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TODAY'S TIPS

- **BASEBALL:** Troy Post 43 American Legion baseball will be sponsoring its monthly All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner Saturday. The dinner is at the Post 43 Legion Hall, 622 S. Market St. and runs from 3-7 p.m. It features all the spaghetti you can eat, plus a fresh salad bar, bread, soft drinks, coffee and desert. The cost for adults is \$6.75 and for children under 12 is \$4.
- **SOCCER:** For all students in grades 8-11 who are interested in playing soccer at Troy High School next fall, Meet the Coaches night is at 6:30 p.m. April 10 in the Troy High School Cafeteria. For those interested in trying out for soccer, each student and a parent must attend this meeting. For more information, send an e-mail to cjc7@woh.rr.com or call 570-3685.
- **GOLF:** The Miami Shores 18-hole Golf League is holding its opening meeting at 9 a.m. April 23. Everyone is invited. For more information, call Miami Shores Golf Course at (937) 335-4457.
- **HALL OF FAME:** The Trojan Athletics Hall of Fame is still accepting nominations for its 2013 inaugural class. Induction will be held in the fall. Entrance to the selection process is through public nomination. The deadline for nominations is today. Nomination forms are available at all home events or at the athletics office at Troy High School.
- **HALL OF FAME:** The Miami East athletic boosters will hold their annual dinner and auction on April 6. Social hour will begin at 5 p.m. and dinner will be served at 5:30. The Athletic Department will induct three new members into the Hall of Fame beginning at 6:30. New members will be Jim Martin, Barry Coomes and Jamie Long Coleman.
- **BASEBALL:** Spots are still available for the Locos Express Super Power Slam 13U, 14U, 15U baseball tournament June 14-16 in Lima. There is a four-game guarantee. Contact locosexpress@gmail.com for additional information.
- **SUBMIT-A-TIP:** To submit an item to the *Troy Daily News* sports section, please contact Josh Brown at jbrown@civitasmedia.com or Colin Foster at colinfoster@civitasmedia.com.

SPORTS CALENDAR

TODAY	
Baseball	
Beavercreek at Troy (5 p.m.)	
Covington at Milton-Union (5 p.m.)	
Versailles at Miami East (5 p.m.)	
Ponitz at Newton (5 p.m.)	
Riverside at Lehman (5 p.m.)	
Softball	
Versailles at Miami East (5 p.m.)	
Newton at TBA (at Florida) (TBA)	
Covington at Coldwater (5 p.m.)	
West Carrollton at Piqua (5 p.m.)	
Riverside at Lehman (5 p.m.)	
Tennis	
Springfield at Troy (4:30 p.m.)	
Bellefontaine at Tippecanoe (4:30 p.m.)	
Milton-Union at Piqua (4:30 p.m.)	
Track	
Greenville at Tippecanoe (4:30 p.m.)	
Lehman at Troy Christian quad (4:30 p.m.)	

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Ware stays upbeat in spite of injury

Kevin Ware is pretty certain how his next few months will play out. "After we win the national championship," the injured Louisville guard said with a smile on his face, "I'm just looking forward to rehab." **See Page 14.**

Baseball/Softball

Trojans bounce back, beat Braves 8-3

Staff Reports

SPRINGFIELD — After Tuesday's loss, Troy coach Ty Welker was interested to see how his team responded.

For the first few innings, things didn't look great.

Slowly but surely, though, the Trojans turned things around.

Following its 13-2 loss to Tecumseh on Tuesday, the Trojans fell behind 3-0 after three innings at Springfield Shawnee on Wednesday. But

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Troy tied it with three in the fourth and scored five in the sixth to put away an 8-3 victory against its second straight Central Buckeye Conference opponent.

And it was a bit of mental toughness that helped Troy (3-1) through Wednesday's win.

"The first couple of innings, we didn't play well offensively. We were letting their pitcher

control the game," Welker said. "We weren't in the right place mentally. But after the third inning, we started turning it around. We worked counts, saw more pitches. And once we tied it up, I thought (Shawnee) backed off a little — and we put them away with a five-run inning. That was good to see, us finishing off a game."

Dylan Cascaden was 2 for 3 with an RBI, Collin Moeller doubled, had an RBI and scored two runs and Kevin McGraw and

Alex Magoteaux each had two RBIs as Troy was out-hit 8-6 — but made those hits count.

"We took advantage of some walks, and people stepped up," Welker said. "We got some hits in the fourth and sixth inning when we needed them, and guys put the ball in play when we needed it most."

All of which was fine with Ben Langdon and Nick Sanders. Langdon threw five strong

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Major League Baseball



Cincinnati Reds' Joey Votto gets a single off Los Angeles Angels relief pitcher Scott Downs to drive in the winning run in the bottom of the ninth inning Wednesday, in Cincinnati. The Reds won 5-4.

Perfect timing

Votto's first hit of season a game-winner

CINCINNATI (AP) — Brandon Phillips hit a three-run homer in his new role as Cincinnati's cleanup hitter, and Joey Votto drove in the winning run with a ninth-inning single Wednesday night, rallying the Reds to a 5-4 victory over the Los Angeles Angels.

They've split the first two games of the first interleague series to open a season.

Votto's first hit of the season off left-hander Scott Downs (0-1) deflected off the glove of first baseman Albert Pujols and rolled into the outfield, allowing Shin-Soo Choo to score from second base. Choo reached when he was hit by a pitch and advanced

on a sacrifice. Votto had been 0 for 6 heading into the decisive at-bat.

Phillips moved into the cleanup spot because of Ryan Ludwick's injury and hit the Reds' first homer of the season. He connected for a three-run shot against C.J. Wilson in the fourth inning, when Cincinnati sent nine batters to the plate for four runs.

Left-hander Aroldis Chapman (1-0) walked one in the ninth, throwing a 99 mph pitch that hit the backstop screen.

Mat Latos, who took the loss in the deciding Game 5 of Cincinnati's playoff series

against San Francisco last season, left with a 4-3 lead in the seventh. He gave up a solo homer by Howie Kendrick, and a two-run shot by Alberto Callaspo on his 100th and final pitch.

The Angels tied it with the help of third baseman Todd Frazier's error in the eighth, pulling even on Mark Trumbo's run-scoring groundout.

The Reds had to juggle their lineup for the second game of the season, and it's not going back anytime soon.

Ludwick had surgery on Wednesday to repair torn carti-

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MLB



AP PHOTO
 Cleveland Indians short stop Asdrubal Cabrera throws to first for the double play as Toronto Blue Jays' Melky Cabrera is out at second during the seventh inning in Toronto on Wednesday.

Indians win in 11

Reynolds' HR powers Tribe

TORONTO (AP) — Mark Reynolds hit a tiebreaking home run in the 11th inning and the Cleveland Indians beat the Toronto Blue Jays 3-2 on Wednesday night.

Reynolds drilled a leadoff shot into the second deck off Sergio Santos (0-1), the fifth Blue Jays reliever.

The homer helped the Indians overcome a blown save by Chris Perez, who surrendered a tying shot by Jose Bautista in the ninth.

The overhauled Blue Jays lost their second straight to begin the season. Toronto's offense has just three runs and nine hits in two games.

Cleveland's Michael Brantley went 4 for 5 with an RBI, the fifth four-hit game of his career.

Matt Albers (1-0) got one out for the win, and Joe Smith finished for his first save.

The Indians took a 2-1 lead in the eighth against reliever Darren Oliver. Nick Swisher led off with a walk and moved to second on Brantley's fourth single. Carlos Santana hit a grounder to third, where Swisher was forced out, but Maicer Izturis' throw to first sailed wide, allowing Brantley to score.

Bautista tied it with a one-out shot to left off Perez in the ninth. Bautista had gone hitless in his first three at-bats, grounding into a pair of inning-ending double plays.

Edwin Encarnacion followed with a walk, but Perez sent it to

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National Basketball Association

Cavs drop 10th straight, Scott in trouble

CLEVELAND (AP) — There have been plenty of firsts for the Nets during their rookie season in Brooklyn after so many years over in New Jersey.

On Wednesday night, they got another milestone.

Deron Williams dunked. "I didn't really plan it," Williams said. "It's something that happened."

It's been that way all season for Brooklyn, which ended an eight-game road trip by crush-

ing the Cleveland Cavaliers 113-95, giving the Nets a record for road wins in a season.

Williams scored 24 points in 27 minutes and the Nets shot 83 percent (15 of 18) in the second quarter, when they outscored the Cavs 38-16 and opened a 30-point lead without much of a fight. Brooklyn's 21 road wins are the most for the franchise, which moved to the New York City borough this

season.

"That's really significant," said interim coach P.J. Carlesimo, who took over when Avery Johnson was fired Dec. 28. "I'm really proud of them. They deserve it. That's a hell of a job."

There's something of a carnival going on in Cleveland. The Cavaliers have lost 10 straight amid speculation about coach Byron Scott's future.

Following the game, a disen-

chanted Scott lamented his team's lack effort in the first half. New Jersey scored more points (38) in the second quarter than Cleveland (36) had in the first 24 minutes.

"I'm disappointed," Scott said. "I really am. After the effort we had in Atlanta (a 102-94 loss), to come back and play this way, I'm very disappointed. We just didn't show any life. The energy, the effort wasn't there for whatever reason."