



# Jay golfer qualifies for state tourney

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Norton senior golfer Marcus Herman qualified for the Class 3A State Tournament in Hays with a medalist performance in the Regional Golf Tournament held Monday in Smith Center.

Marcus shot a 45-41-86 to rank No. 7 among medalists. All members of the top two teams plus the next best five golfers qualified for state competition.

Norton placed seventh as a team. Team champion was Phillipsburg with a 341. Minneapolis placed second with a 359 to also qualify for the state tournament.

Third place team was Thomas More Prep-Marian of Hays with a 379, followed by Goodland, 380; Ellsworth, 388; Beloit, 394; Norton, 399; Smith Center, 410.

The other three members of the Norton foursome and their scores were: junior Cole Archer, 51-46-97; senior Connor Pfannenstiel, 53-48-101 and freshman Andrew Ellis, 55-60-115.

Also playing for the Blue Jays and their scores were: freshman John Risewick, 55-62-117 and junior Ashley Millan, 67-65-132.

Individual medalists were:

Mark Cunningham, Ellsworth, 79; Brock Morgan, Phillipsburg, 81; Alex Hobelmann, Smith Center, 85; Kyle Hoover, Phillipsburg, 85; Chris Ceman, Phillipsburg, 85; Logan Wedel, Minneapolis, 86; Marcus Herman, 86; Grayson George, Minneapolis, 88; Kyle Swanson, Phillipsburg, 90; Matt Applequist, TMP, 90.

In addition to all members of the Phillipsburg and Minneapolis teams, Herman, Cunningham, Hobelmann, Applequist and Joel Linin, Goodland, who shot a 91, were the five individual state qualifiers.

Marcus Herman also qualified for state tournament competition in last season's regional with a No. 8 medalist performance and competed in Wichita where he placed in the upper half of the field.

Marcus follows older brothers Preston Herman who competed for Norton in the state tournament in 2008, missing a medalist by two strokes and Aaron Herman, who competed in the state tournament as an individual in 2002 and as a member of the Norton team in 2003.

Carrying the family tradition

back further, father Joe Herman was a member of Norton's state championship golf team in 1975, the Blue Jays' third place state team in 1976 and also competed in the state tournament in 1974.

"As a team, our youth and inexperience in regional play really was a factor for us today," said Norton head golf coach David Stover.

"We were just not able to adjust to the adversity and shoot a good team score.

"Obviously, the highlight of the day for our Blue Jays was the play of Marcus Herman. Marcus used a hot short game, especially on the back nine, to earn his second trip to the Class 3A State Golf Championships next Monday in Hays.

"I am extremely proud of all our golfers who competed for Norton Community High School, not only today but also for the entire season. This is an excellent group to work with and they have shown improvement from beginning to end."

The Class 3A State Golf Tournament will be played on the Smoky Hill Country Club course in Hays on Monday.



Norton senior Marcus Herman, shown putting in the Mid-Continent League Golf Tournament held in Norton, was the only Blue Jay golfer in the Class 3A Regional Golf Tournament on Monday in Smith Center to qualify for this Monday's State Golf Tournament. Marcus kept the family tradition going with two brothers and his father also having competed for Norton in the state golf tournament.

— Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

# Largest prep track meet to celebrate 100th year

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In addition to being the largest high school track and field meet

in the nation, this year's Kansas State Track and Field Championships in Wichita on May 28-29 will celebrate its 100th anniversary

sary with some special events which will include all past state champions.

The Kansas State High School Activities Association has invited all past state gold medal winners, Kansas Olympians and NCAA champions and former state championship coaches to participate in various activities, which will begin Thursday evening with a reception for all the champions in Koch Arena prior to the two days of competition.

State track memorabilia will be on display on Thursday afternoon and evening and will include the trophy earned by the first state champions, the Norton Blue Jays!

The Norton Community High School boys also won the state championship in 1915 and the Lady Blue Jays were state champions in 1982 and 2008.

The former state champions will also be invited to hand out medals during award presentations on Friday and Saturday in Cessna Stadium and also take part in a Centennial Lap during a break in the action on Saturday afternoon.

The top four track and field athletes in each event in all classes in today's Regional Track meets

will qualify for competition in the Centennial State Track and Field Championships next weekend and each will receive a special Centennial medallion medal.

Records for 100 years indicate that Norton has had 12 girls state track and field gold medalists and 32 boys state gold medalists, including relays as one.

### Historical book available

As part of the centennial celebration, long time track and field historian Carol Swenson has compiled a commemorative book that includes a thorough look at the track and field sport in Kansas during the past 100 years.

The book's title is A Century of Milestones -- 100 Years of Kansas High School Track and Field. The book includes a complete list of every state champion in both boys and girls divisions in every event over the past 100 years.

In addition to pictures and memories from former athletes and coaches, the book includes the progression of state meet records in all events and a list of Kansas Olympians.

The book can be ordered through the KSHSAA website (kshsaa.org) for \$18, which includes shipping and handling.



Norton freshman John Renner had a determined look on his face as he took the baton from sophomore Zach Hartwell for his leg in the 4 x 800 meter relay in the Mid-Continent League Track Meet on Friday in Smith Center. Combining with junior Troy Bainter and sophomore Bryan Henry, they set a season record of 8:50.20 to place runner-up.

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Lady Blue Jay sophomore Erin Terrell started her leg of the 4 x 800 meter relay after receiving the baton from freshman Kamilla Jones in the Mid-Continent League Track Meet in Smith Center on Friday. The foursome of Terrell, Jones, junior Dustyna Sprigg and senior Kendra Engelbert finished runner-up with a time of 10:42.50.

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D & M	81	568.5
Don's Floor Covering	76	573.5
Budweiser	57	93
Brooks Bros Harvesting	56.5	93.5

**HIGH SCORE GAME TEAM**

D & M	704
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**HIGH HANDICAP GAME TEAM**

The WIF's	1014
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**HIGH SCORE GAME**

Heaven Peters	243
Tyler Rutherford	186
Robert Daniels	174
Bill La Salle	174

**HIGH HANDICAP GAME**

Heaven Peters	243
Tyler Rutherford	227
Robert Daniels	225
Nick Daniels	224

**HIGH SCORE SERIES TEAM**

Budweiser	1968
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**HIGH HANDICAP SERIES TEAM**

The WIF's	2911
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**HIGH SCORE SERIES**

Tyler Rutherford	496
Heaven Peters	469
David Schlegel	463
Rusty Miller	451

**HIGH HANDICAP SERIES**

Jessica Nichols	644
Heaven Peters	634
Tyler Rutherford	619
Nick Daniels	605
Merle Hawks	605

**Results of April 20**

Team Standings	Won	Lost
Creative Collision	94	66
The WIF's	93.5	66.5
D & M Service	87.5	72.5
Don's Floor Covering	80.5	79.5
Brooks Bros Harvesting	63.5	96.5
Budweiser	60	100

**HIGH SCORE GAME TEAM**

D & M Service	785
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**HIGH HANDICAP GAME TEAM**

Creative Collision	1071
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**HIGH SCORE SERIES**

Bubba Brooks	193
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Bill La Salle	192
Warren Francis	191
Rusty Miller	186
Fig Millan	186

**HIGH HANDICAP GAME**

Warren Francis	253
Bubba Brooks	252
Fig Millan	250
Kyle Kats	245

**HIGH SCORE SERIES TEAM**

D & M Service	2114
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**HIGH HANDICAP SERIES TEAM**

D & M Service	2948
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**HIGH SCORE SERIES**

Bill LaSalle	482
Rusty Miller	481
Warren Francis	473
Fig Millan	462

**HIGH HANDICAP SERIES**

Warren Francis	659
Fig Millan	654
Sommer Acheson	611
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