 0, Totals: 18, 9-22 47. BRIDGEPORT (37) — Clemens 1, 0-0 3; Bain 0, 0-0 0, Smith 0, 1-2 1; Stewart 4, 5-6 14; Summers 0, 0-0 0; Brewer 2, 0-0 4; Herman 1, 2-4 4; Allen 5, 1-2 11; Totals: 13, 9-14 37.
3-point goals: PC — Thomas, Burch (2). B — Clemens, Stewart.
St. Clairsville 56, Clay-Battelle 33 CLAY-BATTELLE (33) — Hennen

CLAY-BATTELLE (33) — Hennen 3, 0-0 6; Lemley 0, 0-0 0; Darling 1, 0-0 2; Dalton 3, 1-4 9; E. Moore 2, 0-0 5; LaPoe 0, 0-0 0; Statier 5, 1-2 11; Totals: 14, 2-6 33. ST. CLAIRS-VILLE (56) — Zucco 0, 0-0 0; Malin 1,5-7 7; Tuttle 2, 4-4 8; Moran 8, 2-3 19; Sadler 2, 3-4 7; Gray 1, 2-2 4; Kain 2, 0-0 4; Heatherington 0, 0-0 0, Swierkos 0, 0-0 0; East 0, 0-0 0; Barrerra 2, 0-0 4; Wallace 1, 0-0 2; Totals: 19, 16-20-56. 3-point goals: CB — Dalton (2), Moore. StC — Moran.

inside The mangar.

Regan Vinskovich scored 21, Torre Kildow added 15 and Lauren Miller added seven for Union Local, which faces No. 2 Fort Frye.

Allie Ault Bellaire with nine points. Zara Harveth added seven.

Fort Frye 49, Martins Ferry 26

BEVERLY -- The Purple Riders lengthy trip didn't go as it had hoped as the host Cadets got out of the gates quickly and never looked back en route to claiming the other spot in the 3A title game. Alyssa Duskey led the Fort with 12, while Emmie

Duskey and Keranna O'Brien each had 11.

Martins Ferry sophomore Lindsey Best led all scorers in the game with 14.

Class 4A

Indian Creek 70, Buckeye Local 36

WINTERSVILLE -- The top-seeded Redskins (14-4) pulled away from the No. 4 Panthers (7-12) in the second half to advance to the championship game opposite Oak Glen, which upset Harrison Central.

Kylie Anderson had a game-high 24 points for Indian Creek and pulled down 13 rebounds. Gabby taylor added 15 points. Tori Robertson 12 and Maddie Ballato 11.

Pam Kandrach paced Buckeye Local with 16 point and a dozen rebounds. Brynn McKeever added 10.

**Consolation Games** John Marshall 51, Dover 29

MOUNDSVILLE - Kayli Derrow had 19 points and Kaitlyn Blake 18 as the Monarchs outscored the visiting Tornadoes 25-6 in the fourth quarter to win going away inside the John Marshall Field House. Magnolia 66, Valley 40

NEW MARTINSVILLE - Jenna Blain fired in 22

points as the Blue Eagles topped the Lumberjills. Winter Higgins scored 12 for Valley. Shadyside 68, Toronto 37

SHADYSIDE - The homestanding Tigers were quite impressive in cruising past Toronto to a 68-37 ictory

Shadyside was led by senior standout Gentry Brown, who pumped in a career-high 34 points. Macy Hendershot added eight.

Thomas paced Toronto with 15. Paden City 47, Bridgeport 37

BRIDGEPORT - Paden City bounced back from a setback to the Bulldogs on Saturday to post a win on Monday

The Wildcats were led by Thomas' 16 and Burch's

Bridgeport received 14 points from Brooke Stewart

and 11 from Ashlynn Allen. St. Clairsville 56, Clay-Battelle 33

ST. CLAIRSVILLE - The Red Devils had their way, basically, with the CeeBees on Monday night.

Makenna Moran paced St. Clairsville with 19. Lacy Tuttle added eight.

#### 4A

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Seven of eight players to see the floor for the with three fouls in the first Golden Bears scored, six quarter. That's not an exnetting multiple buck- cuse, but we were playing ets and finishing with at behind the whole night. We least five points. Lead- had some other girls step up ing that effort was Lizzie that weren't used to being Kell with a game-high 16 primary ball handlers. points. Alexus Greenlief and Carson Barr each fol-lowed with nine. team. they are playing for an OVAC title for a lowed with nine.

other since they seven or to compete with them and eight years old," Wells I think we showed that said. "When you know in first quarter, but after

After hanging close two of their top offensive ri still led the Huskies' trouble and saw things of 3-pointers.

second, an Oak Glen run that eventually went to 18-2 before the Huskies offense got going again "We had a good game

plan ... I thought in the first quarter we executed it well." Harrison Central They were being patient in head coach Chace Smith the half court and we were said. "Their speed hurt us, they got back in transition ing the girls who we knew quick and we tried to get somebody back on them... and before we knew it, we had our two leading scorers

"Oak Glen is a good "These five (starters) reason. I scouted them, I have played with one an thought we had the tools each other that well, and that we had some mental care about each other like errors that kind of comthey do, it makes it easy pounded on each other for them to be unselfish and before you know it "Lizzie was just all turns into 10 then 15 and we're in a bole."

Despite being in foul through the first eight trouble since the first minutes, the Huskies had quarter. Butler and Ferweapons - Angi Ferri and attack with 10 and eight Maddy Butler - in foul points, both hitting a pair

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# **SPORTS**

SECTION

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

### OVAC Girls Basketball Championship Semifinals

# Monroe falls to Central

River advances in 2A

**By SETH STASKEY** Times Leader Sports Editor

WHEELING - It was by no means a work of art. But, in a tournament setting, there's no extra credit for style points.

Quite simply, it's all about win-

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Wheeling Central did just that Monday evening on Coach Skip Prosser Court inside the Knights Athletic Complex in East Wheeling. Central got just enough stops and banked-in, 3-pointer from senior Valerie Downing, which helped the Knights to pull out a hard-earned 41-37 victory against third-seeded Monroe Central in the semifinals of the OVAC Class 2A tournament.

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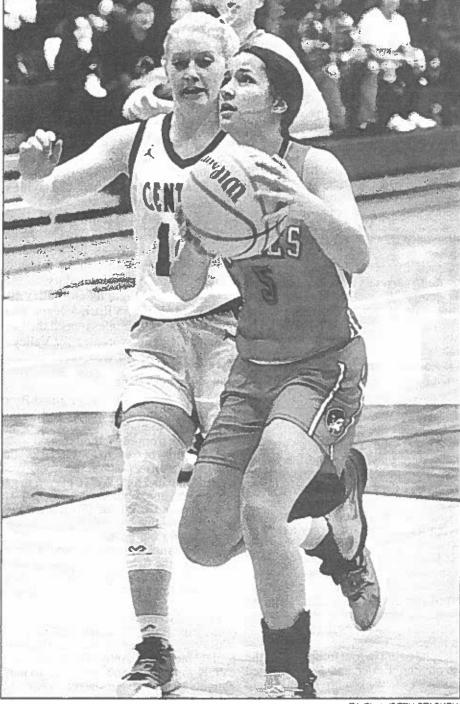
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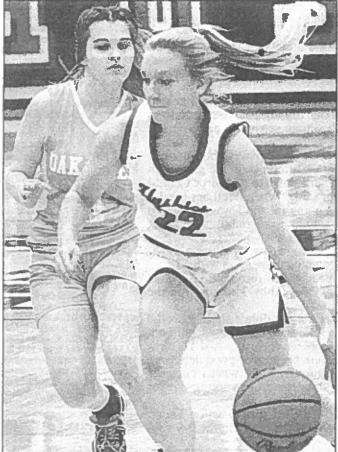
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T-L Photo/SETH STASKEY

MONROE CENTRAL freshman Jacey English drives to the basket in transition as Wheeling Central's Brooke Edge races to get back on defense during the first half of Monday's OVAC Class 2A semifinal on Skip Prosser Court at the Wheeling Central Athletic Center. The Maroon Knights picked up a 41-37 victory to advance to Saturday morning's title game against River.



Photo/ANDREW GRIMM

HARRISON CENTRAL'S Mackenzie Harbold drives to the basket during Monday's OVAC Class 4A semifinal against Oak Glen. The Huskies fell to the third-seeded Golden

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BY ANDREW GRIMM For The Times Leader

CADIZ - Ryan Wells knew from the start of preseason practice his Golden Bears were good enough to play for an OVAC championship - a belief that did not waiver despite some disappointing early results.

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# Jets soar by Bellaire to 3A final

 Fort Frye ousts Ferry By BUBBA KAPRAL

For the Times Leader

MORRISTOWN - It is said that defense wins championships. If that is such the case, Union Local's unbeaten Lady Jets are primed for much success.

Union Local, despite not operating on all of its offensive cylinders, turned in a defensive-minded effort, punching its ticket into the OVAC Tournament 3A championship game via a 50-21 workmanlike win over shorthanded and fourth-seeded Bellaire Monday night at "The Hanger."

The win was the 20th in as many starts for Scooter Tolzda's powerful charges. The top-seeded Lady Jets will look to repeat as OVAC queenpins when they take on a formidable Fort Frye quint Saturday at Harrison Central at noon. The Lady Cadets downed Martins Ferry, 49-26, in the other semifinal.

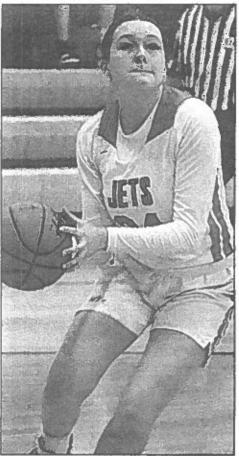
"Sometimes our defense gets over-looked. I think we are a solid defensive team," Tolzda said. "Our staff does a great job teaching it. We did a real good job on the defensive end tonight.
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sively tonight and sloppy at times," he added. "We took some quick shots. We didn't allow ourselves a chance to run an offense."

Despite not exhibiting its usual explosive offense, Union Local did ride the coattails of its two stars to victory. Seniors Reagan Vinskovich poured in 21 points while Torre Kildow delivered 15 counters. Junior Lauren Miller

chipped in with seven tallies.

Bellaire suited up just seven players for the contest. Coach John Farrier's Lady Reds were playing without the See, UL, Page B2



UNION LOCAL sophomore Ella Pietranton looks to make a play against Bellaire during a game earlier this season. Pidav's OVAC 3A final to take on Fort Frve

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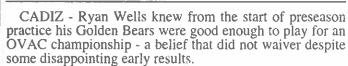


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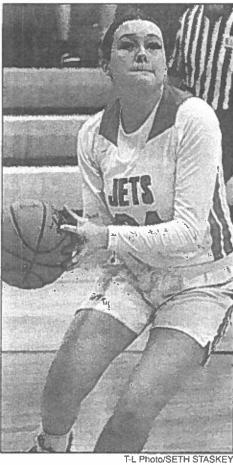
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"Sometimes our defense gets overlooked. I think we are a solid defensive team," Tolzda said. "Our staff does a great job teaching it. We did a real good job on the defensive end tonight.

"We were a little out of sorts offensively tonight and sloppy at times," he added. "We took some quick shots. We didn't allow ourselves a chance to run an offense.'

Despite not exhibiting its usual explosive offense, Union Local did ride the coattails of its two stars to victory. Seniors Reagan Vinskovich poured in 21 points while Torre Kildow delivered 15 counters. Junior Lauren Miller chipped in with seven tallies.

Bellaire suited up just seven players for the contest. Coach John Farrier's Lady Reds were playing without the See, UL, Page B2



UNION LOCAL sophomore Ella Pietranton looks to make a play against Bellaire during a game earlier this season. Pietranton and the Jets advanced to Saturday's OVAC 3A final to take on Fort Frye by defeating Bellaire on Monday.

Photo/ANDREW GRIMM

HARRISON CENTRAL'S Mackenzie Harbold drives to the basket during Monday's OVAC Class 4A semifinal against Oak Glen. The Huskies fell to the third-seeded Golden

# Strong second half lifts Creek past Buckeye in 4A

By AARON PETCHAL

For The Times Leader

WINTERSVILLE - Indian Creek's offense finally caught up to its defense.

Buckeye Local committed 17 turnovers in the first half, however, Panthers led the Redskins by two at halftime. Unfortunately for the girls in a lot of distractions that comes a long blue, the second half belonged to the Red-and-Gold.

Indian Creek - the No. 1 seed caught fire in the second half, and the Redskins rolled to a 70-36 victory against the fourth-seeded Panthers in a Class 4A Semifinal in the Wheeling Hospital OVAC Girls Basketball to see. We were really struggling. Championship Monday night on Senior Night on Coach D Court.

"We have not played since the them up defensively. Buckeye 8 Championship Game, and it showed early in the game," Indian Creek (14-4) head coach Steve Eft said. "We missed shots we are capable

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Indian Creek will take on No. 3 seed "The second half was much better. Oak Glen in the final at 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon out at Harrison Central. Oak Glen advanced by defeating No. 2 "We were able to create turnovers, seed Harrison Central, 53-33, Monday

We have a couple of days to get "Buckeye Local played hard. They ready for," Eft said. "Hopefully, we

will have a couple of good practices. We will see what happens on Saturday."

The Panthers will play the Huskies in the consolation final Thursday night

"We played them once," Valuska said. "We played them early in the year. I don't remember what the score was. We are going to go to work the next couple of days to get ready.'

The Huskies defeated the Panthers, 69-56, Nov. 28 at home.

The Redskins were balanced offensively as five players produced at least eight points en route to the win. Individually, Kylie Anderson delivered a double with a game-high 24 points, while pulling down a game-high 13 rebounds.

Also, Gabby Taylor tallied 13 points, Tori Robertson recorded 12 points and Maddie Ballato collected 11 points.

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A pair of players produced double digits in points for the Panthers. Indi- together. We just couldn't handle the vidually. Pam Kandrach collected a pressure tonight. We have to get that team-high 16 points, while grabbing experience against good quality teams." a team-high 12 rebounds to record a double-double. Also, Brynn McKeever contributed 10 points.

Trailing 25-23 at halftime, the hosts got off to a fast start in the third as they scored the first 11 points of the third to take a 34-25 advantage. The led contin-

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Kandrach hit one of two foul shots gest lead of the night at 18-13. to make the score, 37-28, however, the girls in white tallied 23 of the next 25 points to put the game away

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"We have faced good competition. Against River, it was a four-point game. out with a win," Eft said.

Finally, McKenna Scott contributed Then, you had this game. We had the lead at halftime.

The girls have learned how to play

Scott and Anderson each hit a 3-pointer in the first giving the Redskins a 10-5 lead. The Panthers responded with the final two baskets of the quarter to pull within, 10-9, entering the second.

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Paden City 47, Bridgeport 37

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Bridgeport received 14 points from Brooke Stewart and 11 from Ashlynn Allen.

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ST. CLAIRSVILLE - The Red Devils had their way, basically, with the CeeBees on Monday night. Makenna Moran paced St. Clairsville with 19. Lacy

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Another missed front end of a one plus one set the That's been our MO this year, we'll stage for the Seminoles to tie the game on a well exetheir top offensive weapons - Angi Ferri have a good quarter, or battle back in the cuted high low play to Kynzi Bishop with 67 seconds

> On the ensuing trip, Central took the lead for good when Downing kissed in a trey from basically the top of the key.

> That was obviously a huge shot for us," Olejasz said. "Then (Downing) hit a couple of big foul shots, too. We've not been the greatest at the line this season.

> Downing then knocked down a pair at the line and Keiera Wiikinson got one of two from the stripe for a 40-34 reading, which simply proved to be too much

"I'm okay with how our girls played, but it stinks T. Fulton, R. Fulton, (2), Brown (2), Hendershot (2), that a banked three is the difference in the game, but that's literally what it came down to," Monroe Central head coach Troy Baker said. "When it left her hand, I didn't not think it was going in, and I was looking to see how far our it was going to rebound, but it stuck in there and that's life.

The Maroon Knights were led by Vogrin's 14. Edge added 13 and Downing chipped in with 12.

Monroe Central, meanwhile, received 12 points from Bettinger and 10 from Abby Thompson in the paint. Bommer added seven.

"We got good looks, but we didn't shoot it well," Baker said. "We got a little sped up at times, but I am okay with all of the shots we took. We had 16 turnovers, most of which were because of good defensive plays by Central. Our turnovers are what I consider aggressive plays that didn't end up working out for

Monroe Central (15-6) will return to action Thursday, at home, against Southern Local in the 2A consolation game.

River 68, Southern Local 37 HANNIBAL - River locked - Martins Ferry's up its spot in the title game without much issue. The Pilots



#### Area Sports Card

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#### Prep Boxscores

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CLASS 3A Union Local 50, Bellaire 21

BELLAIRE (21) - Auft 3, 0-0 9; Harveth 3, 2-4 8; McAninch 0, 0-0 0; Mason 2, 0-2 4; Rowson 0, 0-0 0; Kanyuch 0, 0-0 0. Totals 8, 2-6. UNION LOCAL (50) - R. Vinskovich 9, 3-4 21; Kildow 6, 1-2 15; Miller 3, 0-0 7, Kellaway 0, 0-0 0; Pietranton 1, 0-0 3; L. Vinskovich 1, 0-0 2; Day 1, 0-0 2. Totals 21, 4-6.

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Class 2A Wheeling Central 41, Monroe Central 37 MONROE CENTRAL (37) — Emery 0, 0-0 0; Thompson 4, 2-2 10; English 0, 2-2 2; Bishop 3, 0-4 6; Bommer 2, 2-2 7; McGarry 0, 0-0 0; Bettinger 5. 1-2 12; Totals: 14, 7-12 37. WHEELING CENTRAL (41) — Olejasz 0, 1-2 1; Downing 3, 3-4 12; Edge 6. 0-2 13; Vognin 5, 0-1 14; Wilkinson 0, 1-4 1; Ratcliffe 0, 0-0 0; Severns 0, 0-0 0; Downer 0, 0-0 0; Totals:

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**Consolation Games** 

Shadyside 68, Toronto 37 TORONTO (37) — Derrington 0, 1-4 1; Rex 1, 0-0 2; L. Anderson 1, 0-2 2; C. Anderson 2, 2-6 6; M. Anderson 3, 1-1 8; Rebich 1, 0-0 3; Crago 0, 0-0 0; Owings 0, 0-0 0; Thomas 6, 3-8 15; Timke 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 14, 7-21 37, SHADYSIDE (68) — Stewart 1, 3, 0-1 7; Sims 1, 0-0 2; Brown 13, 6-8 34; Hendershot 3, 0-0 8; Smith 1, 1-2 4; Tsoras 2, 0-0 4; S. Boltz 1, 2-2 4; Totals: 26, 9-13 68. 3-point goals: T - M. Anderson, Rebich, S -

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"You can't score two points in a quarter in varsity basketball and expect to

you just aren't used to seeing that.'

Another missed front end of a one plus one set the That's been our MO this year, we'll stage for the Seminoles to tie the game on a well executed high low play to Kynzi Bishop with 67 seconds

On the ensuing trip, Central took the lead for good when Downing kissed in a trey from basically the top of the key.

"That was obviously a huge shot for us," Olejasz said. "Then (Downing) hit a couple of big foul shots, too. We've not been the greatest at the line this sea-

Downing then knocked down a pair at the line and Keiera Wiikinson got one of two from the stripe for a 40-34 reading, which simply proved to be too much for Monroe.

"I'm okay with how our girls played, but it stinks that a banked three is the difference in the game, but that's literally what it came down to." Monroe Central head coach Troy Baker said. "When it left her hand, I didn't not think it was going in, and I was looking to see how far our it was going to rebound, but it stuck in there and that's life.

The Maroon Knights were led by Vogrin's 14. Edge added 13 and Downing chipped in with 12.

Monroe Central, meanwhile, received 12 points from Bettinger and 10 from Abby Thompson in the paint. Bommer added seven.

"We got good looks, but we didn't shoot it well," Baker said. "We got a little sped up at times, but I am okay with all of the shots we took. We had 16 turnovers, most of which were because of good defensive plays by Central. Our turnovers are what I consider aggressive plays that didn't end up working out for

Monroe Central (15-6) will return to action Thursday, at home, against Southern Local in the 2A consolation game.

River 68, Southern Local 37 HANNIBAL - River locked up its spot in the title game without much issue. The Pilots owned a 14-point lead at half-

River was led by junior Kelsey Harlan, who scored 23 points and eclipsed the 1,000-point mark for her career in the process. She currently has 1002

Junior Rylee Knight added 23 points for the Pilots.



KELSEY HARLAN

OAK GLEN (53) - Sy, Brown 2 0-0 6; Kell 8 0-3 16; Clark 1 0-0 3; Greenlief 1 7-9 9; Ward 2 1-4 5; McConnachie 0 0-0 0; Sa. Brown 2 0-2 5; Barr 4 1-2 9. Totals: 20, 9-20; 53. HARRISON CENTRAL (33) -Rensi 1 2-2 5; Fischer 0 0-0 0; Banal 0 0-0 0; Butter 2 4-4 10; Ferri 2 2-3 8; Lewis 2 0-0 4; Harbold 1 1-2 4; Sedgmer 1 0-0 2; Ledger 0 0-0 0, Totals: 9, 9-11; 33. 3-point goals: OG – Sy, Brown (2), Clark, Sa

Brown; HC – Ferri (2), Butler (2), Rensi, Harbold. CLASS 3A

Union Local 50, Bellaire 21 BELLAIRE (21 - Auti 3, 0-0 9; Harveth 3, 2-4 8; McAninch 0, 0-0 0; Mason 2, 0-2 4; Rowson 0, 0-0 0; Kanyuch 0, 0-0 0. Totals 8, 2-6. UNION LOCAL |50| - R. Vinskovich 9, 3-421, Kildow 6, 1-215, Miller 3, 0-0 7; Kellaway 0, 0-0 0; Pietranton 1, 0-0 3; L. Vinskovich 1, 0-0 2; Day 1, 0-0 2. Totals 21, 4-6.

Three-point goals; B - Ault (3), U I - Kildow (2), Miller, Pietranton.

Fort Frye 49, Martins Ferry 26
MARTHINS FERRY (26) — Lude 1, 1-2 4; Sidon
1, 0-0 3; Best 6, 2-2 14; Roe 0, 0-0 0; Marchbank 0, 0-0 0; McFarland 1, 0-0 3; Call 0, 0-0 0; Srandon 1 0-0 2; Smith 0, 0-0 0; Matz 0, 0-0 0; Shreve 0, 0-0 0 Totals: 10, 3-4 26. FORT FRYE (49) — Ludwig 1, 0-1 2; Duskey 3, 5-8 11 Treadway 1, 0-0 2; A. Duskey 4 -2 12: Lang 1, 3-4 6; Buckhanan 1, 0-0 3; Wynn 0 0-0 0; O'Brien 4, 0-0 11; Rauch 1, 0-0 2; Morgan 0. 0-0 0; Totals: 16, 10-15 49

3-point goals: MF - Lude, Sidon, McFarland, FF O'Brien, Buchanan, Lang, A. Duskey (2).
 Class 2A

Wheeling Central 41, Monroe Central 37 MONROE CENTRAL (37) — Emery 0, 0-0 0; Thompson 4, 2-2 10; English 0, 2-2 2; Bishop 3, 0-4 6: Bommer 2, 2-2 7; McGarry 0, 0-0 0; Bettinger 1-2 12; Totals: 14, 7-12 37. WHEELING CENTRAL (41) — Olejasz 0, 1-2 1; Downing 3, 3-4 12; Edge 6. 0-2 13; Vognn 5, 0-1 14; Wilkinson 0, 1-4 1; Ratcliffe 0, 0-0 0; Severns 0, 0-0 0; Downer 0, 0-0 0; Totals:

3-point goals: MC - Bommer, Bettinger, WC -

14, 5-13 41.

SOUTHERN LOCAL (37) — Al. Shroades 2, 0-0 5, Jones 2, 0-0 4; Rodgers 1, 3-4 6, Forbes 2, 0-0 4, Lewis 0, 0-0 0; A. Shroades 6, 1-5 12; Stanley 0. 1-2 1; Jones 2, 0-0 4; Totals: 15, 4-9 37; RIVER (68) Hobbs 1, 0-0 2; Harlan 9, 2-3 23; Reed 3, 0-0 6; Wohnas 0, 0-0 0; Dotterer 0, 0-0 0; Indermuhle 0, 0-0 0; Prim 2, 0-0 4; Raper 4, 0-0 8; Fox 1, 0-0 2; Knight 11, 1-2 23; Totals: 31, 3-5 68.

3-point goals: SL - Al. Shroads, Rodgers. R -

Consolation Games

Shadyside 68, Toronto 37

TORONTO (37) — Derrington 0, 1-4 1; Rex 1, 0-0 2; L. Anderson 1, 0-2 2; C. Anderson 2, 2-6 6; M. Anderson 3, 1-1 8; Rebich 1, 0-0 3; Crago 0, 0-0 0; Owings 0, 0-0 0; Thomas 6, 3-8 15; Timko 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 14, 7-21 37, SHADYSIDE [68] — Stewart 1, 0-0 2; Zdunczyk 0, 0-0 0; T. Fulton 1, 0-0 3; R. Fulton 3, 0-0 8; Smith 1, 1-2 4; Tsoras 2, 0-0 4; S. Boltz 1, 2-2 4: Totals: 26, 9-13 68

3-point goals: T - M. Anderson, Rebich, S -T. Fulton, R. Fulton (2), Brown (2), Hendershot (2),

Paden City 47, Bridgeport 37

PADEN CITY (47) — Sowinski 0, 0-0 0; Mathis 3, 1-8 7; Wallon 0, 0-0 0; Householder 0, 0-0 0; Thomas 5, 5-5 16; Dennis 0, 1-2 1; Burch 6, 1-3 15; Wade 4 0-2 8; Blake 0, 1-2 1; Totals: 18, 9-22 47, BRIDGE-PORT (37) — Clemens 1, 0-0 3, Bain 0, 0-0 0; Smith , 1-2 1; Stewart 4, 5-6 14; Summers 0, 0-0 0; Brewer 2, 0-0 4; Herman 1, 2-4 4; Allen 5, 1-2 11; Totals: 13.

3-point goals; PC - Thomas, Burch (2). B -

St. Clairsville 56, Clay-Battelle 33 CLAY-BATTELLE (33) — Hennen 3, 0-0 6; Lem-ley 0, 0-0 0; Darling 1, 0-0 2; Dalton 3, 1-4 9; E. Moore 2, 0-0 5; LaPoe 0, 0-0 0; Statler 5, 1-2 11; Totals: 14. 2-6 33. ST. CLAIRSVILLE [56] — Zucco 0, 0-0 0, Malin 1, 5-7 7; Tuttle 2, 4-4 8; Moran 8, 2-3 19; Sadler 2 3-4 7; Gray 1, 2-2 4; Kain 2, 0-0 4; Heatherington 0, 0-0 0; Swierkos 0, 0-0 0; East 0, 0-0 0; Barrerra 2, 0-0

4; Wallace 1, 0-0 2; Totals: 19, 16-20 56. 3-point goals: CB - Dalton (2), Moore. StC -

### Sports on TV

Tuesday, January 31 COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S) ACCN — Clemson al Boston College BTN - Nebraska at Illinois CBSSN — VCU at Davidson ESPN — Wake Forest at Duke ESPN2 - Texas A&M at Arkansas FS1 - UConn at DePaul SECN — Vanderbilt at Alabama

CBSSN - Loyola of Chicago at Dayton

ESPN — Kentucky at Mississippi ESPN2 — Indiana at Maryland ESPNU — West Virginia at TCU 10 p.m FS1 — Fresno SL at Wyoming



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# **SPORTS**

SECTION

Thursday, January 26, 2023

# Brackets set for OVAC Girls Basketball tourney

By SETH STASKEY

Times Leader Sports Editor

The path to an OVAC girls basketball

nals as well as the consolation pairings who fell in the big-school title for the upcoming Wheeling Hospital game a season ago, will wel-OVAC Girls Basketball Championship, come Warren to the Palace on which opens on Monday and will conthe Hill. clude on Feb. 4 with the five championship games at Harrison Central High garnered the four seed. School in Cadiz.

championship is set.

The seeds and pairings were finalized
Wednesday morning for the semi-fia 15-1 record. The Patriots,

The Warriors are 15-3 and

The schedule for the championship fending champion Morgantown is the Joe D. Court on Monday.

dropped down to 3A. Indian Creek, which won the 5A title

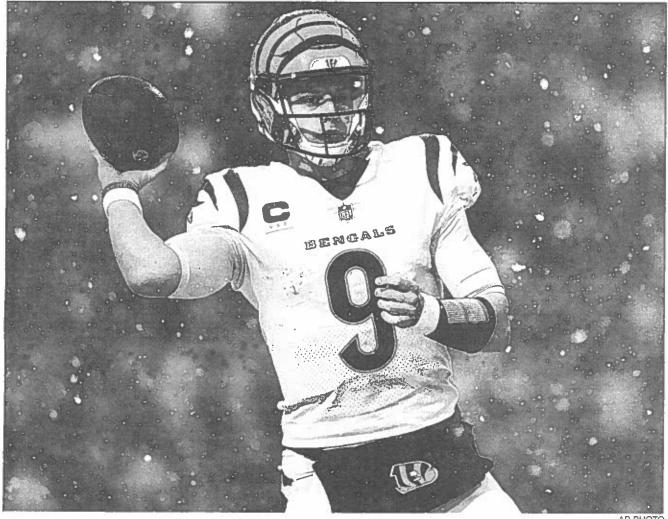
In the other half of the bracket, de- fourth-seeded Buckeye Local (7-11) to

games is Class 2A (10 a.m.), Class 3A two seed. The Mohigans are 12-4 and (noon), Class 4A (2 p.m.), Class 5A (4 half of those losses have come to Park. Morgantown will welcome a solid 14-2 conference girls hoops title in 2015, Welcoming Oak Glen. The Huskies are CLASS 4A

A new champion is promised in this class as Union Local has game, are 5-9.

Union Local, which has been one of in 2020, is the top seed with a the premier teams in the Ohio Valley 13-4 in a class that only half the all winter, has been atop the rankings top four has a winning record. all season. The Jets, who have won the Redskins will welcome last two OVAC titles in their class, are

See, OVAC, Page B2



CINCINNATI BENGALS quarterback Joe Burrow (9) passes against the Buffalo Bills during the third quarter of an NFL division round football game, Sunday in Orchard Park, N.Y.

# Mahomes the old man among 4 NFL conference title game QBs

**By JOSH DUBOW** AP Pro Football Writer

man among the starting quarterbacks Collins (24) got there. in the conference title games.

ing QBs on Sunday are 26-year-old in their first six seasons with a win Joe Burrow for Cincinnati, 24-year- on Sunday.

Kaepernick, Russell Wilson, Nick Foles and Jimmy Garoppolo as the old Jalen Hurts for Philadelphia and

hadn't yet turned 28 came in 1996 three seasons in the NFL. when Brett Favre (2/), Mark Brunell

The 27-year-old All-Pro for Kan- Mahomes and Burrow. Mahomes stage. sas City is the oldest member of one has reached the AFC title game in all Hurts was picked in the second of the youngest groups of starting five seasons as a starter and can join round in 2020 and Purdy went with quarterbacks to make it to this round. Tom Brady as the only starting QBs the last pick in the 2022 draft. The The other three scheduled start- to reach the Super Bowl three times

23-year-old rookie Brock Purdy for last week against Buffalo, joining the first round in the draft since 2002 an Francisco. Russell Wilson (six) and Ben Ro-The only other time all four start- ethlisberger (five) as the only QBs

ing QBs in the conference title game to win at least five starts in their first

While Burrow was the No. 1 draft Patrick Mahomes will be the old (26), Drew Bledsoe (24) and Kerry pick in 2020 and Mahomes went an among the starting quarterbacks Collins (24) got there. Getting to this stage isn't new for more improbable journeys to this

winner on Sunday will join Colin 1 Sunday. Foles and Jimmy Garoppolo as the Burrow won his fifth playoff start only ones of the 192 QBs taken after

See, QBS, Page B2

## Conference title games are most evenly matched in 25 years

By ROB MAADDI AP Pro Football Writer

It's been 25 years since both NFL conference championship games were this evenly matched from an oddsmakers standpoint.

The San Francisco 49ers are 2 1/2-point underdogs against the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday in the NFC championship game, according to FanDuel Sportsbook.

In the AFC title game, the Cincinnati Bengals are 1 1/2-point favorites on the road against the Kangas City Chiefe.

against the Kansas City Chiefs.

The previous time both conference championship games featured spreads under 3 points was 1998. The Packers were 2 1/2-point favorites at San Francisco in the NFC game. The Broncos were 2 1/2-point favorites at Pittsburgh in the AFC matchup. Both road teams won.

The Eagles and Chiefs have history on their side. No. 1 seeds are 32-14 in conference championship games, but only 4-3 since the 2017 season when the Eagles became the last No. 1 seed to win a Super

Home teams are 34-18 in the NFC title game, 36-16 in the AFC.

> San Francisco (15-4) at Philadelphia (15-3)

The 49ers have won 12 straight games, including seven in a row since rookie seventh-round pick Brock Purdy took over at quarterback after Jimmy Garoppolo was in-

The Eagles opened 13-1 behind Jalen Hurts, earned the No. 1 seed and a bye and dominated the New York Giants in the divisional round.

This game pits the two top defenses in the NFL, two of the best rushing offenses and plenty of playmakers on both sides. Miles Sanders, AJ Brown, Devonta Smith and Dallas Goedert for the Eagles. Christian Mc-Caffrey, Deebo Samuel, George Kittle and Brandon Aiyuk for San Francisco.

It should be a tough, physical game involving teams who are no strangers to reaching this point. The Eagles are in the NFC championship game for the seventh time in

See, CONFERENCE, Page B2

## Beltre, Mauer eligible for **Baseball HOF** next year

By NOAH TRISTER AP Baseball Writer



## Jurkovec happy to come home to Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH (AP) - Phil Jurkovec committed to Notre Dame as a sophomore in high school back in the spring of 2016, a decision the quarterback described as difficult because it meant choosing the Fighting Irish over the hometown Pittsburgh Panthers

the Panthers over the last option. four or five years that fortional powers, now view Florida. Both, like Jurk- big things.

Running back Derrick

month. mer local standouts like Davis and safety Dono- the up rise," McMillon 10 games. Jurkovec, who eschewed van McMillon grew up said. "They keep going The last scholarship offers from within 30 minutes of Ac- and inching up. I think we Narduzzi in lieu of op- risure Stadium. Davis left have the opportunity to go portunities at more tradi- for LSU. McMillon chose win and go and do really

### HOF -

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really interesting to watch next year."

DECENT START

first-year performance normally bodes voters indeed are only planning to petotal was probably hurt by his role in the evident in 2024. Houston Astros' cheating scandal

"I made a bit of a joke in our Slack of ther said explicitly or sort of hinted that Larry Walker's final-year surge they were giving like a one-year punishment." Thibodaux said. "I can only kind he made it to 75% the following year.

"Is Wagner able to get that final 7% of anecdotally say that I think there are in one shot, or does it take him until his a significant number of voters who are 10th ballot? I think that's going to be planning to vote for him next year who didn't vote for him this year."

Bonds and Clemens, dogged by per-Next year also seems like a significant formance-enhancing drug accusations, one for Carlos Beltrun, who received seemed to hit a ceiling in the vote after the support of 46.5% of the voters in a while. If Beltr n is treated in a simihis debut on the ballot. That type of lar fashion he could be in trouble, but if very well for a candidate, but Beltr In's nalize him for one year, that should be

LAST CHANCE

Gary Sheffield received 55.0% of our tracker team, that we should have, the vote, and next year is his last on the this entire time, been tracking who ei- ballot. He needs to pull off a repeat of

Walker was at 54.6% in 2019. Then

### Conference

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seeking their third trip to time last year in the AFC the past two seasons with the Super Bowl in that championship game also Burrow leading the way. span. They won it all after played in Arrowhead Sta- He has plenty of help in the 2017 season.

The Niners are making a record 18th appearance favorites because Ma-7-10 overall.

is the difference in this there's no doubt it should to protect Mahomes and one. Purdy has only made limit his ability to do sutwo road starts in Seattle perhuman things on the the pocket so he's not tryand Las Vegas. Philadel- field. phia is just different. The who won't let up.

**EAGLES 24-23** 

Kansas City (15-3)

Joe Burrow is 3-0 against Patrick Mahomes Bengals hadn't won a confuse Josh Allen and to the Jets already this

dium.

The Bengals are slight gins and Joe Mixon. Chiefs to a win over Jack- advantage this week. Home-field advantage sonville last week, but

Eagles have hostile fans ing their fifth straight to target fellow All-Pro appearance in the AFC title game with all five at home. They're 2-2 in that week. Cincinnati (14-4) at 'span with one Super Bowl victory.

and the Chiefs, including playoff game in 31 years, held Buffalo's dynamic

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22 seasons and are a comeback win in over- Now, they're 5-1 over Ja'Marr Chase, Tee Hig-

in the NFC title game, homes has a high ankle up offensive line held up second in a row and third sprain. He returned from well against Buffalo. The in four years. They're the injury to help lead the Chiefs will look to take

give him time to stay in The Chiefs are mak- ankle. Expect Mahomes Kelce had 14 catches last

Before last season, the designed a scheme to play-callers in the NFL.

> conference one Super Bowl trophy on his mantel. He's going to need Mahomes to be magical at some point.

If anyone can be specsuch as the one he has, defeated Ferry, in Decem- roe Central, which qual-

CHIEFS, 30-27 2022 RECORD

Cincinnati's banged-

The Chiefs will have for 3 on extra points. ing run around on a gimpy

ordinator Lou Anarumo offense to just 10 points. against one of the top

it's Mahomes.

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cinnati has won 10 in a row, joining 10 other teams "I feel like Pitt is on that reached this round on a winning streak of at least

The last team to do it was the 2007 Patriots, who won 17 straight before beating San Diego to make the Super Bowl. Their bid for perfection ended with a loss to the Giants.

Of the 10 previous teams to take winning streaks of at least 10 games into the championship game only two failed to make the Super Bowl: the 1976 and 2004 Steelers.

Five of the 10 won it all, with the 2003 Patriots, 1986 Giants, 1984 49ers, 1976 Raiders and 1972 Dolphins streaking to championships.

Washington in 1983 and Atlanta in 1998 joined the 2007 Patriots as Super Bowl losers.

Kansas City coach Andy Reid reached some more milestones with his latest playoff win, which gave him 10 with the Chiefs and 10 with Philadelphia.

Reid's 20 total wins in the postseason are tied with Hall of Famer Tom Landry for the second most in San Diego NFL history, trailing only Bill Belichick with 31.

Reid has coached a team to the conference title Classic, Second Round, Majlis Course, Dubai, United game 10 times in the past 22 seasons, going from Arab Emirales 2001-04 and in 2008 with Philadelphia and the last five seasons with Kansas City.

The only coaches with more conference title appearances in the Super Bowl era are Belichick (13)

Reid and the Chiefs also joined Belichick's Patriots (2011-18) and John Madden's Raiders (1973-77) as the only teams to get there five straight seasons. JUST FOR KICKS

San Francisco kicker Robbie Gould extended his

postseason run of perfection.

Gould made all four field goal tries against Dallas on Sunday, as well as his one extra-point attempt. That made Gould perfect on all 67 kicks he has tried in 15 postseason games for the 49ers, Giants and Chicago. He has made all 29 field goals and all 38 extra points.

The only other kicker in NFL history who is perfect in the postseason with at least 10 field goals is Brandon McManus, who is 10 for 10 on field goals and 3

### OVAC-

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Coach Scooter Tolz- failed to qualify. Travis Kelce quite often. da's team will welcome 11-8 and have lost twice in 2018 and 19. season.

welcoming third-seeded currently 12-4. Kansas City's Andy Martins Ferry. The Ca-Reid is coaching his 10th dets, who own 11 OVAC bracket finds perennial champion- crowns in girls basketball, entrants Wheeling Cenship game, but only has are currently 12-5 on the tral and Monroe Central season.

last won an OVAC girls seed. tacular with an injury crown in 2020. Fort Frye

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on Steubenville Catholic

River, on the strength fourth-seeded Bellaire, of its 17-1 record, has which last won an OVAC earned the top seed and is Bengals defensive co-title in girls hoops in aiming for its first crown 2019. The Big Reds are since going back-to-back

The Pilots will welcome Southern Local The other half of the to Hannibal. Southern. He'll have to do it again bracket finds defend- which has never won an ing champion Fort Frye OVAC title in hoops, is

The other half of the squaring off. The Maroon The Purple Riders have Knights, who last won come on of late and find a title in 2020, are 13-2 themselves at 11-7. Ferry and pocketed the second

Central will host Monber, at Harrison Central, ified with a 13-5 record. The Seminoles fell in the title game last season and up: 4-0. Against spread: guaranteed in this class title in school history, but 2-2.

#### CLASS 1A

Cameron is back in the field, attempting to defend its title, but the Dragons will have to do so as the second seed.

The Dragons punched their ticket with an 11-4 record, playing against a quite challenging schedule. To get back to the title game, Cameron will have to get past Hundred, which qualified with a 10-3 record.

Frontier, which owns three conference girls titles, is the top seed. The Cougars are 14-4 and will welcome 10-7 Trinity Christian, which won the 2012 crown.

ACCN - Virginia Tech at Duke ESPN — UConn at Tennessee BTN - Ohio St. at Indiana 9 p.m. SECN - Mississippi St. at Mississippi FIGURE SKATING 9 a.m. E! - ISU: European Championships, Espoo. USA - U.S. Championships: Rhythm Dance, San Jose, Calif. 10 p.m. USA — U.S. Championships: Women's Short Program, San Jose, Calif. GOLF 3 p.m. GOLF - PGA Tour: The Farmers Insurance Open, Second Round, Torrey Pines South Course, GOLF - OP World Tour: The Hero Dubaî Desert NBA BASKETBALL 7:30 p.m. TNT — New York at Boston 10 p.m. TNT — Dailas at Phoenix

PAC-12N - Utah at Oregon St.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S)

ACCN - Louisville at Wake Forest

BTN - Michigan at Maryland

SECN — Alahama at Arkansas

6:30 p.m.

TENNIS 3:30 a.m ESPN - WTA: The Australian Open, Semifinals. Melbourne, Australia

ESPN - WTA: The Australian Open, Semilinals. Melbourne, Australia (Taped) 10:30 p.m. ESPN — ATP: The Australian Open, Karen

Khachanov vs. Stefanos Tsitsipas, Semifinal 1, Melbourne, Australia 3:30 a.m. (Friday)

ESPN - ATP: The Australian Open, Tommy Paul vs. Novak Djokovic. Semifinal 2. Melbourne.

#### OVAC Girls Hoops Monday, Jan. 30

OVAC Tournament Championship Semilinals Class 5A Warren at Wheeling Park Manetta at Morgantown Class 4A Buckeye Local at Indian Creek Oak Glen at Harrison Central Class 3A Bellaire at Union Local Martins Ferry at Fort Frye Southern Local at River Monroe Central at Wheeling Central Class 1A Trinity at Frontier Hundred at Cameron Consolation Games Paden City at Bridgeport Madonna at Conotton Valley Caldwell at Wood Co. Christian Toronto at Shadyside Barnesville at Buckeye Trail Valley at Magnolia Steubenville Central at Shenandoah Clay-Battelle at St. Clairsville Linsly at Parkersburg South Dover at John Marshall Edison at Brooke University at Sleubenville East Liverpool at Weir Beaver Local at Cambridge Thursday, Feb. 2 Consolation Games

Steubenville at Dover Cambridge at Edison John Marshall at Linsty Brooke at Beaver Local St. Clairsville at University Buckeye Trail at East Erverpool Parkersburg South at Barnesville Shenandoah at Clay-Battelle Weir at Toronto Magnolia at Caldwell Shadyside at Steubenville Central Condition Valley at Paden City Bridgeport at Madonna Wood Co. Christian at Valley

### **PGA Scores**

First Round Note: Tournament is played on two courses Brent Grant 32b-32b-64 31b-33b -- 64 Aaron Rai 33b-31b-64 Brondan Steele 335-325-66345-326-66 Havden Buckley 32b-34b — 66 Garrick Higgo Harry Higgs 31b-350 - 66 35a-31a - 66 Andrew Novak Sam Stevens 32a-34a - 65 Sahith Theegala 34p-32b-66 33b-33b -- 66 Gary Woodland Ben Griffin 33a-34a - 67 Lanto Griffin 33b-34b — 67 35b-32b - 67 Seonahyeon Kim Luke List 34b-33b-67 33a-34a - 67 34b-33b - 67 Taylor Montgomery Collin Morikawa 35a-32a - 67 Vincent Norrman 34b-34b - 68 Byeong Hun An Wyndham Clark 32b-36b - 68 33b-35b -- 68 Jason Day Thomas Detry 34b-34b - 68 345-34b - 68 Paul Haley Charley Hoffman 33b-35b-68 335-355-68 100



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### LOCAL CARD

Thursday, Jan. 26 BOYS BASKETBALL

Clay-Battelle at Valley Tyler Consolidated at Magnolia Union Local at Bellaire
Harrison Central at Buckeye Local
GIRLS BASKETBALL

John Marshall at Wheeling Park Tyler Consolidated at Cameron Valley at Hundred Linsly at Oak Glen Martins Ferry at Brooke Bridgeport at Toronto Steubenville at Weir Edison at Weirton Madonna BOWLING

BOWLING
Harrison Central at Buckeye Local
Wheeling Park at Weir
Martins Ferry at Bridgeport
PREP SWIMMING
Union Local, St. John and Brooke

### Sports on TV

Thursday, January 26 COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)

5 p.m. — St. Francis (N.Y.) at CBSSN

7 p.m. CBSSN — Middle Tennessee at ESPN2 SMU at Memphis

ESPN2 — SMU at mempris
ESPNEWS — SIU-Edwardsville
at Tennessee Tech
ESPNU — Longwood at Radford
FS1 — Iowa at Michigan St. 9 p.m. CBSSN — Louisiana Tech at

ESPN2 — UCLA at Southern Cal ESPNU — UTSA at North Texas FS1 — Purdue at Michigan
PAC-12N — Colorado at Oregon
11 p.m.
ESPNU — Arizona St. at Wash-

ington FS1 — Arizona at Washington

PAC 12N — Utah at Oregon St.
COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S) 6 p.m. ACCN — Louisville at Wake For-

6:30 p.m.

BTN — Michigan at Maryland 7 p.m. SECN — Alabama at Arkansas

SECN — Alabama at Alkando 8 p.m. ACCN — Virginia Tech at Duke ESPN — UConn at Tennessee 8:30 p.m.

BTN - Ohio St. at Indiana

9 p.m. SECN — Mississippi St. at Mississippi

FIGURE SKATING

9 a.m. El — ISU: European Champion-

ships, Espoo, Finland 7 p.m. USA — U.S. Cha Championships: Rhythm Dance, San Jose, Calif.

10 p.m.

USA — U.S. Championships:
Women's Short Program, San Jose, Calif.

GOLF

3 p.m.
GOLF — PGA Tour: The Farmers
Insurance Open, Second Round,
Torrey Pines South Course, San

2:30 a.m. (Friday)
GOLF — DP World Tour: The
Hero Dubai Desert Classic, Second Round, Majlis Course, Dubai, Unit-

NBA BASKETBALL 7:30 p.m. TNT — New York at Boston 10 p.m.

TNT — Dallas at Phoenix
TENNIS
3:30 a.m.
ESPN — WTA. The Australian

Melbourne, Open, S Australia Semifinals,

2 p.m. ESPN — WTA: The Australian Ipen, Semifinals, Melbourne, Australia (Taped)

10:30 p.m.
ESPN — ATP: The Australian
Open, Karen Khachanov vs. Stefanos Tsitsipas, Semifinal 1, Melbourne, Australia (Friday)

ESPN — ATP: The Australia Open, Tommy Paul vs. Novak Djokovic, Semifinal 2, Melbourne, Australia

### NFL PLAYOFFS

Wild-card Playoffs Saturday, Jan. 14 San Francisco 41; Seattle 23 Jacksonville 31, L.A. Chargers

Sunday, Jan. 15 Buffalo 34, Miami 31 N.Y. Giants 31, Minnesota 24 Cincinnati 24, Baltimore 17 Monday, Jan. 16

Monday, Jan. 16
Dallas 31, Tampa Bay 14
Divisional Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 21
Kansas City 27, Jacksonville 20
Philadelphia 38, N.Y. Giants 7
Sunday, Jan. 22
Cincinnati 27, Buffalo 10
San Francisco 19, Dallas 12
Conference Championships
Sunday, Jan. 29 Sunday, Jan. 29

Cincinnati at Kansas City, 6:30

NFC San Francisco at Philadelphia, 3 p.m. (FOX)

Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 12 At Glendale, Ariz Conference Championship win-ners, 6:30 p.m. (FOX)

### COLLEGE SCORES

EAST

American 63, Army 61 Boston College 75, Louisville 65 Duquesne 72, Loyola Chicago 58 Fordham 79, St. Bonaventure 68

### OVAC STANDINGS

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FINAL GIRLS BASKETBALL							
CLASS 5-A							
SCHOOL	W	L	CP	A١			
Wheeling Park	14	1	1056	70.			
Morgantown	12	3	896	59.			
Marietta	14			56.			
Warren	15	3		55.			
John Marshall	13			55.			
Steubenville	12	5	794	46.			
University	9	7	680	42.			
Parkers, South	7	5	494	41.			
Brooke	7	8	520	34.			
Dover	4	14	240	13.			
CLASS 4-A							
SCHOOL	W	L	CP	AV			
Indian Creek	13	4	890	52.			
H. Central	11	7	742	41.			
Oak Glen	5		310	22.			
Buckeye Local	7	11	370	20.			
Fast Livernool	4	12	280	17.			

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W L 14 4 11 4 10 3 10 7 Frontier Cameron Hundred 384 10 8 Trinity Valley 452 312 208 26.59 19.50 Wood Co. Ch. 16.00 164 116 Paden City 10.25 Madonna Con. Valley 1 14 2.67 OVAC Championships (at Harrison Central H.S.) February 4

Class 2A, 10 a.m. Class 3A, 12 noon Class 4A, 2 p.m. Class 5A, 4 p.m. Class 1A, 6 p.m.

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

Monday, Jan. 30 **OVAC Tournament Championship** Semifinals Class 5A

Warren at Wheeling Park Marietta at Morgantown Class 4A

Buckeye Local at Indian Creek Oak Glen at Harrison Central Class 3A

Bellaire at Union Local Martins Ferry at Fort Frye Class 2A

Southern Local at River Monroe Central at Whg Central Class 1A Trinity at Frontier

Printly at Frontier
Hundred at Cameron
Consolation Games
Paden City at Bridgeport
Madonna at Conotton Valley
Caldwell at Wood Co. Christian Toronto at Shadyside
Barnesville at Buckeye Trail
Valley at Magnolia
Steub. Central at Shenandoah
Clay-Battelle at St. Clairsville
Linsly at Parkersburg South Dover at John Marshall Edison at Brooke University at Steubenville

East Liverpool at Weir Beaver Local at Cambridge Thursday, Feb. 2 Consolation Games Steubenville at Dover Cambridge at Edison John Marshall at Linsly Brooke at Beaver Local St. Clairsville at University Buckeye Trail at East Liverpool Parkersburg South at Barnesville Shenandoah at Clay-Battelle

Weir at Toronto Magnolia at Caldwell Shadyside at Steubenville Central Conotton Valley at Paden City Bridgeport at Madonna Wood Co. Christian at Valley

### WVU MEN

West Virginia 76, Texas Tech 61 WEST VIRGINIA (12-8) Bell 0-1 1-4 1, Matthews 1-3 0-0 2, Mitchell 1-4 0-0 3, Ke Johnson 2, Wildright 1-4 0-5 x, e-3billistic 1-4 1-1 4, Stevenson 3-12 9-11 16, Toussaint 4-9 12-14 22, Okonkwo 1-2 3-3 5, Wilson 5-12 0-0 15, Ko. Johnson 1-1 0-0 2, Wague 1-1 2-2 4, Harris 1-2 0-0 2, Totals 19-51 28-

35 76. TEXAS TECH (10-10) Batcho 1-4 2-3 4, Obanor 7-13 5-5 20, Harmon 5-10 4-7 14, Isaacs 1-4 0-0 2, Tyson 2-8 1-2 6, Fisher 1-2 0-0 2, Jennings 2-5 3-4 7, Walton 1-3 0-0 3, Allen 1-2 1-2 3, Washington 0-3 0-0 0, D.Williams 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-54 16-23 61.

Totals 21-54 16-23 61.
Halftime—West Virginia 33-28.
3-Point Goals—West Virginia 1035 (Wilson 5-11, Toussaint 2-6,
Ke.Johnson 1-4, Mitchell 1-4, Stevenson 1-7, Harris 0-1, Matthews
0-2), Texas Tech 3-20 (Walton 1-2, Tyson 1-5, Obanor 1-6, Allen 0-1, Jennings 0-1, Washington 0-1, Harmon 0-2, Isaacs 0-2), Fouled Out-Walton. Rebounds-West Virginia 41 (Stevenson, Okonkwo 10). Texas Tech 22 (Obanor 8). Assists—West Virginia 8 (Stevenson 4), Texas Tech 9 (Batcho 3). Total Fouls-West Virginia 21, Texas

### PREP SCORES

W.VA. BOYS Cameron 68, Clay-Battelle 57 Morgantown 79, Wheeling Park 43 Oak Hill 54, Liberty Harrison 41 Princeton 109, PikeView 57 Tug Valley 84, Tolsia 53 POSTPONEMENTS

POSTPONEMENTS
Jefferson vs. Hampshire, ppd.
Sherando, Va. vs. Musselman,
ppd. to Feb 6th.
W.VA. GIRLS
East Fairmont 52, Bridgeport 50
Gilmer Co. 52, Ritchie County 48
Huntington 48, St. Albans 39
Independence. 47, Montcalm 13
James Montre 53, Green, West 41 James Monroe 53, Green. West 41 North Marion 66, Lincoln 44 Philip Barbour 51, Preston 40 Philip Barbour 51, Preston 40 Ripley 40, Logan 39 South Charleston 51, Oak Hill 32 Spring Valley 66, Riverside 31 St. Mary's 47, Wheeling Central 36 Westside 47, PikeView 42 OHIO BOYS

Cols. Bexley 54, Cols. Hamilton Twp. 39 Cols. Patriot Prep 69, Genoa Christian 24 Ironton Rock Hill 46, Willow Wood Symmes Valley 45 Jamestown Greeneview 79, Jamestown Gree Spring, Greenon 53 Lancaster Fairfield Union 48, Circleville 39 Windham 66, Kinsman Badger 64

Miller 41 OHIO GIRLS Ashtabula Edgewood 57, Painesville Harvey 34 Austintown Fitch 58, Youngs. Boardman 51 Avon 61, Elyria 20 Avon Lake 67, Berea-Midpark 39 Beavercreek 51, Miamisburg 35 Berlin Hiland 56, W Lafayette Ridgewood 25

Zanesville Rosecrans 81, Corning

Brooklyn 57, Rocky River Lutheran W.35 Can. McKinley 61, Massillon Perry 32 Chagrin Falls 59, Orange 25 Chagrin Falls Kenston 56, Wil-loughby S. 16 Chesterland W. Geauga 65, Beach wood 17 Chillicothe 47, Washington C.H. Miami Trace 44 Cin. Indian Hill 38, Cin. Madeira 37, OT Cin. Mt. Healthy 63, Trenton Edge-wood 44

Cin. Sycamore 49, Cin. Colerain 37 Cle. Hay 66, Cle. Max Hayes 31 Copley 58, Kent Roosevelt 31 Copiey 58, Kent Roosevert 31 Cuyahoga Falls Walsh Jesuit 64, Mentor Lake Cath. 25 Day. Chaminade Julienne 47, Bishop Fenwick 33 Dresden Tri-Valley 58, Byesville Meadowbrook 25 E. Palestine 49, Heartland Chris-

Eastlake North 54, Mayfield 43 Euclid 61, Cle. Lincoln W. 10 Gates Mills Gilmour 48, Chardon NDCL 43 Grafton Midview 52, Amherst Steele 42 Granville 61, Utica 31

Green 43, Uniontown Lake 41 Harrison 47, Hamilton Ross 34 Jackson 45, Greenfield McClain 39 Kettering Alter 69, Cin. McNicho-Kettering Fairmont 60, Centerville

42 Kirtland 53, Burton Berkshire 40 Lorain 51, Maple Hts. 12 Madison 69, Chardon 59 Mason 49, Fairfield 39 McConnelsville Morgan Crooksville 31 Medina 60, Hudson WRA 36 N. Bend (Cleves) Taylor 34, Cin. Wyoming 29 N. Can. Hoover 56, Can. Glenoak

New Concord John Glenn 52, War-saw River View 27 Oberlin Firelands 50, Wellington

Orwell Grand Valley 46, Mantua Crestwood 30 Crestwood 30
Oxford Talawanda 46, Cin. NW 7
Pataskala Watkins Memorial 55,
Hebron Lakewood 27
Perry 61, Geneva 32
Philo 45, Zanesville Maysville 16
Plain City Jonathan Alder 42,

Bellefontaine 34 Richmond Hts. 46, Independence

Salem 41, Alliance Marlington 35 Seaman N. Adams 45, Ironton Rock Hill 30 Shaker Hts. Hathaway Brown 50. Cuyahoga Falls CVCA 49 Sidney 62, Troy 25 Sullivan Black River 63, Lorain Clearview 50

Thornville Sheridan 56, New Lex-Warren Howland 44, Warren Hard-

Windham 61, Kinsman Badger 27 Woodsfield Monroe Cent. 60, Steubenville Cath. 39 Xenia 61, Greenville 55 Zoarville Tuscarawas Valley 33, Claymont 32

POSTPONEMENTS AND CANCELLATIONS Akr. Firestone vs. Massillon, ccd. Carrollton vs. W. Branch, ccd. Massillon Jackson vs. STVM, ppd. Minerva vs. Alliance, ppd.

### PREP BOXSCORES

GIRLS BASKETBALL St. Mary's 47,

Zoe Davis 4 7-9 15; Totals: 18 10-14 47

3-point goals: WC - Vogrin (2), Edge, Downing, Ratcliffe; SM -

Monroe Central 60, Steubenville Catholic 39

### **ELKS JANUARY ATHLETES OF THE MONTH**



TOP: John Marshall boys' basketball stalwart, Brennan Sobutka, center, is the Wheeling Elks Marshall County Athlete of the Month for January. He is shown receiving his award from Elks Youth Activities Committee member, Jeff Miller, left. Looking on is the Monarchs' head coach, Chad Clutter.

BOTTOM: Wheeling Central girls' basketball standout, Lily Vogrin, center, is the Wheeling Elks Ohio County Athlete of the Mont for January. She is shown receiving her award from Elks Youth Activities Committee Chairman, Joe Marchlenski, right. Looking on is the Lady Maroon Knights' head coach, Roberta Olejasz.



# John Marshall Rolls In Wrestling; Wheeling Central Girls Defeated

recorded a 62-6 victory in high school treys to finish with a game-high 23 visiting Morgantown inside the John Marshall Field House.

The Monarchs had seven pins, three decisions and a pair of forfeits in win-ning 12 of the 13 matches contested. Indian Creek. The only loss was a forfeit.

Winning by falls were Atley Bonar Klypsan Wallace (165), Maverick Le-nasium. masters (175) and Mathieu Wright

**GIRLS BASKETBALL** St. Mary's 47, Wheeling Central 36

Blue Devils (11-6) stunned the visiting Maroon Knights (13-3) in a battle of West Virginia-ranked squads.

Brook Edge scored 10 points for winner. Wheeling Central, which entered the Vogrin added eight.

St. Mary's, which was three spots behind the Maroon Knights, was led by Zoe Davis with 15 points. Kiera Martin had 10 points and 10 rebounds.

BOWLING WP Boys Sweep Monroe Co. Tri WOODSFIELD - The Patriots out-

rolled the Blue Devils and Seminoles on Wednesday.

In boys action, Wheeling Park finished with a score of 2,027. Beallsville had 1,722 and Monroe Central 1,664.

MOUNDSVILLE - John Marshall eton Hill knocked down half-a-dozen wrestling action Wednesday night over points in the win over the Redskins (9-7) on Coach D Court inside Indian Creek High School.

Trevor Francis, Logan Kuczykowski

Toronto 49, Edison 41

TORONTO - The host Red Knights (120), OVAC champion Ethan Cook received 18 points from Cayden Benton (126), Alex Harbert (138), Waylon in edging past the visiting Wildcats in-Wyckoff (144), OVAC runner up side George J. Kunzler Memorial Gym-

Brayden Moses netted 11 points for Edison.

**BOWLING** Union Local sweeps St. C.

ST. CLAIRSVILLE - The Jets boys ST. MARY'S - The homesteading and girls each picked up a win over St. Clairsville at St. Clair Lanes on Tues-

The Jets boys were a 1999-1943

Union Local's Evan White rolled game at No. 5 in W.Va. Class AA. Lily a solid 200 game for the high game, while St. Clairsville's Sebastian Lewis posted a 374 for the high series.

The Jets' girls posted a 1557-1243 victory

UL's Chloe Porter posted a 207 for the high game and followed with a 201 for a 408 series.

Brooke, Harrison Central Split NEW ATHENS - The Bruins and

Huskies split a match on Tuesday with Brooke winning the girls match and Harrison claiming the boys.

Brooke's girls finished with 1619, Leading the Patriots was Zac Davis while Harrison knocked over 1523 MC-squared.

That, you see, is his formula for relativity To Neal Brown, West Virginia's football coach, E has an entirely different meaning.

To him, E has come to represent what could stand between success and failure in the 2023 season, which could decide his ca-

He says that three Es, relatively speaking, separated a winning season from becoming the losing season it was in 2022. That, at least, is how he sold it to the media last week as he went over the state of his union.

Those three Es represented "errors, efficiency and explosive plays"; all of which were below critical



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bowl play. Errors ... Efficiency ... Explosive Plays. Trying to win without improving in those three areas is like trying to bake a cake with-

out an oven. Before we get into those areas of critical concern, Brown offered up some background on how they reached the point they are at today. It was a much too brief synopsis, of course, for it would require volumes to trace back through how everything that

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could go wrong went wrong.



West Virginia University head football coach Neal Brown talks to reporters.

# Wheeling Park Weathers Strong JM Start, Rolls To 16-1

Pressure Defense Sparks Three Scoring Runs In 93-57 Win

By KIM NORTH **Staff Writer** 

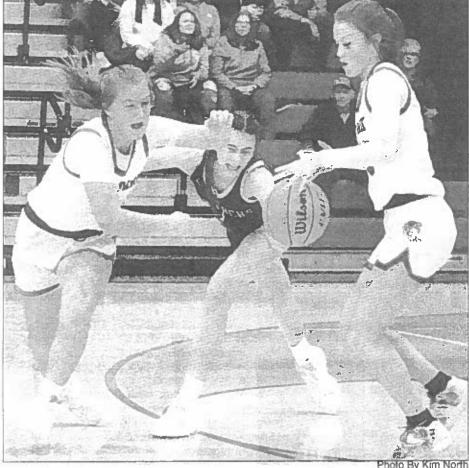
WHEELING - When you're No. 1 in anything you can expect every opponent to give you everything it has. That is what occurred Thursday night high atop the Friendly City.

Wheeling Park, the top-ranked Class AAAAA girls' basketball team in West Virginia, weathered a strong start by rival John Marshall, but used a trio of huge scoring runs on its way to a 93-57 repeat victory inside the 'Palace on the Hill' inside Wheeling Park High School. The hosts won 79-36 earlier this season in Mounds-

The Monarchs (13-6) started on an 8-4 run before Wheeling Park head coach Ryan Young called full time out. When the visitors went up 12-10 three minutes later, Young burned a 30-second time-

"I kind of had a feeling that at some point in the season we were going to start a game off slow, especially on the defensive end tonight," Young said. "That's where I was disappointed ... really all night as we let (Kaitlyn) Blake score down low an awful lot, but

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give her credit, she's a great player Wheeling Park's duo of Seneca Heller, left, and Natalie Daugherty, right, when she gets the ball down low." force John Marshall's Rilee Storm into one of the Monarchs' 33 turnovers Thursday night in a 93-57 victory by the Patriots inside the 'Palace on the

# Bellaire Outlasts Union Local In OT



Photo By Seth Staskey

Union Local's Beezer Porter dribbles the ball upcourt Thursday night as Bellaire's Ray Ray Pettigrew applies pressure during their game inside the 'House of Champions.' Bellaire won in overtime.

Big Reds Snap 6-Game Losing Streak With 74-69 Triumph

> By SETH STASKEY For The Intelligencer

BELLAIRE - All wins are important and

Some, however, still seem to mean more. Bellaire experienced one of those Thursday evening inside the 'House of Champions.'

The Big Reds, who opened the season by winning their first 10, had dropped their last six. In the process, they had fallen to fifth in the latest OVAC Class 3A standings with Tuesday's cutoff date looming.

Hence why head coach J.R. Battista felt like the weight of the world had been lifted off his shoulders after his Big Reds' fended off a valiant effort from invading Union Local and pulled out a hard-earned 74-69 victory in over-

"Winning is always big, but this will hopefully put us back into the top four of the OVAC Tournament and help us with our seed in the (upcoming) district tournament," Battista said. "But, most importantly, the kids deserved this win. They play as hard as we'll ever ask kids to play.
"We'll take it."

While the win was big for the Big Reds' OVAC playoff hopes, it may have been equally damaging for the Jets, who had just overtaken Bellaire in the 3A standings after Tuesday's games had been factored in.

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# Girls' OVAC Basketball **Pairings Set**

By SETH STASKEY For The Intelligencer

The path to an OVAC girls basketball championship is set.

The seeds and pairings were finalized Wednesday morning for the semi-finals as well as the consolation pairings for the upcoming Wheeling Hospital OVAC Girls Basketball Championship, which opens on Monday and will conclude on Feb. 4 with the five championship games at Harrison Central High School in Cadiz.

The schedule for the championship games is Class 2A (10 a.m.). Class 3A (noon), Class 4A (2 p.m.), Class 5A (4 p.m.) and Class 1A (6 p.m.).

CLASS 5A

Wheeling Park has garnered the top seed on the strength of a 15-1 record. The Patriots, who fell in the big-school title game a season ago, will welcome Warren to the Palace on the Hill.

The Warriors are 15-3 and garnered the four seed.

In the other half of the bracket, defending champion Morgantown is the two seed. The Mohigans are 12-4 and half of those losses have come to Park. Morgantown will welcome a solid 14-2 Marietta squad.

CLASS 4A

A new champion is promised in this class as Union Local has dropped down to 3A. Indian Creek, which won the 5A title in 2020, is the top seed with a 13-4 in a class that only half the top four has a winning record.

Redskins will welcome fourth-seeded Buckeye Local (7-11) to Joe D. Court on Monday.

The other half of the bracket finds Harrison Central, which last won a conference girls hoops title in 2015, welcoming Oak Glen. The Huskies are 11-7 on the season, while the Golden Bears, who fell in last season's title

game, are 5-9. CLASS 3A

Union Local, which has been one of the premier teams in the Ohio Valley all winter, has been atop the rankings all season. The Jets, who have won the last two OVAC titles in their class, are currently 19-0.

Coach Scooter Tolzda's team will welcome fourth-seeded Bellaire, which last won an OVAC title in girls hoops in 2019. The Big Reds are 11-8 and have lost twice to the Jets already this

The other half of the bracket finds defending champion Fort Frye welcoming third-seeded Martins Ferry. The Cadets, who own 11 OVAC crowns in girls basketball, are currently 12-5 on the season.

The Purple Riders have come on of late and find themselves at 11-7. Ferry last won an OVAC girls crown in 2020. Fort Frye defeated Ferry, in December, at Harrison Central, 39-19.

CLASS 2A

A new champion is guaranteed in this class after defending champion Steubenville Catholic failed to qualify.

River, on the strength of its 17-1 record, has earned the top seed and is aiming for its first crown since going back-to-back in 2018 and 19.

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top four). We had been third quarter at 71-63. doing a good job of that.

just before the buzzer seal the victory. sounded, wasted no time

onds into OT.

tista said. "We played re- on every loose balls." ally well in overtime. We

bucket from junior Alex the Big Reds, 25-18 to cal.

(OVAC Tournament) fate who turned in a brilliant The Jets, who never ident against Linette, who in anyone else's hands," 28-point effort, converted took the lead in the fourth, had never before been UL head coach Zach Del- a pair at the line. Dowling scored the final five to get past the third round in 29 man said. "We felt that if then sank one of two from the game to the extra seswe went out and won the the stripe and all of the sion. games in front of us, we'd sudden. Bellaire owned put ourselves back in (the its biggest lead since the have been most the sea- edge in winners, but also impressive run through a

back and win the next two Beezer Porter convert-(before Tuesday) and see ed in transition to make finished with 17 and game. it 72-69, but time was Dowling added 15. Ju-Bellaire, which had the clearly on the side of the nior Mac Mac Pettigrew final possession of regu- Big Reds, who knocked added 12. lation and turned it over down two from the line to

Senior Jakob Dowling, come down one or two the pressure bothered at who had scored only nine possessions." Delman times." points in regulation, bur-said. "We were 14 of 28 ied a corner trey to open from the foul line and one four in double figures. the OT. Bellaire then got of 16 from behind the buckets 3-point line and we still from senior Ray Ray Pet- had every opportunity to tigrew, making it a 68-61 win the game. I am proud game more than 90 sec- of how our guys for how the season with 17 points, we responded in the sec-"I thought, for once, we ond half to give ourselves 10. were trying to make smart opportunities, but it just plays down the stretch felt like Bellaire was able tion on Saturday, back on and let (UL) foul us," Bat- to get both of their hands

The Big Reds, who led day jumped on them, made by as many as 14 in the some plays, made some early moments of the third in the third and fourth foul shots and stretched it quarter, watched the Jets place game against Indian climb back into the game Creek at 2 p.m., while the Union Local stopped with a strong third quarter Jets hit the floor at high bleeding with a in which they outscored noon against Beaver Lo-

led everyone. Pettigrew by Linette in the opening na Ostapenko - both myself.

"Playing at home alhelps." Battista ways

Union Local also had Porter recorded 21 points, while classmate D.J. Butts
posted 19. Moore had half.
"I didn't think we did a good job of
"I didn't think we did a good job of while Carter Blake added

Both teams are in ac-Guernsey Street as part of Press. the Buckeye 8 crossover

The Big Reds will play

"We have talked about Moore, but Big Reds' make it a 51-4/ reading not wanting to put our junior Mayson Sochor, at the final stop.

The final stop is the final stop is the final stop is the final stop is the final stop.

The final stop is the fin The Jets, who never ident against Linette, who going for my shots." appearances at majors.

Sabalenka The Big Reds, as they with a whopping 33-9 to what already was an ner-up at the U.S. Open.

owners of major titles

larly noteworthy against a Rybakina's win over returner and defender as Azarenka, the champi- established on hard courts on at Melbourne Park in as Azarenka, a former No. finished 2012 and 2013, added 1 and a three-time run-

"Kind of hard to dison, were extremely bal- compiled more unforced string of top opponents. gest." Azarenka said. Union Local got as anced in the scoring col- errors - including a trio She also beat No. 1 Iga "Obviously, I had quite but now we have to come close as three after senior umn. Sochor's production that led to a break at love Swiatek and No. 17 Jele- a few chances that I gave

Rybakina is just 23.

### PARK -

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The brief, but stern, talk seemed to and seven helpers, while senior Sophic turnovers, to lead 26-17 at the end of the first quarter.

Leading 36-27 with three minutes left in the first half, Wheeling Park reeled off 15 of the next 17 markers as a team," Young pointed out. "Those while classmate D.J. Butts the margin ballooned to 51-29 at the are both pretty good numbers, and then

> matching up with them in man-to-man as (Kayli) Derrow and (Rilee) Storm ble-digit scorers in sophomore Kaitlyn both played well early on," Young added. "I didn't think our energy level was there so we went to our run-and-jump

going to give us their best shot. That's double-double with 11 rebounds. to be expected," Young continued. "They played better than us now, but, I've said it before and I'll say it again, I still don't think we are anywhere near our ceiling

The final dagger was a 24-6 spurt to

advantage to 40 points at 75-35. long as we handle ou Sophomore Alexis Bordas paced I'm happy with that. well-balanced scoring attack for Wheeling Park with 20 points as five non-Upshur Saturday afternoon on players reached twin figures. Bordas Senior Day before hosting Warren also stuffed the state sheet with half-Local in an OVAC Class 5A Tournaa-dozen steals, three assists and a like ment semifinal on Monday night. John number of rebounds. Classmate LaLa Marshall hosts Dover on Monday in an Woods added 19 points, eight steals OVAC Consolation contest.

"We talk, almost daily, said. "You feel more sink in as the Patriots (16-1) went on Abraham added 17 points. Junior Merin asserting itself in the about how games, more comfortable, make a few a 16-2 run, sparked by their fullcourt ritt Delk finished with a career-high 15 often than not, seem to more shots, etc. I think in-your-face press that forced numerous lightings and grabbed six boards. Junior Natalie Daugherty contributed 10 points, five steals, four assists and four

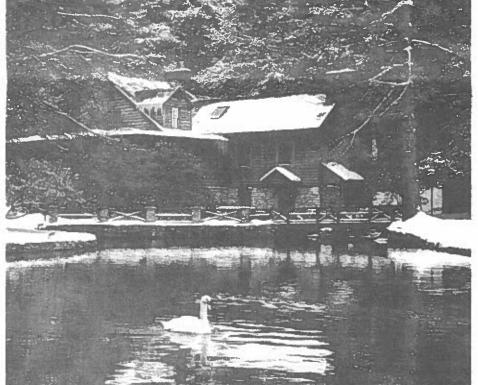
"We had 26 steals and 19 assists as to have five players with 10-or-more points. That's a pretty good night.'

John Marshall had a trio of dou-Blake who scored a game-high 23. Freshman Rilee Storm added 18 and junior Kayli Derrow finished with a dozen as the trio netted all but four of "We know that every team we play is their team's points. Blake completed a

"They played better than us. We 'We've been playing so well for a while played hard but they make the game chaotic at times and we didn't handle it," John Marshall head coach Brock Melko said.

"I was proud of how my team handled begin the third quarter and boosted the themselves, regardless of the score. As long as we handle ourselves with class.

Wheeling Park will host Buckhan-



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### OVAC -

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The Pilots will welcome Southern Local to Hannibal. Southern, which has currently 12-4.

The other half of the bracket finds perennial entrants Wheeling Central

Central will host Monroe Central, school history, but first since 2009.

#### CLASS 1A

Cameron is back in the field, attemptnever won an OVAC title in hoops, is ing to defend its title, but the Dragons will have to do so as the second seed.

The Dragons punched their ticket with an 11-4 record, playing against a and Monroe Central squaring off. The quite challenging schedule. To get back Maroon Knights, who last won a title in to the title game. Cameron will have to 2020, are 13-2 and pocketed the sec- get past Hundred, which qualified with a 10-3 record.

Frontier, which owns three conferwhich qualified with a 13-5 record. The ence girls titles, is the top seed. The Seminoles fell in the title game last sea-son and are bidding for their third title in 10-7 Trinity Christian, which won the 2012 crown.

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achieved on the offensive al of those were at critical side of the ball last year," times." Brown said. "When we sion — and if I had to do offense. it all over again, I'd make the same decision.

"We were going to go said. young on the offensive line and have young re- something like this: ceivers who we hoped

talent level so that we

some lumps during the ing in the lower half of offensive coordinator, the as we worked with the expected of what by last at running back and what O-line in 2019-20 and year had become an ex- seemed to be potentially while we were growing perienced offense. There dangerous deep receivers, with the youth at receiver, were 18 turnovers (12 "Last fall was really "Last fall was really the INTs, 6 fumbles lost), the first point where I felt point where I felt really which is 1.5 per game, really good about our of-

Blame what you will showed, came down to reel stuff. It's breaking a COVID, rules change those three Es — errors, tackle that turns a second

You can change what the many turnovers and too down completion. future may hold, but the many penalties on the of- E lt's little stuff compast is etched in stone. fensive side of the ball," pared to the third E – E"I felt like we under- Brown explained. "Sever-

got here in January of starts, the interceptions, 19 it was brand new and the fumbles and timing a year ago."

There were 77 penalto develop," Brown con- ties committed and actinued. "We really took cepted for 63 yards, rank- terback, a high profile process the NCAA and not what's addition of JD Donaldson from an experience and tion.

es, defections, bad coaching, officiating. Doesn't plays, or the lack thereof. 5. It's making a block on really matter because you "We've got to elimate a blitzing backer on third can't rewrite the past, inate the errors - too and 6 that allows a first-

plosive plays.

"We regressed in that." Brown said. "We had Think back to the false been kind of steadily building but we regressed

we knew it would be a of them. Think how they He said that in 2020 little bit of a process on kept WVU fighting an they recorded 50 plays offense. We made a deci- uphill battle all season on that qualified as explosive in just 10 games due to "We've got to be able COVID, had 58 in 2021 to clean those up." Brown when they had a full season and a bowl game but The bookkeeping looks last year were at just 50 explosive plays, not at all what you would expect with JT Daniels at quar-

good about our personnel which was 55th in the na-fensive personnel from an experience and talthat we The second area of conent level, where I felt we

### Local Card

Friday, Jan. 27 BOYS BASKETBALL Cameron at Beallsville East Liverpool at Wheeling Park Shadyside at Barnesville Brooke at Oak Glen Toronto at Bridgeport Frontier at Monroe Central Morgantown at Linsty Grand River Acad, at Steubenville Weir at Weirton Madonna Steub. Catholic at Shenandoah Conotton Valley at Edison **GIRLS BASKETBALL** 

Meadow Bridge at Paden City PREP HOCKEY W.Va. State Tournament (at WesBanco Arena) No. 6 Charleston vs. No. 3 Wheeling Central, 7:30 p.m.

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

Monday, Jan. 30 OVAC Tournament Championship Semifinals Class 5A Warren at Wheeling Park Marietta at Morgantown Class 4A

Buckeye Local at Indian Creek Oak Glen at Harrison Central Bellaire at Union Local Martins Ferry at Fort Frye Class 2A Class 3A

Southern Local at River Monroe Central at Whg Central Class 1A Trinity at Frontier Hundred at Cameron

Consolation Games Paden City at Bridgeport Madonna at Conotton Valley Caldwell at Wood Co. Christian Toronto at Shadyside Barnesville at Buckeye Trail Valley at Magnotia Steub, Central at Shenandoah Clay-Battelle at St. Clairsville Linsly at Parkersburg South Dover at John Marshall Edison at Brooke University at Steubenville East Liverpool at Weir Beaver Local at Cambridge

Consolation Games Steubenville at Dover Cambridge at Edison John Marshall at Linsly Brooke at Beaver Local St. Clairsville at University Buckeye Trail at East Liverpool Parkersburg South at Barnesville Shenandoah at Clay-Battelle Weir at Toronto Magnolia at Caldwell Shadyside at Steubenville Central Conotton Valley at Paden City Bridgeport at Madonna

Thursday, Feb. 2

### NFL PLAYOFFS

Wood Co. Christian at Valley

Wild-card Playoffs Saturday, Jan. 14 San Francisco 41, Seattle 23 Jacksonville 31, L.A. Chargers 30 Sunday, Jan. 15 Buffalo 34, Miami 31 N.Y. Giants 31, Minnesota 24 Cincinnati 24, Baltimore 17 Monday, Jan. 16 Dallas 31, Tampa Bay 14 Dallas 31, Tanipa Day 14
Divisional Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 21
Kansas City 27, Jacksonville 20
Philadelphia 38, N.Y. Giants 7

Sunday, Jan. 22 Cincinnati 27, Buffalo 10 San Francisco 19. Dallas 12 Conference Championships Sunday, Jan. 29 AFC

Cincinnati at K. C., 6:30 p.m. (CBS) NFC S. Fran. at Phila., 3 p.m. (FOX)

Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 12 At Glendale, Ariz. Conference winners, 6:30 p.m.

### SPORTS ON TV

Friday, January 27 AUTO RACING 11:30 a.m.
CBSSN — ABB FIA Formula E
World Championship: The Diriyah
Grand E-Prix, Round 2, Diriyah,

Saudi Arabia COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S) 7 p.m. ESPN2 — Saint Louis at Davidson ESPNU — Iona at Siena

9 p.m. ESPN2 — Oakland at Youngstown

ESPNU — Buffalo at Kent St. 10 p.m. CBSSN — Air Force at New Mex-

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S)

9 p.m.
PAC-12N — UCLA at Colorado
11 p.m. PAC-12N — Oregon St. at Stan-**COLLEGE GYMNASTICS** 

(WOMEN'S) SECN — Georgia at Florida 7:30 p.m. SECN — Alabama at Kentucky

9 p.m. SECN — LSU at Arkansas COLLEGE HOCKEY (MEN'S)

7:30 p.m. CBSSN - North Dakota at Miami (Ohio)
COLLEGE WRESTLING

6 p.m.
BTN — Ohio St. at Michigan
7 p.m. - Pittsburgh at Virginia ACCN Tech

8:30 p.m. BTN - Iowa at Penn St FIGURE SKATING

1 p.m. E! — ISU: European Champion-ships, Espoo, Finland 5 p.m.
USA — U.S. Championships:
Men's Short Program, San Jose,

Calif.

8 p.m. NBC — U.S. Championships: Women's Free Skate, San Jose, Calif. GOLF

3 p.m. GOLF — PGA Tour: The Farmers Insurance Open, Third Round, Torrey Pines South Course, San

5 p.m.

CBS — PGA Tour: The Farmers
Insurance Open, Third Round,
Torrey Pines South Course, San

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL (BOY'S)

11 p.m. ESPNU — GEICÖ Showcase: Sierra Canyon (Calif.) vs. Notre Dame (Calif.), Los Angeles

NBA BASKETBALL 7:30 p.m. NBATV — Memphis at Minnesota

Toronto at Golden State **NHL HOCKEY** 7 p.m. Detroit at NY Islanders

ESPN -SOCCER (MEN'S) 10 p.m. FS1 — Liga MX: Pumas UNAM at

Tijuana

**TENNIS** 3:30 a.m.

ESPN — ATP: The Australian Open, Tommy Paul vs. Novak Djokovic, Semifinal 2, Melbourne, Australia

2 p.m.

ATP: The Australian
Semifinals, Melbourne, ESPN2 :-Open, Semitinaio, Australia (Taped) 3:30 a.m. (Saturday) WTA: The Aus

ESPN — WTA: The Australian Open, Elena Rybakina vs. Aryna Sabalenka, Championship, Melbourne, Australia X GAMES

9:30 p.m. ESPN — World of X Games: Day 1,

### PREP BOXSCORES

**BOYS BASKETBALL** Bellaire 74, Union Local 69 OT UNION LOCAL (69) — Porter 8, 4-8 21; Butts 8, 3-4 19; Blake 3, 4-11 10; Miller 0, 0-0 0; Ditzler 0, 0-0 0; Moore 7, 3-5 17; Tomolonis 1, 0-0 vivore /, 3-5 1/; Iomolonis 1, 0-0 2; Saunders 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 27, 14-28 69. BELLAIRE (74) — R. Petti-grew 8, 1-2 17; M. Pettigrew 4, 3-6 12; Sochor 8, 11-14 28; Dowling 4. 12; Sochor 8, 11-14 28; Dowling 4, 5-6 15; D'Aquila 0, 0-0 0; Littell 1, 0-0 2; Totals: 25, 20-28 74. 3-point goals: UL — Porter. B — Dowling (2), M. Pettigrew, Sochor. Harrison Central 72,

Buckeye Local 48

HARRISON CENTRAL (72) — Jurosko 1, 2-4 5; Jones 1, 0-0 2; Madzia 6, 2-4 15; Hutton 0, 0-0 0; Cassidy 3, 0-0 9; Elliot 0, 2-2 2; Quito 7, 3-4 17; Fluharty 0, 0-0 0; Vermillion 5, 1-2 11; R. Arbaugh 0, 0-0 0; Ody 2, 2-2 6; C. Arbaugh 2, 1-2 5; Totals: 27, 13-20 72. BUCKEYE LOCAL (48) 27, 13-20 72, BOCKETE ECOSAL 2009.

Wilhelm 0, 0-0 0; Griffin 0, 0-2 0; Basich 1, 0-0 2; Romanyak 4, 0-0 8; Lindsay 0, 0-0 0; Walker 2, 0-0 4; Jones 0, 0-0 0; Dombroski 3, 0-0 7; Hess 0, 0-0 0; Carter 0, 0-2 0; Deith

4, 0-0 12; Kindberg-Colabelli 7, 0-0 15; Totals: 21, 0-4 48. 3-point goals: HC — Cassidy (3), Madzia, Jurosko, BL — Deitch (4), Kindberg-Colabelli. GIRLS BASKETBALL Wheeling Park 93

0-0 0; Finley 0 0-0 0; Totals: 23-47 10-15 57, WHEELING PARK (93) – Abraham 7 1-2 17; Huffman 2 0-0 Abraham 7 1-2 17; Huffman 2 0-0 4; Daugherty 3 1-2 10; Bordas 6 8-8 20; Woods 8 1-2 19; Heller 1 0-0 2; Delk 7 1-1 15; Stone 1 0-0 2; Derrow 0 0-0 0; Ticich 1 0-0 2; Hicks 0 0-0 0; Totals: 37-67 12-15 93 3-point goals: JM – Storm (1); WP – Daugherty (3), Woods (2), Abraham (2)

Martins Ferry 73, Brooke 62
MARTINS FERRY (73) — Lude 7, 8-10 27; Sidon 1, 2-4 4; Best 9, 11-13 29; Roe 2, 0-0 4; McFarland 3, 0-2 7; Marchbank 1, 0-1 2; Totals: 23, 21-30 73. BROOKE (62) — Schwertfeger 4, 0-0 10; Severecz 0, 2-2 2; Villa 2, 3-6 7; Lippoli 5, 5-7 17; Beecroft 1, 0-0 2; Bolan 8, 6-9 22; Butterbaugh 1, 0-0 2; Pennybacker 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 21, 16-24 62.

3-point goals: MF — Lude (5), Mc-Farland. B — Schwertfeger (2), Lippoli (2).

River 56. Barnesville 34 BARNESVILLE (34) — Thompson 2, 0-0 4; Yater 0, 0-0 0; McFarland 1, 0-0 2; Lucas 1, 0-0 2; Tyson 4, 0-0 11; Welch 2, 1-2 5; Carter 2, 0-0 6; Schaffer 0, 0-0 0; Johnson 1, 1-2 4, Phillips 0, 0-0 0; Oliver 0,

**OVAC Bill Hinegardner** 

Dual Meet Championships (at Brooke High School)

Wednesday, Feb. 1, 6 p.m. Semifinals

Class 4A

No. 1 St. Clairs. vs. No. 4 Oak Glen

No. 2 Indian Creek vs. No. 3 Edison

Finals

Class 1A/2A

Finals

No. 1 Shadyside vs. No. 2 Bridge-

Thursday, Feb. 2, 6 p.m. (at John Marshall Field House)

Semifinals

Class 3A

Class 5A

No. 1 Linsly vs. No. 4 Magnolia No. 2 Barnesville vs. No. 3 Ferry

No. 1 Whg Park vs. No. 4 Brooke

No. 2 Big Red vs. No. 3 J.Marshall Immediately following semifinals

Immediately following semifinals

0-0 0; Leasure 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 12, 2-4 34, RIVER (56) — Huffman 0, 0-0 0; Hobbs 4, 0-0 8; Harlan 8, 1-1 20; Reed 2, 0-2 4; Wohnas 0, 0-0 0; Indermuhle 0, 0-0 0; Dotterer 0, 0-0 0; Prim 1, 0-0 2; Raper 7, 1-2 16; Knight 3, 0-1 6; Totals: 25, 2-4 56. 3-point goals: B — Tyson (3), Carter (2). R — Raper, Harlan (3).

Monroe Central 51,

Buckeye Local 40 BUCKEYE LOCAL (40) — McKeev-er 4, 2-2 12; Short 0, 2-4 2; Ankrom 0, 0-0 0; Stock 0, 1-2 1; Koran 0, 0-0 0; Dailey 1, 0-0 2; Kandrach 6, 2-3 15; Kinyo 0, 0-0 0; Roset 0, 6, 25 15, Inly 0 6, 0 6; Valuska 3, 0-0 8; Totals: 14, 7-11 40. MONROE CENTRAL (51) — Emery 1, 0-0 2; Henthorn 0, 0-0 0; Hiles 0, 0-0 0; Thompson 3, 2-2 8; English 3, 3-4 9; Bishop 4, 0-0 9; Harriman 0, 0-0 1; Rompson 4, 1-4 10; McGarry 1 0: Bommer 4, 1-4 10; McGarry 1, 0; Bommer 4, 1-4 10; McGalry 1, 0-0 2; Powell 0, 0-0 0; Bettinger 5, 1-2 11; Totals: 21, 7-12 51.
3-point goals: BL — McKeever (2), Kandrach, Valuska (2), MC — Bish op, Bommer.

Cameron 67. Tyler Consolidated 38

TYLER CONSOLIDATED (38) —
Westbrook 3 0.1 8; Henderson 2
0.0 6; Loudin 0 2-2 2; Lattea 4 0-1 8;
Grimm 1 0-0 2; Wall 1 0-0 2; Weber Grimm 10-0 2; Wall 10-0 2; Weber 2 2-2 6; Lemaster 1 2-2 4; Totals: 14 6-8 38. CAMERON (67) - Clutter 10-0 3; Carter 10-0 2; A. Dobbs 4 0-0 9; Neely 7 0-0 17; Van Tassell 8 7-8 23; E. Dobbs 4 0-0 9; Neehouse 0 0-0 0; Schrack 0 0-0 0; Littleton 0 0-0 0; Bertram 0 0-0 0; Thomas 1 0-0 2; Francis 1 0-0 2; Totals: 27 7-8 67 7-8 67

3-point goals: TC - Westbrook (2), Henderson (2); C - Neely (3), Clutter, A. Dobbs, E. Dobbs

Edison 62, Madonna 38 EDISON (38) – Johnson 6 3-4 16, Baker 1 0-0 2, Summers 1 0-0 3, Baker 1 0-0 2, Summers 1 0-0 3, Stull 6 0-2 13, Henderson 4 1-2 9. Meadows 2 2-2 7, Reed 0 0-2 0, LoPrete 0 0-0 0, Evans 4 3-6 12. Totals: 24 9-18 62. MADONNA (38) - Wingett 3 0-0 7, McCoy 4 3-6 11, Long 5 3-7 13, Pietranton 1 2-4 4, Birkhimer 1 0-0 2, Cody 0 0-0 0, Harbin 0 1-2 1, Sole 0 0-0 0, Bracken 0 0-0 0 Szczerbinbski 0 0-0 Totals: 14 9-19 38.

0. Totals: 14 9-19 38. 3-point goals: E - Johnson, Summers, Stull, Meadows, Evans: M

mers, Stull, Meadows, Evans; M - Wingett Weir High 51, Big Red 47 BIG RED (47) - Perdue 1 1-3 3; War-ner 2 2-2 6; Criss 4 2-3 12; Edwards 7 2-4 16; Matteson 1 0-0 2; McShan 3 2-3 8; Beall 0 0-0 0; Lyons 0 0-0 0. Totals: 18, 9-15; 47, WEIR HIGH (51) - Baker 4 0-0 9; Kaufman 4 4-6 12; Turner 2 9-11 13; Lash 1 3-3 5; Faulks 2 0-0 4; Hoover 2 4-7 8; Cra-Faulks 2 0-0 4; Hoover 2 4-7 8; Cramer 0 0-0 0. Totals: 15, 20-27; 51. 3-point goals: BR - Criss (2); WH

#### **ECHL** PREP WRESTLING

Thursday's Game Savannah 5, Orlando 2 Savannah 5, Orlando 2
Friday's Games
Greenville at Atlanta, ppd
Jacksonville at Indy, 7 p.m.
Toledo at Kalamazou, 7 p.m.
T.-Rivieres at Adirondack, 7 p.m.
Reading at Worcester, 7:05 p.m.
Norfolk at Maine, 7:15 p.m.
Orlando at Savannah, 7:30 p.m.
S. Carolina at Florida, 7:30 p.m. Newfndland at Cincinati, 7:35 p.m. Fort Wayne at Iowa, 8:05 p.m. Tulsa at Allen, 8:05 p.m. Wheeling at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.

### $\mathsf{NHL}$

Thursday's Games
Detroit 4, Montreal 3, OT
Tampa Bay 3, Boston 2
Washington 3, Pittsburgh 2, SO
Buffalo 3, Winnipeg 2
Nashville 6, New Jersey 4
Minnesota 3, Philadelphia 2, OT

### PREP SCORES

W.VA. BOYS Bridgeport 53, Elkins 39 Buffalo 74, Clay County 56 Cabell Midland 56, Spring Valley 51 Capital 63, Riverside 50 East Fairmont 75, Lewis County 45
East Hardy 58, Tucker County 53
Fort Hill, Md. 81, Washington 47 George Washington 68, Parkers-burg 36

Huntington 72, Hurricane 59 Lincoln 54, Robert C. Byrd 50 Magnolia 73, Tyler Consolidated 47 Mountain Ridge, Md. 65, Keyser 62 Nicholas County 55, Midland Trail

Philip Barbour 65, Buckhannon-Up-Ritchie County 63, Doddridge Coun-

ty 43 South Charleston 57, Woodrow Wilson 51 South Harrison 81, Gilmer County

23 St. Albans 67, Poca 60

Van 52, Calhoun County 47
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Williamstown 105, Park
Catholic 33
WVA. GIRLS Parkersburg

Hampshire 53, Moorefield 37 Herbert Hoover 53, Midland Trail 36 Marietta, Ohio 44, Point Pleasant 17 Martins Ferry, Ohio 73, Brooke 62 Mingo Central 46, Charleston Catholic 38 Oak Glen 38, Linsly 36 Pocahontas County 44, Richwood

Pulaski County, Va. 52, Princeton 27 Richmond Edison, Ohio 62, Madon-

River View 54, Tolsia 46 Sherman 47, Van 31 Sissonville 52, Scott 40

Spring Mills 71, Mercersburg Academy, Pa. 43
Weir 51, Steubenville, Ohio 47
Westside 43, Independence 19
Wheeling Park 93, John Marshall 57 Wirt County 67, Notre Dame 9 Wyoming East 55, Bluefield 18 OHIO BOYS

Bascom Hopewell-Loudon 50, Tiffin Calvert 40 Bellaire 74, Union Local 69, OT Bellevue 68, Vermilion 64, OT Cadiz Harrison Cent. 72, Rayland Buckeye 48

Christian Community School 68, Cols. Beechcroft 58 Kansas Lakota 43, Gibsonburg 38,

akewood St. Edward 80, Cle. Benedictine 38 Layton Christian Academy, Utah 80, Day, Stivers 30 Mishawaka Christian, Ind. 62, Centerville Spring Valley 52 New Riegel 64, Lakeside Danbury 60 Newark Cath. 64, New Hope Chris-

tian 53 Norwood 68, Cin. Oyler 44 Old Fort 61, Castalia Margaretta 50 Philo 57, Zanesville Maysville 52 Sandusky 87, Clyde 65 Tiffin Columbian 61, Sandusky Per

**OHIO GIRLS** Akr. Hoban 75, Akr. Ellet 51 Ansonia 29, Pitsburg Franklin-Mon-Apple Creek Waynedale 65, Rittman Arcanum 54, Lewisburg Tri-County

Arlington 45, Mt. Blanchard Riverdate 40 Bellbrook 57, Carlisle 12 Bethel-Tate 56, Batavia Clermont NE 48

Bishop Hartley 48, Bishop Ready 28 Bristol 51, Windham 29 Brookfield 62, Leavittsburg LaBrae

Bryan 54, Liberty Center 45 Camden Preble Shawnee 63, Union City Mississinawa Valley 47 Canfield S. Range 55, Niles McKin-

ley 15 Centerburg 56, Delaware Christian

30 Cin. Hughes 61, Cin. Woodward 52 Cin. Mariemont 43, Cin. Deer Park 34 Cols. DeSales 33, Bishop Watterson

Cols. School for Girls 24, Cols. Hamilton Twp. 22 Columbiana 50, Youngs. Valley Christian 11 Columbiana Crestview 39, Newton Falls 23 Falls 23
Convoy Crestview 53, Ada 26
Cortland Lakeview 29, Hubbard 27
Cory-Rawson 73, Pandora-Gilboa 35
Creston Norwayne 66, Jeromesville
Hilsdale 27
Crown City S. Gallia 58, Belpre 24
Day. Carroll 88, New Carlisle Tecumseh 72
Defiance Tinora 59, Hicksville 27
Delta 40, Swanton 27

Delta 40, Swanton 27 Dola Hardin Northern 55, Crestline

Doylestown Chippewa 43, Dalton 28 Elida 45, Wapakoneta 39 Elmore Woodmore 48, Bloomdale Elmwood 36 Fairfield 60, Lynchburg-Clay 53 Fairport Harbor Harding 50, Cortland Maplewood 32 Findlay 57, Fremont Ross 54

Findlay Liberty-Benton 77, N. Balti-more 13 Fostoria 63, Pemberville Eastwood Garrettsville Garfield 59, Youngs

Liberty 42 Roshen 53, Clarksville Clin-Goshen ton-Massie 29 Granville Christian 54, Gilead Christian 24

Groveport Madison Christian 52, Cols. Whetstone 19 Hamler Patrick Henry 45, Wauseon

Hannibal River 56, Barnesville 34 Hanoverton United 60, Wellsville 20 Ironton 37, Coal Grove Dawson-Bry-

Kenton 44, St. Marys Memorial 42 Kinsman Badger 41, Andover Py-matuning Valley 37 Lancaster Fisher Cath. 66, Gahanna Cols. Academy 20 Lebanon 44, Morrow Little Miami 26

ees Creek É. Clinton 62, Blanchester Legacy Christian 53, Day, Christian

Lima Bath 47, Defiance 18 Lisbon David Anderson 53, Lectonia Lore City Buckeye Trail 43, E. Can.

Louisville 82, Akr. East 15 Loveland 44, Kings Mills Kings 41 Lyndhurst Brush 38, Dover 35 Vlacedonia Nordonia 39, Twinsburg

Maria Stein Marion Local 51, Rock ford Parkway 48 Marietta 44, Point Pleasant, W.Va

Marion Elgin 49, Mt. Victory Ridgemont 23 Marion Pleasant 51, Bellville Clear Fork 38

Martins Ferry 73, Brooke, W.Va. 62 Massillon Tuslaw 50, Can. Cent. Cath 32 Metamora Evergreen 36, Archbold

25 Millord 69, Cin. Anderson 37 Millbury Lake 54, Genoa Area 42 Milton-Union 65, Day. Northridge 29 Mineral Ridge 40, Berlin Center Western Reserve 38 Monroe 31, Brookville 28 Mowrystown Whiteoak 47, St. Pat-

rick, Ky. 31 Notre Dame 54, Cin. Mer-Mr. cy-McAuley 48 Mt. Orab Western Brown 70, Batavia 34

via 34 New Bremen 38, New Knoxville 26 New Lebanon Dixie 50, Bradford 26 New Madison Tri-Village 83, W. Al-exandria Twin Valley S. 15 New Middletown Spring. 62, Lowellville 39

enville 39 New Richmond 74, Wilmington 66 Norton 53, Mogadore Field 51 Ontario 54, Galion 20 Peebles 67, Fayetteville-Perry 30 Patrisvilla 61, Educ 35 Pettisville 51, Edon 25 Portsmouth 45, Gallipolis Gallia 32 Proctor, Fairland 68, Chesapeake 22 Russia 56, Botkins 27 Shenandoah 54, Frontier 39

