Moore Earns Academic Honors

ELMHURST, Ill., June 7, 2005 -- Elmhurst College baseball player Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) has been selected to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America squad. Moore was a first team selection at designated hitter on the college division team. The award is voted on by members of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

This marks the third straight year the Bluejays have had a player earn Academic All-America honors at designated hitter. Former Bluejay Rob Daggett was a designated hitter selection in 2003 and 2004. Moore joins Daggett and Brad Groth as Bluejays who have earned Academic All-America honors in baseball since the 2003 season.

This season, Moore was selected to the College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin (CCIW) all-conference squad. He was a second-team selection at designated hitter. For the season, Moore hit .383 with 49 hits in 128 at bats. He had six doubles and four homers and drove in 24 runs. Moore also excelled in CCIW play, hitting .380 with three doubles, two homers and 14 RBI. A management major, Moore maintained a 3.964 grade-point average.

The Bluejay baseball team finished the 2005 season with a 17-23 overall record and a fifth-place finish in the CCIW with a 9-12 record.

The Bluejays are charter members of the CCIW and compete at the NCAA Division III level.

Bergfeld Named All-Region

ELMHURST, Ill., June 1, 2005 -- Elmhurst College first baseman Brian Bergfeld has been selected to the American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA) All-Central Region team. Bergfeld was named to third team as a first baseman.

The all-region honor is the first for Bergfeld and comes just after he was selected to the College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin (CCIW) first-team all-conference team. The all-conference award was his second honor in the past three seasons. He earned second-team honors during the 2003 season. For the season, Bergfeld led the Bluejays in the majority of the offensive categories. He posted team-highs in: batting average (.408), hits (58), doubles (16), runs (36), RBI (36) and total bases (92). In CCIW play, he posted a .365 batting average with nine doubles, a triple and a home run. He scored 16 runs and drove in 17.

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Three Bluejays Earn All-CCIW Honors

ELMHURST, Ill., May 19, 2005 -- Three members of the Elmhurst College baseball team have been selected to the College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin (CCIW) all-conference team. Pitcher Doug Kucik (Western Springs-Lyons Township), first baseman Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) and designated hitter Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) were all chosen as second-team selections.

Kucik earned his first all-conference honor while posting a 3-1 record from the mound in league play. Along with the three wins, he compiled a 3.80 ERA and with 12 strikeouts. He walked just two batters in 23.3 innings of work. For the season, Kucik posted a 4-3 record with a 3.50 ERA. He struck out 24 and walked just four batters in 43.2 innings pitched.
Bergfeld’s selection to the all-conference squad was his second honor in the past three seasons. He earned second-team honors during the 2003 season. For the season, Bergfeld led the Bluejays in the majority of the offensive categories. He posted team-highs in: batting average (.408), hits (58), doubles (16), runs (36), RBI (36) and total bases (92). In CCIW play, he posted a .365 batting average with nine doubles, a triple and a home run. He scored 16 runs and drove in 17.

Moore picked up his first all-conference selection at designated hitter on the second team. For the season, Moore hit .383 with 49 hits in 128 at bats. He had six doubles and four homers and drove in 24 runs. Moore also excelled in CCIW play, hitting .380 with three doubles, two homers and 14 RBI.

The Bluejay baseball team finished the 2005 season with a 17-23 overall record and a fifth-place finish in the CCIW with a 9-12 record.

Bluejays Pounded by Augustana 16-1

Boxscore

ELMHURST, Ill., May 8, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball season came to a close with a 16-1 loss to Augustana College. The Bluejays closed out the 2005 season with a 17-23 overall record and a 9-12 mark in the CCIW.

Augustana got on the scoreboard first, scoring an unearned run in the top of the first inning. Elmhurst answered back, tying the score in the bottom of the frame. Brian Mucha (Arlington Heights-Buffalo Grove) doubled and moved to third on a single by Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah). A sacrifice fly by Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) scored Mucha to even the score after one inning.

The Bluejays could not keep Augustana’s red-hot offense at bay for long, though. The Vikings scored two in the third, two in the fourth, five in the fifth, four in the sixth and two in the seventh inning to take 16-1 lead.

Tom Neckopolus (Glen Ellyn-Glenbard South) suffered the loss, dropping to 3-2 on the year. He allowed four earned runs in 3.2 innings pitched. He allowed just two hits but walked five batters. He also struck out two.

Baseball Team Drops Two to Augie

Boxscore

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., May 7, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team dropped a doubleheader to Augustana College, falling to 9-11 in CCIW play and being eliminated from CCIW Tournament contention. The Bluejays dropped game one 10-6 and fell in game two 10-4.

AUGUSTANA 10, ELMHURST 6 (Game One) - Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) doubled twice in drove in three runs for the Bluejays in the loss. Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) and Dan Bocian (Western Springs-Lyons Township) each recorded two hits in the loss.

Nick Ferrin (Lake Forest-H.S.) suffered the loss after allowing eight runs in five innings.

AUGUSTANA 10, ELMHURST 4 (Game Two) - Bocian drove in a pair of runs to pace the Elmhurst offense in game two. Nick Sharkey (Bolingbrook-H.S.) had three hits in the loss.
Greg Williams (Chesterfield, Mo.-Christian Brothers) suffered the loss after allowing six earned runs in four innings.

**Baseball Team Pounds Chicago Twice**

**Game One Boxscore**
**Game Two Boxscore**

ELMHURST, Ill., May 5, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team moved to 17-20 overall after sweeping a doubleheader from the University of Chicago. The Bluejays pounded the Maroons 12-2 in game one and took game two 23-5.

**ELMHURST 12, CHICAGO 5 (Game One)** - The Bluejays pounded out 13 hits and scored in the each of the first five innings en route to the win. Sean O'Brien (Lombard-Glenbard East) led the hit parade with a 4-for-4 day at the plate. He also drove in two runs in the win. Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) finished with three hits while driving in two runs and scoring twice. Tom Rhien (Worth-Brother Rice) added two hits in drove in a pair while scoring two runs. Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) finished 3-for-3 and scored three times while also driving in a run.

Tom Neckopolus (Glen Ellyn-Glenbard South) went the distance to pick up the win. He allowed just two earned runs while scattering six hits through seven hits. He walked one and struck out one.

**ELMHURST 22, CHICAGO 5 (Game Two)** - The Bluejays battered the Maroons 23-5, banging out 17 hits and taking advantage of 10 errors by Chicago.

Elmhurst jumped on the scoreboard in the first inning when Brian Mucha (Arlington Heights-Buffalo Grove) stole home in a double steal. Chicago answered back in the second inning as they scored five times five hits, including three consecutive doubles.

Elmhurst responded in the bottom of the frame with a pair of home runs. Matt Jackson (Seneca-H.S.) blasted a three-run shot and Bergfeld added a two-run homer to put Elmhurst up 6-5.

The Bluejays opened a four-run lead in the third inning when Jackson roped an RBI double down the left field line. Mark Jerome (Warren, Mich.-Warren Woods) smacked a two-out single to drive in two more runs.

The Bluejays blew the game open in the bottom of the fifth scoring 13 times after there were two outs in the inning. After the first two batters were retired, Elmhurst send the next 16 batters to the plate. The Bluejays capitalized on four Chicago errors to score 12 unearned runs.. Jerome, Bergfeld and Mike Skora (Apple Valley, Minn.-H.S.) all had two-run singles in the inning. In total the Bluejays sent 18 batters to the plate in the inning and 10 hits. Nine of the 10 hits were singles. Only Todd Zasadil's (Westmont-H.S.) pinch-hit triple went for extra bases.

Elmhurst tacked on one last unearned run in the bottom of the sixth to get the 23-5 win.

Jackson and Rhien each finished with three hits to lead the Bluejays while Jerome and Bergfeld each had two hits.

Doug Kucik (Western Springs-Lyons Township) earned the win in relief, pitching 3.1 innings and allowing just two hits.

Elmhurst closes out the regular season this weekend with a three-game series at Augustana. The Bluejays must sweep the Vikings to reach the CCIW Tournament.
Baseball Team Falls to IWU 10-3

Boxscore

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., May 2, 2005 - The Bluejay baseball team slipped to 9-9 in CCIW play after falling to Illinois Wesleyan University by a 10-3 final score. The Bluejays slipped to 15-20 overall with the loss.

Elmhurst carried a 2-1 lead into the bottom of the fourth inning, but the Titans took control with four runs in the frame. IWU added five runs in the seventh inning to put the game out of reach.

Tom Rhien (Worth-Brother Rice) banged out three hits and drove in a run in the Bluejays' loss. Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) and Nick Sharkey (Bolingbrook-H.S.) each added an RBI for Elmhurst.

Greg Williams (Chesterfield, Mo.-Christian Brothers) took the loss for Elmhurst. He allowed five runs on nine hits in six innings of work.

Elmhurst plays host to the University of Chicago on Wednesday, May 4.

Baseball Team Swept by IWU

Game One Boxscore
Game Two Boxscore

ELMHURST, Ill., April 30, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team slipped to 15-19 overall and 9-8 in the CCIW following a doubleheader sweep by Illinois Wesleyan University. The Titans took game one 11-2 and won the nightcap 14-5.

Ill. Wesleyan 11, Elmhurst 2 (Game 1) - The Titans jumped on the scoreboard in the second inning with a solo homer to take a 1-0 lead. IWU scored four times in the fifth and five times in the sixth to grab a 10-0 lead. Elmhurst got on the scoreboard in the bottom of the sixth when Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) launched a solo blast to right centerfield. The Titans added a run in the top of the seventh to go up 11-1. Elmhurst scored its second and final run of the game in the bottom of the seventh when Demma doubled in a run.

The Bluejays finished with just five hits compared to IWU's 11. Demma had two of the five hits for the Bluejays. Zach Kruloc finished with three hits and scored three times for the Titans. Joe Howard drove in three for the Titans.

John Lackinger (Elk Grove-Conant) suffered the loss for the Bluejays. Cory Lapinski was dominant for the Titans. He fanned 13 in 5.2 innings and allowed just one earned run.

Ill. Wesleyan 14, Elmhurst 5 (Game 2) - The Bluejays grabbed a 1-0 in the first when Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) cracked an RBI single to drive in Mike Skora (Apple Valley, Minn.-H.S.). The Titans notched the score at 1-1 in the top of the third with a bloop run scoring single from Pat Cinquegrani. Elmhurst answered back in the bottom of the frame. Three straight singles loaded the bases for Demma who lifted a sacrifice fly to right field, scoring Brian Mucha (Arlington Heights-Buffalo Grove). Tom Rhien (Worth-Brother Rice) added an RBI single to give Elmhurst a 3-1 advantage.

The Titans got a run back in the top of the fourth to move to within a run. IWU busted the game open in the fifth inning with six runs on six hits, chasing Bluejay starter Nick Ferrin (Lake Forest-H.S.) in the process. The Titans sent 11 batters
to the plate in the inning. Elmhurst got a run back in the bottom of the frame when Brian Bergfeld singled home Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah).

The Titans pulled away with four runs in the sixth inning to take an eight-run advantage at 12-4. Ken Sullivan’s (Elmhurst-York) RBI single in the sixth inning cut the deficit to 12-5. The Titans added a pair of runs in the ninth to come away with the 14-5 win.

Elmhurst outhit the Titans 17-15 in the contest, but all of Elmhurst’s hits were singles. Eleven of the 15 hits by the Titans went for extra bases. Bergfeld finished the day 4-for-4 for the Bluejays, while Sullivan and Moore each added three hits in the loss.

Ferrin suffered the loss dropping to 2-5 on the year. He allowed six earned runs on eight hits in 4.1 innings pitched. Drew Himes moves to 5-1 overall with the win for the Titans. Himes allowed just three earned runs despite giving up 13 hits. He struck out four while not issuing a walk.

### Baseball Game Postponed

Today’s (April 29) baseball game at Illinois Wesleyan University has been postponed until Monday, May 2. The Bluejays will host the Titans on Saturday, April 30, at 2:00 p.m.

### Baseball Team Falls to Aurora 14-8

**Boxscore**

ELMHURST, Ill., April 27, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team suffered a 14-8 loss to Aurora University in a non-conference contest. The Bluejays slipped to 15-17 overall.

The Bluejays led 6-5 heading into the bottom of the fourth inning, but Aurora scored seven times in the frame to grab a 13-6 lead and never looked back.

Brian Mucha (Arlington Heights-Buffalo Grove) finished 3-for-5 with two runs scored and an RBI. Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) also slugged a homer in the loss. Nick Sharkey (Bolingbrook-H.S.), Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) and Mike Skora (Apple Valley, Minn.-H.S.) all recorded a pair of hits in the loss.

Matt Malinowski (Hanover Park-Bartlett) suffered the loss for the Bluejays. He pitched one inning and allowed five runs without giving up a hit. Only one of the five runs was charged as an earned run. He walked five and struck out one.

Elmhurst resumes CCIW play on Friday, April 29, 2005 when they travel to Illinois Wesleyan University.

### Bluejays Pound North Park 18-3

**Boxscore**
CHICAGO, Ill., April 25, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team blasted eight home runs en route to an 18-3 win over North Park University. With the win, the Bluejays pulled to within a game of .500 at 15-16 overall and moved to 9-6 in the CCIW.

Elmhurst jumped all over the Vikings in the fourth inning as Brian Mucha (Arlington Heights-Buffalo Grove), Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) and Matt Jackson (Seneca-H.S) all blasted two-run home runs. Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) added a solo blast in the inning. The Bluejays batted around again in the second inning with Demma blasting a three-run homer. Moore smacked his second homer in the third inning while Demma cracked his third of the game. Jackson smashed his second homer of the game in the fourth inning.

Demma finished 3-for-4 with three homers and six RBI. Jackson finished 3-for-5 with three RBI while Mucha collected three hits with two runs driven in. Moore scored three runs and drove in two in the win.

Tom Neckopolous collected the win allowing just two earned runs over four innings.

Baseball Team Sweeps Pair From NPU

Game One Boxscore
Game Two Boxscore

ELMHURST, Ill., April 24, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team improved to 8-6 in CCIW play by sweeping a doubleheader from North Park University. The Bluejays took game one 5-4 on a walk off sacrifice fly. Elmhurst pounded North Park in game two 14-4.

ELMHURST 5, NORTH PARK 4 (Game One) - The Bluejays erased a 3-1 deficit to earn their seventh CCIW win of the season. Trailing 3-1 in the top of the sixth inning, Elmhurst tied the score on a Dan Bocian (Western Springs-Lyons Township) two RBI double.

North Park took the lead in the bottom of the sixth and was in position to come away with just their second conference win heading to the top of the seventh inning.

Nick Sharkey (Bolingbrook-H.S.) led off the inning with a single. Mike Skora (Apple Valley, Minn.-H.S.) reached base on an error with Sharkey moving to third base. Ken Sullivan (Elmhurst-York) singled to drive in Sharkey. Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) was intentionally walked to load the bases. Pinch hitter Todd Zasadil (Westmont-H.S.) drove home the winning run on a sacrifice fly.

Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) had a 3-for-3 day at the plate while Bergeld, Brian Mucha (Arlington Heights-Buffalo Grove) and Jeff Wisneiwski (Niles North-Notre Dame) each banged out two hits in the win.

Nick Kucik (Western Springs-Lyons Township) notched the win in relief, recording the final two outs of the sixth inning. Kyle Bjerga (Lombard-Glenbard East) recorded his third save of the season by pitching the seventh inning. Nick Ferrin (Lake Forest-H.S.) made the start and pitched 5.1 innings and allowed four runs (three earned) on six hits. He walked two and struck out two.

ELMHURST 14, NORTH PARK 4 (Game Two) - The Bluejays won the second game by the 10-run rule, blasting 18 hits in the victory.
The Bluejays scored three in the first, one each in the second and fourth and three in the fifth to take an 8-1 lead. North Park scored three in the top of the seventh, but the Bluejays responded with six runs in the bottom of the inning to earn the 10-run win.

Sean O’Brien (Lombard-Glenbard East) finished 3-for-4 with two runs and two RBI. Skora also collected three hits with two runs and two runs driven in. Bergfeld and Tom Rhien (Worth-Brother Rice) added two hits and two RBI each. Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) also tripled in a pair of runs.

Greg Williams (Chesterfield, Mo.-Christian Brothers) picked up the win, throwing 6.2 innings and allowing four earned runs on nine hits. He walked one and fanned four.

The Bluejays and the Vikings will finish the three-game series on Monday, April 25, 2005 at North Park, at 3:00 p.m.

Baseball Team Falls to Dominican

ELMHURST, Ill., April 19, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team slipped to 12-16 overall after a non-conference 13-5 loss to Dominican University.

The Bluejays jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the third inning, but Dominican broke through for five runs in the fourth inning and never trailed the rest of the way.

Jeff Wisneiwski (Niles-Notre Dame) led the Bluejays at the plate with a three-hit day. He also drove in a run in the loss. Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) and Tom Rhien (Worth-Brother Rice) each had a pair of hits and drove in a run. Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) added two hits in the loss.

Elmhurst used eight pitchers in the game, frequently changing arms after an inning of work. Darrell Mathis (Mundelein-H.S.) suffered the loss in relief. He was tagged for five runs (just two earned) on four hits in one-third of an inning.

Elmhurst resumes CCIW play on Saturday, April 23, when they travel to North Park University for a doubleheader.

Baseball Team Falls to NCC 13-3

ELMHURST, Ill., April 17, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team fell to 6-6 in the CCIW after falling to North Central College by a 13-3 final score. The loss moves the Bluejays to 12-15 overall.

North Central jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the first inning when leadoff hitter Rick Ochenkowski drilled the third pitch he saw out of the ball park in left center. Elmhurst came right back to tie the score in the bottom of the frame. Mike Skora (Apple Valley, Minn.-H.S.) led off with a double and took third on a deep fly to right field. Skora scored on a Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) bloop single to left field.

The Bluejays grabbed a 2-1 lead in the bottom of the second when Nick Sharkey (looped a hustle double to centerfield, driving in Dan Bocian (Western Springs-Lyons Township).
The Cardinals tied the score with a run in the third inning and grabbed a 6-2 lead in the fourth inning. With runners at second and third and two outs, the Bluejays elected to walk Ochenkowski to load the bases. Gerry Novak emptied the bases with a grand slam that just cleared the left field fence.

The Bluejays cut into the Cardinals’ lead in the bottom of the fourth when Bocian launched a solo homer to left. North Central answered right back in the fifth inning with a pair of home runs giving the Cardinals an 9-3 lead. The Cardinals tacked on an insurance run in the eighth and three more in the ninth en route to the 13-3 win.

Skora led the Bluejays on offense with three hits. Bocian and Moore each collected a pair of hits in the loss.

Matt Malinowski (Hanover Park-Bartlett) took the loss in relief. He pitched just one inning, allowing six runs on four hits and two walks. Hardman went the distance for the Cardinals, allowing just three earned runs while earning the win.

The Bluejays will face Dominican University on Tuesday, April 19, at 3:00 p.m.

Game One Boxscore
Game Two Boxscore

Baseball Team Drops a Pair to NCC

NAPERVILLE, Ill., April 16, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team slipped to 6-5 in league play after dropping both ends of a doubleheader to North Central College. North Central took the opener 4-1 and won the night cap 3-0. The Bluejays fell to 12-14 overall with the losses.

NORTH CENTRAL 4, ELMHURST 1 (Game One) - The Cardinals tagged Bluejay starter Greg Williams (Chesterfield, Mo.-Christian Brothers) for four runs in the first two innings. Elmhurst scored its lone run in the third inning when North Central starter Mark Satkowski balked in a run.

Satkowski pitched a complete game, holding Elmhurst to just five hits. Williams took the loss for the Bluejays, throwing 2.1 innings and giving up four runs (three earned) on four hits. He walked one and struck out two.

NORTH CENTRAL 3, ELMHURST 0 (Game Two) - The second game was a pitchers dual between North Central’s Brandon Townsend and Elmhurst’s Nick Ferrin (Lake Forest-H.S.). North Central scored a run in the first inning to take a 1-0 lead and Townsend made it hold up.

Townsend held the Bluejays to just three hits over nine innings. He didn't issue a walk and fanned nine. Ferrin was the tough-luck loser for the Bluejays. He pitched 6.2 innings, allowing just one earned run on four hits.

The Bluejays host North Central on Sunday, April 17, at 1:00 p.m.

Bluejays Topple Concordia 5-3

Boxscore

ELMHURST, Ill., April 14, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team pulled to .500 (12-12 overall) by defeating Concordia University (Ill.) 5-3.
Concordia scored a pair of unearned runs in the first inning to take a 2-0 lead. The Bluejays responded with four runs in the bottom of the frame. An RBI single from Jim Deschamps (Glenview-Glenbrook South) and an RBI double from Matt Jackson (Seneca-H.S.) sparked the Bluejay two-out rally.

Elmhurst added a run in the sixth inning on a Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) RBI single.

Concordia added a run in the seventh but could get no closer.

Matt Malinowski (Hanover Park-Bartlett) earned the win in relief, pitching four innings and allowing just two hits. He walked one and fanned four. Kyle Bjerga (Lombard-Glenbard East) notched his second save of the season.

On offense, Moore, Jackson, Sean O’Brien (Lombard-Glenbard East) and Tom Callanan (Antioch-H.S.) all finished with two hits.

The Bluejays play a doubleheader at North Central College on Saturday, April 16.

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**Bluejays Down Carthage in 10 Inn.**

**Boxscore**

ELMHURST, Ill., April 13, 2005 -The Elmhurst College baseball team handed Carthage College its first CCIW loss of the season as the Bluejays rallied to topple the Redmen 5-4 in 10 innings.

The Bluejays jumped on the scoreboard in the second inning with a pair of runs. After back-to-back walks to Tom Rhien (Worth-Brother Rice) and Kevin Brandush (LaGrange-Lyons Township) with one out, Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) singled, sending Brandush to third with Rhien scoring. Brandush scored the second run of the inning when he stole home after Carthage failed to tag him out in a rundown.

Carthage got a run back in the fourth inning to cut the Bluejays’ lead in half to 2-1. The Redmen scored three in the seventh to take the lead. An RBI single from Warren Even, an RBI double by David Wuis and a sacrifice fly from Chris Sadjuk accounted for the three Carthage runs.

Elmhurst got a run back in the fourth inning to cut the Bluejays’ lead in half to 2-1. The Redmen scored three in the seventh to take the lead. An RBI single from Warren Even, an RBI double by David Wuis and a sacrifice fly from Chris Sadjuk accounted for the three Carthage runs.

Elmhurst got a run back in the eighth when Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) led off the inning with a double and scored on a single from Todd Zasadil (Westmont-H.S.). In the ninth, Rhien led off the inning with a walk and promptly stole second. He moved to third on a Brandush sacrifice bunt and scored on a single by Moore.

In the tenth, Jeff Wisniewski (Niles-Notre Dame) led off the inning with a walk. Tom Callanan (Antioch-H.S.) laid down a bunt single with Wisniewski heading to third after a Carthage error. Mike Skora (Apple Valley, Minn.-H.S.) was intentionally walked to load the bases. The game ended when Matt Jackson (Seneca-H.S.) singled through the drawn in infield to bring Wisniewski home.

Moore led the Bluejay offense with three hits and a pair of RBI.

Kyle Bjerga (Lombard-Glenbard East) earned the win in relief, pitching two scoreless innings and allowing just one hit. He struck out one while not issuing a walk.

The Bluejays play host to Concordia University (Ill.) tomorrow, April 14, at 4:30 p.m.
Bluejays Take Series From Millikin

Boxscore

ELMHURST, Ill., April 10, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team captured the rubber game in a three-game series against Millikin University, defeating the Big Blue 8-3.

Elmhurst grabbed a quick 3-0 lead in the first inning after Kevin Brandush (LaGrange-Lyons Township) launched a three-run home run to center field.

Millikin scored twice in the second inning, but the Bluejays added a run in the bottom of the third inning on a Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) RBI double. Millikin scored a run in the top of the fifth to close the Bluejays lead down a run 4-3. The Bluejays answered right back in the bottom of the inning. Demma tripled to deep center field to drive in a run and scored one batter later when Dan Bocian (Western Springs-Lyons Township) drove him in on a bunt single.

Demma smacked his second RBI double of the game in the bottom of the seventh to put Elmhurst up five. The Bluejays added one more run in the eighth inning to earn the 8-3 victory.

Demma led the offense with three hits and three RBI. Brandush finished with two hits and three driven in. Mike Skora (Apple Valley, Minn.-H.S.) added three hits in the victory.

Doug Kucik (Western Springs-Lyons Township) earned the victory in relief. Kucik pitched three and two-thirds innings and did not allow a run. He scattered five hits and stuck out one.

The Bluejays (10-12 overall, 5-3 CCIW) will host Carthage College on Wednesday, April 13.

Bluejays Split a Pair With Millikin

Game One Boxscore
Game Two Boxscore

ELMHURST, Ill., April 9, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team split a pair of CCIW games with Millikin University. The Bluejays rallied to erase a five-run deficit over the final two frames to defeat Millikin University 8-7 in the first game. Millikin improved to 9-12 overall and 4-3 in the CCIW.

**ELMHURST 9, MILLIKIN 8 (Game One)** - The Bluejays scored six runs over the final two innings to erase a five-run deficit. After trailing 1-0 in the bottom of the first, the Bluejays knotted the score on an RBI double by Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah). Millikin reclaimed the lead with a run in the third inning and took advantage of a pair of Bluejay errors to score four runs in the fourth inning. Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) smashed a solo home run to left field in the bottom of the fourth, but Millikin answered right back with a run in the top of the fifth to take a 7-2 lead.

Kevin Brandush (LaGrange-Lyons Township) reached on an error to lead off the sixth inning. Moore followed with a double sending Brandush to third. Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) doubled out of the centerfield fence to score Brandush and Moore. Nick Sharkey (Bolingbrook-H.S.) drove in Moore on an RBI fielders choice to cut the lead to 7-5 after six innings.

In the seventh, Tom Rhien (Worth-Brother Rice) and Brandush led off the inning with back-to-back walks. Moore hit a grounder to first that Millikin first baseman Pat Ryan could not handle. Rhien came around to score on the play. Bergfeld
ground into a fielder’s choice to put runners on the corner. He moved to second on a wild pitch. Sean O’Brien (Lombard-Glenbard East) walked to load the bases. Demma won the game with a walk-off two-RBI single scoring Brandush and Bergfeld.

Doug Kucik (Western Springs-Lyons Township) earned the win (1-3) in relief, pitching three and two-thirds innings and allowing just one earned run on three hits. He also struck out three.

**MILLIKIN 10, ELMHURST 6 (GAME TWO)**

Millikin grabbed a 1-0 lead in the first inning and added an unearned run in the top of the fourth to go up 2-0. The Bluejays grabbed the lead in the bottom of the fourth. RBI singles from Bergfeld and O’Brien tied the score at 2-2, and Demma’s RBI double gave the Bluejays a 3-2 lead.

Millikin answered right back in the top of the fifth inning scoring three times to take a 5-3 lead. The Big Blue busted the game open in the eighth inning. Taking advantage of a two-out error on the Bluejays, the Big Blue scored on a bunt single and Matt Wyatt smashed a grand slam to put Millikin up 10-3.

Elmhurst wasn’t done yet though as the Bluejays cut into Millikin’s lead in the eighth inning. Rhien smashed a two-run homer and Brandush followed with a solo shot to bring the Bluejays to within four runs at 10-6.

Greg Williams (Chesterfield, Mo.-Christian Brothers) took the loss, pitching five innings and allowing six hits and five runs. Only two of the runs scored were earned runs.

The Bluejays will host the Big Blue in the rubber game of the three-game series, tomorrow (Sunday), April 10, at 1:00 p.m.

**Bluejays Drop A Pair to Carthage**

**Game One Boxscore**
**Game Two Boxscore**

KENOSHA, Wis., April 5, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team slipped to 3-2 in the CCIW and 8-11 overall following a pair of losses to Carthage College. Carthage took game one 11-2 and won the second match-up 8-4.

**CARTHAGE 11, ELMHURST 2 (Game One)** - The Redmen jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the third inning on a Warren Even two-run homer. Carthage added a run in the fourth and fifth inning to take a 4-0 lead. Elmhurst got a run back in the top of the sixth on an RBI groundout from Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North). Carthage busted the game open in the bottom of the sixth with seven runs. The Bluejays added one last run in the top of the seventh but fell by a final of 11-2.

Tom Rhien (Worth-Brother Rice) collected a pair of hits in the loss and also scored a run.

Nick Ferrin (Lake Forest-H.S.) dropped to 2-3 after suffering the loss. He allowed eight hits and five walks in five and two-thirds innings. He was charged for five earned runs while recording two strikeouts.

**CARTHAGE 8, ELMHURST 4 (Game Two)** - Carthage established a 3-0 lead, but the Bluejays tied the score in the top of the fifth inning. RBI doubles from Bergfeld and Kevin Brandush (LaGrange-Lyons Township) knotted the score at 3-3. Carthage came right back and reclaimed the lead in the bottom half of the inning scoring three runs without the benefit of a hit. Elmhurst committed two errors and hit two batters.
The Redmen added two in the seventh to take an 8-3 lead. The Bluejays added one run in the ninth inning to finish with the 8-4 loss.

Bergfeld, Brandush and Brian Mucha (Arlington Heights-Buffalo Grove) each had two hits in the loss.

Doug Kucik (Western Springs-Lyons Township) suffered the loss, despite allowing just one earned run.

The Bluejays open a three-game weekend series against Millikin University on Saturday, April 9.

Bluejays Finish Sweep of Wheaton

Game One Boxscore
Game Two Boxscore

WHEATON, Ill., April 2, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team completed its series sweep against Wheaton College by winning both ends of a double header. The Bluejays took game one 3-1 and won game two 10-7 in ten innings.

ELMHURST 3, WHEATON 1 - The first game turned into a pitcher's dual between Elmhurst's Greg Williams (Chesterfield, Mo.-Christian Brothers) and Wheaton's Pete Shiner.

Both pitchers kept their opponents off the scoreboard until the fifth inning. Elmhurst broke through first in the top of the fifth. Brian Much (Arlington Heights-Buffalo Grove) led off the inning with a walk and scored on a Wheaton error. The Thunder answered back in the bottom of the inning on a Josh Baker RBI single.

Elmhurst reclaimed the lead in the top of the sixth when Sean O'Brien (Lombard-Glenbard East) singled to drive in a run. The Bluejays tacked on an insurance run in the top of the seventh when Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) led off the inning with a triple and scored on a Thunder error.

Williams improved to 1-1 with the win, pitching six innings and allowing just one unearned run. He scattered five hits and struck out two while not issuing a walk. Kyle Bjerga (Lombard-Glenbard East) pitched a perfect ninth inning with two strikeouts to notch his first save of the season.

ELMHURST 10, WHEATON 7, (10) - The Bluejays completed the sweep by rallying to down the Thunder in 10 innings. Trailing 5-4 in the top of the ninth, the Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) singled to drive in a pair of runs. Mucha added a sacrifice fly to put the Bluejays up two heading to the bottom of the ninth.

Elmhurst grabbed the lead for good in the tenth on RBI singles by Demma and Tom Callanan (Antioch-H.S.).

For the day, Kevin Brandush (LaGrange-Lyons Township) led the offense with three hits, two runs scored and three RBI. Mike Skora (Apple Valley, Minn.-H.S.) added two hits, three runs and two RBI.

Bjerga earned the win in relief, pitching 1.2 innings and allowing two runs on three hits. Doug Kucik (Western Springs-Lyons Township) notched the save, pitching a perfect 10th inning. Tom Neckopulos (Glen Ellyn-Glenbard South) made the start and pitched five innings, allowing just three earned runs on six hits. He struck out five and did not issue a walk.
The Bluejays head to Carthage College on Tuesday, April 5, for a doubleheader.

Bluejays Down Wheaton 9-7 in Five

Boxscore

ELMHURST, Ill., April 1, 2005 - For the second time this week, rain shortened a scheduled nine-inning contest for the Elmhurst College baseball team. The Bluejays CCIW opening game against Wheaton College was called due to lightning and rain with the Bluejays winning 9-7.

Elmhurst did all of its damage in the first inning. Kevin Brandush (LaGrange-Lyons Township) led off the inning with a single and moved to third on a Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) single. Bergfeld took second on the throw to third. Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) followed with a single that scored Bergfeld and Brandush. Ken Sullivan (Elmhurst-York) reached first on a fielder's choice while Moore was forced out at second. Jim Deschamps (Glenview-Glenbrook South) followed with a single. A walk to Brian Mucha (Arlington Heights-Buffalo Grove) loaded the bases for the Bluejays. Matt Jackson (Seneca-H.S.) reached on a fielder's choice with everyone being safe on the play and Sullivan coming home to score. Dan Bocian (Western Springs-Lyons Township) followed with an infield single driving home Deschamps. Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) followed with an RBI ground out to make the score 5-0. Brandush recorded his second hit of the inning with an RBI single bring Jackson home. Bergfeld completed the scoring with a three-run homer to left field.

Wheaton began to chip away at the Bluejays' lead, scoring two in the top of the third on a Luke Munch two RBI single. The Thunder added two more runs in the third and scored three times in the fifth inning. Bluejay starter Nick Ferrin (Lake Forest-H.S.) was chased in the fifth with runners at second and third with one out. Moore came on to pitch for Elmhurst and closed out the inning getting Dan Falvey to pop back to him and striking out Munch.

Lightning was spotted in the area in the top of the sixth and the game was immediately halted. Rain followed the lightning and the game was finally called after a near 45 minute delay.

Ferrin earned the win, moving to 2-2 on the season. He allowed 11 hits and six earned runs. He also struck out four. Moore notched his second save of the season, retiring both batters he faced.

The Bluejays will travel to Wheaton on Saturday, April 2, 2005 to play a doubleheader with the Thunder.

Bluejays Fall to Benedictine 7-5

Boxscore

ELMHURST, Ill., March 30, 2005 - Mother nature snuffed out any chance of a rally by the Elmhurst College baseball team in its match up with Benedictine University. The game was called in the seventh inning with the Bluejays trailing the Eagles 7-5.

Benedictine took advantage of three straight Bluejay errors in the first inning to take a 1-0 lead without getting a hit. Elmhurst answered right back as Kevin Brandush (LaGrange-Lyons Township) drilled a solo homer in the bottom of the frame to knot the score at 1-1.
The Eagles pushed a run home in the third inning and then upped its lead in the fourth inning when Bluejay pitcher Doug Kucik (Western Springs-Lyons Township) picked off Teddy Ostrowski at first base. Ostrowski stayed in a run down long enough to let Mike Headtke score from third base.

The Eagles scored two more runs in the fifth and two more in the sixth to take a 7-1 lead.

Elmhurst made a charge in the sixth inning. After a leadoff double by Brandush, Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) smacked a two-run homer to right center. With two outs in the inning, Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) singled through the left side. Matt Jackson (Seneca-H.S.) followed with a two-run blast to left center field, to bring Elmhurst to within a pair of runs.

The Bluejays put the leadoff runner on base in the bottom of the seventh, but nearby lightning strikes brought the game to halt. A thunderstorm opened up shortly after and the game was called by the umpired after a near 45 minute delay.

Kucik suffered the loss and fell to 0-2 on the season. He allowed seven hits and five runs, but only three runs were earned. He walked two and fanned three. Despite pitching two innings, Darrell Mathis (Mundelein-H.S.) gets credited for only throwing the sixth inning (The rain out cancels all stats in the top of the seventh inning). Mathis allowed two runs on three hits and a strikeout.

The Bluejays play host to Wheaton College on Friday, April 1, at 2:30 p.m.

Bluejays Rally To Down Concordia

RIVER FOREST, Ill., March 29, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team snapped a seven game losing streak with a 9-8 come from behind win over Concordia University (Ill.) in 10 innings.

The Bluejays fell behind 5-1 after Concordia tagged starter Matt Seroka (Chicago-Brother Rice) for five runs in three plus innings. Only two of the runs were earned.

Elmhurst responded with four runs in the sixth inning to pull to within a run. The Bluejays played long ball in the eighth to take the lead. Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) led off the inning with a solo blast to tie the score. After Brian Mucha (Arlington Heights-Buffalo Grove) reached on an error, Dan Bocian (Western Bluejays) smacked a two-run homer to put the Bluejays up two.

The Cougars answered right back in the bottom of the eighth as a pair of Bluejay errors led to two unearned runs.

Elmhurst reclaimed the lead in the top of the tenth. With two outs and the bases empty, Mike Skora (Apple Valley, Minn.-H.S.) singled and promptly stole second. Tom Rhien (Worth-Antioch) singled through the left side driving in Skora. Rhien moved into second on the throw home. Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) put the Bluejays up two as he smacked an RBI triple to drive in Rhien.

Concordia managed to get one run back in the bottom of the ninth, but Kyle Bjerga (Lombard-Glenbard East) fanned the final batter to end the game.

Rhien and Bergfeld led the Bluejay offense with three hits apiece. Rhien drove in a pair for the Bluejays. Moore finished with two hits and two RBI while Bocian tallied two hits and three RBI.
Bjerga improved to 2-2 with the win in relief. He pitched 2.2 innings and allowed just one earned run on hit. He walked one and struck out two. Greg Williams (Chesterfield, Mo.-Christian Brothers) did not allow an earned run, pitching four and a third innings, scattering two hits and one walk. He was charged for two unearned runs and struck out four batters. The Bluejays struggled in the field, committing six errors, leading to five unearned runs.

Elmhurst hosts Benedictine University tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. in the season opening game.

Bluejays Drop Two to Allegheny

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla., March 26, 2005 - After beginning the season with a 4-1 record, the Elmhurst College baseball team has dropped seven straight games, slipping to 4-8 overall after a pair of 9-3 losses to Allegheny College in Port Charlotte, Fla.

Allegheny 9, Elmhurst 3 (Game One) - Allegheny scored five times in the first and four in the seventh to take the first game 9-3. Allegheny scored five in the first on six hits and an Elmhurst error. The Bluejays tallied runs in the first, fifth and sixth innings, to get to within two, but four runs in the seventh inning for Allegheny put the game out of reach.

Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) and Kevin Brandush (LaGrange-Lyons Township) each collected a pair of hits in the loss.

Nick Ferrin (Lake Forest-H.S.) scattered seven hits in 6.1 innings pitched. He allowed five earned runs while walking one and striking out one.

Allegheny 9, Elmhurst 3 (Game Two) - Allegheny jumped out once again to a 5-0 lead after four runs in the second inning and a run in the third. Three runs in the fifth inning sealed the game for Allegheny.

Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) had a pair of RBI in the loss.

Kyle Bjerga (Lombard-Glenbard East) suffered the loss after surrendering six hits and five earned runs in 2.1 innings pitched. He walked and struck out one while also hitting four batters.

The Bluejays return home and will face Concordia University (Ill.) on Tuesday, March 29, 2005 at 2:30 p.m.

Baseball Team Drops a Pair

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla., March 25, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team dropped a pair of games, falling to 4-6 overall after falling to St. Mary\'s and Western Connecticut State.
**St. Mary’s 6, Elmhurst 5**
The Bluejays were unable to hold a 4-3 lead in the ninth inning, falling to St. Mary’s 6-5. Doug Kucik (Western Springs-Lyons Township) was tagged with the loss, surrendering three runs on three hits in the top of the ninth.

The Bluejays were held to just six hits in the contest. Tom Callanan (Antioch-H.S.) led the offense with a three runs batted in and a run scored. Kevin Brandush (LaGrange-Lyons Township) collected a pair of hits in the loss.

**Western Connecticut State 11, Elmhurst 5,** The Bluejays were once again held to just six hits over nine innings.
Western Connecticut jumped out to a commanding 11-1 lead before the Bluejays scored four unearned runs in the eighth inning. Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) and Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) each collected a pair of hits in the loss.

Darrell Mathis (Mundelein-H.S.) took the loss, pitching 2.1 innings and allowing five earned runs on three hits and four walks.

**Baseball Team Falls To DePauw 11-1**

Boxscore

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla., March 24, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team fell to 4-4 on the season after dropping an 11-1 decision to DePauw University.

The Bluejay bats were held silent for the third straight game until Jim Descamps (Glenview-Glenbrook South) smacked a solo homer in the ninth inning, breaking the Bluejays 22-inning scoring drought.

Tom Neckopoulos (Glen Ellyn-Glenbard South) dropped to 1-1 on the season after taking the loss.

The Bluejays will take on Western Connecticut State on Friday, March 25.

**Bluejays Blanked Twice By Hope**

Game One Boxscore
Game Two Boxscore

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla., March 22, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team suffered a pair of losses on its spring trip to Port Charlotte, Fla. The Bluejays were swept in a doubleheader by Hope College with the Flying Dutchman blanking the Bluejays 7-0 in game one and 4-0 in game two.

Elmhurst’s bats never got going on the day as the Bluejays were held to just seven hits in the first game. Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) and Matt Jackson (Seneca-H.S.) each had a pair of hits in the loss. The Bluejays’ defense also struggled in the first game as Elmhurst committed four errors, including a pair of runs in the first inning leading to four unearned runs. Six of the seven runs scored by Hope in the first game were unearned.

Nick Ferrin (Lake Forest-H.S.) dropped to 1-1 on the season while taking the loss. Ferrin allowed just one earned run in six innings, surrendering six hits and two walks. He also struck out two batters. Matt Seroka (Chicago-Brother Rice) pitched the seventh inning and gave up two unearned run, allowing one hit and one walk.
While the Bluejay bats were held in check in game one, the offense was held silent in the second game as well. The Bluejays managed just three hits in the 4-0 loss. Hope once again capitalized on the Bluejays' defensive letdowns. A pair of errors in the third inning opened the door for a four-run inning for the Flying Dutchman. Three of the four runs scored that frame were unearned.

Kyle Bjerga (Lombard-Glenbard East) took the loss for the Bluejays and dropped to 1-1. He allowed just one earned run while scattering seven hits. He fanned four while not issuing a walk.

The Bluejays take on the University of Southern Maine, a preseason top-10 team, on Wednesday (March 23).

Bluejays Out-Slug Frostburg State

Boxscore

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla., March 21, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team improved to 4-1 on the 2005 season by defeating Frostburg State University 13-9.

Several players sparked Elmhurst's 13 run offensive output. Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) collected a pair of hits, scored a run and drove in three to pace the Bluejays. Dom Demma (Carol Stream-Glenbard NOrth) finished 2-for-5 with a pair of doubles and a run batted in. Dan Bocian (Western Springs-Lyons Township) collected two hits and scored a pair of runs while knocking in a run. Mike Skora (Apple Valley, Minn.-H.S.) posted a 2-for-4 day at the plate with two runs scored and an RBI. Kevin Brandush (LaGrange-Lyons Township) slugged a two-run homer in the Bluejays' win.

Darrell Mathis (Mundelein-H.S.) picked up the win for the Bluejays. Mathis pitched five and three quarters innings, allowing four runs (just two earned runs). He scattered seven hits and also walked a batter and struck out one. Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) gave up his first runs of the season in middle relief. Moore pitched two and two thirds innings, surrendering five earned runs and six hits. Doug Kucik (Western Springs-Lyons Township) pitched a perfect ninth inning.

The Bluejays will face Hope College in a doubleheader on Tuesday, March 22.

Baseball Team Suffers First Loss

Boxscore

PORT CHARLOTTE, FLA., March 20, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team suffered its first loss of the season, falling to St. John’s University 8-6.

John Lackinger (Elk Grove-Conant) made the start for the Bluejays and lasted just 1.1 innings. He allowed two hits and three earned runs. He fanned two batters but walked seven. Greg Williams (Chesterfield, Mo.-Christian Brothers) suffered the loss in relief, pitching 3.2 innings and allowing five hits and five runs. He walked one and struck out three. Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) pitched the final three innings for the Bluejays. Moore walked two batters and struck out six, while not allowing a hit.

Ken Sullivan (Elmhurst-York) was the only Bluejay to record more than one hit in the game, finishing 2-for-4 with a run scored. Kevin Brandush (LaGrange-Lyons Township) singled home a pair of runs in the sixth inning.

Elmhurst will play Frostburg State University on Monday, March 21.
Bluejays Down Maryville 11-4

Boxscore

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 18, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team improved to 3-0 to start the 2005 season, defeating Maryville University 11-4.

The Bluejays plated four runs in the first inning and never looked back. After two runs in the top of the third, Maryville scored three time in the bottom of the inning to pull to within three runs at 6-3, but they would get no closer. Elmhurst sealed the win with three runs in the seventh and a pair in the eighth.

Ken Sullivan (Elmhurst-York) provided the offense punch for the Bluejays. He finished 3-for-5 at the plate with a double and triple, driving in three runs. Nick Sharkey (Bolingbrook-H.S.) and Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) each added a pair of hits in the win.

Freshman Tom Neckopulos (Glen Ellyn-Glenbard South) was impressive in his collegiate pitching debut. Neckopulos pitched seven innings, scattering eight hits and allowing just three earned runs. He walked to batters while also fanning two. Greg Williams (Chesterfield, Mo.-Christian Brothers) worked the eighth inning and allowed one run. Doug Kucik (LaGrange-Lyons Township) worked a perfect ninth inning for the Bluejays.

The Bluejays travel to Port Charlotte, Fla. for a nine-game road trip. Elmhurst begins play in Florida on Sunday, March 20, when they take on St. John’s University (Minn.).

Baseball Team Wins Opening Games

Boxscores Coming Soon

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 17, 2005 - The Elmhurst College baseball team won its opening games of the year by sweeping a doubleheader from Fontbonne University. The Bluejays pounded Fontbonne 18-4 in game one and hung on to a 9-8 victory in game number two.

Elmhurst played long ball in the first game as four Bluejays launched home runs. Brian Bergfeld (Sylvania, Ohio-North) led the Bluejays at the plate with a 5-for-5 day. He scored five runs and also homered while driving in four runs. Kevin Brandush (LaGrange-Lyons Township) turned in a 4-for-5 day at the plate, with a pair of doubles and a home run. Brandush also finished with four RBI. Nick Sharkey (Bolingbrook-H.S.) finished 3-for-4 in his first collegiate game and also scored a run. In his first collegiate at-bat, pinch hitter Jim Deschamps (Glenview-Glenbrook South) launched a two-run homer. Matt Jackson (Seneca-H.S.) also went yard for the Bluejays.

From the mound, Nick Ferrin (Lake Forest-H.S.) picked up the win, pitching five innings and allowing just one earned run. He scattered two hits and five walks while fanning four batters.

In game two, the Bluejays overcame some sloppy defense as Elmhurst committed six errors. Bergfeld was the only Bluejay to record more than one hit, finishing 2-for-5 with a single and triple. Kyle Bjerga (Lombard-Glenbard East) worked a scheduled four-inning start to get the win, allowing six hits while striking out two. Bjerga overcame some early wildness that saw him hit four batters. Doug Kucik (LaGrange-Lyons Township) worked two and two-thirds in relief, allowing three runs and four hits while striking out two. Pat Moore (Rockton-Hononegah) worked the final third of inning to notch the save.
Elmhurst will play at Maryville University on Friday, March 18, before heading to Port Charlotte, Fla. for a nine-game road trip.