Baseball defeats Calumet, adds 2 wins to season record

By Melanie Koto SPORTS EDITOR

What started off as a slow baseball game turned into a huge win for the Scarlet Hawks in their game against Calumet College of St. Joseph. The Hawks traveled to Whiting, IN last week for a double header, winning both games against Calumet (12-2 and 5-4).

The game started off well defensively for the Hawks with senior Luis Montoya giving up only 2 pitches the entire game, with no hits in the first two innings. The Hawks advanced the action in the third when senior Nick Wise walked and advanced to second on a passed ball. Senior Brian Glennon also walked, and freshman Ryan Fitzpatrick singled, filling the bases for sophomore Jordan Obata's at bat. Obata reached on a fielder's choice and Wise scored the first run of the game. Calumet answered with a run of their own, and the game

stalled at a tie until the 5th when the Hawks advanced to a 9-1 lead. Fitzpatrick and Obata both walked, and successively stole second. Fitzpatrick stole third and scored on a catcher error. Obata then advanced to third on a wild pitch. Senior Reid Matsumoto doubled, bringing Obata in for the Hawk's 2nd run of the inning, followed by a single by junior Jon Celestino. Celestino advanced to second on an error and Matsumoto scored. Freshman Corey Gokan singled, also advanced to second on an error, and Celestino scored the 4th run of the inning for the Hawks. Freshman Bill Cronin singled and junior Kevin Glennon reached on a fielder's choice with Wise singling advancing Glennon to second and Cronin to third. Brian Glennon then flied out to center field, but brought Cronin in for the Hawks 5th run. Fitzpatrick then helped the Hawks pump up the score board with a home run, bringing in Wise, Kevin Glennon and himself for 3 more runs for the Hawks. Calumet went an inning with

no hits and the Hawks added to their lead in the 6th, bringing the score to 12-1. Matsumoto walked, and freshman Malik Alim pinch ran. Celestino singled, and then Gokan reached on a fielder's choice. Kevin Glennon reached on an error and Alim scored, then Wise singled bringing in Gokan for a 2nd run. Wise advanced to second on an error, and Glennon scored the Hawks last run of the game. Calumet answered with one last run, bringing the final score to 12-2 for a big Hawk win.

The second game fared just as well for the Hawks, despite an early scoring start for Calumet. Junior Jack Kosar gave up only 5 hits throughout the game, 3 of which were in the 1st. With Calumet leading by 3 going into the 2nd inning, Gokan started things off with a double to right field. Cronin singled and advanced to second on a pitcher error and Gokan scored to put the Hawks on the board. Kosar kept Calumet from scoring in the 2nd and the Hawks closed the gap in the 3rd with another

run. Obata walked then stole second, advancing to third on an out by Matsumoto. Gokan singled, brining Obata in for another run. Calumet advanced their lead to 4-2 in the 3rd, but the Hawks tied things up in the 4th. Wise walked and stole second, and Brian Glennon reached on an error then stole second as well. Matsumoto reached on an error, advanced to second and brought Glennon and Wise in for the two runs. The Hawks' additional runs went unanswered by Calumet, and the Hawks brought out the win I the 6th. Fitzpatrick singled and stole second, then Obata walked, stole second, and Fitzpatrick stole third. Fitzpatrick then scored on a single by Matsumoto to give the Hawks the 5-4 lead and the winning score.

This past weekend the Hawks were unfortunately swept by Trinity International, bringing their CCAC record to 4-13, and their overall 5-21. The Hawks will play again tomorrow against Trinity Christian with a double header starting at 1 p.m. so come







Photos by Melanie Koto

Zumba Classes zoom to Keating

By Jennifer Agosto

STAFF WRITER

Zumba classes have resumed at Keating Sports and will continue through May 1. Classes will be held Tuesdays from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in one of the south racquetball courts. I was fortunate enough to participate in last week's class and have only good things to say thus far. The class was gratifying, fast paced, and geared to push you to your limits. I would recommend it to anyone especially if you have been interested in working out but are looking for it to be a fun experience; this is just the class for you. I spoke with Jacqui Gatt, IIT's head

volleyball coach, and she shared her thoughts

on the class. "I've taken other Zumba classes before and just like those, this class was energetic and enjoyable. The instructor played great music and made it easy to follow along. I look forward to every Tuesday night!" And I think all of the other 20+ attendees to last week's class would agree.

As for Keating's other classes, Salsa will be on Mondays from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the MTCC Ballroom and will continue through April 30. Vigorious Vinyasa, a form of yoga, will be held Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and continue through April 18.

Be sure to check out the Intramurals and Recreation Facebook page www.facebook.com/iitintramuralsandrec and Keating Sports Center's athletic site at www.illinoistechathletics.com.



Photo by Jennifer Agosto

Athlete Spotlight: Nick Wise



Name: Nick Wise

• **Year:** Senior

Major: Architecture

• Sport: Baseball

Position: Centerfield / Pitcher

Favorite thing about your sport: No matter how long you have played baseball, you see something new each time you come to • the field

Pre-game ritual: Visualize different plays I will make throughout the game / Take swings and watch opposing pitcher

Favorite thing you've done on Campus since you came to IIT: Flag football (even though it only lasted one year)

Best tip for anyone who wants to be great at your sport: In the off-season, repetitions in the batting cage and on the mound. When it's game time, just be mentally ready. And when your having a tough day at the plate or in the field, just remember • that baseball is the greatest sport!