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Linsly defends OVAC 3A boys golf title behind medalist Gill

Cadets' junior makes it back-to-back championships

By KIM NORTH

Staff Writer

WHEELING - Thursday was a good day for the Cadets during the Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Class 3A Boys Golf Championship at the sun-drenched Crispin Center Golf Course inside Oglebay Park.

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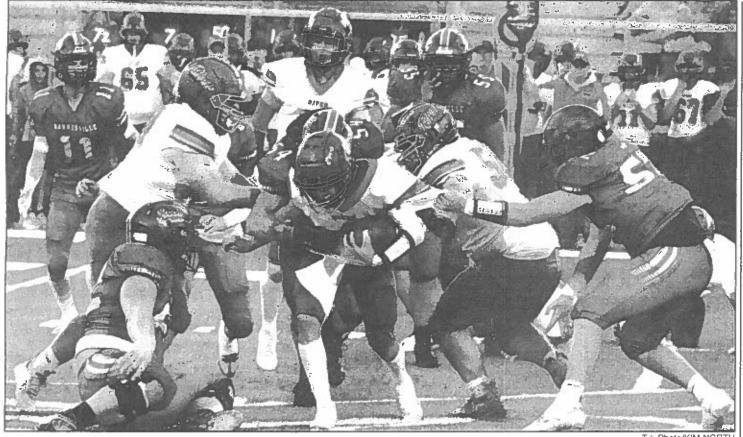
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MEMBERS OF the all-Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Class 3A boys golf team are pictured. From left, Fort Frye's Brandon Dye; Fort Frye's Chatum Courson; Linsly's medalist Adam Gill; Wheeling Central's Landen Prager; and Wheeling Central's Luke Tiu.

Photo by KIM NORTH



RIVER QUARTERBACK Kabel Isaly (4) is sacked by Barnesville's Luke Taylor (54) during the first half of Thursday night's game at Shamrock Stadium in western Belmont County. Grasping Isaly's jersey is the Shamrocks' Marshall Meade (52). Also pictured are Barnesville's Braden Butler (62), Bradey McIntire (11), Hines Ford (6) and Salvadpr Almaraz (55). The Pilots' Carter Piatt (58), Maddox Mozena (7) and Cooper Cordery (50). Barnesville won, 35-7, to improve to 5-0.

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first five games of the 2023 high to reach paydirt as Starr burst up the school football season. Barnesville is middle of the field after making a deperfect.

of visiting River (2-2) on the artificial surface at Shamrock Stadium extended the Shamrocks regular-season win clock in the first half. streak to an impressive 21 straight. The last loss in the regular season came Jones set up a third-and-12 from the during week 4 of the 2021 season to Shadyside, who will visit next Friday.

"I'm so proud of these kids," Barnesville head coach Blake Allen said. "We lots' 14 where offensive lineman Matcame out ready to play and that was the thew Gregg fell on it. key. We knew we had to set the tone early, and we did just that.'

Casey Carpenter scored on a 1-yard go up by three scores. sneak. Evan Lough was perfect on the first of his dive PAT kicks for a quick

7-0 lead. After stopping the Pilots on a 3-andout, the Shamrocks marched 79 yards

on nine plays to take a 14-0 advantage.

rocks for the first time on the ensuing drive, but Bradey McIntire picked off a fourth-down pass at his own 29.

BARNESVILLE - Through the It only took five plays for Barnesville fender miss in the backfield. He juked Thursday night's 35-7 dominance another at the 5 before reaching the end zone to complete the 19-yard scamper. Lough made it 21-7 with 1:49 on the

> A sack on second down by Kobe River 33, but Barnesville's Marshall Meade was all over Isaly before the ball came loose and bounced to the Pi-

"If we would've got in there at the end of the first half, it might have been Barnesville won the toss and elected a different ball game in the second to receive to start the game.

They went 56 yards on nine plays to take a 7-0 lead when quarterback they went down the field and scored to

After receiving the punt at the 50, Starr broke off right tackle for 21 yards and Carpenter found Jason "Duker" Castello for 17. Carpenter then dropped back to pass as time was winding down, he felt pressure from his "We even played through some ad- backside and the lefty spun away from versity there in the second quarter," it. After scrambling back to his left he Allen noted. "The (Kabel) Isaly kid is spotted Starr in the left corner of the a heck of an athlete and he made some end zone before throwing a strike for plays to get them back in the game, the 17-vard score as the clock showed

• The Beallsville Blue Devils travel to meet Clay-Battelle on its turf

By KIM NORTH Staff Writer

BLACKSVILLE – Beallsville will be trying to accomplish something Friday night that it hasn't done on the football field since 2017 ... win four games in a season.

The Blue Devils (3-1) travel across the Ohio River to meet Clay-Battelle (0-2) Friday night in one of a handful of intriguing matchups as the high school season reaches the midway point in Ohio and enters into injury. week 4 in West Virginia.

Beallsville will take a two-game win streak into the contest after back-to-back victories over Frontier (25-13) and Hundred (14-8). It is eighth in the latest Associated Press Division VII, Region 27 ratings

Quarterback Garrett Perkins has been the Blue Devils leader on offense. He ran for 136 yards and both touchdowns last week. He also threw a 2-point pass to Markey Louden.

Defensively, James Palmer charted 13 tackles and two quarterback sacks. Connor Hagan also surpassed the 100-yard

rushing mark.

The Cee-Bees dropped a 50-48 overtime nod to Valley last week after losing at Hundred in the season opener.

Washington High at John Marshall

Browns sent a message in Week 1

 Winning in Pittsburgh on Monday night could send a bigger one

PITTSBURGH (AP) - The Cleveland Browns have won in Week 1 before.

They've dominated opponents the way they dominated the Cincinnati Bengals last week before.
What they haven't done - at

least not in the past 20 years during the regular season anyway - is beat the Pittsburgh Steelers on the road.

Coaches change. Quarterbacks change. Uniforms change. Cleveland's futility at Acrisure Stadium
– save for that cathartic first-

round playoff win in 2020 -

The Browns (1-0) will walk onto the field looking to win in Pittsburgh (0-1) for the first time since 2003.

And they'll do it under the lights of prime time with a chance to prove to a national audience their systematic beatdown of the Bengals in the opener was no

"It's an awesome opportunity for us to be able to go out there and then show the world what we got, what we can be," Deshaun

Cleveland showed flashes of it while keeping Joe Burrow in Chubb churned 106 yards. Myles Garrett had a sack and debuted another in a seemingly endless supply of passrush moves — this one a p resnap crossover dribble with an invisible basketball — in the process.

Yet that was at home. In the rain. Against a rival whose star quarterback missed practically all of training camp with a calf

That won't be the case in Pittsburgh, which is smarting after getting its "teeth kicked in" by San Francisco.

The Steelers trailed the 49ers by 20 points before getting a single first down in a game that saw star defensive tackle Cam Hevward and standout wide receiver Diontae Johnson go down with injuries that will have them sidelined for several weeks.

Pittsburgh will use a mix of players at both positions to fill in as it tries to avoid the franchise's first 0-2 start since 2019.

To do it the Steelers will need quarterback Kenny Pickett to look

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"Hats off to Wheeling Central because they played a good round today." Seabright added

Despite some difficulties with his middle game, Gill was pleased with his play that included seven birdies.

"My putter was really dialed in today. My wedges and irons weren't so much, so my putter saved me.'

Gill carded a sparkling 2-under-par 69 on the spacious 18-hole layout. However, that was five shots worse than in 2022 when he fired an unbelievable 64. He said he didn't feel any pressure to defend his title.

"I just go out and play my game," he noted. "I felt good out there today.

The junior medalist shot 33 on the front 9 and finished with a 36 on the back 9 as the lone player to shoot less than 70.

Seabright said it doesn't take much to coach a player like Gill.

"I really don't do too much. He knows what he needs to do and he is really good at it." the coach praised. "He's really focused when he is on the course, so I just let him go. In addition, he is a great kid."

Gill was joined by teammates Vinny Demarchi, Carson Gessler and Seve Smathers. Kyle White was the fifth player for Linsly.

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Dye (73), along the Wheeling Central duo of Landen Prager (76) and Luke Tiu (79).

Wheeling Central finished third in the team race just three strokes behind the two Cadet teams

Class 5A OVAC Golf Championship

WHEELING - The Morgantown Mohigans came away with the gold Thursday at the Jones Course at Speidel Golf Club, topping an eightteam field with a team score of 333.

Solas Chinn Kreiner led Morgantown with a 78, followed by Gabriel Watson with an 83, Andrew Sheets with an 85, Braxton Martucci with an 87 and Ayden Shepard with an 89.

It was the third-place University Hawks who can claim the medalist for the day, with Landon Spiker shooting an impressive 76 on the day.

Dover (340) finished second behind Morgantown, followed by the Hawks (342), Parkersburg South (345), Wheeling Park (354), Brooke (356), Steubenville (362), Marietta (367), Warren (371) and John Marshall

On the All-Conference team for 5A is Spiker, Kreiner, Wheeling Park's Campbell Keogler (79), Brooke's Garrett Hornick (82), Steubenville's Chris Elliott (83), Morgantown's Gabriel Watson (83), Parkersburg South's Parker Vannoy (83) and University's Daniel Grabo (83).

Shamrocks

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River followed with a 23-play drive that advanced the ball to the Shamrocks' 2. However, Kaden Johnson lost two yards on first down and Isaly was tackled for a 3-yard loss on second.

A bad snap was recovered by Isaly but resulted in a 13-yard loss to the 20. A fourthdown pass from Isaly to Bowers fell three yards short of the goal line.

Flannery said during the week leading up to the game that this was the best Barnesville team he had ever seen.

"They did nothing to change my mind," he said afterwards. "I wish them the best of luck." They are going to run the table and make a deep playoff run.

We came out healthy, except for one kid going down," Flannery noted. "But we are worried about Peyton Blue. He went out with a knee injury.'

Barnesville amassed nearly 450 yards of total offense, with 259 coming on the ground and 179 through the air. Starr ran 15 times

for 138 yards and Toliver added 61 on 11 attempts. Jones had a 41-yard jaunt on his only carry. Carpenter completed 6-of-9 passes for 142 yards and a TD, while Luke Detling found McIntire for a 37-yard gain on his lone pass. Castello had three catches for 76 yards.

"I thought we played really well in all three phases of the game - offense, defense and

special teams," Allen allowed.

Meanwhile the Pilots could muster only 141 total yards, with 104 of that coming on the arm of Isaly who was 13 for 19 for 104. a touchdown and a pick. He also carried the ball 15 times for 32 yards as they managed just 50 stripes on 30 rushes. Bowers caught seven balls for 80 yards.

GAME NOTES

- Former Barnesville head coach John Marks was in attendance.

- The Shamrocks lost offensive linemen Luke Taylor and Salvador Almaraz to lower body injuries.

- River's lead in the all-time series was sliced to 20-16.

Beallsville

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Washington opened the season with a win over Page County, Va. (49-6), but has dropped consecutive outings to Thomas Jefferson, Md. (37-19) and Frankfort (43-13).

Conotton Valley at Bridgeport BROOKSIDE - The Bulldogs (2-2) are coming off a 48-14 pasting on the road last Saturday at the hands of Bradford, which is near the Ohio/Indiana state line.

They will entertain the Rockets (2-2) on Perkins Field inside Bill Jobko Stadium in a 7 o'clock kick.

Freshman quarterback Aiden Kinsey has been a spark for Bridgeport, as has senior running back Michael Marshall.

The Bulldogs have defeated Frontier and East Palestine, while also falling to Monroe

IN OTHER games of local interest with 7 p.m. kickoffs, Steubenville (3-1) makes the

short trip to Crater Stadium in Dover (2-2): Brooke (3-0) travels to Rachel to face North Marion (2-0); Harrison Central (3-1) welcomes East Liverpool (3-1) to Wagner Field in Cadiz; Cameron (2-1) visits Magnolia (0-3) at Alumni Field at Bill Stewart Memorial Stadium in New Martinsville; Beaver Local (3-1) visits Jets Stadium in Morristown to meet Union Local (3-1); Frontier (0-4) hits the road to Pine Grove where Valley (3-0) awaits at Thomas C. West Field; Toronto (3-1) crosses the Ohio River to face Oak Glen (0-3) in New Manchester; Edison (4-0) hosts North-Akron (1-3) at the Unified Sports Complex in Richmond; Shadyside (1-3) makes to long trip to Brownsville, Pa. (0-3); Weir (3-0) entertains Frankfort (3-0) at Carl Hamill Stadium; and Webster County (2-1) visits Kidwell to face Tyler Consolidated (2-0). At 7:30, St. Clairsville (3-1) welcomes Indian Valley (3-1) to Red Devil Stadium.

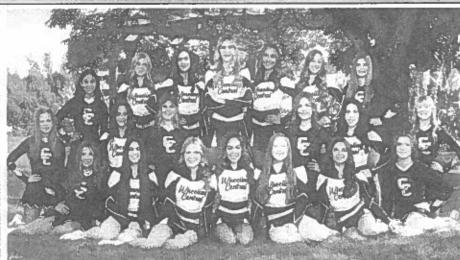
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LINSLY CHEERLEADERS

Front Row: Seniors: Maddie Taylor, Avery Gilman, Payton Hill, Lexie Finley, Anna Norman, Emily Klempa Second Row: Analise Baker, Reese Maroney, Mackenzie Martin, Alaina Toplovich, Sarah Rainakar, Calli Porter, Aubrei Joanou, Rhiannon Jones, Alana Inthirath

Third Row: Annie Greene, Maddy Blatnick, Victoria Walsh, Alli Frame, Hadley Selick, Marlee Smith, Raegan Hendershot, Kaylen Inthirath (not pictured: Mireia Brulles)



WHEELING CENTRAL CHEERLEADERS

Kendall Kuchinski, Kansas Yeager, Halley Wear, Olivia Golein, Falton O'Connor, Maddie Potts, Abbey Miller Kneeling: Lexey Kleeh, Annabella Blatt, Emily Blatt, Liz Clark, Jocelyn Waterhouse, Bella Drosieko Standing: Gabriella Blake, Claire Kerr, Bella Contraguerro, Alexa Loy, Mischa McGhee, Isabelle Cox, Keelin O'Connor



The Linsly School





Rodgers Announces He Had Surgery To Repair Torn Achilles

He was 2-of-7 against overmatched ball comes out hot and those balls are Duquesne, an FCS opponent who there to catch sometimes," Brown said.

played WVU on even terms into the "He knows this and he's conscious of

second quarter before talent won out. it, but it hurts him a little bit early in the

have looked better had he not suffered pect him to react badly when passes are

was mostly off target on simple short but somehow, he has managed to keep

passes that Brown labeled "layups" that himself under control in those situations.

Brown wondered if it isn't that Greene his skin a bit as he watched from the

game drills and introductions sees that in the Duquesne game but it didn't faze

(The energy he comes out with) catches. He didn't let it affect him.'

up," Brown said. "We've got to figure can't against a Top 10 team like Penn

out a way as a staff - everything from State and, certainly, there's no room for

get him to calm down a little bit where ball all right, not Geno Smith or Marc

It's kind of like you are going in for completed 26 of 45 passes of 402 yards surgery in the hospital and the doctor with 4 touchdowns and no interceptions.

him one bit.

New York Jets quarterback Aaron Rodries Thursday night that he had surgery to repair his torn left Achilles tendon on Wednesday.

The post includes a picture of a smiling Rodgers in a blue medical cap and gown in a hospital bed with his left foot clearly bruised.

Rodgers said the surgery was performed by Dr. Neal ElAttrache, an orthopedic surgeon based in Los Angeles who has worked with numerous profes-

sional athletes during his career. "Surgery went great yesterday," Rodgers wrote. "Thank you for all the love and prayers and support. And thanks to the (goat emoji) Dr ElAtrrache and his staff

And, against Penn State, he got off to a

Full disclosure, the numbers would

three drops from his receivers in the

Duquesne game, but in both games he

When looking for an explanation,

is flying too high as the game begins be-

Anyone who has watched him pre-

his emotions are overtaking any rational

actions that he might have. You wonder,

left behind a truck full of Red Bull be-

probably works against him a little bit at

the start of games because he is amped

our sports psychology people to the

strength and sports science folks - to

comes bouncing in, chugging on a mug

he can execute a little bit higher.'

fore exiting that Greene had inherited.

as you watch, if Dana Holgorsen had not ceivers

fore he can get into his routine.

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5-of-11 passing start.

had to be made.

GREENE

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. (AP) - ter tearing his Achilles tendon on the fourth snap of his debut with his new gers announced on his Instagram Sto- team Monday night, a 22-16 overtime victory over Buffalo.

The 39-year-old quarterback posted Wednesday on Instagram in his first public comments that he was "completely heartbroken and moving through all of the emotions" after the injury. He added: "The night is darkest before the dawn. And I shall rise yet again.

Rodgers is also facing a long, arduous recovery and rehabilitation from the injury. But his post Wednesday appeared to indicate he might not be ready to call it a career.

Jets coach Robert Saleh said Wednesday that Rodgers was going for some medical consultations to determine his for starting me on the road to recovery." next step. It turned out the fo Rodgers is out for the season af MVP had surgery later that day. next step. It turned out the four-time

game. He'll get better at it - it's just

dropped or when he overthrows or has

bad misses on simple swing pass routes,

'He handled it better than I did,'

Brown admitted, indicating it got under

sideline. "He probably handled that as

good or better than any quarterback I've ever had. We had four legitimate drops

In fact, he went off to console the re-

"Totally unsolicited, he's over there

You can get away with that loose

Once Greene settled in, he threw the

This is all right with the running

Bulger or Will Grier all right, but he

talking to the guys who didn't make the

play against Duquesne, but obviously

it in a traditional rivalry game.

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Linsly Cadets Defends OVAC 3A Boys Golf Title Behind Medalist Gill

By KIM NORTH **Staff Writer**

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pass attempts (603). He tossed 40 touch- to get his team into Ohio Stadium. downs - one fewer than Ohio State's

Reed is at his third school. He started at Southern Illinois and moved on to West Florida, where in 2019 he passed for 4,089 yards and 40 touchdowns in like Ohio State and show out." leading the Argonauts to a Division II national title.

In the first two games of this season, the NFL prospect has already thrown for

week. They're going to come after us."

THE BIG STAGE

ton has seen some big-time football, we haven't executed very well."

4,746 - than any quarterback in Di- having worked on coaching staffs at vision I and was third in the number of Tennessee, USC and others. He's eager

We love playing in these games and C.J. Stroud and two fewer than USC's love being on this stage," the 46-year-Heisman Trophy winner Caleb Williams. old Helton said. "We talk about all the time being part of the national conversation. If you want to be a part of that conversation, you've got to go to places

"I can't think of a better place to go play a college football game," he said.

RUNNING THE BALL

With at least two NFL prospects at 589 yards and six TDs with a completion running back — TreVeyon Henderson rate of 67.5%. And the Hilltoppers throw and Miyan Williams - Ohio State a lot - 83 times in the first two games. is still working on getting its ground "He's accurate. He gets the ball out of game uncorked. In wins over Indiana his hands," Day said. "You can tell he's and Youngstown State, the Buckeyes very, very intelligent, has good vision. A rushed for 143 yards and 123 yards, rereally good challenge for our defense this spectively. In the two games they converted just seven of 24 third downs.

"We got to get it fixed," Day said. Western Kentucky coach Tyson Hel- "We've just been in situations where

PIRATES

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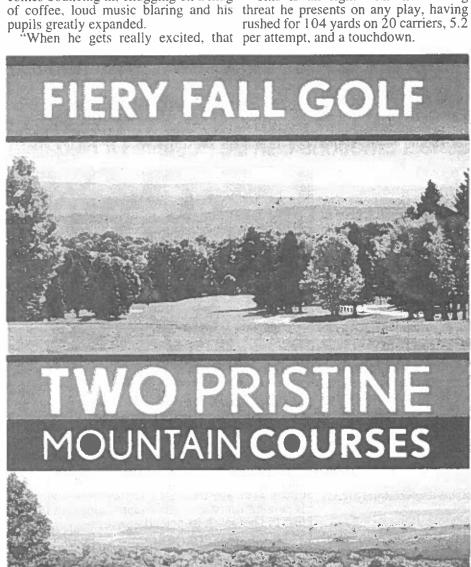
off with my whole array of pitches," Gray said. worked a lot today, just ue to build off it.' believing in my stuff. Us-Pittsburgh jur

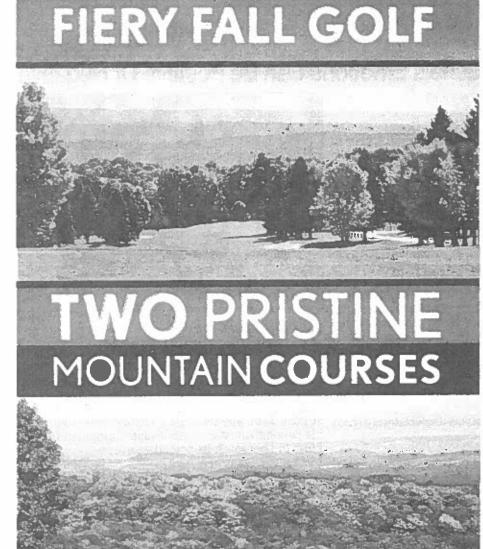
"Early strikes, first- it. The early returns are ners on in the first when CJ pitch strikes, finish them good, but just like every Abrams hit a leadoff single "Just getting ahead early back to work. Just contin- Liover Peguero. But Keller

plate. It was a good day." led off the second with his struck out Joey Meneses. It was Gray's first big team-high 25th homer on league appearance since a drive to right. Alfonso not good. They weren't Sept. 3 against Miami, Rivas connected with two crisp," Nationals manager when he allowed three out in the fifth, hitting a Dave Martinez said. "We

day, have to come to the and Lane Thomas reached ballpark tomorrow and get on an error by shortstop retired Keibert Ruiz on Pittsburgh jumped in a fly ball to left, picked ing the whole part of the front when Jack Suwinski off Abrams at second and

"The at-bats today were runs and walked four in 411-foot shot to center chased a lot out of the





to be starting quarterback

State coach Ryan Day said Kyle Mc- tinction. Cord will remain the Buckeyes' starting third-year player after two games where the sixth-ranked Buckeyes (2-0). he received most of the playing time.

Day has refrained from naming a deson to replace C.J. Stroud.

"We decided that Kyle is going to be the starter." Day told reporters. "We're tucky at home on Saturday.

COLUMBUS. Ohio (AP) - Ohio going to go ahead and make that dis-

McCord has thrown for 497 yards, quarterback, finally committing to the three touchdowns and interception for

Brown is 8 for 16 in two games against Indiana and Youngstown State. finitive starter after McCord and Devin
Brown competed throughout the offseathat I think he realizes he is the starter," Day said. "He earned that opportunity."

The Buckeyes face Western Ken-



MCCORD



THE INAUGURAL all-Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Girls Golf team is pictured above. From left, are River's Kiera Saksa; Fort Frye's Khoon Carson; medalist St. Clairsville's Olivia Baker; runnerup Marietta's Saylor Wharff; Harrison Central's Kaily Banal; and Dover's Mya Downing.

St. C.'s Baker wins inaugural OVAC girls golf championship

By KIM NORTH Staff Writer

WHEELING way it played out, she made in a tie for 18th, said. the right one.

The St. Clairsville sopho- of Wharff entering the back more, who is a key member 9, but kept steady and pulled of the Red Devils boys golf back into competition. team. could only play in one "That tee shot on team. could only play in one event this week when the Ohio pure luck." she noted. "My Valley Athletic Conference driver wasn't good at all today. golf championships were held. She could either play in the Class 4A boys tournament like she did in 2022 - or the fact that she is the first-ever inaugural girls event.

Wednesday, the sophomore would have made the last putt. Marietta's Saylor Wharff, who was also in the player. She is someone that I foursome, by two strokes en- look up to so much because tering the 18th — and final hole at the Crispin Center Golf not make that putt, honestly,

it. She sent her tee shot over thankful that I got the opportuthe trees to the left of the fair- nity to win." way on the par-4 hole.

The ball landed approximately 10-15 feet from the sure on me when I play against hole. On the other side, Wharff the boys because I have to play drilled her tee shot into some from their tees, but that's not high grass and weeds, but the that big of a deal," Baker adarea was not considered out of mitted. "It's fun to be able to bounds, so she had to play her .go out and play with them." second shot from the difficult conditions.

ed the hole to finish at 74, its third consecutive Class 4A mentioned received all-OVAC 23-school event with a 385, Wharff curled her second putt title. which would have forced a playoff - around the hole Banal finished third with a ence team were the Martins

ful out there. There was a lot of pressure. I'm just happy I shot what I shot." Baker, who qualified for the Ohio Division Baker had a tough decision to II girls state tournament last make earlier this week. The fall as a freshman and finished

Baker was three shots back

I hit about three good drivers. That shot was amazing.

Although she will covet the girls OVAC champion, she Playing in the first group was really hoping Wharff

"Saylor is a really good she inspires me. Watching her it made me feel horrible be-That's when Baker went for cause I wanted her to win. I'm

As for her decision.

"I think there's more pres-

Baker said she actually went and cheered on the boys' team Although Baker three-putt- or. Tuesday when it captured 5 with 85s. All of the afore- effort, won the 12-team,

Harrison Central's Kaily Kiera Saksa and Dover's Mya 86 and 87, respectively. "It was really, really stress- Downing rounding out the top



ST. CLAIRSVILLE'S Olivia Baker watches her tee shot on the 18th hole Wednesday during the first-ever Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Girls Golf Championship at the Crispin Center Golf Club. The hole proved to be the key to a one-shot win.

honors.

Just missing the all-conferthan River's 388.

Fort Frye, behind Carson's 411.

which was three shots better

Edison finished third at from 5-foot away to give Bak- 79. Fort Frye's Khoon Carson Ferry duo of Danielle Lude and 400, while Martins Ferry was er the championship in the was fourth at 83, with River's Julia Hancock, who finished at fourth at 405. John Marshall and Marietta tied for fifth at

rally past Guardians

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) – LaMonte Wade Jr. hit a game-winning sacrifice fly in the bottom of the 10th inning and the San Francisco Giants rallied past the Cleve-land Guardians 6-5 on Wednesday in the rubber match of a three-game

Xzavion Curry (3-4) walked a pair to load the bases with no outs. Wade hit a fly ball to left and Patrick Bailey beat a strong throw from left fielder Steven Kwan, sliding under Bo Naylor's tag at the plate. The call was upheld upon video re-

"There's a bunch of fighters in that room and those guys are consistently battling," Giants manager Gabe Kapler said. "I think we're going to look at this game at the end of the season and believe that it's very meaningful.

J.D. Davis tied the game in the eighth with a towering three-run homer to left off Guardians reliever Eli Morgan.

"It was just a matter of a coin flip if it was going to go out or not," Davis said. "I knew it was going to be a sac fly, but once Kwan started backing up, backing up, and finally hit the wall, I was like, 'Wow, this is a three-run home run. Different ballgame right now.' So I was fortunate.

Camilo Doval (6-4) pitched 1 1/3 scoreless innings to earn his first win since Aug. 20.

Jose Ram rez hit his 215th career home run, tying Larry Doby for seventh in Guardians history.

Josh Naylor added an RBI single, as every Cleveland starter had at least one hit.

Luis Matos and Wilmer Flores had RBI singles for the Giants (75-71), who moved within one game of Arizona for the final NL wild

The Diamondbacks were scheduled to play at the New York Mets on Wednesday night.

Cleveland built a 4-0 lead in the first inning on Ramirez's two-run homer and a throwing error by third baseman Casey Schmitt that led to two more runs.

Matos cut the lead to 4-1 with an RBI single in the bottom of the first.

"We had a couple of chances and didn't expand (the lead)," Guardians manager Terry Francona said. "You give a good team free bases and sometimes they make you pay."

FOR STARTERS

Guardians rookie Logan Allen allowed one run and five hits in five innings. The left-hander struck out five and walked three.

"Happy to get through five," Allen said. "Happy to kind of settle in there after what was a shaky first inning. Happy with the outing, but tough with the way it ended."
TRAINER'S ROOM

Guardians: OF Ramon Laureano returned after missing three games with a jammed left thumb. Laureano went 1 for 5 with a double. ... RHP Triston McKenzie (sprained right elbow) was scheduled to make a rehab start for Double-A Akron on Wednesday night.

Giants: Davis started at first base after missing Tuesday's game with lower back tightness. ... Bailey was activated from the 7-day concussion injured list and went 1 for 4.

.. OF Michael Conforto (strained left hamstring) is expected to return from the 10-day IL at some point next series, according to Kapler. ... RHP Cole Waites underwent Tommy John surgery on his right elbow and is projected to return to play in 12 to 16 months.

Bears' Justin Fields says he was 'too conservative' in opener against Packers

cago Bears quarterback Justin Fields down the field.' wishes he aired it out more in a disdan Love and the Green Bay Packers. Bears would like him to be when Chi-

appointing season-opening loss to Jor- showing he can become the passer the deep

"There was a good opportunity I players when he's using his legs.

LAKE FOREST, Ill. (AP) - Chi- want to give them more chances deep for bigger gains, he didn't take them. teams are playing a zone, as Green He dumped the ball off when he could Bay was. They do that to try to contain Fields gets another chance to start have scrambled to buy time and gone scrambling quarterbacks. And he is, of course, one of the NFL's most electric



Wheeling Central's Isaac Martin (4) pulls out of the would-be tackle during a game from earlier this season. The Maroon Knights host Midland Trail Friday at Bishop Schmitt Field on the Wheeling University campus.

Maroon Knights Hope To **Fortify For Midland Trail**

By TRACY WATSON For The Intelligencer

WHEELING The last two times that Coach White also averages 48 Mike Young's Wheel- yards rushing per outing. ing Central team lost two of its first three football that St. Clairsville game," games, during the 2020 Young added. "When we and 2017 seasons, the got back to practice on Manual Visibility and the light of the state of the s Maroon Knights manning record.

youthful Central squad to be a lot better. "There are few schools

Virginia playoff rankings improve and compete." were released this week wards making that climb. car crash this Tuesday.

just need to bounce back and take quarterback Jaden Gladcare of Wheeling Central well, who has completed after losing to St. Clairsville," Young said, "For yards and two touchthe first quarter-and-ahalf we were in the game, the team's leading rusher then a fumble and kick with 64 carries for 323 return turned everything around. When you are while Will McGraw adds going against a quality 21 totes for 137 yards team like that with the in- and a touchdown. experience we have, that is going to happen.

But we may be 1-2 right through the air. now, but there are still plenty of games to play."

be led into action by outscored their three oppoquarterback Seth Cov- nents by a 74-32 margin. er, who has thrown five "They are a very good touchdown passes, and 3-0 football team." Young when he is looking for commented. "They have help he usually turns an explosive offense and to dual-threat Branden while they are a good run-McWreath. The junior ning team, they throw the averages 73 receiving ball even better. yards a game while rushfense. McWreath has a Prep. Pa. comes to town.

pair of interceptions to his credit.

Senior running back J.J.

Monday the kids all knew aged to finish the cam- how much harder they paign strong with a win-needed to work. We have the potential to be a good Coming off a 60-24 team this year, but by the setback to powerful St. time these kids are juriors Clairsville last Friday, a and seniors we are going

once again and looking to turn things around with unbeaten Midland Trail (3-0) set to pay a visit to Bishop Schmidt Field on the campus of Wheeling Clairsville, but we are still things from the campus of Wheeling Clairsville, but we are still things from the campus of Wheeling Clairsville, but we are still things from the campus of Wheeling Control and the campus of Wheeling Control and the campus of Wheeling Control and the campus of the campus of Wheeling Control and the campus of the University Friday night. Wheeling Central and we While there is still have a tradition to uphold. Wheeling Central and we plenty of season left to This stuff goes in cycles, play, the first set of West but we will continue to

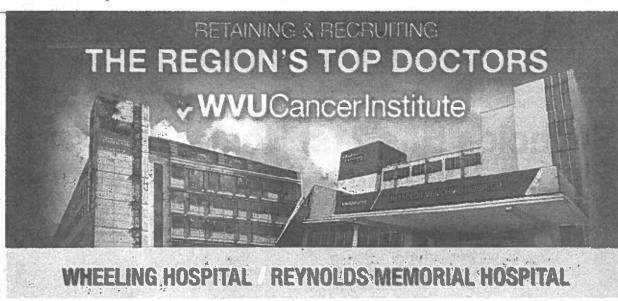
Second-year head coach with the Maroon Knights Jeremy Moore will bring needing to climb out of a a group of Patriots to the hole at No. 29, while the Friendly City with heavy Patriots are currently No. hearts after one of their 4 and a victory over them teammates was tragically could be a huge start to- killed in an early morning

> Midland Trail is led by yards and seventh scores

Preston Compton is the leading receiver with nine This team has 47 kids grabs for 94 yards while on the roster and 35 of Landon Snyder has four them are freshmen or catches for 91. Both Ian sophomores with just eight Harper and Jacob Ewing seniors and five juniors. have found the end zone

The Patriots are coming off a 24-0 victory over Wheeling Central will Meadow Bridge and have

Things will not get any ing for 111 yards an out- easier for the Maroon ing. He has also scored Knights after this one seven touchdowns, four as they host the fifth of through the air and three seven consecutive home on the ground. On de- contests when University



Shamrocks, Pilots Prepare For Thursday Clash



Photo Provided Barnesville quarterback Casey Carpenter looks for a receiver in the season opener against Buckeye Local.

By KIM NORTH Staff Writer

at Shamrock Stadium in western Belmont County. The Pilots hold a slim 20-15 all-time advantage.

The series began in 1966 and the state of the best players in the state of th

a slim 20-15 all-time advantage.

The series began in 1966 and was played every year until 1974.

The rivalry resumed in 1983 and lasted until 1990 before starting back up again in 1993. After five extends back into week 5 of the years, the two stopped playing 2021 campaign.

played pretty well in all three really been locked in Preparation phases of the game so far, and the is a real key in high school footgood thing is we've been able to get healthy. We're as healthy as Although the streak is nice, we've been all season," Barnes- Allen said he looks forward and ville head coach Blake Allen said. what lies ahead. "This will, however, be our biggest test of the season.

we resumed this rivalry. They got BARNESVILLE - River (2- us the first two years and we've 1) and Barnesville (4-0) will gotten them the last two. They've

years, the two stopped playing again until 2004, but didn't meet again until 2019. They are 2-2 in the last four years.

"That is a testament to the kids. again until 2019. They are 2-2 in the last four years.

"I'm proud of the kids. We've team and teams are teams are teams and teams are teams

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St. Clairsville's Baker Finishes Atop **Inaugural OVAC Girls Golf Championship**

Fort Frye Team Places First Among 12-Team Field

The Shamrocks host River tonight.

a tough decision to make earlier 18th, said. this week. The way it played out, she made the right one.

Devils boys' golf team, could only play in one event this week when the Ohio Valley Athletic Conferusan't good at all today. I hit about held. She could either play in the amazing. Class 4A boys tournament - like Although she will covet the she did in 2022 - or the inaugural fact that she is the first-ever girls

Wednesday, the sophomore trailed the last putt.
Marietta's Saylor Wharff, who "Saylor is strokes entering the 18th - and so much because she inspires me. final - hole at the Crispin Center Watching her not make that putt, Golf Course.

the trees to the left of the fair- to win." way on the par-4 hole. The ball landed approximately 10-15 feet second shot from the difficult them."

her second putt - which would consecutive Class 4A title. Baker the championship in the 78-player field.

ful out there. There was a lot of ing out the top 5 with 85s. All of while Martins Ferry was fourth at pressure. I'm just happy I shot the aforementioned received all- 405. John Marshall and Marietta what I shot," Baker, who quali- OVAC honors.

By KIM NORTH fied for the Ohio Division II girls state tournament last fall as a WHEELING - Olivia Baker had freshman and finished in a tie for

Baker was three shots back of she made the right one. Wharff entering the back 9, but The St. Clairsville sophomore, kept steady and pulled back into who is a key member of the Red competition.

ence golf championships were three good drivers. That shot was

rls event.

Playing in the first group hoping Wharff would have made

"Saylor is a really good player. was also in the foursome, by two She is someone that I look up to honestly, it made me feel horrible That's when Baker went for because I wanted her to win. I'm St. Clairsville's Olivia Baker reit. She sent her tee shot over thankful that I got the opportunity ceives congratulations after win-

As for her decision.

"I think there's more pressure from the hole. On the other side, on me when I play against the Wharff drilled her tee shot into boys because I have to play from some high grass and weeds, but their tees, but that's not that big of the area was not considered out a deal," Baker admitted. "It's fun of bounds, so she had to play her to be able to go out and play with

hole to finish at 74; Wharff curled Tuesday when it captured its third respectively.

83, with River's Kiera Saksa and 388. "It was really, really stress- Dover's Mya Downing round-



Photo by Kim North

ning the inaugural Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Girls Golf Championship Wednesday at the Crispin Center Golf Course. She carded a 74, which was a stroke better than Marietta's Saylor Wharff.

Just missing the all-conference team were the Martins Ferry duo Baker said she actually went of Danielle Lude and Julia Han-Although Baker three-putted the and cheered on the boys' team on cock, who finished at 86 and 87,

Fort Frye, behind Carson's ef-Harrison Central's Kaily Banal fort, won the 12-team, 23-school have forced a playoff - around Harrison Central's Kaily Banal fort, won the 12-team, 23-school the hole from 5-foot away to give finished third with a 79. Fort Fr- event with a 385, which was ye's Khoon Carson was fourth at three shots better than River's

> Edison finished third at 400. tied for fifth at 411.

the air a minute later.

"Bella Fitzsimmons, she came in as a freshman and she's a phenomenal goalie," Wheeling Central head coach Mackenzie Smith said. "I have full confidence in her, she's a leader, she knows when to step to the ball, calls people off, directs our defense. She had some great, game-saving games, so definitely appreciated her being on her game today.

Fitzsimmons had 10 saves on the day.

Steubenville Catholic Central did outshoot Wheel- Clum her scoring opportunity amidst a crowd. ing Central Catholic in the first half, and had four

shots on goal to the Maroon Knights' three.

In the second half, the script was flipped, with Wheeling often possessing in Steubenville Catholic territory, but not being able to generate many good looks at the net. Steubenville, meanwhile, tied the

The Crusaders had flipped field quickly and gotten into a run-out which resulted in a corner kick, giving heading in the right direction.'

Edison on Monday. Wheeling Central Catholic has a quick turnaround, facing Magnolia at home Thursday.

Wheeling Central has now won five of six, with one tie amongs the victories.

"I think we need to pick that side of things up, begame up in the 54th minute on a goal by Jemma Clum amidst a scrum in front of the goal. ing more physical and trying to establish ourselves in games," Hoover said. "I was happy with that second half performance, we did a better job of that and we're **BOYS SOCCER**

"We just started going to the ball, we weren't wait- Wheeling Central Catholic 0, Steubenville Catholic Central 0

Reynolds Hits 21st Homer, Pirates Top Nationals 7-6

PITTSBURGH (AP) - Bryan majors after six rocky starts earlier in tionals rookie pitcher Jackson Rut- plus innings after coming on for open-ledge try to gather himself after taking er Colin Selby to earn the victory. a throw off the back of his head from a teammate and wondered if a little baseball justice was about to be served.

as small as possible - no easy task at showing off a fastball that topped out 6-foot-8 - when catcher Drew Millas at 97 mph, a significant uptick from fired the ball toward second base in an effort to throw out Pittsburgh's Ji Hwan Bae with one out in the bottom of the fourth inning on Wednesday night.

The ball never got there. Instead, it caromed off the back of Rutledge's red cap and rolled into right field while Bae raced to third. While trainers tended to Rutledge, Reynolds took a couple of practice swings to keep warm.

Rutledge stayed in the game and when the count evened at 2-2, Reynolds felt a twinge of empathy for the former first-round pick making his major league debut.

"I was like. 'Well, if he gets me here, he kind of deserves it (after getting hit)," Reynolds said.

He didn't.

ledge's changeup for his third hit of the night and 21st homer of the season and the Pirates held on late for a 7-6 win.

Josh Palacios and Liover Pegeuro added two hits and an RBI apiece for the Pirates, who jumped to a 7-1 lead and then escaped when closer David Bednar retired C.J. Abrams and Lane Thomas with the bases loaded in the impressed that he stayed in and finninth for his 34th save.

obviously that's not the goal." Bednar that is pretty impressive.' said. "You want to make it quick. Once you get guys on, it's just like we want line of Nationals rookies to fail to earn to put a stop to it and come away with a win in their MLB debut. The group is

Reynolds watched Washington Na- the season, gave up four runs in four-

Priester, the 18th overall pick in the 2019 draft, came on in the second inning following opener Colin Selby. Rutledge had tried to make himself He retired the first 10 batters he faced, his first call-up.

"It's awesome man," Priester said. "The results aren't indicative of how I feel about it. I think there's so much more to build on there than there was before. I'm really excited to keep working and the results are going to come."

Dominic Smith hit his ninth home run for Washington. Millas hit his first major league homer for the Nationals, who fell to 4-10 in their last 14.

Rutledge, taken one spot after Priester in the 2019 draft, arrived in the majors fresh off a solid season in the minors, posting an 8-4 record with a 3.71 ERA and 106 strikeouts in 119 innings across 23 starts in Double-A and Triple-A.

Pittsburgh jumped on him immediate-Reynolds instead turned on Rut- ly, tagging him for four runs in the first and another in the third. What will be remembered far longer than Rutledge's stat line, however, is the play that ended with him rubbing the back of his head while his family sat in the stands with a look of concern on their faces.

They weren't the only ones. "It was wild," Reynolds said. "I'm ished the inning. To stay in and keep "Just wanted to make it interesting, pitching after getting domed up like

Rutledge became the latest in a long 0-11 with six no-decisions since Ste-Pittsburgh rookie Quinn Priester (3- phen Strasburg's historic 14-strikeout 2), back up for his second stint in the performance against the Pirates in 2010.

Inaugural All-OVAC Girls Golf Team



Photo Provided

The Inaugural All-Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Girls Golf team is pictured above. From left, are River's Kiera Saksa; Fort Frye's Khoon Carson; medalist St. Clairsville's Olivia Baker; runnerup Marietta's Saylor Wharff; Harrison Central's Kaily Banal; and Dover's Mya Downing.

Steubenville Gets Rolling; River Wins Nailbiter

volleyball team shook off the first game against Harrison Central as Big Red rallied to win the next three to win the match, 18-25, 25-11, 25-17, 25-9, Wednesday night inside the Crimson Center.

Individually for the Red-and-Black, Sarah Allen collected 12 kills, four aces and one dig, Te'Jah Montgomery tallied six kills, four aces and one dig and Emma Lyons added eight kills.
Statistical leaders for Harrison Cen-

tral included Lauren Doane with 12 kills and six blocks; Nessa Culver had 12 digs; Kennedy Dunlap eight points and Olivia Tonkovich with seven assists.

Edison Sweeps St. Clairsville RICHMOND - The Wildcats won this Buckeye 8 encounter by scores of

25-18, 25-16 and 25-22. Rachel Finnical led the Red Devaces. Ella Carpenter had seven kills,

STEUBENVILLE - The Big Red Brooke Biancarelli finished with 18 digs, five kills and three aces.

River Wins In Five Over Panthers RAYLAND - River took a road victory Wednesday, beating Buckeye Local 25-16, 24-26, 12-25, 25-18, 15-12.

Hallie Hammel had 12 kills for the Pilots, followed by Reese Hobbs and Emma Reed, both with seven.

Hobbs also had a team-high six blocks. while Zoey Fox had five for River.

Aubrey Fetty finished with 20 digs, Hammel with 15 and Maci Isaly with 14 on the Pilots.

Isaly also racked up 28 assists in the win.

GIRLS SOCCER

Brooke 3, St. Clairsville 0 WELLSBURG - Lucia Rubio, Morgan McMahon and Mikaya Childers all scored for the Bruins, while senior keeper Frankie Neff needed only six saves to ils with 14 assists, 18 digs and two preserve her second consecutive clean sheet and fourth on the season.

half-a-dozen digs and a pair of blocks, while Jenna Gorza charted 27 digs and son, while the Red Devils move to 5-5.

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"We know the streak is there but we're looking at only one game and that is tonight against River."

Veteran River head coach Mike Flannery is well "This is one aware of the Shamrocks explosive offense, but it's the in a long time." defense that caught his eye on film.

said. "We kind of matchup with them size-wise, but they are still bigger than us in the trenches. Offensivethem off the field.

Barnesville has all the pieces.

have to play a perfect game in order to come out on nery added.

The Shamrocks offense is ignited by quarterback good blocker, according to Flannery. Casey Carpenter who threw five TD passes injury and fullback Trey Toliver has shown signs of is when they want to pass they've got a really good his explosiveness. Luke Detling and Duker Castello one (Kabel) Isaly. are reliable receivers.

"This is definitely the best team on our schedule this year," Flannery admitted.

Senior Kabel Isaly is the key to the River offense "They've got I 1 guys that really get to the ball," he and he has a stable of running backs that can get the Jr., Jameson Maynard and Kolin Wiley. Finn Bowers and Kaden Johnson are the power

> are capable of taking it all the way. "We feel we're able to run the ball with our backs

All the tools in the tool box are sharp. We will and Kabel is very good at reading the defense," Flan-

They have a big offensive line and

Kickoff is set for 7.

Dr. Jill Hawkins

Au.D., CCC-A

Doctor of Audiology

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CHALLENGE -

got the edge 35-14 the year before.

Going back to week two against Brashear, the Pa-"This is one of the best Barnesville teams I've seen a long time."

triots had little trouble scoring, quarterback Aiden Davis going 8-8 for 188 yards and four touchdowns.

The scores went to Mykel Davis, Keohn Stephens

Sophomore Amare Johnson ran four times for 69 yards and a pair of touchdowns, while Zac Lydick ly, we want to control the ball and the clock to keep backs while Lucas Dennis is the speed back. All three had five carries for 57 yards and a TD. Lydick also pulled down a sack on defense. Stephens also grabbed an interception on defense.

"The usual suspects who we knew we would rely on, Mykel Davis, Keohn Stephens, Aiden Davis, all Tight end Maddox Mozena is a quality receiver and those guys are having a great start to their season. Amare Johnson is really kind of emerging also.'

Johnson is one member of a sophomore of ass which ago in a 41-0 romp over Newcomerstown. All-Ohio really big backs and a speed back," Allen said of the has impressed Daugherty in the early stages of the tailback Taison Starr has recovered from an early knee Pilots. "What really makes them dangerous, though, season, a class also including Issac Sands, Jed Hunley, Brennan Wack and Malaki Washington - though he is one of the Patriots' players who are banged up currently, according to Daugherty.

"So far we've been happy with our group of sophomores who we knew would have to play, we just weren't sure how each of them would react," he said. "Right now it's so far, so good. I'm not sure how much we've been tested, I think we'll be tested this Friday so it'll be interesting to see how they perform against a very good opponent like University will

For University, they are hoping to rebound from a 14-9 defeat to Brooke, a game in which their defense allowed only one touchdown, but their offense turned the ball over five times.

"I think it'll be important to see if their size will weigh on us or if our speed will win out," Daugherty said. "People think of speed at wide receiver and running back, but it can be at d-line. If our d-line is too quick, it can be a problem for them, if they're too big, it can be a problem for us. I think that'll be an interesting thing to watch during the game, who's

winning the line of scrimmage." Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. at Wheeling Island Sta-

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LOCAL CARD

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5:30 p.m. unless noted)
Thursday, Sept.14
BOYS GOLF
OVAC Class 3A Tourney at
Crispin, 9:30 a.m.
OVAC Class 5A at Speidel,
9:30 a.m.
Harrison Central vs. Indian Creek
at Steubenville CC, 3:30 p.m.
Buckeye Local and Toronto at
Bec-Wood GC, 3:30 p.m.
River and Frontier at St.
Marys, 4 p.m.
BOYS SOCCER
John Marshall at Wheeling Park
GIRLS GOLF
Edison vs. River at Clair Mar
GC, 4:15 p.m.
GIRLS SOCCER
John Marshall at Linsly, 6 p.m.
VOLLEYBALL
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Valley at St. John Shadyside at Whg Central John Marshall at University Bellaire at Harrison Central Edison at Cambridge Toronto at Steubenville Frontier at Bridgeport Parkersburg South at Wheeling Park, 6 p.m. Magnolia at Linsly, 6:30 p.m.

FOOTBALL CARD

(all games start at 7 p.m. unless noted) Thursday, Sept. 14

River at Barnesville
Friday, Sept: 15
Conotton Valley at Bridgeport Beallsville at Clay Battelle Steubenville at Dover Warren at Fort Frye Brooke at North Marion East Liverpool at Harrison Central Central
Washington at John Marshall
Cameron at Magnolia
Buckeye Local at Monroe Central
Toronto at Oak Glen North-Akron at Edison Webster County at Tyler Consolidated Martins Ferry at Newcomerstown Frontier at Valley Beaver Local at Union Local

Frankfort at Weir Shadyside at Brownsville, Pa. Midland Trail at Wheeling University at Wheeling Park Steubenville Catholic at Fair-

point: Indian Valley at St. Clairsville, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 16
PREP

Cambridge at Bellaire, noon Mount View at Paden City, 1 p.m. COLLEGE West Liberty at Frostburg State, 1 p.m.
Wheeling at Fairmont St., 1 p.m. Central Michigan at Notre Dame, 2:30 p.m. Western Kentucky at Ohio State, 4 p.m. Pitt at WVU, 7:30 p.m.

AP Top 25 Rec

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1. Georgia (55)	2-0	1540	1
2. Michigan (2)	2-0	1458	2
3. Florida St. (3)	2-0	1413	4
4. Texas (2)	2-0	1338	11
5. Southern Cal	3-0	1269	6
6. Ohio St.	2-0	1265	5
7. Penn St.	2-0	1204	5 7
8. Washington	2-0	1102	8
9. Notre Dame	3-0	1015	10
10. Alabama	1-1	953	3
	2-0		9
11. Tennessee	2-0	847	12
12. Utah		827	13
13. Oregon	2.0		14
14. LSU	1-1	667	
15. Kansas St.	2-0	636	15
16. Oregon St.	2.0	605	16
17, Mississippi	2-0		20
18. Colorado	2-0		22
19. Oklahoma	2-0		18
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COLLEGE FOOTBALL 7:30 n.m. ACCN - Bethune-Cookman at

Navy at Memphis ESPN -MLB BASEBALL 12:30 p.m.

ATTSN--Washington at Pitts-

NFL FOOTBALL 8:15 p.m. PRIME VIDEO - Minnesota at Philadelphia

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL STANDINGS

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Baltimore	91	54	.628		_	7-3		43-28	48-26
Tampa Bay	90	57	.612	2	+81/2	7-3	W-1	50-25	40-32
Toronto	80	66	.548	111/2	1	6-4	L-3	38-33	42-33
Boston	73	72	.503	18	71/2	4-6		37-37	36-35
New York	73	72	.503	18	71/2	7-3	W-3	39-36	34-36
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Minnesota	76	70	.521	_	_	5-5		43-32	33-38
Cleveland	69	78	.469	71/2	121/2	3-7		36-36	33-42
Detroit	66	79	.455	91/2	141/2	5-5	L-2	31-43	35-36
Chicago	56	90	.384	20	25	3-7	L-2	29-42	27-48
Kansas City	46	101	.313	301/2	351/2	4-6	W-2	26-46	20-55
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Houston	83	64	,565		_		W-1	38-37	45-27
Texas	81	64	.559	1	+ 1/2		W-5	45-30	36-34
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Chicago	78	69	.531	4	+2		L-2	41-34	37-35
Cincinnati	76	71	.517	6	_		M-3	36-39	40-32
Pittsburgh	68	78	.466	131/2			W-2	36-38	32-40
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Sox. 7:40 p.m. Houston at Kansas City, 8:10 Detroit at L.A. Angels, 9:38

San Diego at Oakland, 9:40 L.A. Dodgers at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Wednesday's Games Colorado 7, Chicago Cubs 3

Yankees at Pittsburgh, Atlanta at Miami, 6:40 p.m. Cincinnati at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 Washington at Milwaukee, Philadelphia at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m. San Francisco at Colorado, 8:40 p.m. Chicago Cubs at Arizona, 9:40

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OVAC GIRLS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

(at Crispin Center Golf Course) **TEAM SCORES**

FORT FRYE 385 (Khoon Carson 83; Denay Layton 93; Adeline Willey 105; Faith Treadway 110) RIVER 388 (Kiera Saksa 85; Jamie smith 96; Brielle Grimes 100; Ambie Grimes 107) EDISON 400 (Katie Phillips 91;

Bella Evans 92; Ayden Christiansen 102: Lily Larkins 115) MARTINS FERRY 405 (Danielle Julia Hancock 87; Alanne Williams 107; Keigan Brandon 125)

JOHN MARSHALL 411 (Jocelyn Blatt 100; Alexis Cumberlidge 101; Alexis Thayer 103; Morgan Messner 107) MARIETTA 411 (Saylor Wharff

75; Claire Bills 98; Jordan Haessly 117; Samantha Mayo

DOVER 432 (Mya Downing 85; Tatum Tylke 102; Livie Hamilton 122; Sophia Wicker 123) WARREN LOCAL 434 (Merine Johnson 97; Eryn Gilliam 123; Ella Day 124; Madison Biehl 127)

WHEELING CENTRAL (Maddie Potts 92; Olivia Blatt 103; Keile Blatt 107; Annabella Blatt 133)

SOUTHERN LOCAL 442 (Kennedy Lewis 90; Paige Riggs 110; Lola Perfetto 119; Caty Brewer

BROOKE 467 (Grace Shepard 105; Ellie McDonald 107; Sophia Wilkerson 127; Annebella Haught 128) BEAVER LOCAL 507 (Julia Coo-

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Shepherd 145) OAK GLEN (Breanne Provenza-LINSLY (Alyssa Tomlinson 99; Cameron Roberts 125)

MONROE CENTRAL (Abie Kinney 109; Renee Williams 111; Graycee Huntsman 115) FRONTIER (Miley Kiggins 110) SHADYSIDE (Calla Conaway 111; Gianna Donaldson 169; Jaden Shaw 181)) EAST LIVERPOOL (Hadley Dob-

bins 127; Gabby Donaldson 143; Kaylyn Lamp 151)

OVAC FOOTBALL LEADERBOARD

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Zac Hall, C-B	2	36	311	1	8.6	155.5	
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Kylpsan Wallace, Camr		53	426	6	8.0	142.0	
Gavin Derby, Val	3	47	396	7	8.4	132.0	
Dino Burk, St. C.	4	55	484	12	8.8	121.0	
Mykel Quito, HC	4	73	479	.7	6.6	119.8	
Clayton Miller, FF	4	41	478	4	11.7	119.5	
	4	94	459	3	4.9	114.8	
Zion McGee, IC	3	53	343	6	6.5	114.3	
Talan McClurg, Ed	3	32	334	3	10.4	111.3	
Braden McWreath, WC		48	435	7	9.1	108.8	
Garrett Perkins, Beal	4		426	5	8.2	106.5	
Tevn Williams, MF	4	52		7 .	7.8	101.3	
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Colson Wichterman, Camr	3	28	288	5	10.3	96.0	
Brody Perzanowski, UL		46	375	2	8.2	93.8	
Hunter Oates, Mag	2	40	185	1	4.6	92.5	
Ayden Ludolph, MF	4	46	362	6	7.9	90.5	
Maverick Lemasters, JM	3	56	270	2	4.8	90.0	
Braxton Barnett, Shen	4	63	356	6	5.7	89.0	
Alex Taylor, Lin	3	29	254	4	8,8	84.7	
Lane Dallison, Val	3	43	244	1	5.7	81.3	
Tyler Lalenti, SCC	4	47	321	4 .	6.9	80.3	
Noah Smith, CV	3	48	229	3	4.8	76.3	
Eric Carr, War	4	31	301	4	9.7	75.3	
B.J.Fallon, SCC	4	41	298	5	7.3	74.5	
Ollie Muhly, St. C.	4	20	293	3	14.7	73.3	
Kam Baker, Tor	3	18	212	4	11.8	70.7	
Tommy Pergi, SCC	4	28	279	2	9.9	69.8	
Gavin Wright, EL	4	50	272	1	5.4	68.0	
Cale Bender, Cald	4	33	263	8	7.9	65.8	
Zeb Kinsey, Tor	3	16	195	1	12.2	65.0	
Jaymin Haney, EL	4	42	253	4	6.0	63.3	
Maddox Shriver, C-B		15	124	3	8.3	62.0	
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Drew White, Bel	2	19	120	Ō	6.3	60.0	
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Chase Littleton, WM	3	38	174	4	4.6	58.0	
Matthew Anderson, Mag		39	115	1	2.9	57.5	
Joey Baker, PC	2	14	114	3	8.1	57.0	
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	Brooks Bower, CV 4		15	272	3	18.1	68.0
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	Ethan Jackson, Univ 3		14	348	5	24.9	116.0
	Dallas Preat, Val 3		14	331	4	23.6	110.3
	Braden McWreath, WC 3		14	218	4	15.6	72.7
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Note: List includes any player who has kicked at least one PAT or field goal Note: List does not include Barnesville, Bridgeport, Brooke, Buckeye Local, Frontier, Hundred, Marietta,

Monroe Central, River, Shadyside, Southern Local, Weir, or Wellsville because of incomplete statistics. Stats are requested to be emailed to Mike Hughes at dashewz80@gmail.com no later than Tuesday following games.

OVAC 1A/2A GOLF

(Tuesday at Crispin Golf Course) **TEAM SCORES**

MONROE CENTRAL 331 (Zander Potts 74, Lane Demchek 81, Owen Weckbacher 85, James Williams 91)
TRINITY CHRISTIAN
360 (Will McPherson
85, Chayce Adams 89, Josh Mercure 93, Eddie Tudor 93) TORONTO 369 (Ty Suffoletta 86, Noah Karaf fa 92, Hank Bodnar 95, Chase Derrington 96) CONOTTON VALLEY 376 (Garrett Reiter 91, Logan Reiter 94, Brooks Bower 95, Kaden Leggett 96) SHADYSIDE (Luke Bell 86, Brandon O'Grady 93, Wyatt Parr 96, Isaiah Filburn 102)

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96, Isaiah Filburn 102) ST. JOHN ACADEMY EAST LIVERPOOL 408 Reed 91)

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OVAC 4A GOLF

TEAM SCORES

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Aaron Dieringer 97, Brody Vulgamore 108, Cooper Klein 117) OAK GLEN 412 (Colby Vega 95, Preston Cole 96, Logan Weekley 108, Zach Davis 113) WEIR 416 (Isiah Smith 89, Evan Kaczmarek 101, Guy Meneely 111, Justin Kacxmarek 115) EDISON 437 (Luke Ferreli 104, Brady Haught 107, Cash Meadows 110, Micah Larkins 116 HARRISON CENTRAL 449 (Nash Roberts 86, Heath Clay 104, Hayden Skipper 116, Chase Byers 143)

PARTIAL TEAM CAMRIDGE (Bradyn Jackson

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SPORTS

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Wednesday, September 13, 2023



THE ST. CLAIRSVILLE boys' golf team captured the OVAC Class 4A championship on the Jones Course at Speidel Golf Club inside Oglebay Park. From left, are head coach Ryan Clifford, Ethan Turner, Maverick Malin, Evan Fix, medalist Andrew Abel and Brodi Foster. They shot a 327 and won by 52 shots.

St. C. boys golf wins third straight 4A title

By KIM NORTH Staff Writer

WHEELING – Just a couple of weeks ago, St. Clairsville's Andrew Abel lost in a playoff for the Buckeye 8 championship on his home course. He played that day with a heavy heart as his grandfather was undergoing a

serious medical procedure. Fast forward two weeks and Abel was playing care-free with his grandfather in attendance. The junior fired a 41 on the front nine at the spacious Jones Course at the Speidel Golf Club inside Oglebay Park that was tied for the high score on the talented Red Devils squad.

However, he caught fire on the backside and finished with a blistering 36 to earn medalist honors by four strokes over teammate Mavrick Malin and Indian Creek's Noah Tweedy. who both carded 80s.

With Abel and Malin leading the way, St. Clairsville completed a three-peat with a four-player score of 327. Buckeye Local was a distant second at 379. Beaver Local finished at 403, three shots ahead of Indian Creek. East Liverpool was fifth at 408.

"We spend a lot of time over here working on our game at this course, and it shows," St. Clairsville head coach Ryan Clifford explained. "This is a tough place to play and if you're not ready, it can eat you up.

"After we shot even par in a win against Dover at Belmont Hills Country Club on Monday. I felt pretty confident coming in here today."

Clifford was pleased that his entire team, including fifth man Ethan Turner, shot under



MONROE CENTRAL captured its first-ever OVAC Class 1A/2A Golf Championship Tuesday at the Crispin Center Golf Course. Team members are, front from left, Dylan Pardon and James Williams. Back row, from left, are Owen Weckbacher, medalist Zander Potts;

Monroe Central boys golf wins first OVAC title

By KIM NORTH Staff Writer

been really, really good to the Monroe Cen-miliar with certain things," Highman noted. tral boys' golf team. A few weeks back the Seminoles pocketed the Mid-Ohio Valley League championship. On Tuesday, they claimed their first-ever Ohio Valley Athletic Conference golf title.

Led by senior medalist Zander Potts, Monroe Central carded a four-man total of 331 to easily outdistance second-place Trinity Christian which finished 29 strokes back at 360 on the overcast Crispin Center Golf Course inside Oglebay Park. Toronto

was third with a 369. The victory marked the second time this

hardware, something that head coach Jared Highman said was a key.

'It's always nice to play a couple of WHEELING - The Fall of 2023 has rounds on a course so that the kids are fa-"I think that really helped us today."

Potts, who bettered his M-OVL medalist score of 78 by four shots Tuesday and won by seven strokes, but it still didn't suit the

"It (my score) should've been better. I had some bad shots when I didn't need to," he admitted. "I just had a couple of bad holes but I'm not mad about my round. It was alright.'

Highman wasn't surprised at Potts' demeanor.

The Browns' defense transformed under Jim **Schwartz**

CLEVELAND (AP) - The Browns' most significant acquisition this off-season wasn't on the field for a single snap in Sunday's season-opening win over Cincinnati.

Jim Schwartz received a game ball. Cleveland's new defensive coordinator designed a plan that overwhelmed quarterback Joe Burrow and the Bengals, who managed just 142 total yards and six first downs in a rain-soaked 24-3 loss to the Browns.

With All-Pro end Myles Garrett leading the charge — while also showing off some basketball moves — the Browns pressured Burrow from the start, hurrying the newly minted \$275 million QB into making bad throws on a day when just gripping the ball was a challenge.

Burrow managed 82 yards passing

— by far the worst performance of his NFL career - against a rebuilt Cleveland defense that showed off its depth. versatility, swagger and an aggressiveness that has defined Schwartz's ca-

The fiery 57-year-old former Detroit head coach, who won a Super Bowl as Philadelphia's defensive coordinator in 2017, was hired by Cleveland coach Kevin Stefanski in January and tasked with repairing a defense that was awful last season.

So far, Schwartz has delivered.

With his input, Cleveland's front office revamped its defensive front, acquiring three-time Pro Bowl end Za'Darius Smith in a trade to pair with Garrett, and signing free agent end Ogbo Okoronkwo and tackle Dalvin Tomlinson.

On Sunday, Schwartz kept the Bengals and Burrow guessing by moving his linemen from side to side, from inside to outside. Cincinnati struggled to counter.

"In real time you can see it," Okoronkwo said. "They're pointing everywhere. They don't know who to block, who's dropping, who's coming. It's a beautiful thing. It all was executed perfectly."

Smith set the tone on the first play, coming off the left side and hitting Burrow just as he released the ball. Although Cleveland only had two sacks

- Garrett essentially closed the game with his — the Browns were credited with 10 hits on Burrow.

Schwartz has the Browns playing fast and physical. And, maybe most important, with confidence.

From the moment he arrived, Schwartz was intent on making his mark. He's demanded excellence and accountability, and it doesn't take long to locate him on the practice field. Actually, you'll hear him before you see

"I'm not everybody's cup of tea," he said last week when asked about his coaching style.

But it's effective. Schwartz is building trust along with a Cleveland defense that couldn't have had a much better debut.

"It worked out exactly how coach Schwartz said," Okoronkwo said. "So we listen to coach Schwartz, and in coach Schwartz we trust.'

WHAT'S WORKING Along with the defense's demolition job, Cleveland's often suspect special Huskies, Blue Dons Play to Draw

WEIRTON - In a match full of comebacks, the Harrison Central girls' soccer team saved the best for the last against Madonna.

With the Huskies trailing 3-2 in the closing minutes of the game, senior standout Angi Ferri fired a shot into the net to knot the score at 3 with a just a few minutes re-

Both teams had opportunities to win the game, however, the final whistle blew without another a goal being scored resulting in the match ending in a 3-3 tie Tuesday evening at the JC Williams Soccer Complex.

Madonna led 1-0, however, Harrison Central collected the next two goals to take a 2-1 lead in the second half. The Blue Dons delivered the next two to regain the lead at 3-2 before Ferri knotted the score late in the match.

Lily Gibbons tallied two goals and an assist for the girls from Harrison Central, while Ferri finished with a goal and an assist.

Brynn Artman netted a hat trick to lead the way offensively for the girls from Hancock County.

BOYS SOCCER Brooke Deals Weir Lopsided Defeat

WEIRTON - The Bruins scored early and often to hand rival Weir High a 9-2 defeat on the artificial pitch at Jimmy Carey Stadium.

Ben Ferguson tallied a four-goal night for the Bruins (6-2), while Chase Hile netted a goal and factored in on five more Brooke markers with five assists.

All-told, the Bruins got goals from six different players, Ferguson being the only one with multiple tallies. Nick Sagan had a goal and an assist, while Brayden Ferrell and Sam Mockbee scored while Jeg Hilt and Evan Urso added assists for the Green and Gold.

Brooke opened up a 6-1 lead at halftime. The Red Riders (3-7-1) got an early second half goal from Ben Howard to cut the deficit to four, but Brooke answered right away and seemed to carry the momentum the whole way

The Red Riders' other goal came from Kalen Kuhns.

Browns

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Newly acquired kicker Dustin Hopkins made all three field-goal attempts in slippery conditions.

Cleveland fans erupted in cheers that were mixed with relief when Hopkins split the uprights on his 42-yard-

er in the second quarter. Hopkins credited long snapper Charley Hughlett and holder Corey Boroquez, who averaged 47.3 yards

on seven punts. WHAT NEEDS HELP

Like Burrow, Deshaun Watson had a tough time throwing what Stefanski called a "heavy ball" in the steady, soaking rain.

Watson finished 16 of 29 for 154 yards. Not bad, but he misfired on some makeable throws, including a deep one to Marquise Goodwin for a potential TD

STOCK UP

Plenty of choices, especially on defense. But with the passing game compromised, the Browns turned to reliable running back Nick Chubb, who churned out 106 yards, averaging 5.9 per carry.

Chubb also had a team-high four receptions, perhaps a taste of how he'll be used more this season.

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"To have everyone shooting in the 70s and 80s was great," he said. "We'll celebrate this for a while, but we've got bigger fish yet to fry.

A trio of Red Devils have now won three OVAC championships.

"There's not too many kids that can say that," Clifford said. The trio are Abel, Brodi Foster and Evan Fix. Foster checked in with an 83, while Fix had an 87. Turner finished at 88.

Abel was happy to help his team while also earning medalist honors.

"My grandfather was here in great health and my teammates were so sup-

portive," Abel said. "I was looking out for them. They kept encouraging me and that really made me step up on the

"This title definitely feels better than the first two because I was the medalist today, but I'm so happy for my teammates. It's all about our team.

The runnerup Panthers were led by Kamden Kinyo with an 89.

In addition to Abel, Malin and Foster, Indian Creek's Noah Tweedy was all-OVAC, as were East Liverpool's Preston Dawson and Harrison Central's Nash Roberts who both shot 86. Dawson was the Buckeye 8 champ.

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"He is a senior and he expects a lot from himself," the coach said. "He did a really nice job today

His teammate, Lane Demchek, was runnerup with an 81, while fellow Seminole, Owen Weckbacher, also earned all-OVAC with an 85. The fourth player, James Williams, shot 91.

"Lane had a good back 9 and played a solid round," Highman said. "That really helped us seal the deal.

Highman hopes the success continues.

"We hope to have a couple of good rounds when the sectional tournament starts," he said. "We hope to qualify for the districts. Maybe one of these days we'll put it all together."

In addition to the three Seminoles, also earning all-OVAC were Trinity Christian's Will McPherson (85); and Shadyside's Luke Bell and Toronto's Ty Suffoletta who both carded

Steelers at Indy

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Indianapolis at Houston, 1 p.m. Kansas City at Jacksonville, 1 p.m. L.A. Chargers at Tennessee, 1 p.m. Las Vegas at Buffalo, 1 p.m. Seattle at Detroit, 1 p.m. N.Y. Giants at Arizona, 4:05 p.m. San Francisco at L.A. Rams,

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Atlanta (Strider 16-5) at Phil-

adelphia (Sanchez 2-3), 6:40

Detroit (Rodriguez 11-7), 6:40

Arizona (Gallen 15-7) at N.Y.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE Tuesday's Games N.Y. Yankees 3, Boston 2, 1st

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Wednesday, September 13 MLB BASEBALL

1 p.m.

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MLBN — Regional Coverage: NY Yankees at Boston OR Texas at

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Minnesota at Chicago White Sox, 7:40 p.m.

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BOSTON RED SOX — Reing stated INF/OF Pablo Reyes from the 10-day IL. Optioned INF Enmanuel Valdez to Worcester (IL).

11 p.m.

MLBN — San Diego at LA Dodgers
(Joined in Progress)
TENNIS NEW YORK YANKEES - Seected the contract of RHP, TENNIS — Davis Cup Finals Group Stage: U.S. vs. Croatia, Australia vs. Britain, Spain vs. Czech Rep., Canada vs. Italy; San Diego-WTA, Osaka-WTA Early Rounds WNBA BASKETBALL Zach McAllister from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Placed RHP Jonathan Loaisiga on the 15-day IL, retroactive to 8 p.m.
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"Yes, she scores a lot but the most surprsing thing about her is how selfless she is," Oak Glen coach Bill Watts said. "She's all about the team and one of our hardest workers."

Ward's career overlapped with Enochs' in Ward's freshman season and the passing of the torch is now complete. Ward, who is perhaps better known for her exploits as a sprinter on the Golden Bears' track team, has used her speed to dominate opponents on the soc-

"She has a dynamic first step and in space she is very dangerous," Watts said.

With Oak Glen's deep tournament runs and strong regular season schedules over the past four years. these goals have come against top competition in West Virginia.

"We play a lot of 3A schools and very strong opponents like your Winfields and Charleston Catholics, Watts said. "She has done it against a lot of kids who are going on to become college players.'

Oak Glen is 7-2 and will be at University in Morgantown on Saturday.

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Oak Glen did play 30 minutes against Philip Barbour on Saturday, but lightning stopped the match and it did not resume.

Oak Glen will make the three hour trip back to Philip Barbour on Sept. 23.



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WHEELING - Just a couple of weeks ago, St. Clairsville's Andrew Abel lost in a playoff for the ing fifth man Ethan Turner, shot under 90. Buckeye 8 championship on his home course. He was undergoing a serious medical procedure.

Fast forward two weeks and Abel was playing carefree with his grandfather in attendance. The championships. junior fired a 41 on the front nine at the spacious bay Park that was tied for the high score on the talented Red Devils squad.

However, he caught fire on the backside and finished with a blistering 36 to earn medalist honors by four strokes over teammate Mavrick Malin and "My grandfather was here in great health and my

Clairsville completed an OVAC three-peat with a that really made me step up on the back 9. four-player score of 327. Buckeye Local was a disthree shots ahead of Indian Creek. East Liverpool for my teammates. It's all about our team.' was fifth at 408.

"We spend a lot of time over here working on yo with an 89. our game at this course, and it shows," St. Clairseat you up.

"After we shot even par in a win against Dover Buckeye 8 champ.

at Belmont Hills Country Club on Monday, I felt pretty confident coming in here today.'

Clifford was pleased that his entire team, includ-

"To have everyone shooting in the 70s and 80s played that day with a heavy heart as his grandfather was great," he said. "We'll celebrate this for a while, got bigger fish yet to fry. but we've

A trio of Red Devils have now won three OVAC

"There's not too many kids that can say that," Jones Course at the Speidel Golf Club inside Ogle- Clifford said. The trio are Abel, Brodi Foster and Evan Fix. Foster checked in with an 83, while Fix had an 87. Turner finished at 88.

Abel was happy to help his team while also earn-

Indian Creek's Noah Tweedy, who both carded 80s. teammates were so supportive," Abel said. "I was With Abel and Malin leading the way, St. looking out for them. They kept encouraging me and

tant second at 379. Beaver Local finished at 403, because I was the medalist today, but I'm so happy

The runnerup Panthers were led by Kamden Kin-

In addition to Abel, Malin and Foster, Indian ville head coach Ryan Clifford explained. "This is Creek's Noah Tweedy was all-OVAC, as were East a tough place to play and if you're not ready, it can Liverpool's Preston Dawson and Harrison Central's Nash Roberts who both shot 86. Dawson was the