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TODAY'S TIPS

- **GOLF:** Miami Shores Golf Course will host a two-man best ball event at 9 a.m. Saturday. The cost is \$50 per team, and the deadline to register is Wednesday. For more information, call Miami Shores at 335-4457.
- **BASKETBALL:** The Troy Boys Basketball Camp will run from June 4-7 at the Trojan Activities Center. Times will be 9 a.m. to noon for grades 1-4 and 1-4 p.m. for grades 5-8. The cost is \$55, with checks payable to Troy Basketball Parents Association. Camp forms are available at all Troy City Schools, or you can sign up on the first day of camp. For more information, contact coach Tim Miller at 332-6710 or 339-6576.
- **BASKETBALL:** Troy High School girls basketball will be hosting a two-day girls basketball camp on June 3-4 for girls entering grades 1-8 at Troy High School's new gymnasium. The camp will be held from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and lunch will be provided. The cost of the camp is \$55, and arrangements can be made. Girls from anywhere are welcome. If interested, email coach Nathan Kopp at koppn@troy.k12.oh.us or call him at (937) 469-2531.
- **BASKETBALL:** Troy Christian girls basketball will run an elementary camp for grades 1-6 from 10 a.m. to noon June 10-14. The cost is \$35. There is also a junior high camp for grades 7-8 from 1-3 p.m. June 10-14. The cost is \$35. For more information, contact Dick Steineman at (937) 451-1723.
- **HALL OF FAME:** Covington High School is accepting nominations for its Hall of Fame induction ceremony, which will be on Sept. 13. Anyone wishing to submit a nomination should do so with a letter to the athletic director detailing as much information as possible about the potential inductee. Nominations are due by May 24. For more information, call the athletic department at (937) 473-2552.
- **FOOTBALL:** The 20th annual Matt Light Football Camp will be held June 10-11 at Harmon Field in Greenville. It is a free two-day camp for boys and girls ages 8-14. The registration deadline is June 3.

SPORTS CALENDAR

- TODAY**
- Baseball**
 Division IV District at Newton
 Lehman vs. Arcanum (5 p.m.)
 - Division II Sectional Final**
 at Tecumseh
 Ben Logan vs. Tippecanoe
 - Softball**
 Division IV District at Brookville
 Newton vs. Cincinnati Country Day (5 p.m.)
 - Track**
 Division I District at Piqua
 Troy, Tippecanoe, Piqua (5 p.m.)
- SATURDAY**
- Baseball**
 Division I District at Centerville
 Troy vs. Lakota East/Loveland (3 p.m.)
 - Division II District**
 at Mason
 Tippecanoe/Ben Logan vs. Alter/Oakwood (1 p.m.)
 - Softball**
 Division III District at Tippecanoe
 Miami East vs. Madison (11 a.m.)
 - Division IV District**
 at Brookville
 Covington vs. Franklin Monroe (11 a.m.)
 - Tennis**
 Division I District at Centerville
 Troy, Tippecanoe (9 a.m.)
 - Division II District**
 at Mason
 Milton-Union, Lehman (9 a.m.)
 - Track**
 Division II District at Graham
 Milton-Union (2 p.m.)
 - Division III District**
 at Welcome Stadium
 Bethel (10 a.m.)
 - at Milton-Union**
 Bradford, Covington, Lehman, Miami East, Newton, Troy Christian (9 a.m.)
- SUNDAY**
- No events scheduled

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Milton's 4x800 team, Klosterman advance

Trevor Klosterman and the Milton-Union boys 4x800 team punched their tickets to the Division II regional meet Thursday at Graham High School.
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High School Football

Troy's Zimmer going to Ashland

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TROY

TROY — Scot Brewer has a feeling that in a few years, a number of Division I NCAA college football coaches in the area are going to be kicking themselves.

Troy High School senior football player Nick Zimmer has committed to play football at Ashland University, an NCAA Division II program. Brewer, Troy's coach, has no doubt Zimmer is a Division I talent

going to a Division II school. "I think Ashland is getting an absolute steal," Brewer said. "They are getting a pretty prize. He's a guy that is going to grow and mature and do a lot of things at the college level. I really do think he is a Division I player. I think he'd be a perfect (Mid-American Conference)-type safety."

Zimmer isn't concerned about what could have been, however. He's just looking forward to the opportunity to play for the



ZIMMER

they won their conference. They've got a winning program and I think they are going to help make me a successful foot-

Eagles next fall.

"They've got really good facilities and a great coaching staff," Zimmer said. "They are coming off an 11-1 season and they won their conference. They've got a winning program and I think they are going to help make me a successful foot-

ball player."

Zimmer said Ashland has him slated to play safety — but are in love with his versatility. In his career at Troy, Zimmer saw time at quarterback as a freshman, outside linebacker as a sophomore and safety as both a junior and a senior. This past fall, Zimmer also saw time at wide receiver, was Troy's wildcat quarterback and returned kickoffs, including a school-record 98-yard kickoff return to open the game against Division II state

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Baseball



Members of the Troy baseball team celebrate their win over Centerville in the Division I sectional finals Thursday at Athletes in Action Field in Xenia.

STAFF PHOTOS/JOSH BROWN

On Cloud Nine

Trojans end Elks' 20-game streak for sectional title

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Zach Kendall didn't have to put his Troy teammates on his shoulders. They jumped on willingly.

Particularly during the celebration.

Kendall threw a four-hit masterpiece Thursday against Centerville, striking out 11 — six of them looking — and shutting down a team that had won 20 games in a row. Then seniors Dylan Cascaden and Nick Sanders both drove in runs in a three-run tie-breaking seventh

XENIA

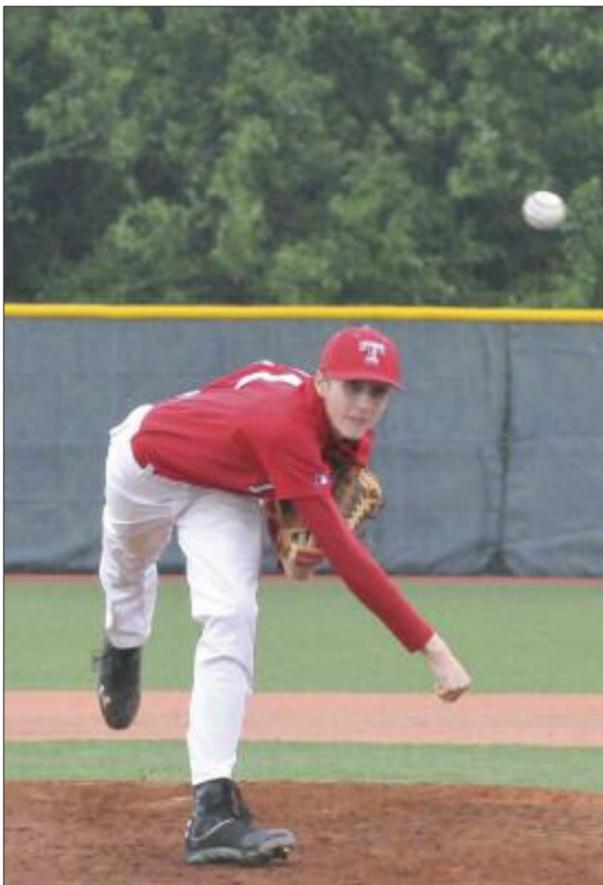
inning, and the Trojans — who hadn't won a tournament game in the last four years — shocked the state-ranked Elks 4-1 to win the Division I sectional championship at Athletes in Action Field in Xenia.

Troy (19-11) moves on to face either Lakota East or Loveland at 3 p.m. Saturday in the district title game.

And once the final out of a one-two-three bottom of the seventh was recorded, the Trojans charged the mound and piled on top of their junior starter.

"We're a family," Kendall

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Troy pitcher Zach Kendall had 11 strikeouts in the Trojans' 4-1 victory over Centerville Thursday.

Major League Baseball

Indians rout Red Sox

BOSTON (AP) — Drew Stubbs and Mark Reynolds drove in three runs each and Cleveland had 16 hits in the Indians' 12-3 win over the Boston Red Sox in manager Terry Francona's return to Fenway Park on Thursday night.

Francona, let go by Boston after the 2011 season, got a standing ovation after the first inning during a video tribute on the center-field scoreboard. But he didn't have to leave the visiting dugout during the game because all of Cleveland's pitching changes came at the start of an inning.

In eight years as manager, Francona led the Red Sox to two World Series championships. In his first year as Cleveland's manager, he

has the Indians in first place in the AL Central after they went 68-94 last season.

They're 22-9 in their last 31 games.

On Thursday, his team gave him another pleasant Fenway memory. The 12 runs are the most scored by the Indians in the park since June 28, 2005 and the most they scored there without a home run since 1953.

Zach McAllister (4-3) allowed three runs in five innings. He hasn't allowed more than three earned runs in any of his nine starts this year.

Ryan Dempster (2-5) gave up four runs in three innings in his third straight poor start for Boston.



Boston Red Sox' Jacoby Ellsbury, left, reaches down towards home plate as he is tagged out by Cleveland Indians catcher Yan Gomes during the third inning of a baseball game at Fenway Park in Boston.

AP PHOTO

Tennis



CIVITAS MEDIA PHOTO/ROB KISER

Milton-Union's Matt Brumbaugh competes during the Division II district Thursday at Mason High School.

Leaving no doubt Bulldog trio reaches state

Staff Reports

MASON — Matt Brumbaugh had to work an extra day just to get to state last season, advancing as the fifth qualifier.

This year, the Milton-Union sophomore left no doubt.

And he's also going to have some company.

Brumbaugh won both of his matches on Thursday to reach the Division II district tournament's semifinal round at the ATP Tennis Center in Mason,

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and the doubles team of Kenton Dickison and Jack Blevins did the same as all three Bulldog district qualifiers punched their tickets to next week's state meet.

Brumbaugh knocked off Dayton Christian's Stephen Combs 6-1, 6-1 in the first round, then beat Indian Hill's Alex Warner 6-1, 6-2 to advance to Saturday's district semifinal round.

Dickison and Blevins, meanwhile, beat Waynesville's Ryan Carrier and David Jeffries 6-2, 6-3, then they upset Oakwood's Joe Rank and Luke Minard 6-2, 7-5 to advance.

Lehman's sectional champion doubles team of Mitchell Shroyer and Pierce Bennett defeated Miami Valley's Robbie Weinstein and Alex Hemm 6-3, 6-3 before falling to Seven Hills' Henry

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