Skubal leaves early with tightness in Tigers' road loss 3

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DAVID BRIGGS MIRRORS OF SPORT

Can BGSU stand up to Liberty?

The Bowling Green State University football program has already turned back one formidable challenger this week.

Can it survive another Saturday?

As the Falcons prepare for their big homecoming game against Liberty, you might have heard they found themselves in a bit of a furball.

PETA, or the People for Ethical Treatment of Animals, wrote to long snapper George Carlson, urging him to bench his beloved cat, Pudge, on game days.

Say what?! Yep, their reasoning: Not to be Debbie Downer, but Pudge is an exotic shorthair, a flat-faced breed prone to breathing issues, and his viral fame could inspire others to buy similar cats, "leading to more animals being bred to suffer."

It was a well-intentioned appeal.

It was also, yeah, a ... little

As up-close witnesses to Pudge living his best life and the joy he has brought so many, the Bowling Green athletic department politely clapped back.

Bowling Green State University Athletics thanks PETA for its concern for Pudge, the beloved pet of George Carlson who has endeared himself to millions around the world. The University prioritizes Pudge's health and safety at all times," the school said in a statement. "At every BGSU football game, a licensed veterinarian is present to carefully monitor all aspects of Pudge's well-being."

Translation: Pudge stays. America rejoices.

Anyway, on to our weekly picks ...

Morgan State (0-2) at Toledo (1-1), 3:30 p.m., Saturday,

• Line: N/A A couple FCS schools knocked off Mid-American Conference teams last week — Long Island beat Eastern Michigan and Bryant took down Massachusetts — and Morgan State is better than your average Bears. A year ago, it lost to MAC champion Ohio by 15 points. Toledo lost to the Bobcats by 17. Still, no need to get into the weeds. No matter the quarterback uncertainty, if the Rockets respect the visitors, the home team should roll.

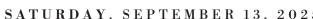
• Pick: Toledo 38, Morgan

Liberty (1-1) at Bowling Green (1-1), 5 p.m., Saturday,

• Line: Liberty by 6½ By the way, yes, we're rolling with Bowling Green to win one for Pudge. Liberty isn't your standard homecoming fare, but if the Falcons can control the clock like they did at Cincinnati — and this time cash in a few early drives — here's guessing it will be a hot time in the old town.

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SPORTS



HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Dynamite display



THE BLADE/REBECCA BENSON

Napoleon's George Eggers dives into the end zone for a touchdown during Friday's game at Clay.

Napoleon's defense delivers in win over Clay

By EMMA FINER

Defense did the talking for Napoleon on Friday, with two big pick-six plays and a late stop fueling the Wildcats in a 23-15 victory at Clay in a Northern Lakes League crossover game.

The Wildcats (2-2) scored on 61yard and 95-yard interception returns. They also came up with three fourth-down stops.

"They just were locked in all night," Napoleon head coach Tyler Swary said. "I thought our defense flew around and hit and so for us to kind of stiffen up there and get the ball back, it means a lot.

The biggest stop came in the a rumbie near midheid gave Ciay

the chance to tie the game. Napoleon's defense forced four consecutive incomplete passes,

sealing the victory. Quentin Maynard opened scor-



Clay's Collin Greenawait is brought down by Napoleon's Tucker Shepard and Ignacio Corona during Friday's game.

game's final three minutes, when ing in the first quarter with the cuting its ground game. 61-yard pick-six. Paul Sausser's 95-yard return in the third quarter put the Wildcats up 16-7.

In addition to the strong defensive play, Napoleon gained an upper leg in the second half by exe-

Down 7-6 at the break. Napoleon came out in the third quarter and went on a 10-minute drive that included 14 running plays. Jack Mowery capped the drive with a 31-yard field goal.

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"At halftime we talked to the Oline, and we got things going," said Napoleon running back Hayden Groll, who racked up 97 of his 133 rushing yards in the second half. "We got it through their head that they need to work hard, they need to move people, and we got the job done."

A 7-yard touchdown run by George Eggers 6:15 to go in the fourth quarter put Napoleon up 23-7. Clay, however, rallied.

Clay sophomore quarterback Landon Echelberry, who threw for 225 yards, a touchdown, and two interceptions, led the Eagles (2-2) on a arive to set up a twoyard score by senior running back Collin Greenawalt with 4:34

See WILDCATS, Page C5

Archbold rallies for road victory

Pinter powers late drive for Blue Streaks

By MARK MONROE **BLADE SPORTS WRITER**

DELTA — In a tense, back-andforth tilt in a Northwest Ohio Athletic League opener, Archbold rallied late for a hard-fought 36-30 victory over Delta on Friday.

Archbold sophomore quarterback Maddox Pinter, who threw for 253 yards, orchestrated a sensational comeback. Down by two with 6:05 left, Archbold took over at its own 35 and Pinter went to work. Pinter completed five passes on the drive, and running back Ryder Ryan scored on a twoyard run. The two-point converArchbold

sion was good as the Blue Steaks

went up 36-30 with 2:40 left. Delta's Alex York returned the ensuing kickoff 44 yards. Panthers QB Emric Friess then completed his first pass of the game, a 28-yarder to Gunner Taylor, to put the team in scoring position.

Archbold's Aranjer Krieger, however, sealed the game with an

interception in the end zone. "It felt like it was in slow motion," Krieger said. "It felt like the ball was in the air forever. But I read it pretty well and jumped it. It's crazy adrenaline. I don't have any energy left. That just shows how resilient our team is."

See STREAKS, Page C5



Archbold quarterback Maddox Pinter, left, throws while defended by Delta's Gary Valentine during Friday's game.

BGSU MEN'S BASKETBALL

assistant coach **Anthony** Stacey, left, talks with Makhi Leach during practice Friday. **Stacey** coached Leach at Whitmer High

School.



THE BLADE/PHILLIP L. KAPLAN

Stacey grateful to be back Former standout

enters 2nd stint as assistant

By MICHAEL BURWELL

BLADE SPORTS WRITER BOWLING GREEN - The timing might not have necessarily been the best for Anthony Stacey to make a change in his coaching career, but the opportunity to return to a place that still means the world to him was too good to turn

After leading Whitmer High School's boys basketball team the past five seasons, Stacey decided to return to Bowling Green State University as an assistant men's basketball coach. The BGSU athletics hall of famer, whose name remains all over the Falcons' men's basketball record book 25 years after he concluded his college career, is grateful for a

chance to work with head coach Todd Simon, his staff, and the

"Ideally, it's not the best timing, especially for Whitmer. They've been so good to me, and that place is very dear to my heart," Stacey said after his first practice with BGSU on Friday at the Stroh Center. "They've been so good to me, we've got great students, great staff.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Game day preview: Liberty at Bowling Green

BOWLING GREEN — Bowling Green State University will look to start 2-0 at home for the first time since 2014 when the Falcons host Liberty in the second matchup between the two schools in the last three seasons. **BASICS**

- Who: Liberty (1-1) at **BGSU (1-1)**
- Where: Doyt Perry Sta-
- dium When: Saturday, 5 p.m.
 - Spread: Liberty by 61/2
 - TV: ESPN+ • Radio: 93.5 FM
- Follow:Michael Burwell • Threads: Orange hel-
- mets, orange jerseys, white

PLAYERS TO WATCH

• Liberty: Ethan Vasko. For the second week in a row, BGSU will be facing a sturdy and mobile quarterback. Vasko, a 6-foot-3, 220pound redshirt junior who transferred from Coastal Carolina this year, has thrown for 532 yards, five touchdowns, and one interception while adding 85 yards and a touchdown on 26 carries through two games. BGSU allowed Cincinnati quarterback Brendan Sorsby to throw for 333 yards on just 17 completions, rush for 40 yards, and account for four touchdowns in the Bearcats' win on Sept. 6.



SPECIAL TO THE BLADE/TONY TRIBBLE

Bowling Green's Jyrin Johnson, left, has eight catches for 102 yards and a touchdown this season.

• BGSU: Jyrin Johnson. The Texas Southern transfer has appeared to have emerged as the primary replacement to former consensus All-American tight end Harold Fannin, Jr. Johnson, a 6-4, 235-pound tight end, leads BGSU's receiving corps with eight catches for 102 yards and one touchdown. He had a solid showing in last week's loss at Cincinnati in snagging seven catches for 80 yards and a **STATS TO KNOW**

20.5: Both teams have allowed 20.5 points per game through two contests in

posting nearly identical scores. BGSU beat Lafayette 26-7 and lost to Cincinnati 34-20, while Liberty topped Maine 28-7 and lost to Jacksonville State 34-24.

0: The Falcons have yet to commit a turnover this season. In its last 15 games dating back to the start of last season, BGSU has just 11 total turnovers.

149: BGSU redshirt freshman Cameron Pettaway ranks second in the Mid-American Conference in allpurpose yards per game with 149. His 194 kick return yards, including a 98-yard touchdown to open the season, and 107 rushing yards, including a game-high 72 against Cincinnati, have been key for the running MATCHUP TO WATCH

BGSU's rushing offense vs. Liberty's rushing defense: With a veteran offensive line and a host of players in the backfield, BGSU wants to run the ball under first-year coach and former Heisman Trophy winning running back Eddie George. The Falcons will be going up against a Flames' defense that has struggled mightily against the run. Liberty gave up 184 yards on the ground to Maine and a whopping 338 to Jacksonville State. The Flames' 261 rushing yards per game allowed ranks last in the Conference USA by a wide margin; Kennesaw State is second-last at

PREDICTION

Can BGSU figure out its passing defense with another high-powered offense up next? The Falcons slowed down the Bearcats' run game, but it came with a cost as Cincinnati found holes in BGSU's secondary. If BGSU can control the clock with its run game, that will help significantly. But Liberty's offense might create a replica of last week. Liberty 34, BGSU 27.

- Michael Burwell

FROM THE BLADE'S ARCHIVES

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• Sept. 13, 2005: Oak Harbor shooting ace eyes Olympics: Seventeen-year-old Kathleen Fowler was good enough with a 12-gauge shotgun to be able to attend a trapshooting camp at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. In fact, she was one of five young trapshooters from across the country selected to attend the prestigious Junior Olympic Development Camp. "This is a wonderful opportunity and we at Camp Perry Shooting Club are very proud of her," coach Angie Lorensen said. She helped oversee the Scholastic Clay Target Program at the club, where Kathleen was a junior member and program participant. SCTP was sponsored by the National Shooting Sports Foundation. The Olympic camp was designed to give outstanding young shooters and leaders an opportunity to further develop their skills with the help of national coaches at the Olympic Training Site. Kathleen was chosen from among 21 finalists.

• Sept. 13, 2015: Central cruises to home win: Central Catholic amassed 632 rushing yards and scored 10 touchdowns on the ground in a 76-7 drubbing of visiting Lancaster (N.Y.). The Irish (1-2) scored 34 points in the second quarter and jumped out to a 55-7 lead at the half in a game that was delayed due to the late arrival of Lancaster (1-1). The Irish had four runners who finished with more than 100 rushing yards. Michael Warren rushed for a 191 yards on 15 carries and scored on runs of 22, 3, and 53 yards. Simeon Washington carried six times for 133 yards and scored on TD runs of 42 and 62 yards. Washington also connected with Darion Greer on an eight-yard pass play. Devon Rivers finished with 128 rushing yards on 11 carries and scored on runs of 6, 61, and 10 yards. Tre'von Wade had seven carries for 118 yards with touchdowns of 41 and 27 yards.

ON THE AIR All times are p.m. unless noted **EVENT** TIME TV **RADIO MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL Detroit at Miami** 4:10 FDSN-D N.Y. Yankees at Boston 4:10 MLBN Chicago White Sox at Cleveland 6:10 CleGuardians.TV St. Louis at Milwaukee FOX 8 L.A. Angels at Seattle 9:40 MLBN Cincinnati at Athletics 10:05 FDSN-0 MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL Louisville at Toledo 5:05 **BCSN** 1230 **COLLEGE FOOTBALL** Wisconsin at Alabama ABC Noon Oregon at Northwestern Noon FOX Clemson at Georgia Tech **ESPN** Noon Oklahoma at Temple Noon ESPN2 Houston Christian at Nebraska Noon FS1 Memphis at Troy Noon **ESPNU** Central Michigan at Michigan Noon BTN 98.3 William and Mary at Virginia ACCN Noon **Buffalo at Kent State CBSSN** Noon Towson at Maryland Noon Peacock South Alabama at Auburn 12:45 SECN New Hampshire at Ball State 2 ESPN+ Morgan State at Toledo ESPN+ 1370 3:30 Southern California at Purdue 3:30 **CBS** Oregon State at Texas Tech 3:30 FOX Pittsburgh at West Virginia 3:30 **ESPN** Villanova at Penn State 3:30 FS1 Washington State at North Texas 3:30 **ESPNU** Youngstown St. at Mich. State 3:30 BTN Norfolk State at Rutgers 3:30 BTNx Richmond at North Carolina 3:30 **ACCN** So. Methodist at Missouri St. 3:30 **CBSSN** Iowa State at Arkansas State 4 ESPN2 Texas El Paso at Texas 4:15 **SECN** South Florida at Miami (Fla.) 4:30 CW ESPN+ 93.5 Liberty at Bowling Green 5 Ohio at Ohio State Peacock 100.7 Arkansas at Mississippi **ESPN** 7 Western Michigan at Illinois 7 FS1 Old Dominion at Virginia Tech 7 **ACCN** Florida at Louisiana State 7:30 ABC 7:30 **NBC** Texas A&M at Notre Dame Eastern Michigan at Kentucky 7:30 **ESPNU** 7:30 BTN Massachusetts at Iowa Vanderbilt at South Carolina 7:45 SECN **Duke at Tulane** 8 ESPN2 **Utah at Wyoming** 8 **CBSSN** Akron at Alabama Birmingham 8:30 ESPN+ Air Force at Utah State FS1 Minnesota at California 10:30 **ESPN Boston College at Stanford** 10:30 **ACCN** Texas State at Arizona State 10:30 **TNT COLLEGE WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL** Toledo at Colorado ESPN+ **MOTORSPORTS** Cup: Bass Pro Shops Night Race 7:30 USA **GOLF** LPGA: Kroger Queen City Champ. Golf **PGA: Procore Championship** Golf SOCCER

Game day preview: Morgan State at Toledo

After starting the season with two consecutive tests, the University of Toledo gets a freebie this week. But that doesn't mean the Rockets can no-show - Morgan State has a pulse.

Jason Candle is aware of what the Bears can do. And he delivered that message to his players this week.

"Our players have to understand they get 12 opportunities to play a game," he said. "They all count as one. Don't care who you play, where you play them at, what their history is, what program it is, and what it is. This is an opportunity to get better.

Looming is the first Mid-American Conference game, a tough road test against Western Michigan. Lax preparation and a middling performance this weekend can creep into next week. **BASICS**

- Who: Toledo (1-1) Morgan State (0-2)
- When: 3:30 p.m. Satur-
- Where: Glass Bowl
- Spread: No line TV: ESPN+
- Radio: 1370 AM



THE BLADE

University of Toledo's John Alan Richter filled in for Tucker Gleason following Gleason's injury during the Western Kentucky game.

- Follow:Kyle Rowland Threads: TBD.
- **PLAYERS TO WATCH** • Toledo: John Alan Richter. The fourth-year junior hasn't officially been named the starter for Saturday, but

all signs point to Richter being behind center. He was solid in relief against Western Kentucky and won his only career start at Northern Illinois last sea-

- Morgan State: Blanche
- Gold. The 6-foot-1, 240pound defensive lineman has 13 tackles, including 3.5 tackles for loss and 11/2 sacks, in two games this

season STATS TO KNOW

29-1: The Rockets are 29-1 against FCS opponents. The lone loss came to McNeese State in 1988.

17.9: Last season, Morgan State's Malique Leatherbury averaged a remarkable 17.9 yards per punt return.

MATCHUP TO WATCH

Toledo offensive line vs. Morgan State defensive line: The Bears have some productive players on the line. If Toledo can protect the QB and open holes for Chip Trayanum and Kenji Christian, it's lights out for Morgan State. It's hard to envision the type of game where Morgan State keeps pace offensively, so UT's offense putting points on the board could be the difference. **PREDICTION**

This isn't a typical overmatched FCS opponent. Yes, Toledo is still significantly more talented. But Morgan State has proven in close losses the past two seasons against Ohio and South Alabama that they aren't coming to the Glass Bowl to lay down. However, the talent differential is too big to overcome. Even if Tucker Gleason is out, John Alan Richter has experience in this position. Toledo's offense has too many weapons. Toledo 38, Morgan State 7.

– Kyle Rowland

Early loss leaves Irish with quick test

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — No. 8 Notre Dame hasn't even taken a snap on its home turf, and coaches and players are already using the word urgency.

Early-season losses do that to a playoff hopeful something nobody knows better than the Fighting Irish, who lost head coach Marcus Freeman's debut in 2022 and in Week 2 last sea-

So for the third time in four years, Notre Dame (0-1) will spend Saturday trying to get its season back on track when No. 16 Texas A&M (2-0) comes to town. It's a lesson the Irish have learned the hard way.

"Last year gives us confidence, playing teams like that, playing NFL caliber guys and playing ranked top 10 teams," running



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Head coach Marcus Freeman and the Notre Dame Fighting Irish are looking to rebound from a season-opening loss at Miami (Fla.).

back Jadarian Price said when asked about starting this season against two ranked teams. "It just makes us feel good as a team and just getting better every week and also shak -ing off all the haters saying our schedule is not the hardest."

Irish players certainly

have been here before. In 2022, Freeman lost his first two games — 21-10 at

home against Marshall. The 2023 season was undone by two midseason losses during a three-game stretch, at home against the Buckeves and at Louisville. And after winning 23-13

Ohio State and 26-21 at

at Texas A&M to open last season, the Irish inexplicably fell 16-14 to Northern Illinois in Week 2 — a result that threatened to dash Notre Dame's playoff hopes yet again. But the Irish rebounded with 13 straight wins before falling to Ohio State in the national championship game.

This time, Notre Dame rallied from a 21-7 deficit at then-No. 10 Miami (Fla.). It tied the score at 24 on CJ Carr's 7-yard touchdown run with 3:21 to go only to give up the go-ahead field goal on the Hurricanes' final drive.

Briggs

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• Pick: Bowling Green 24,

Liberty 21 Ohio (1-1) at No. 1 Ohio State (2-0), 7 p.m., Saturday,

Peacock Line: Ohio State by 31 Ryan Day's Buckeyes teams have a way of making really good MAC teams look really average they've outscored their five MAC opponents by a combined score of 320-39 and Ohio figures to be next in line. Sorry, Rufus.

• Pick: Ohio State 37,

Central Michigan (1-1) at

No. 23 Michigan (1-1), noon, Saturday, Big Ten Network

• Line: Michigan by 27½ With Michigan head coach Sherrone Moore suspended and Central Michigan playing an in-state Big Ten school minus Connor Stalions in disguise on their sideline for the first time since 2015, the game will feature a different look. But the result should be familiar. Expect Michigan to roll as Bryce Underwood gets his rhythm back

against a Chippewas sec-

ondary that gave up 300plus yards each of the past two weeks. • PIck: Michigan 31, Cen-

tral Michigan 10 No. 6 Georgia (2-0) at No. 15 Tennessee (2-0), 3:30

p.m., Saturday, ABC • Line: Georgia by 3½ The Dawgs have won their past four games at Neyland Stadium by an average of 33 points. This one will be closer, but another nasty Georgia defense should travel well.

• Pick: Georgia 24, Tennessee 14

No. 16 Texas A&M (2-0) at No. 8 Notre Dame (0-1), 7:30 p.m., Saturday, NBC • Line: Notre Dame by

This isn't a playoff elimination game for the Irish. But with few remaining opportunities for a signature win — the Aggies are the final currently ranked opponent on their schedule — it's pretty close. Expect a Notre Dame team coming off an open week to take care of business.

EPL: Nottingham at Arsenal

EPL: Tottenham at West Ham

NWSL: Angel City at N. Carolina 12:30

World Athletics Championships 5 a.m

World Athletics Championships

EPL: Leeds Utd. at Fulham

EPL: Chelsea at Brentford

CPL: Vancouver at Pacific

NWSL: Wash. at Kansas City

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• Pick: Notre Dame 27, Texas A&M 17 Contact David Briggs at

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STANDINGS, RESULTS



AMERICAN LEAGUE

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New York	82 65	.558	3	+3	6-4	W-2	44-31	38-34	765	636	129
Boston	81 67	.547	41/2	+11/2	5-5	L-2	44-29	37-38	727	623	104
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Cleveland	76 71 .517	71/2	3	8-2	W-2	39-34	37-37	574 6	806	-34
Kansas City	74 74 .500	10	5½	4-6	L-2	40-35	34-39	561 5	578	-17
Minnesota	65 82 .442	181/2	14	3-7	W-1	36-36	29-46	626 7	710	-84
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Seattle	79 68 .537	1/2	_	6-4	W-6	45-27	34-41	687	648	39
Texas	78 70 .527	2	1½	7-3	W-5	47-28	31-42	638	542	96
Los Angeles	69 78 .469	101/2	10	5-5	L-1	37-38	32-40	633	752	-119
Athletics	67 80 .456	121/2	12	4-6	W-1	30-42	37-38	673	755	-82

Thursday's Games Baltimore 3, Pittsburgh 2 Chicago White Sox 5, Tampa Bay 1
Toronto 6, Houston 0
Cleveland 3, Kansas City 2
N.Y. Yankees 9, Detroit 3
Seattle 7, L.A. Angels 6, 12 innings Friday's Games Chicago Cubs 6, Tampa Bay 4

Cleveland 4, Chicago White Sox 0 Miami 8, Detroit 2 Philadelphia 8, Kansas City 2 Houston 11, Atlanta 3 Texas 8, N.Y. Mets 3 Toronto 6, Baltimore 1 N.Y. Yankees 4, Boston 1 Minnesota 9, Arizona 8 Cincinnati at Athletics, late L.A. Angels at Seattle, late Saturday's Games

Tampa Bay (Rasmussen 10-5) at Chicago Cubs (Rea 10-6), 2:20 p.m.

Baltimore (Sugano 10-8) at Toronto (Scherzer 5-3), 3:07 p.m. Detroit (Morton 9-10) at Miami (Junk 6-

3), 4:10 p.m. N.Y. Yankees (Fried 16-5) at Boston (Bello 11-6), 4:10 p.m.
Texas (Corbin 7-9) at N.Y. Mets (Sproat

0-1), 4:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Bergert 2-2) at Philadelphia
(Walker 4-8), 6:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Martin 6-9) at Cleve-

land (Messick 2-0), 6:10 p.m.
Arizona (Nelson 7-3) at Minnesota (Ryan 13-8), 7:10 p.m. Houston (Brown 11-7) at Atlanta (Elder

T-9), 7:15 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Farris 1-0) at Seattle (Woo 13-7), 9:40 p.m.
Cincinnati (Greene 6-4) at Athletics

(Severino 6-11), 10:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION										
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New York	76 72 .514	12	_	2-8	L-7	45-28	31-44	697	653	44
Miami	69 79 .466	19	7	4-6	W-3	35-41	34-38	649	743	-94
Atlanta	65 82 .442	221/2	101/2	3-7	L-3	35-38	30-44	636	683	-47
Washington	61 86 .415	261/2	141/2	7-3	W-1	30-42	31-44	632	803	-171
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Chicago	84 63 .571	51/2	+81/2	6-4	W-3	45-28	39-35	719	597	122
Cincinnati	74 72 .507	15	1	6-4	W-2	40-34	34-38	656	624	32
St. Louis	72 76 .486	18	4	4-6	L-4	41-34	31-42	631	683	-52

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San Diego	80	67 .544	21/2	+41/2	4-6	W-1	45-27	35-40	619 565	54
San Francisco	74	72 .507	8	1	7-3	L-1	37-35	37-37	637 605	32
Arizona	73	75 .493	10	3	5-5	L-1	38-34	35-41	732 714	18

Thursday's Games

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Baltimore 3, Pittsburgh 2 Miami 5, Washington 0
Philadelphia 6, N.Y. Mets 4
San Diego 2, Colorado 0

Friday's Games Chicago Cubs 6, Tampa Bay 4 Washington 6, Pittsburgh 5 Miami 8. Detroit 2 Philadelphia 8, Kansas City 2 Houston 11, Atlanta 3 Texas 8, N.Ý. Mets 3 Milwaukee 8. St. Louis 2 Minnesota 9, Arizona 8 Colorado at San Diego, late Cincinnati at Athletics, late L.A. Dodgers at San Francisco, late

Saturday's Games Tampa Bay (Rasmussen 10-5) at Chicago Cubs (Rea 10-6), 2:20 p.m.

Pittsburgh (Chandler 2-1) at Washington (Alvarez 1-0), 4:05 p.m.

Detroit (Morton 9-10) at Miami (Junk 6-

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3), 4:10 p.m.
Texas (Corbin 7-9) at N.Y. Mets (Sproat

13-8), 7:10 p.m. Houston (Brown 11-7) at Atlanta (Elder

St. Louis (Gray 13-8) at Milwaukee (Misiorowski 5-2), 8:15 p.m. Colorado (Blalock 1-4) at San Diego

L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 10-2) at San Francisco (Webb 14-9), 9:05 p.m. Cincinnati (Greene 6-4) at Athletics (Severino 6-11), 10:05 p.m.

(Cease 7-11), 8:40 p.m.

Jung, Anderson help Mud Hens roll past Bats

For the second night in a row, the Toledo Mud Hens put up double-digit runs against the Louisville Bats, winning 12-4 on Friday at Fifth Third Field.

Jace Jung and



Max Anderson both went 4-for-5 with two RBIs in the win, while 12 four other play-**TOLEDO** 4 ers had multi-hit LOUISVILLE Saturday, 5:05 p.m. games.

It was Louis-TV: BCSN Radio: 1230 ville that got on the board first. Ryan Vilade's RBI double opened the scoring in the top of the second.

The Mud Hens responded immediately, however, with two runs in the bottom of the second to take a lead they never relinquished. Anderson and Brian Serven both came up with RBI singles in the inning.

Toledo piled on with a fourrun third inning that featured a two-run double by Jung, an RBI groundout by Anderson, and a run-scoring single by Serven.

Louisville cut the deficit to 6-3 with two runs in the fourth. But Serven plated another run for the Mud Hens with a sacrifice fly in the bottom of the fifth to make it 7-3.

After the Bats scored again in the top of the seventh, the Mud

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Joe DH	4	0		2Jung 2B		3		2
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Yang	1	3	2	2	0	0

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Toledo					
Lockhart	42/3	7	3	3	0
Seelinger	0 ⅓	0	0	0	0
Go (W, 1-0)	1 ⅓	2	1	0	1
Hurter (H, 1)	13/3	1	0	0	0
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Hens plated three in the bottom half. Trei Cruz drove in a pair with a triple, and Akil Baddoo's RBI groundout increased the lead to 10-4.

Gage Workman wrapped up the scoring in the bottom of the eighth with a two-run home run

to left center field. Serven had a team-high three RBIs as he, Workman, Cruz, and Riley Unroe all had two hits.

Toledo (78-64) will go for its third straight win on Saturday with first pitch scheduled for

Phillies' Alvarado out for season

ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHILADELPHIA — Relief pitcher Jose Alvarado of the Phillies will miss the remainder of the season after being placed on the 15-day Injured List with a left forearm strain Friday.

Alvarado was 4-2 with a 3.81 ERA in 26 innings pitched over 28 appearances this season. He served an 80-game suspension for performance-enhancing drugs from May 18 to Aug. 18 af-

ter testing positive for exogenous testosterone.

He was 4-1 with a 2.70 ERA and seven saves at the time of the suspension, usually serving as the club's closer. The Phillies acquired closer Jhoan Duran from Minnesota at the July 31 trade deadline, and he has dominated in the role ever since.

Under terms of the suspension, Alvarado was ineligible for postseason play.



Detroit pitcher Tarik Skubal stands on the mound during Friday's game against Miami.

Tigers' Skubal leaves early in loss

ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIAMI — Sandy Alcantara pitched seven innings of two-run ball to outlast Detroit ace Tarik Skubal, who exited early after experiencing left side tightness, in the Miami Marlins' 8-2 win over the Tigers on Friday night. Álcantara (9-12)

MARLINS Saturday, 4:10 p.m.

eight in the matchup of Cy 8 Young Award winners. The 2022 NL Cy Young Award winner

allowed four hits

and struck out

matched a season -high seven innings for the sixth

Skubal (13-5) struggled after a recent string of dominant outings. He gave up four runs and four hits before he left with one out in the fourth. The reigning AL Cy

Young Award winner had allowed one earned run over his previous 27⅓ innings.

Tigers shortstop Javier Báez left after he fouled off a pitch that struck near his left eye during an at-bat in the second inning. Báez swung at a 90 mph changeup from Alcantara and the ball first deflected off the brim of his helmet before making contact near his eye.

Rookie Agustín Ramírez, Heriberto Hernández, and Joey Wiemer homered for the Marlins, who won their third straight.

Ramírez put Miami on the board with a solo shot in the first. He drove Skubal's fastball into the left-field seats for his 20th homer. Hernández connected off

Skubal to lead off the second and Javier Sanoja added an RBI fielder's choice in the second to make it 3-0.

McKinstry in the 8th. c-struck out for Carpenter in the 8th.
LOB-Detroit 5, Miami 2. 2B-Greene (31), Wag-aman (27), Sanoja (19). HR-Greene (34), off Alcantara; Ramírez (20), off Skubal; Hernández (8), off Skubal; Wiemer (3), off Paddack. RBIs-Greene (108), Ramírez (63), Hernández (37), Sanoja 3 (33), Wiemer 3 (11).
Runners left in scoring position-Detroit 2 (Jones, Sweeney); Miami 1 (Edwards). RISP-Detroit 0 for 4; Miami 2 for 5.
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Umpires-Home, Chris Segal; First, Alex MacKay; Second, Alan Porter; Third, Jim Wolf.
T-2:12. A-16,926 (37,446).

After Riley Greene's solo homer in the fourth narrowed the deficit for Detroit, Miami responded with Sanoja's two-run double.

KEY MOMENT

Wiemer helped expand the Marlins' lead with a two-run homer against reliever Chris Paddack in the sixth.

KEY STAT

It was the Marlins' first threegame win streak since a threegame home sweep of the New York Yankees Aug. 1-3 that got them to 55-55.

UP NEXT

RHP Charlie Morton (7-13, 4.85 ERA) will start for the Tigers on Saturday against RHP Jansen Junk (6-3, 4.48) of the Marlins.



Cleveland's Tanner Bibee, left, is congratulated by Austin Hedges after Friday's game against the Chicago White Sox.

Bibee dominates White Sox in 2-hitter

ASSOCIATED PRESS

CLEVELAND — Tanner Bibee threw a two-hitter for Cleveland's first complete-game shutout in six years, and David Fry and Angel Martínez homered in the Guardians' 4-0 victory over the Chicago White Sox on Friday night.

GUARDIANS WHITE SOX

Bibee (10-11) struck out 10 and didn't issue a walk in going the distance for a second time this season. His first career first by a Cleve-

Saturday, 6:10 p.m. shutout was the TV: CleGuardians.TV Radio: 1370 land pitcher in a nine-inning game since Zach Plesac against the Angels on Sept. 10,

Bibee gave up back-to-back singles to Chase Meidroth and Will Robertson with one out in the

third before Mike Tauchman grounded into a double play. He allowed two baserunners from there — on an error in the sixth and a hit batter in the ninth.

Cleveland didn't have a hit off Martín Pérez until Fry hit his eighth home run — a two-out shot to left field for a 1-0 lead in the fourth.

Jhonkensy Noel singled with one out in the fifth and scored on a two-out single by Austin Hedges for a 2-0 lead. Nolan Jones had an RBI single after Gabriel Arias doubled with two outs to make it 3-0. Martínez hit his 11th homer off Steven Wilson in the eighth to cap the scoring.

Pérez (1-5) allowed three runs on four hits in 6⅔ innings. He hasn't won since March, when he pitched six hitless innings in his first start, a 9-0 win over the

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a-singled for Noel in the 7th.
E-Ramírez (11). LOB-Chicago 3, Cleveland 2. 2BArias (21). HR-Fry (8), off Pérez; Martínez (11), off
Wilson. RBIs-Fry (23), Hedges (10), Jones (34),
Martínez (42). CS-Hedges (1).
Runners left in scoring position-Chicago 1
(Sosa); Cleveland 2 (Fry, Rocchio). RISP-Chicago 0
for 3; Cleveland 2 for 5.
Runners moved up-Tauchman, Ramírez, Rocchio.
GIDP-Tauchman, Ramírez.
DP-Chicago 1 (Montgomery, Meidroth, Sosa);
Cleveland 1 (Arias, Manzardo).
Chicago IP H R ER BB SO NP ERA
Pérez, L, 1-5 6/3 4 3 3 2 3 96 3.27
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Inherited runners-scored-Wilson 1-1. HBP-Bibee (Robertson). WP-Wilson. Umpires-Home, Erich Bacchus; First, Brian O'Nora; Second, Mike Estabrook; Third, Laz Diaz. T-2:08. A-21,779 (34,788).

missing four months with left elbow inflammation. White Sox rookie catcher Kyle Teel went 0-for-4 to end a 20-

Twins. He is 0-4 in six starts since

game on-base streak. Cleveland (76-71) has won

seven of eight. **KEY MOMENT**

Bibee cruised after Tauchman's double-play grounder to end the third.

KEY STAT

José Ramírez is batting just .095 (4-for-42) against the White Sox this season, but the Guardians have won nine of 11 games.

UP NEXT

White Sox RHP Davis Martin (6-9, 4.03) starts Saturday opposite Guardians LHP Parker Messick (2-

Judge passes DiMaggio on Yankees' list

ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Cincinnati Reds-Athletics game was incomplete at deadline. For the result, go to toledoblade.com.

BOSTON — New York Yankees slugger Aaron Judge hit his 362nd career home run on Friday night, breaking a tie with Hall of Famer Joe DiMaggio, and taking sole possession of fourth place on the franchise's all-time list.

One game after Judge homered twice to tie DiMaggio with President Donald Trump at Yankee Stadium to mark the anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, the Yankees captain hit the second pitch he saw from Boston's Lucas Giolito in the first inning over the Green Monster and onto Lansdowne Street.

The 468-foot shot gave New York a 1-0 lead over Boston as the longtime rivals battle for playoff position. The Yankees entered the night with a one-half game edge over the Red Sox in the AL East, behind division leader Toronto, with both in position for a wild



The New York Yankees' Aaron Judge, right, fist-bumps third base coach Luis Rojas after hitting a home run during Friday's game against Boston.

-card berth.

It was the longest home run at Fenway Park this season, according to Sportradar, and the longest since Judge hit a 470-footer last

Judge reached 362 homers in his 1,130th game. DiMaggio played 1,736 games and hit his last homer on Sept. 28, 1951.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Major League Baseball
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Reinstated RF
Tyler O'Neill from the 10-day IL. Optioned
CF Daniel Johnson to Norfolk (IL).
BOSTON RED. SOX — Recalled LHP Chris Murphy from Worcester (IL). Placed LHP Brennan Bernardino on the 15-day IL, to

DETROIT TIGERS — Reinstated RHP Jose Urquidy from the 60-day IL. Sent CF Matt Vierling to Toledo (IL) on a rehab assignment. Placed RHP Sawyer Gipson-Long on the 15-day IL. Placed RHP Beau Brieske on the 60-day IL. Recalled RHP Beau Brieske

MINNESOTA TWINS — Activated RHP Cody Laweryson. Placed RHP Justin Topa on the 15-day IL, retroactive to Sept. 9. Selected the contract of RHP Cody Lawery-

son from St. Paul (IL).

SEATTLE MARINERS — Designated LHP

José Castillo for assignament. Recalled RHP Casey Legumina from Tacoma (PCL). TEXAS RANGERS — Sent LHP Danny Coulombe and CF Sam Haggerty to Frisco (TL) on rehab assignments.

National League
ATLANTA BRAVES — Placed RHP Daysbel Hernandez on the 15-day IL, retroactive to Sept. 9. Recalled RHP Hunter Stratton rom Gwinett (IL).

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Reinstated
RHP Justin Lawrence from the 60-day IL.

Optioned RHP Colin Holderman to India-

Options 13...

SAN DIEGO PADRES — Placed RHP David Morgan on the 15-day IL, retroactive to September 9, Recalled LHP JP Sears from El Paso (PCL).

BASKETBALL

SAN ANTONIO SPURS - Waived F Osayi

FOOTBALL National Football League CHICAGO BEARS — Signed K Jake

Moody to the practice squad.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS — Waived DE B.J.
Thompson from the NFI List with an injury SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Signed WR Cody

HOCKEY National Hockey League
PITTSBURGH PENGUINS — Signed G
Marc-Andre Fleury to a professional tryout
agreement contract. SOCCER

National Women's Soccer League
HOUSTON DASH — Terminated the conreact of F Ramona Bachmann. Signed D
Anna Heilferty to a short-term contract
through the end of the 2025 season. Acquired D Malia Berkely and \$75,000 in 2026
intra-league transfer funds from the North
Carolina Courage in exchange for. D Courage in exchange for, D

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

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Scranton/WB (N.Y. Yan- kees)	44	23	.657	-
Syracuse (N.Y. Mets)	41	26	.612	3
Toledo (Detroit)	39	28	.582	5
Lehigh Valley (Philadelphia)	38	28	.576	51/2
Indianapolis (Pittsburgh)	38	29	.567	6
x-Jacksonville (Miami)	37	30	.552	7
Durham (Tampa Bay)	35	30	.538	8
Louisville (Cincinnati)	36	31	.537	8
Nashville (Milwaukee)	35	32	.522	9
Iowa (Chicago Cubs)	34	33	.507	10
Memphis (St. Louis)	34	33	.507	10
Gwinnett (Atlanta)	33	34	.493	11
Worcester (Boston)	30	37	.448	14
Norfolk (Baltimore)	29	36	.446	14
Rochester (Washington)	29	38	.433	15
Buffalo (Toronto)			.431	15
Omaha (Kansas City)	28	38	.424	151/2
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Columbus (Cleveland)			.385	18
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Thursday's Ga	me	es		

FAVORITE Buffalo

Buffalo at PITTSBURGH San Francisco at MIAMI LA Rams at DALLAS

at BALTIMORE at CINCINNATI

at DETROIT

at ARIZONA

at MINNESOTA

FAVORITE at HOUSTON LA Chargers

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at GEORGIA SOUTHERN
at DICE

Scranton/WB 3, Lehigh Valley 2 Jacksonville 4, Memphis 3 Omaha 11, Charlotte 3 Nashville 6, Gwinnet 4 Columbus 4, St. Paul 3

Friday's Games Buffalo 4, Rochester 3 Syracuse 3, Worcester 1 Durham 5, Norfolk 3 purham 5, Norfolk 3 Lehigh Valley 9, Scranton/WB 5 Indianapolis 4, Iowa 0 Toledo 12, Louisville 4 Memphis 6, Jacksonville 1 Omaha 10, Charlotte 1 Nashville 3, Gwinnet 0 St. Paul 4, Columbus 3

Saturday's Games Norfolk at Durham, 1:05 p.m., 1st game Lehigh Valley at Scranton/WB, 4:05 p.m Louisville at Toledo, 5:05 p.m. Buffalo at Rochester, 6:05 p.m. Columbus at St. Paul, 6:07 p.m lowa at Indianapolis, 6:35 p.m. Norfolk at Durham, 6:35 p.m., 2nd game Worcester at Syracuse, 6:35 p.m. Memphis at Jacksonville, 6:35 p.m. Charlotte at Omaha, 7:05 p.m. Gwinnet at Nashville, 7:35 p.m.

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Jacksonville	1	0	0	1.000	26	10
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Tennessee	0	1	0	.000	12	20
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Cincinnati	1	0	0	1.000	17	16
Pittsburgh	1	0	0	1.000	34	32
Baltimore	0	1	0	.000	40	41
Cleveland	0	1	0	.000	16	17
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Thursday's Games

Sunday's Games

Sunday's Games
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Cleveland at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
L.A. Rams at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Dallas, 1 p.m.
New England at Miami, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Denver at Indianapolis, 4:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Kansas City, 4:25 p.m.
Atlanta at Minnesota, 8:20 p.m.

Monday's Games

UNDERDOG at NY JETS Seattle at NEW ORLEANS

Cleveland Jacksonville

Chicago at INDIANAPOLIS

Carolina at KANSAS CITY

Tampa Bay at LAS VEGAS

UNDERDOG at ARIZONA New Mexico

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at KENT STATE
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at BOSTON

at SOUTHERN MISS

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at COASTAL CAROLINA Eastern Michigan

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Tampa Bay at Houston, 7 p.m. L.A. Chargers at Las Vegas, 10 p.m

Minnesota

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Clement powers Genoa

By MICHAEL BURWELL BLADE SPORTS WRITER

TONTOGANY, Ohio — A long kickoff return gave Genoa some life on Friday night after Otsego's opening offensive drive resulted in a touchdown, and with the help of Luke Clement's punishing rushing ability, the Comets didn't slow down from there.

Ryan Routson's 72-yard return helped set up Clement's first of his four rushing touchdowns. The Comets scored 22 unanswered points in the first half en route to opening Northern Buckeye Conference play with a 36-21 victory over Otsego at Otsego High School.
"When you're in a sce-

nario like a big game like this, momentum is everything. Any time you can get, whether it's a turnover or a big play, anything to light a spark, that is the best thing you could hope for because momentum is huge in these big games like this," Genoa coach Bill Fisher said. "That was just an easy example of giving up a touchdown first drive, and now we take the air out of their tires and now we're pumped up. We had some momentum going our way."

third consecutive win to improve to 3-1 (1-0 NBC). Otsego fell to 2-2 (0-1) with

its second straight loss.

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Genoa's Luke Clement, left, stiff arms Otsego's Dane Fatzinger en route to scoring a touchdown.

have executed their opening possession any better after sophomore quarterback Grady Frank capped off a 13-play, 62-yard drive with a 1-yard touchdown run with 2:29 left in the first quarter.

In the blink of an eye, though, the Comets seized

Routson caught the ensuing kickoff at the Genoa 8yard line and darted up the field to set the Comets up in the red zone. On the next play, Clement ran up the middle for a 20-yard touchdown as the Comets tied it at 7 with 2:10 remaining.

From there, Clement and his teammates were nearly

unstoppable. The sturdy 6-foot-1, 194pound back added touchthe second quarter, 4 yards in the third quarter, and 12 yards in the fourth in finishing with 131 yards on 14 carries.

"Coach [Jason] Colyer, our O-line coach, I think he does a great job getting the big guys up front ready for every Friday," Clement said. "It really makes it easy on me, setting up the blocks, and I'm just able to cut off them. Makes it easy on me."

Added Fisher: "He understands the game of leverage. He's strong, he's healthy. He's the total package right now."

A 1-yard touchdown run from quarterback Myles Mollenhauer, followed by a heads-up play from Routson when he recovered a high snap on the ensuing PAT and fired a pass roughly 25 yards to Hunter Bickel for a 2-point conversion, gave Genoa a 22-7 lead with 2:07 left in the second quarter.

Genoa finished with 312 yards off offense, including 277 on the ground. Alex Materni broke loose for several big carries and ended up with 102 yards on six attempts.

"Obviously, it was a combination of, sometimes we weren't in the right position and most of the time, they were just more physical than us tonight," Otsego coach Craig Rutherford said. "They're a good team, and we knew they were good.

"They do a lot of things really well, so it's hard to key on just one thing."

Otsego finished with 235 yards, all on the ground. Kristopher Kazmaier had 102 yards on 15 carries, including a 4-yard touchdown run with 6:32 left in the third quarter to pull the Knights within 22-14. Dane Leiter had a 5-yard touchdown run with 1:45 remaining for the game's final score.

Frank had 92 rushing yards on 21 carries. His lone pass attempt, which was close to being a lost fumble on a backwards pass, was ruled incomplete.

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Eastwood earns shutout of Rossford

BLADE STAFF

PEMBERVILLE, Ohio -Brayden Brown rushed for three touchdowns to lead Eastwood to a 41-0 shutout victory at home over Rossford in Northern Buckeye Conference action Friday night.

Brown finished with 76 yards on 17 carries. Quarterback Brayden Luidhardt completed 15 of 16 for 259 yards and three TDs for Eastwood (3-1, 1-0 NBC).

Cam Schumaker caught two TDs from Luidhardt, and Edmund Opfer had the other.

Rossford fell to 2-2 on the season and 0-1 in the NBC. MAUMEE 27, LAKE 20

Ben Kubicz's 2-yard touchdown pass to Brock Heard with 8:34 to go in the game lifted the host Panthers to an NBC victory over the Flyers.

Kubicz completed 15 of 22 passes for 204 yards and two touchdowns for Maumee (2-2, 1-0 NBC), including a 75-yard scoring pass to Braidon Linn in the first quarter.

Julian Rodriguez ran for 179 yards and a score on 23 carries for Lake (0-4, 0-1). OAK HARBOR 49,

FOSTORIA 6

OAK HARBOR, Ohio — Blake Nickel scored the first three touchdowns of the game and Kason Marshall contributed two more as the unbeaten Rockets defeated the Redmen in an NBC contest.

Nickel ran for 81 yards on seven carries for Oak Harbor (4-0, 1-0 NBC). Marshall had 118 yards on 14

Lamont Johnson caught five passes for 114 yards for Fostoria (0-4, 0-1).

WHITMER 27 FREMONT ROSS 6

FREMONT — Whitmer used a dynamic passing attack to take down Fremont Ross on the road in nonleague action. Carter Born was 23 of 30

for 274 yards with three touchdowns and an interception to lead the Panthers (3-1).

Brandon Waddell, Jeron Potts, and Kevion Lee each caught a touchdown in the win.

Breylen Garza threw for 232 yards with a touchdown and an interception for Fremont Ross (2-2).

FINDLAY 41, **SOUTHVIEW 14**

The visiting Trojans were spearheaded by quarterback Miles Bailey's 258 total yards and three TDs as they rolled the host Cougars in nonleague play.

Bailey had 155 yards passing, another 103 on the ground, a pair of rushing



Eastwood's Cam Schumaker runs through Rossford tacklers on Friday night at Eastwood.

TDs, and a passing score to as the host Patriots bested aid Findlay (3-1) in the win. the Golden Bears in North-Southview (1-3) was limited to just 37 yards rush-

ANTHONY WAYNE 41, LIMA SENIOR 12

WHITEHOUSE, Ohio — The Generals returned three interceptions for touchdowns in a victory over the visiting Spartans.

Also for Anthony Wayne (3-1), quarterback Porter Brungard passed for 148 yards and three scores, two of which went to Eli Donawa who had 99 yards receiving.

BOWLING GREEN 20, NORTHVIEW 14

A 42-yard touchdown pass from Grant Gillispie to Colby Joseph with 53 seconds remaining in the second quarter put the visiting Bobcats up for good in a Northern Lakes League crossover game.

Bowling Green (1-3) increased its lead with 4:11 to go in the third quarter on Jason McClain's 2-yard touchdown run. Gillispie completed 21 of 29 passes for 225 yards.

Connor Pieja threw for 144 yards and two touchdowns for Northview (1-3), including a 21-yard score to Anthony Pedro with 10:30 to go that made it a onescore game. Rashaun Coley. Jr., ran for 71 yards on 20 carries.

ST. FRANCIS 33, CLYDE 3

KJ Collins-Walker completed 10 of 14 passes for 160 yards and four touchdowns and ran for another score as the host Knights picked up a victory over the Fliers at the Glass Bowl.

Collins Walker ran for 77 yards on 10 carries for St. Francis (3-1). Eli Beal had 148 yards on 16 carries and caught a touchdown pass.

Mitch Newsome had a 37yard field goal for Clyde (0-

PATRICK HENRY 49, **BRYAN 7**

HAMLER, Ohio — Cal Schroeder finished with three rushing touchdowns THE BLADE/PHILLIP L. KAPLAN

west Ohio Athletic League action. Jaidan Rutter added 94 yards rushing and a score,

while Mitch Prigge had one carry but made it count, rushing 69 yards for a score for PH (3-0, 1-0 NWOAL).

Bryan (1-3, 0-1) finished with just 89 yards of total offense.

LIBERTY CENTER 64, SWANTON 0

SWANTON - Six different Liberty Center players scored touchdowns as the Tigers (4-0) earned a shutout victory over the Bulldogs (0-4) in the NWOAL opener for both sides.

Garrison Kruse and Ty Jackson both ran for two touchdowns, and Kruse added a scoring strike through the air.

Jack Ward had a touchdown run, Ethan Gray caught two touchdowns, and Isaiah Badenhop hauled in another scoring

Brady Badenhop notched a 50-yard pick-six and Liberty Center tacked on a safety on a muffed punt.

WHITEFORD 63, HILLTOP 6

OTTAWA LAKE — The Bobcats scored 50 points in the first quarter alone to rout the Cadets and notch a win in their first-ever Toledo Area Athletic Conference game.

Tre Eitnier, Brek Ruddy, and Drew Ruddy all had two touchdown runs for Whiteford (2-1).

Scott Bowers' 6-yard run represented the only points of the game for Hilltop (0-4).

OTTAWA HILLS 39, **NORTH CENTRAL 18**

The host Green Bears were too much for the Eagles in the TAAC opener for both teams.

Quarterback Cole Coy was 13 of 19 for 201 yards and a score. Ian Densmore added 169 yards rushing on 20 carries and three scores for Ottawa Hills (2-2, 1-0

Tyler Meyers threw a pair of TDs for North Cen-

LIBERTY-BENTON 51, RIVERDALE 0

FINDLAY — A 30-point first quarter helped Liberty-Benton (4-0, 2-0 Blanchard Valley Conference) remain undefeated.

ADA 50, ELMWOOD 20

ADA, Ohio — Blake Zoladz accounted for six touchdowns as Ada topped Elmwood in a BVC game.

GIBSONBURG 45,

NORTHWOOD 8 NORTHWOOD — Reece Walby's four-touchdown performance lifted the Golden Bears to a convincing road win over the Rangers in Sandusky Bay Conference River Division

action. Walby scored on runs of 27, 28, and 39 yards, and capped things off with a 66yard interception return for a score in the fourth quar-

ter for Gibsonburg (3-1). Skylar Rita got Northwood (2-2) on the board with a 13-yard run that tied the game at 8 in the first

WOODMORE 42. LAKOTA 6

quarter.

KANSAS, Ohio — The strong running of Landon Rich lifted Woodmore (4-0) past Lakota (3-1) in a battle of unbeaten SBC River teams.

Rich recorded 233 yards on 22 carries and scored four touchdowns in the win for the Wildcats.

Calvin Lipstraw had a strong game through the air, completing 10 of 11 passes for 224 yards and

two scores. MANSFIELD (Mass.) 35, **BEDFORD 21**

TEMPERANCE — The host Kicking Mules got behind by four scored and could not claw their way back in a loss to Mansfield out of Massacusetts.

TOLEDO CHRISTIAN 25, RICHMOND HEIGHTS 12

The Eagles picked up their first win of the season with a home victory over Richmond Heights.

Toledo Christian (1-3) raced out to a 19-0 lead in the third quarter. After Richmond cut the deficit to seven, Josiah Hillrich iced the game with an 11-yard touchdown catch from Josh Hillrich.

DANBURY 44, **HOLGATE 12**

HOLGATE, Ohio — The visiting Lakers scored the first 38 point en route to a blowout win at the Tigers in Northern 8 Football Conference action.

Danbury is now 4-0 on the season and 1-0 in the N8FC, while Holgate drops to 2-1 and 1-1.

OHIO STATE FOOTBALL



Ohio State quarterback Julian Sayin completed 18 of 19 passes for 306 yards and four TDs in the **Buckeyes' victory over Grambling.**

OSU doesn't expect Ohio to be pushover

ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBUS — Ohio State went through extremes with its first two opponents, facing then-No. 1 Texas in the opener before having an easy time with Football College Subdivision foe Grambling State.

Saturday night's test against Ohio University falls somewhere in the

Yes, the top-ranked and 2-0 Buckeyes are 31½point favorites against the Bobcats (1-1), but the defending Mid-American Conference champions are coming off a 14-7 victory over West Virginia. It was Ohio's second win over a Big 12 program in the past three seasons and came after the Bobcats narrowly lost at Rutgers 34-31 in their opener.

"They've got to come in here with a lot of confidence. They're going to take it one play at a time, try to get the game to the fourth quarter and go from there," Ohio State head coach Ryan Day said. "But it's an opportunity more than anything to build confidence for the rest of the season. They're well-coached. They have a good team, so we know these guys are going to come in and play really hard."

While Grambling State head coach Mickey Joseph

said before his team's 70-0 loss that he knew what his team was in for coming into Ohio Stadium, Ohio head coach Brian Smith knows his squad has a different mentality.

"Our kids are extremely competitive. They're very confident. They obviously know that this is a big challenge," he said.

"We're playing a really strong program that has earned the right to be one of the top programs in the country. And they're excited for the chal-

IN-STATE MEETINGS

While many Power Four coaches may try to avoid Group of Five schools that play in the same state, Day thinks the matchups are good for both programs.

"I think it's great for the state of Ohio. I know OU has a very proud tradition. And, you know, when you're from the state of Ohio, having a memory of playing in the Horseshoe during your college career is signifi-

cant," he said. Ohio State is 52-0-1 against other in-state universities since a 7-6 loss to Oberlin in 1921. The Buckeyes are 6-0 all-time against the Bobcats. The teams have played seven times, but OSU's win in 2010 was vacated by the

MICHIGAN FOOTBALL



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Jaden Mangham, right, and the Michigan Wolverines face Central Michigan on Saturday.

UM players use Moore's absence as motivation

By ANGELIQUE S. **CHENGELIS DETROIT NEWS**

ANN ARBOR — Michigan head coach Sherrone Moore won't be on the sideline for Saturday's game against Central Michigan at Michigan Stadium, and the players said they are fired up to try to win the game for him.

Moore was penalized by the NCAA and given a three-game suspension that includes the first game of the 2026 season, stemming from an illegal scouting scheme the NCAA began investigating in mid-October of 2023. Moore deleted a thread of 52 text messages with Connor Stalions, the architect of the scheme. Moore also was given a two-year

show-cause order. Michigan and Moore chose Games 3 and 4 against Central Michigan on Saturday and the Big Ten opener at Nebraska the following week — as those he will miss, and associate head coach Biff

Poggi will fill in as acting head coach. Moore coached against his alma mater last Saturday at Oklahoma, but he also has a connection to CMU where he coached tight ends from 2014-2017.

"We've been told it matters," tight end Zack Marshall this week after practice. "This game matters because it's not just for us at this point, it's for him. It's a place that he coached at. It matters that much more, because he's not there, because we know that it's not going to feel right.

"So for us, we have, I don't want to say a fully angry mentality, but yeah, we're not happy with it. We intend to have a very moderately [angry] approach to this game, and that's what they're going to get, and hopefully it translates to the scoreboard."

Moore will miss all team-related activities until after the Nebraska game on Sept. 20.

WEEK 4 SCORES

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Friday Central Catholic 28, Bloomfield Hills Central Catholic 28, Bloomfield Brother Rice 14 St. Francis 33, Clyde 3 St. John's 29, River Rouge 18 Anthony Wayne 41, Lima Senior 12 Findlay 41, Southview 14 Bowling Green 20, Northview 14 Bewing 45, Springfield 13 Whitmer 27, Fremont Ross 6 Napoleon 23, Clay 15 Eastwood 41, Rossford 0 Oak Harbor 49, Fostoria 6 Genoa 36, Otsego 21 Maumee 27, Lake 20 Archbold 36, Delta 30 Patrick Henry 49, Bryan 7 Archbold 36, Delta 30
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Bowsher 17, Woodward 0
Waite 38, Rogers 6
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Gibsonburg 45, Northwood 8
Woodmore 42, Lakota 6
McComb 56, Arcadia 0
Ada 50, Elmwood 20 Ada 50, Elmwood 20 Arlington 28, Van Buren 10 Liberty-Benton 51, Riverdale 0 Mansfield (Mass.) 35, Bedford 21 Clinton 42, Blissfield 0 Toledo Christian 25, Richmond Heights 12 Danbury 44, Holgate 12 Saturday

Sebring McKinley at Cardinal Stritch, noon Soutington Chalker at Fremont St. Joseph, 6 p.m. Montpelier at Erie Mason, 7 p.m. Stryker at Sandusky St. Mary, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY'S BOXES

PH-Schroeder 4 run (Gerken kick)
PH-Schroeder 1 run (Gerken kick)
PH-Schwab 44 pass from Rosebrook
(Gerken kick)
PH-Smith 21 pass from Rosebrook (Gerken
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H-Bowers 6 run (run failed)

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LB-Granger 45 interception return (Colina kick)
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LB-S.Elchert 35 pass from Barbara (Colina kick)
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G-Walby 39 run (Nims run)
G-Smith 28 run (kick blocked)
G-Walby 66 interception (Sidell kick)

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E-Schumaker 15 pass from Luidhardt (Chaffee kick)

Findlay Southview F-Harris 40 fumble recovery (Geiser kick)
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S-Hessey 3 run (Jones kick)
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W-Holmes 2 run (Leroux kick)
W-Potts 7 pass from Born (conversion failed)
W-Lee 19 pass from Born (Leroux kick)
FR-Lewis 35 pass from Garza (kick blocked) blocked) W-Waddell 5 pass from Born (Leroux kick)

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M-Bodieri 17 run (Warren kick)
M-Bodieri 5 run (Warren kick)
B-Warren 96 kickoff return (Grabowski

B-Whetstone 1 run (Grabowski kick) M-Degirolamo 36 pass from Vallett (Bodieri 3 run) B-Wingate 22 fumble recovery (Grabowski kick)

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OH-Densmore 2 run (kick blocked)
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TC-Shaffer 38 field goal
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C-Newsome 37 FG SF-Richardson 31 pass from Collins-Walker (Puckett kick) SF-Houston 21 pass from Collins-Walker (Puckett kick) Bowling Green

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N-Garcia 22 pass from Pieja (Green kick)
BG-Joseph 42 pass from Gillispie (Wise-man-Esparza kick)

BG-McClain 2 run (Wiseman-Esparza kick) N-Pedro 21 pass from Pieja (Green kick)

A-Ryan 5 pass from Pinter (Sauder kick)
D-Nagel 12 rush (York kick)
A-Harris pass from Gracia (Sauder kick) (
D-Nagel 4 rush (kick failed)
D-York 37 FG
D-Nagel 2 run (York kick)
A-Pinter 1 run (Sauder kick)
D-Martinez 16 run (York kick)
A-Bentley 39 pass from Pinter (Sauder ck)

A-Ryan 2 run (Ryan pass from Pinter)

Lima Senior Anthony Wayne LS-Law 53 fumble recovery (pass failed) AW-Miller 3 pass from Brungard (Seelenbinder kick) AW-Hutchison 60 interception return (Seelenbinder kick) AW-Voltz 40 interception return (Seelenbinder kick)

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AW-Harmon 35 interception return
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WEEK 5 SCHEDULE

Thursday, Sept. 18

Waite at Start Friday, Sept. 19 Warren De La Salle vs. Central Catholic St John's at St. Francis Bowling Green at Anthony Wayne Bowling Green at Anthony Findlay at Fremont Ross Napoleon at Northview Perrysburg at Southview Whitmer at Springfield Bowsher at Clay Eastwood at Fostoria Maumee at Genoa Rossford at Lake Otsego at Oak Harbor Evergreen at Archbold Bryan at Liberty Center Delta at Swanton Patrick Henry at Wauseon Edon at Erie Mason Hilltop at Ottawa Hills Montpelier at Summerfield Hilltop at Ottawa Hills
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Whiteford at North Central
Lima Senior at Rogers
Scott at Woodward
Clyde at Port Clinton
Hopewell-Loudon at Gibsonburg
Lakota at Tiffin Calvert
Northwood at Margaretta
Woodmore at Willard
Arcadia at Leipsic Arcadia at Leipsic Liberty-Benton at Elmwood Ada at McComb Van Buren at Riverdale Bedford at Monroe Hudson at Blissfield Toledo Christian at Ridgemont Saturday, Sept. 20

Stryker at Cardinal Stritch Sandusky St. Mary's at Danbury Holgate at Fremont St. Joseph

Wildcats

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A week earlier, Napoleon lost to Anthony Wayne after giving up a late score. This time, however, the Wildcats came up with a final stop.

"That's a big win for us, and we needed one to get us back in the groove," Swary said. "We didn't play offensively very well in the first half, but I thought in the second half, we grinded out and did what we had to do to win."

Penalties also plagued Clay throughout the contest. Two roughing the punter calls gave Napoleon two extra possessions, and a pass interference call put

the Wildcats in scoring position on the third-quarter drive that led to a field goal. First-year Clay head

coach Derek Pennington said the young team has a lot to learn, and while it stings to lose a game after getting late momentum he is proud of the resilience they showed when facing adversity.

"We have a young team

- we're playing sophomores all over the field," Pennington said. "We're going to make mistakes, but our kids are playing with a tremendous amount of effort and toughness. You hate to lose a game like that where you feel like you had chances to win."

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Streaks

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Delta held leads of 23-14 and 30-21 before Archbold rallied for the final 15 points. Archbold (3-1) finished with a slight edge in total yards (353-336).

"That was a heck of a high school football game. Unfortunately, someone had to lose," Archbold coach David Dominique said. "I tip my hat to them. They played to the very final whistle, just like our guys did. After we got one stop, I felt like we got the momentum back. Our backs were against the wall. So to drive that ball down the field ... I'm so happy with the way they performed and just the resiliency they had all night long."

Delta sophomore running back Marcus Nagel ran for 104 yards and three touchdowns as the Panthers rushed for 308 yards.

Pinter completed 22 of 27 passes for 253 yards and two touchdowns. Ryan had a team-high 76 rushing

yards. "We knew we still had something left to do, and I was just trying to focus back in, calm everybody down," Pinter said of the game-winning drive. "I have some great guys around me that can really do something. I just gave it to them and let them do their thing. It was a great

win tonight." Anderson Bentley had six catches for 105 yards and one score for Archbold.

Krieger added six catches for 54 yards, while Morgan Harris had seven grabs for 99 yards. Delta running back Vin-

cent Martinez rushed a game-high 163 yards on 13 carries and one TD. The Panthers fell to 2-2.

A 48-yard kick return by York set Delta up at midfield with less than nine minutes left. But an illegal block penalty forced the Panthers to punt.

"We just couldn't come up with the stop that we needed," Delta coach Mike Vicars said. "We just made too many mistakes with critical penalties. These [losses] are the toughest because the kids work really hard, and you want to be able to punch through. This

team could easily be 4-0." Archbold scored on a 39

-yard TD strike from Pinter to Bentley with 8:58 left as the Blue Streaks pulled within two.

Earlier, on the first play of the fourth quarter, Delta had opened up a 30-21 lead as Martinez scored on a 16 yard run. Delta also had taken a 23-

14 lead on a two-yard TD run by Nagel. Archbold, however, responded behind the arm of Pinter, who scored on a 1yard run as the Blue Streaks

trailed 23-21. "We bent but didn't break," Dominique said. "We knew they had a great rushing attack and that line was just doing a great job all night long, but eventually our guys stepped up

when it mattered most." Contact Mark Monroe at mmonroe@theblade.com or on X @MonroeBlade.

Stacey

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"Our basketball team, it was really difficult for me

to tell them. "But the timing was kind of odd. Obviously, they had an assistant coach [German Srulovich] leave, and it's really hard to pass up home and obviously working for coach Simon, who's a great guy. Our goals and values align. It was a really great opportunity, and just can't pass it up."

Stacey, who led Whitmer to an 80-39 record that included a Division I state semifinal appearance in 2024, is certainly excited to be "back home" at BGSU. It will be the second assistant coaching gig he has had at BGSU after working with former coach Michael Huger from 2015 to 2020.

Simon, who is entering his third season coaching the Falcons, has gotten to know Stacey quite a bit since arriving in Bowling Green.

"Since we've been here,

obviously I knew of coach

Stacey as a player and be-

ing from the region and all

that good stuff. But he was

a good friend when we came in," Simon said. "I enjoyed spending time with him, and as the more time we spent [together], we realized a lot of our basketball values, our mentorship values, were pre-aligned.

"At that point, an opening kind of happened, and obviously we recruited their program. I got to see him live in action, and it was a no-brainer at that point because he's such a valuable communicator. He's an unbelievable way with people."

Returning to BGSU will also mark a reunion between Stacey and BGSU freshman guard Makhi Leach, who starred at Whitmer the past two seasons. The 2025 All-Blade boys basketball player of the vear said it was "shocking" when he found out Stacey was joining BGSU's staff. "I was at a loss for

words," Leach said. "I wasn't expecting it, honestly. But when I heard it, I was definitely happy to Stacey and Leach have al-

ing reunited. "I told him I loved him so much, I had to come join

ready had some light-

hearted moments since be-

him again," Stacey said. "I didn't get enough of him in high school. I only had him for two years, so I guess I'll make up the other two

"But just really excited to have him obviously in terms of getting one of your guys you coached in high school that's playing in college is always exciting. ... I knew he'd be excited. I joked with him and said 'Hey, I didn't yell at you enough the last couple years. I came back to do a

little bit more." Simon's coaching staff, which includes former Michigan State University guard Lourawls Nairn, Jr., remained unchanged from last season with the exception of Stacey. Keeping those familiar faces, along with adding someone like Stacey, is something that Simon thinks can lead to positive results.

"We've had a lot of continuity on staff, and our staff family camaraderie was something I really wanted to protect," Simon said. "We really are on the same page, and we've got a unique system and style that we play and how we coach.

"He kind of fit right in, and it was important for

me that he was another voice that could help our staff as well. He's so open and open-minded, and he's very egoless in terms of sharing his knowledge. It could be a special mix.'

During his playing career, Stacey racked up 1,938 career points and 226 steals, which rank second and first, respectively, in BGSU history. He coached Justin Turner, BGSU's alltime leading scorer with 2,077 points, and Demajeo Wiggins, who became the third player to record 1,000 points and 1,000 rebounds in his BGSU career, for four seasons apiece in his first stint with the Falcons.

"This place has always been special to me," the 48year-old Elyria native said. "I'm not from here, but I consider this place home.

"They've been so good to me; I met my better half here. For me, Í love BG and I'm going to continue to love BG. I always have a motto, wherever you go, just leave it better than you found it. I did it two times prior to that, so hopefully they let me try it one more

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