# Vermilion goes from heartbreak to elation

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VERMILION - "Heartbro-

That's how Vermilion coach Ralph Mayer described his team after last week's loss to Elyria. Last night, however, the Sailors felt different emotions as they defeated Erie Shore Conference foe Midview, 13-0.

After a scoreless first quarter, winless Midview took over and started to move the football. However, when the drive stalled on the 40 yard line, the Middies had to punt. The kick dribbled less than 20 yards and Vermilion took over on the 34. Sophomore Seth Balogh then went 24 yards on six carries to set up the first score - a 10-yard TD strike from quarterback John Taggert to senior Kevin Kempf.

The second Sailor score didn't come until 2:01 in the third quarter, when senior Pat Kay, on a "planned play" penetrated inside and blocked a Midview punt. The ball squirted into the end zone and was recovered by senior tight-end Charles

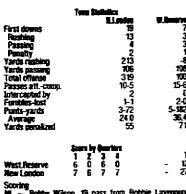
#### New London . . . . . . . 27 Western Reserve ... 12

NEW LONDON - New London unleashed a potent passing attack as the Wildcats downed Western Reserve, 27-12, in a Firelands Conference game.

Robbie Lavengood and Mike Abfall completed five of 10 passes for 106 yards and three touchdowns. Lavengood completed a 19-yard TD aerial to Bobby Wilson in the first quarter and fired a 32-yard TD bomb to Cory Dendinger in the third period. Abfall, who dived over from the one for a fourth quarter TD, flipped a 10-yard TD pass to Wilson in the second period.

Dane Burke ran a punt back 63 yards for a touchdown in the first period for Reserve.

New London, 4-3 overall and 3-3 in Firelands, hosts Columbia Friday while Western Reserve, 4-3 and 2-3, entertains Crestview Saturday.



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Wiencke. Balogh had 109 yards on 29 carries for the night, while teammate Brian Wilson had four carries for 17 yards.

Both teams played much less conservatively in the second half. Midview quarterback Brian Miller put together a series of passes to his receivers in the fourth quarter, but on third and five missed two in a row to transfer possession and end their hopes for a win.

Midview coach Bill Albright said after the game, "The defense did their job, but the special teams didn't. "It was a game we could have, should have won."

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SANDUSKY - Lonell Taylor rushed for one touchdown and caught another as Sandusky Perkins defeated Edison, 12-7, in a Sandusky Bay Conference

Taylor scored on a 56-yard run in the first quarter and a 12yard pass from Jim Guerrera in the third.

Edison's lone score came on Eric Miller's two-yard run in the second quarter.

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Coach Mayer praised his team for bouncing back

"The offensive line as well as the defensive line just did a super job," he said.

Vermilion faces Admiral King while Midview tangles with Elyria in Erie Shore games next Friday.

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## High school football notebook

North Olmsted head coach Tom Watts was very impressed with the work of Olmsted Falls' first-year head coach Jim Ryan.

"Jim has a very fine team They threw a lot of things at us; give them a lot of credit for the way they played," Watts concluded following the Eagles' 12-10 Southwestern Conference victory.

Ryan was an assistant under Watts when Tom became the Eagles' head coach eight years

The Elyria West-Clearview game had more than its share of

# Mapleton ...... 36 Nor. St. Paul . . . . 0

ASHLAND — Mapleton took advantage of five turnovers and routed Firelands Conference rival Norwalk St. Paul, 36-0.

Quarterback Jeremy Krause tossed two touchdown passes for the winners.

Mapleton is now 6-1 overall and 4-1 in the conference. St. Paul falls to 1-6 overall and 1-5 in the conference

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controversy to go with the high drama on the field.

Clipper Coach Tom Hoch referred to "behind-the-scenes nonsense" after the game and refused to elaborate further.

According to West Coach Darrell Mayne, "Tom was irritated about the phones going out in the third period. So were we. The bottom line was that when Clearview's phones went down; we shut ours off too, according to the rules."

The phones have been a recurring problem all season for the Wolverines in the Ely Stadium pressbox. Generally the

## Monroeville Plymouth ..... 6

PLYMOUTH - Monroeville quarterback Joe Lindenberger ran for one score and threw for another as the Eagles picked up a Firelands Conference win over host Plymouth, 21-6.

Monroeville moves to 7-0 overall and 5-0 in conference play. Plymouth falls to 5-2 on the year and 3-2 in Firelands

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West phones have failed while the visiting teams have continued to work. This time Clearview's failed first.

Because of the continuing difficulty with their box's phones, the Wolverines had come prepared with extras, according to Mayne. But when the Clipper phones failed, defensive coach Tim Widman was seen on the field signaling to the press box to shut them all down.

"I turned mine off and set it down when I got down to the field and realized Clearview's phones were off," Widman explained. "We didn't run a single play with them after the breakdown."

Both bands did a very admirable job at the North Olmsted-Olmsted Falls game Friday night.

The Bulldogs released two big bags full of balloons at the conclusion of their performance. The balloons were blue and gold (the school colors) and had a perfect night for flight during the school's Homecoming celebrations

The Clearview defense held the West running backs to some very uncharacteristic yardage totals. Usually the Wolverines place a couple of backs in triple figures, but not this time.

Still. Keith Rivers led his team with a very respectable 73 vards on 13 carries. West also displayed good balance as Aaron Bennett added 68, John Slaughenhaupt 60 and Cory Wilkerson

Imess Lovett led the Clippers' attack with 53 rushing yards.

# Devils' big quarter tops Raiders

COLUMBIA STATION -Independence exploded for 21 points in the second quarter and the Blue Devils went on to beat Columbia, 34-6, in an Inland Conference contest.

Quarterback Rick DiGeronimo had a hand in two of the three touchdowns in the second quarter. He started the scoring off with a six-yard run and later tossed an eight-yard scoring' strike to Rich Bohrer.

Independence ..... 34 Columbia . . . . . 6

Columbia, 3-4 overall and 0-3 in the Inland, collected its touchdown in the fourth quarter when Pete Elwell fired a 27yard touchdown pass to Matt Kappel.