

• AREA SCENE

Local Schedule

<b>Saturday Baseball</b>		Findlay at Defiance
Napoleon at Defiance		Miller City at Ayersville
Ayersville at Elmwood		Bryan at Hicksville
Hamilton (Ind.) at Fairview		Bluffton at Tinora
Patrick Henry at Tinora		Antwerp at Crestview
Stryker at Delta (DH)		Paulding at Kalida
Evergreen at Genoa		Wayne Trace at Parkway
Swanton at Otsego		Edgerton at Stryker
Miller City at Marion Local		Perrysburg at Napoleon
Allen East at Ottawa-Glandorf		Pettisville at Archbold
		Wauseon at Delta
<b>Softball</b>		Whiteford (Mich.) at Evergreen
Fairview at Otsego (DH)		Toledo Christian at Liberty Center
Stryker at Delta (DH)		Swanton at North Central
Patrick Henry at Montpelier		Ottawa-Glandorf at Patrick Henry
Allen East at Ottawa-Glandorf		Holgate at Continental
<b>Track and Field</b>		<b>Softball</b>
Archbold/Delta/Edgerton/Fayette/Hicksville/Hilltop/Holgate/North Central/ Patrick Henry/Pettisville/Stryker/Tinora at Montpelier Lamberson Invitational		<b>Division IV Sectionals</b>
		Edon at North Central
		Stryker at Pettisville
		Fayette at Hilltop
		Continental at Patrick Henry
		Kalida at Crestview
		<b>Regular Season</b>
		Defiance at Celina
		Woodlan (Ind.) at Antwerp
		Lincolnview at Paulding
		Celina at Wayne Trace
		Fremont (Ind.) at Edgerton
		Wauseon at Delta
		McComb at Miller City
		<b>Track and Field</b>
		Ayersville/Fairview/Hicksville at Tinora
		Paulding/Wayne Trace at Antwerp
		<b>Boys Tennis</b>
		Archbold at Napoleon
		Toledo Central Catholic at Wauseon

Boys Track Honor Roll

<b>Shot Put</b>		
1. Jack Woods (Paulding)	51-1	
2. Owen Box (L. Center)	49-0.5	
3. Tyson Schlachter (Ayers.)	47-7.25	
4. Sam Worline (Evergreen)	47-7	
5. Logan Pontious (Montp.)	46-11.5	
<b>Discus</b>		
1. Austin Gates (Fairview)	156-4	
2. Tyson Schlachter (Ayersville)	156-3	
3. Jack Woods (Paulding)	150-4	
4. Eli Fackler (Montpelier)	144-8	
5. Landen Foltz (W. Trace)	143-2	
<b>High Jump</b>		
1. Owen Ackerman (Tinora)	6-4.25	
2. Dalton (Defiance)/Flory (Ayers.)	6-2	
3. Smith (P. Henry)/York (Delta)	6-0	
4. 5 tied at 5-10		
5. 17 tied at 5-8		
<b>Long Jump</b>		
1. Riley Dunbar (Evergreen)	21-8	
2. Owen Ackerman (Tinora)	21-1	
3. Landin Wiechers (Napoleon)	20-5.75	
4. Drew Fersch (Kalida)	19-10.25	
5. Kaiden Kern (Fairview)	19-9	
<b>Pole Vault</b>		
1. Austin Aeschliman (Wauseon)	13-0	
2. Etter (Cont)/Ruple (Delta)	12-6	
3. Nofziger (Arch)/Wolfrum (Ayers)	12-0	
4. Decker (Kalida)/Chambers (LC)	11-6	
5. Alex Schroeder (O-G)	11-0	
<b>110 Hurdles</b>		
1. Carter Herman (Edgerton)	15.38	
2. Ronnie Wyse (Delta)	15.58	
3. Jeff Zacharias (L. Center)	15.79	
4. Jeremiah Wolford (Delta)	15.91	
5. Cole Plassman (Archbold)	16.28	
<b>300 Hurdles</b>		
1. Carter Herman (Edgerton)	40.13	
2. Eli Mora (Delta)	41.18	
3. Dane Duling (O-G)	41.45	
4. Cole Anders (Tinora)	43.14	
5. Hudson Myers (W. Trace)	43.34	
<b>400 Relay</b>		
1. Ottawa-Glandorf	45.42	
2. Liberty Center	45.55	
3. Archbold	45.59	
4. Defiance	45.60	
5. Pettisville	45.70	

Girls Track Honor Roll

<b>Shot Put</b>		
1. Camille Hovest (Kalida)	39-5	
2. Emma Hoffman (O-G)	39-1.5	
3. Jolynn Eis (Holgate)	38-11.75	
4. Alyssa Giesige (L. Center)	37-6.75	
4. Emili Cramer (L. Center)	37-2.5	
<b>Discus</b>		
1. Camille Hovest (Kalida)	146-1	
2. Emma Hoffman (O-G)	139-3	
3. Hayley Meyer (Wauseon)	124-2	
4. Hayden Neidhart (Hicks-ville)	122-8	
5. Emili Cramer (L. Center)	120-10	
<b>High Jump</b>		
1. Fausnight (LC)/Shepherd (WT)	5-2	
2. 5 tied at 5-0		
3. Carly Webken (Kalida)	4-11	
4. 8 tied at 4-10		
5. Ada Christman (PH)	4-9	
<b>Long Jump</b>		
1. Rhaegan Marshall (Contin.)	17-8.75	
2. Addison Lee (Tinora)	17-3	
3. Ally Schindler (Ayersville)	17-2	
4. Savanna Recker (O-G)	17-0.25	
5. Lily Haselman (O-G)	16-11.5	
<b>Pole Vault</b>		
1. Lily Haselman (O-G)	11-6	
2. Teagan Rupp (Wauseon)	10-6	
3. Calla Oelkrug (Liberty Center)	10-0	
4. Molly McGuire (Fairview)	9-2	
5. 7 tied at 9-0		
<b>100 Hurdles</b>		
1. Mariah Mireles (Archbold)	16.31	
2. Regan Rigg (Defiance)	16.55	
3. Kaylee Dockery (Ayersville)	16.65	
4. Madeline Liebrecht (O-G)	16.89	
5. Alanna Pedraza (Archbold)	16.94	
<b>300 Hurdles</b>		
1. Lily Kruse (Napoleon)	48.72	
2. Madeline Liebrecht (O-G)	49.52	
3. Mariah Mireles (Archbold)	50.09	
4. Emersyn Gerken (L. Center)	50.28	
5. Regan Rigg (Defiance)	50.41	
<b>400 Relay</b>		
1. Ottawa-Glandorf	51.11	
2. Liberty Center	51.26	
3. Kalida	53.12	
4. Defiance	53.20	
5. Ayersville	53.61	

AREA SOFTBALL STATISTICS

Player/Team	Hits	AtBats	Avg.
Macy Chamberlain, Evergreen	28	40	0.700
Alexa Faber, Swanton	31	51	0.608
Aeriel Brown, Ayersville	29	49	0.592
Anna Frazer, Tinora	37	63	0.587
Paige Ricica, Fairview	36	66	0.545
Logan McQuillin, Tinora	33	61	0.541
Taylor Forrest, Swanton	21	41	0.512
Thea Staten, Bryan	34	67	0.507
Bea Barrett, Liberty Center	26	52	0.500
Grace Homier, Continental	30	60	0.500
Ayvah Cullen, Defiance	26	53	0.491
Reese Knowles, Continental	28	58	0.483
Natalie Nofziger, Archbold	26	54	0.481
Carrie Zeedyk, Fairview	28	59	0.475
Joscelyn Layman, Hilltop	29	62	0.468
Kasey Nelson, Patrick Henry	21	45	0.467
Kendal Sutton, North Central	25	54	0.463
Paige Gamby, Tinora	27	59	0.458
Talya Escamilla, Defiance	16	35	0.457
Makinzy King, North Central	21	46	0.457

(Minimum 35 at-bats)

Runs scored

34 - Paige Ricica, Fairview
31 - Carrie Zeedyk, Fairview
30 - Joscelyn Layman, Hilltop
28 - Eliza Jones, Liberty Center
26 - Shealyn Brown, Hilltop; Allie Nelson, Hicks-ville
25 - Kelsi Bumb, Montpelier; Anna Frazer, Tinora
24 - Brooklyn Kuszmaul, Hilltop; Alli Scott, Continental, Brooklyn Kuszmaul, Hilltop; Macy Chamberlain, Evergreen
23 - Thea Staten, Bryan; Ella Voigt, Bryan; Sam Demuth, Miller City; Elizabeth Hoffman, Defiance; Maci Kauser, Paulding.
22 - Lyla Carrizales, Swanton; Logan McQuillin, Tinora; Natalie Nofziger, Archbold; Lyla Mahan, Montpelier; Katie Chapman, Hicks-ville

Doubles

11 - Ayvah Cullen, Defiance
10 - Thea Staten, Bryan
9 - Paige Ricica, Fairview; Sam Demuth, Miller City; Paige Gamby, Tinora
8 - Logan McQuillin, Tinora; Taighen Zipfel, Defiance; Kaitlin Slade, Wayne Trace
7 - Casey Everetts, Edgerton; Vida Casarez, Defiance; Lily Porter, Hicks-ville; ; Paige Carpenter, Tinora; Joscelyn Layman, Hilltop; Maci Kauser; Aeriel Brown, Ayersville

Triples

5 - Aeriel Brown, Ayersville
4 - Sam Demuth, MC; Noelle Ritter, Edgerton
3 - Makinzy King, NC; Emma Hickman, Edon; Caroline Rohrs, Antwerp; Tori Searfoss, Cont; Ayvah Cullen, Defiance; Chelsea Wilhelm, MC; Paige Ricica, Fairview; Natalie Nofziger, Archbold

Home runs

16 - Macy Chamberlain, Evergreen
10 - Paige Ricica, Fairview
7 - Natalie Nofziger, Archbold
6 - Noelle Ritter, Edgerton; Allison Rhodes, Fairview
4 - Mikala Schindler, Ayersville

**Note:** The following schools turned in statistics: Antwerp. Archbold, Ayersville, Bryan, Continental, Defiance, Delta, Edgerton, Edon, Evergreen, Fairview, Fayette, Hicks-ville, Hilltop, Liberty Center, Miller City, Montpelier, Napoleon, North Central, Patrick Henry, Paulding, Pettisville, Stryker, Swanton, Tinora, Wauseon, and Wayne Trace.

RAIDERS

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mitted to play baseball collegiately at NAIA Indiana Tech in Fort Wayne next season. “I think this year we’re taking it one game at a time, not taking anyone for granted. We’ve had a few slip-ups this year, but every team has those and I think we’re in a really good spot to continue and hopefully make our own playoff run.”

Davis is third on the team with a .396 average along with 19 hits, six doubles and nine RBIs while tallying a 1-0 mark in three starts and five appearances on the mound with a 3.87 ERA and 18 strikeouts in 12.2 innings.

Slade has a .325 average to his credit with 13 hits, 11 runs and eight RBIs as a catcher and first baseman for the Raiders with Crosby seeing time at the corner infield spots and also on the mound. The righty has a 3-0 record in four appearances, striking out 17 with just four walks as all three of his starts have resulted in complete-game wins over 19 innings.

The depth of the program is also apparent as a talented junior class has mixed in well with the veteran trio to provide flexibility for Jerome in his eighth year at his alma mater.

“(Having that three-year experience) has been tremendous for us, it’s a huge part of our success,” said Jerome. “You look at the guys on the field all year long, most of those guys were playing not just last year but the year prior and the summer ACME run we had last year. Those guys have been part of the process for two, three years now and eventually good things were bound to happen. These guys have earned it. It’s become a really veteran team of

Batting

32 - Macy Chamberlain, Evergreen
30 - Allison Rhodes, Fairview
28 - Paige Ricica, Fairview
26 - Alexa Faber, Swanton
25 - Logan McQuillin, Tinora; Thea Staten, Bryan
24 - Abby Austin, Hilltop; Giada Rising, Hilltop
22 - Lily Porter, Hicks-ville; Kelsi Bumb, Montpelier
21 - Joscelyn Layman, Hilltop; Emma St. Claire, LC; Noelle Ritter, Edgerton; Ayvah Cullen, Defiance

RBIs

25 - Anna Frazer, Tinora
20 - Maci Kauser, Paulding
17 - Marlee Yoder, Bryan
14 - Carrie Zeedyk, Fairview
13 - Kenley Routt, Hilltop; Jordan Schnipke, MC; Brookln Bakle, Paulding
12 - Kailee Thiel, Bryan; Erica Meyer, Napoleon
11 - Kasey Nelson, PH; Mariah Boyer, PH; Lyla Carrizales, Swanton; Lyla Mahan, Montpelier
10 - Allyson Derck, Edon; Sam Demuth, MC; Kim Grant, Continental; Chelsea Wilhelm, MC; Jocelynn Parrett, Paulding; Taylor Wilhelm, MC

Pitching

17-1 - Thea Staten, Bryan
14-1 - Paige Ricica, Fairview
7-1 - Molly Perry, Liberty Center
13-3 - Taighen Zipfel, Defiance
12-3 - Scylea Zolman, Tinora
10-4 - Giada Rising, Hilltop
12-5 - Madelyn Hopper, Montpelier
7-3 - Taylor Forrest, Swanton
8-4 - Corinne Cape, Edgerton
10-7 - Natalie Nofziger, Archbold

(Minimum 8 decisions)

Strikeouts (Innings)

215 - Thea Staten, Bryan (118)
176 - Scylea Zolman, Tinora (104.1)
163 - Madelyn Hopper, Montpelier (96.2)
131 - Paige Ricica, Fairview (88)
118 - Natalie Nofziger, Archbold (N/A)
112 - Taighen Zipfel, Defiance (101)
111 - Gracie Homier, Continental (101.2)
110 - Kendra Waldron, Ayersville (N/A)
106 - Giada Rising, Hilltop (86.2)
97 - Arianna Kiessling, Napoleon (66.1)
94 - Kennedy Adams, Hicks-ville (90.1)
81 - Taylor Forrest, Swanton (67.1)
77 - Elisabeth Rochefort, Pettisville (69)
67 - Kira Keller, Evergreen (N/A)

ERA

0.64 - Paige Ricica, Farview
0.65 - Thea Staten, Bryan
0.74 - Scylea Zolman, Tinora
1.59 - Reese Kessler, Liberty Center
1.77 - Taylor Forrest, Swanton
2.01 - Arianna Kiessling, Napoleon; Taighen Zipfel, Defiance
2.26 - Taylor Waldron, Ayersville
2.44 - Elisabeth Rochefort, Pettisville
2.53 - Madelyn Hopper, Montpelier

(Minimum 40 innings pitched)

Softball Standings

Western Buckeye League		
Team	League	Overall
Defiance	8-0	15-4
Wapakoneta	6-2	13-6
St. Marys	4-2	9-5
Celina	4-2	8-10
Van Wert	3-3	3-11
Elida	3-4	10-6
Lima Bath	3-5	6-12
Lima Shawnee	2-4	4-10
Kenton	1-6	4-10
Ottawa-Glandorf	0-6	1-11

Green Meadows Conference		
Team	League	Overall
Fairview	7-0	17-1
Tinora	6-1	13-5
Edgerton	5-2	11-6
Ayersville	4-3	12-5
Antwerp	2-5	9-9
Hicks-ville	2-5	10-11
Wayne Trace	2-5	8-13
Paulding	0-7	6-11

Northwest Ohio Athletic League		
Team	League	Overall
Bryan	7-0	17-1
Liberty Center	6-1	14-4
Swanton	5-2	9-8
Archbold	3-3	11-8
Evergreen	2-4	6-10
Wauseon	1-4	6-11
Patrick Henry	1-5	7-11
Delta	0-6	0-17

Putnam County League		
Team	League	Overall
Miller City	4-0	12-6
Columbus Grove	4-1	9-9
Continental	4-1	7-10
Leipsic	2-3	6-9
Pandora-Gilboa	1-3	1-12
Ottoville	1-4	1-10
Kalida	0-4	1-13

Buckeye Border Conference		
Team	League	Overall
Hilltop	6-1	13-7
Montpelier	5-1	12-5
Pettisville	4-3	7-8
Stryker	4-3	5-8
North Central	3-3	7-7
Holgate	1-4	3-10
Edon	0-5	2-13
Fayette	0-5	0-8

Northern Lakes League		
Team	League	Overall
Springfield	9-0	22-0
Perrysburg	7-1	19-1
Anthony Wayne	7-1	17-1
Northview	3-4	7-7
Bowling Green	3-6	8-10
Napoleon	2-6	5-11
Maumee	1-6	6-9
Southview	0-8	0-13

in all three phases of the game and honestly I don’t think we’ve put all three phases together in a game yet this year.”

Only a 3-1 loss to Celina early in the year and a non-league loss to Antwerp on Wednesday at Parkview Field in Fort Wayne have blemished the 2023 campaign and have Wayne Trace in position for a high seed ahead of Sunday’s draw in a rugged tournament field featuring D-III powers like Coldwater, Eastwood, Elmwood and Liberty-Benton.

Historic run aside, the Raiders have used their 2023 schedule not just as an itinerary for the season, but a checklist.

Last year, Wayne Trace won its first conference title in 35 years, but had to share it.

This year, the outright title was on the list. Check.

Last year, Wayne Trace reached the Division IV district finals in a 22-4 campaign, only to come up short to three-time defending district champion and county rival Antwerp 6-4 at Bryan.

This year, the Raiders are in D-III and the Archers won’t be in a loaded Elida District field, but the goal still stays the same and the checkbox waiting to be struck through.

“I’ll be 100 percent honest, that loss stung,” said Jerome of the district defeat. “Not just for the coaches, but the kids as well; they felt like they missed an opportunity. Having said that, looking back at it now it could have been the best thing that happened to us. There’s been a noticeable edge to the guys’ work ethic, especially guys that were a part of that game. They’ve come with a specific intent, with a job to do.”

no runs after the wild pitch. “Give credit to the freshman lefty,” said Held of Palmer’s efforts. “He is going to be really good and he was tonight. Fortunately, we were able to get one on the board in the first inning ... (but) we have to continue to get better offensively.”

Jimenez was already the first DHS pitcher with three solo no-hitters as Anthony Kidston had two solo and one shared from 2011-12 just as Chad Billingsley did in 2000 and 2003. Thursday’s fourth no-hitter puts Jimenez alone with the

sible for the Bulldogs’ lone run in the win, lacing a leadoff single on the game’s second pitch, advancing to second on an error and third on a wild pitch before scoring on another wild pitch to put Defiance on the board in the first inning.

From there, Perrysburg pitcher Tyler Palmer stifled the visiting Bulldogs, allowing a second-inning single from Aidan Kiessling, third-inning knocks by Gavino Gomez and Jackson Walter, a single in the fourth by Torin Long and a walk in the sixth inning but

one pitcher.

Defiance will continue its non-league stretch of the schedule with a trip to archrival Bryan on Friday and river rival Napoleon on Saturday at noon.

<b>Defiance</b>	<b>100 000 0 — 1 5 3</b>
<b>Perrysburg</b>	<b>000 000 0 — 0 0 2</b>
<b>Records:</b>	Defiance 15-1, Perrysburg 11-7.
<b>Winning pitcher:</b>	David Jimenez (7 innings, 0 runs, 0 hits, 4 strikeouts, 0 walks).
<b>Losing pitcher:</b>	Tyler Palmer (7 innings, 1 run, 5 hits, 3 strikeouts, 2 walks).
<b>Leading hitters:</b>	(Defiance) — 5 singles. (Perrysburg) — no hits.