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### \$75,000 OTRF Stakes highlight Belterra Park program

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A pair of \$75,000 Ohio Thoroughbred Race Fund Stakes (OTRF) were featured on the Friday, July 17 program at Belterra Park.

**Moonlit Mission** exploded in the late stretch to prevail as the 2-1 favorite in the 11<sup>th</sup> running of the Tomboy Stakes for 3-year-old Ohio Registered fillies. The striking dark chestnut literally came out of nowhere with her distinctive white blaze and white shadow roll overpowering her rivals in late stretch in the one and 1/16 mile turf test in 1:42.

Ridden by Erik Barbaren for trainer Silvano Gonzalez and owner Charlie Williams, Moonlit Mission picked up her first win of the season and fifth career triumph, upping her earnings to \$234,550. **Penny Shots** (7-1) was second for rider Jose Bracho with 3-5 **Tiz What** third for T.D . Houghton.

Multiple (3-1) stakes winner **Verissimo** added another feather to his cap by taking the Buckeye Native Stakes handily in 1:41.29. Ridden by Luan Machado for trainer Jeff Radosevich, the 4-year-old Vertiformer gelding picked up seasonal win one and lifetime win six from 17 starts. Owned by R Spicer and W. Spitler, Verissimo now has \$267,253 in his coffers. **Funnel Cake** was second at 6-1 for rider Jose Bracho, with 7-1 **Birdacious** third for Sonny Leon.