

AT A GLANCE

The boys tennis team at Fremont Ross wanted to do a community service project.

So sophomore No. 1 singles player Malcolm Leake suggested the team hold a match against the varsity girls. The Susan G. Komen Ace for the Cure is at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Little Giants' courts.

Community members, staff and students will have the opportunity to challenge any athlete on either varsity team for a dollar or a donation of more than a dollar for each game played.

There will be hot dogs, chips and water.

"We'll try to make it a fun atmosphere," Ross coach Lisa Wolfe said.

Staff report

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SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

Sophomore awarded bye in first round

News-Messenger reports

Fremont Ross sophomore Macolm Leake is the No. 2 seed and has a first-round bye at Thursday's Division I sectional tennis tournament at Sandusky.

Leake will face Lexington's Nathan Cropp in the second round. Leake, who advanced to districts before losing his first match last season, is 19-3 in singles play this year.

"He's had an incredible season," Ross coach Lisa Wolfe said. "Right now he's peaking, which is perfect for this time of the season."

The Little Giants' David Gipe faces Ashland's Danny Miller in the first round. Gipe played doubles most of the season but wanted to play singles in the postseason.

Ross's Rob Hart plays Lexington's John McCarther in the first round. Hart was at No. 3 singles most of the season.

The Little Giants' Michael Pickerel and Eric Paulson face Sandusky's Jimmy Mears and Nolan Murray in the first round. Paulson played half the season at doubles while Pickerel was at No. 1 doubles all season.

Ross's Jordan Martin and Tim Cheek play Lexington's Sam Mason and Travis Smith in the first round. Martin played mostly doubles while Cheek was at No. 2 doubles all season.

Rain could shift the tournament to Lexington.

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TENNIS ■ SECTIONALS

Ross' Leake advances to semifinals

News-Messenger reports

Fremont Ross sophomore Malcolm Leake was one of four singles players to advance to districts as he qualified for Saturday's sectional semifinals at Sandusky High School.

Leake defeated Nathan Cropp of Lexington 6-2, 6-1 in the second round and topped Cameron Welker of Mansfield Senior 6-1, 6-0 in the quarter-finals.

Leake, the No. 2 seed, will face third-seeded Jason Brunn of Mansfield Senior in the semifinals. Brunn defeated Ross's David Gipe in the second round after Gipe won 6-2, 2-6, 6-4 over Danny Miller of Ashland.

Nicky Wong of Lexington and James DeMeo of Oregon Clay are the other two semifinalists.