

# the PROSPECTUS

## STUDENT GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATES IN ITS FIRST ADVOCACY DAY



Needs a caption. Waiting for Emma to provide them.

Source: Emma Fleming

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On Tuesday, April 9, two Parkland Student Government members participated in the organization's first ever Student Advocacy Day at the Illinois State Capitol, and I was able to document their experience. The event was organized by the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB). According to the ICCB website, Illinois community college students, "chose to advocate for additional community college funding and educating the new administration on the importance of

a community college education." Newly elected Student Trustee for Fall 2019, Lydia Gallaher, and current President, Joe Smith, attended the event with intentions of doing just that, advocating for community college funding to local representatives and senators.

The early morning began as Gallaher and Smith, and Evila Newman, the Coordinator and Conduct Officer of Student Life, conducted a short briefing of the key points that were to be raised to the legislators they met with. With the guidance of

Newman, Gallaher and Smith outlined the major talking points which included the Equalization Grant, MAP Grants and ways to prevent Illinois community colleges from raising tuition, as Parkland will mostly likely run a deficit soon, along with other Illinois community colleges.

After arriving in Springfield, the student trustee and current president took part in the opening ceremony of the event, where they met with other Illinois community college students who were advocating for

similar issues and bills. Following the opening ceremony, the different colleges dispersed and began heading to their appointments with the legislators. Gallaher and Smith were able to book appointments with Senator Chapin Rose, Senator Jason Barickman, Senator Scott Bennet, Representative Carol Ammons, and Representative Dan Caulkins.

The first legislator the student government members went to see was Senator Chapin Rose. Gallaher prepared a statement about obtaining more funding, and Senator

Rose was unear to listen to the student trustee. In the middle of Gallaher's statement, Senator Rose claimed he had somewhere else to be. As this was the first meeting, the interaction left the student government members slightly disheartened, as it seemed like a dead end.

However, Senator Scott Bennett proved to be willing to listen. Smith took the lead in this discussion and asked the senator what was being done to provide community colleges with proper funding. Senator Bennett

mentioned that the government is currently taking steps in the right direction with the proposal of bills like House Bill 2691, which will provide undocumented immigrants and transgender students with financial aid for higher education. He seemed willing to listen to the requests of the representatives from Parkland's Student Government, and explained that change will happen, just not overnight. Senator Bennett encouraged

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## Empathy and Love at Roger Ebert Fest 2019

paul BENSON | Reporter

April 10th to the 13th was the 21st annual Roger Ebert Film Festival! Many people were lined up outside the Virginia Wednesday night, waiting for the festival to start. I was volunteering under Shatterglass studios, recording B-roll footage. The popcorn was popping, people were laughing, and movies were waiting to be watched.

After the death of Roger Ebert on April 4th, 2013, the event has been hosted by the lovely Chaz Ebert. The festival continues in memory of Ebert's passion for films and his loving empathy for all human beings.

On the first night they played the newly released Aretha Franklin documentary, Amazing Grace. Aretha was performing live at the New Temple Missionary Baptist Church in Watts. The footage had been abandoned for decades because of audio syncing technicalities and was only recently edited and released this year. It was like watching the revival of a lost

cultural artifact. The documentary style felt similar to the type of B-roll coverage we were getting at Ebertfest, though the camera operators in Amazing Grace weren't as good at staying out of each other's frames. Before the film, Ebert gave out the phone number of Jeff Dowd - also known as 'The Dude' - so that people could wish him well on his surgery. Dowd was a guest from last year's festival.

After the documentary, The Martin Luther King Jr. community Choir of Champaign Urbana gave a beautiful performance to end the first night. Once the event was over, we filmed interviews with the director, Allan Elliott, and the producer, Terrell D. Whittley. In the interviews, both Elliot and Whittley had kind words to say about the volunteer crew for Shatterglass. It was really nice of them to recognize the work that usually goes unnoticed.

The first night was a wrap. I went down to the changing rooms behind the stage, to drop off

filming equipment. I turned to my right at the bottom of the steps and saw Roger Ebert's name on the first door. My heart sank a little as I thought about what it might have been like to meet him. I went to bed wondering what was behind that door.

Thursday was a fun day. The festival started at 1pm by playing the Jean Epstein film, Cœur Fidèle (The Faithful Heart), a French silent film about love, violence, and resignation. Afterwards, they played the movie Rachel Getting Married by Jonathan Demme. The film was recorded to feel like the audience was a part of the wedding. A lot of Demme's friends were at the wedding instead of actors and the camera movement wasn't stabilized much. The film deals with dysfunctional families and has a very touching ending. Anne Hathaway plays the main character, Kym, who's in rehab for accidentally killing her brother in a car

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## Parkland Celebrates Earth Day with Sustainability Fair



Planet Earth: Our Home.

Source: nasa.gov

ayla MCDONALD | Co-Editor

After a very cold winter, the spring season is finally blooming in Champaign-Urbana. Signs of the season are showing around the Parkland College campus as grass begins to green, as leaves start to bud and as magnolia trees

burst into flower. Earth Day, celebrated on April 22, is just around the corner. According to the Earth Day Network website, "The first Earth Day on April 22, 1970, activated 20 million Americans from all walks of life and is widely credited with launching the

modern environmental movement. The passage of the landmark Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, Endangered Species Act and many other groundbreaking environmental laws soon followed. Twenty years later, Earth Day

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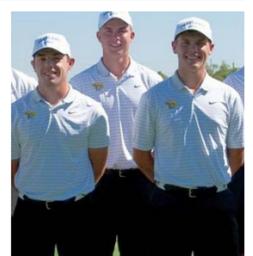
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# Art

## Work by Our Creative Cobras Showcased



Source: Nicoline Hansen

Pictured is a full gallery on April 11, 2019 before the ceremony began.

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The creative work by Parkland students in the Art and Design program was showcased in the Giertz Gallery on Thursday, April 11, during the biannual gallery reception and award ceremony. The main goal of this event was to showcase the amazing work to the community as well as

announcing the artwork that had been selected by the Art & Design faculty and the Art Gallery Director to permanently be a part of the Parkland Art Collection. According to the Parkland College website, the chosen artwork will, with the rest of the art collection, “inspire future students and provide a history of the breadth of the program.”

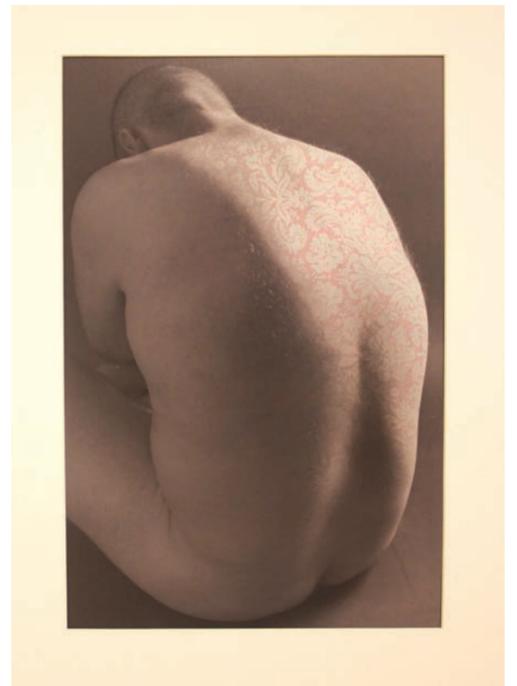
The gallery was filled to its limit with visitors from the community, all excited to enjoy the art and the talent of our cobras. Before the ceremony began, visitors were able to enjoy live music and refreshments. Enjoy these photos taken of some of the artwork as well at the actual event. For anyone interested, it is possible to see all of the artwork until May 4, 2019.



Source: Nicoline Hansen  
Paintings by Cacho (top) and Ingold (bottom).



Source: Nicoline Hansen  
Ceramics by Freund, Rent and and Guire.



Source: Nicoline Hansen  
“Tucked,” by Saxon Burns



Source: Nicoline Hansen  
Pictured is a wall filled with art work created by creative Parkland students.



Source: Nicoline Hansen  
Work by Andrew Warner.



Source: Nicoline Hansen  
“Children’s Story,” by Danielle Carter



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“Still Life with Antique Level,” by Jill Thomas



Source: Nicoline Hansen  
“Shoe,” by Zhuoyue Zhang



Source: Nicoline Hansen  
A live band provided entertainment for the guests before the ceremony began on April 11, 2019.

# Movies



Movie fans line up to attend the 21st Annual Ebertfest as the iconic Roger Ebert bronze statue welcomes all with a thumbs up!

Source: Paul Benson

## Ebert

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accident. Hathaway deals with her feelings of guilt and in the end realizes that the wedding is not about her, but her sister Rachel.

We went outside briefly to get coverage of people entering the theater using a dana dolly track. As we were filming an elderly gentleman was watching us in awe. We asked if he wanted to get behind the camera, and he did for a few shots. His enthusiasm was adorable, and I enjoyed briefly interacting with him.

The next movie was the Wachowski siblings' first movie, Bound. The film was introduced by guests Jennifer Tilly and Gina Gershon, who were a lot of fun and made the audience laugh. Bound is a captivating thriller about a lesbian relationship between handy ex-convict Corky, played by Gershon, and Violet, the trapped girlfriend of a mobster, played by Tilly. Corky and

Violet hatch a scheme to escape and get caught up in a spiral of chaos through money, violence, and sex. I personally found this film to be the best the Wachowski's had made, I even enjoyed it more than the Matrix. The Wachowski's recently transitioned into being trans women. It feels like the film represents the sibling's LGBTQ+ support. Everyone was full of adrenaline after watching the satisfying thriller. The panel afterwards was fantastic. Things got political when an audience member asked about violence in the media today and Jennifer Tilly gave a brief, tasteful speech about gun control. Overall, Jennifer Tilly and Gina Gershon's friendship was hilarious and fun.

Friday started off with Cold War (2018) and Cane River (1982). The Festival was an hour behind schedule that day. The film that followed was the love movie, A Year of the Quiet Sun, in honor of Scott Wilson who passed away last year. Scott Wilson played Hershel in the TV show, The Walking Dead. After

the film was a panel with Scott's widow, Heavenly Wilson, and with actor Maja Komorowski. It was interesting to hear about Maja and Scott's professional relationship and his relationship with his wife. Maja's grandson translated her polish to the audience. She was very sweet.

The last film to play on Friday was Romy & Michele's High School Reunion, which was a hilarious comedy and a perfect way to end the night. After the movie, the director David Mirkin talked about the ups and downs of working with the studio to make the movie work with his vision. He said that he enjoys working on the Simpsons as animation provides more freedom for his surrealist comedy.

After the panel was the after party. The party cleared out pretty fast this year. I missed out on chatting with David Mirkin who left pretty early. It was 1:00am so I couldn't blame him. I had a good time talking with Shatterglass friends, drinking wine, and listening to smooth

Jazz. Saturday, the most emotional day, was the last day at Ebert Fest. The day started with the incredible documentary Maya Angelou. Many people in the audience cried not only for the sad parts, but also because of how good of a person she was. Her writing and her speech could be seen as a divine gift to humanity. The co-director Rita Coburn spoke after the film and she was an amazing guest. She had spent four year living with Maya Angelou and five years making the film. There was also a discussion about living in a more accepting and peaceful world in a time of fear and hatred. I was silently crying and recording the panel, my friends could only see me wipe away the tears behind my shades.

As if the Maya Angelou film wasn't emotionally stimulating enough, Won't You Be My Neighbor played right afterwards. Just bearing witness to the kindness and thoughtfulness of Mr. Rogers is so powerful that I can't help coming close to tears

as I write about him. This film emphasizes what Ebert Fest is about - empathy. Chaz Ebert walked on to the stage in tears after the film. She couldn't stop crying over how genuinely good of a person Mr. Rogers was. She said she noticed lots of men crying from this movie, which is so important in how it breaks gender expectations of men reserving emotions. The director Morgan Neville spoke on the panel and it was truly wonderful. So many of us in the theater were crying. It brought us closer together as human beings, as Mr. Rogers would have wanted.

The last two films were the comedies, Almost Famous and Sideways. The panel after Almost Famous had Roger Ebert's partner critic, Richard Roeper, as well as other film critics/journalists. It was interesting to hear about the lens of a film critic and the connections the critics made between their career and the Rolling Stones journalist Cameron Crowe, who the movie is based on.

Chaz Ebert gave a

shout out to John Isberg's video production workshops at Shatterglass studios near the end of the day, which was really nice of her to give us that publicity. The rest of the night was pretty chill, all of the volunteers were exhausted and lucid from lack of sleep. I was planning to leave early for the night. I went down to the Equipment room one last time. I saw Roger Ebert's changing room again. I stopped and looked down the hallway to see if I was being watched. I decided to open the door very slowly. I was afraid somebody was behind the door. A small peak inside revealed stools stacked on the make-up table. I put my head into the room to get a better look. The rest of the room was empty besides an old sofa in the corner. After glancing inside, I closed the door slowly. Walking away, I thought about Roger's legacy and all the people who loved him. Despite feeling his presence, I can only wonder what it would have been like to meet him.

## Advocates

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all students to reach out to local media when they see an issue so government officials can hear their concerns.

Likewise, Representative Ammons expressed a willingness to hear

what the student government members had to say. Although the interaction was short, Ammons took note of what Parkland's student body wanted, along with Representative Caulkins.

The Capitol was flooded with lawyers, lawmakers, advocates and lobbyists, and even though the

day was hectic, the student government members gained experience and knowledge from the event. "It was mixed experience. Some parts of the day were disheartening, and others were pleasantly surprising," Smith said. "The best part was collaborating with other students and the staff that went, talking through our

preconceived notions and discussing how we'd approach the differing politicians. Hearing different ideas on things we all care about is very refreshing."

When asked about how he felt about the interactions with the different senators and representatives, Smith told the Prospectus, "That was another

mixed experience. We had some [legislators] that had very little time to spend with us. Others appeared to be enthusiastic about us actually being there." The political arena is not always an easy arena to navigate; there is little time for legislators to meet with constituents and "the floor" seems like a

place where very little gets done. However, even though the student government members only had concise interactions with the lawmakers, every moment mattered. Gallaher and Smith laid the foundation for future Parkland students to advocate for funding for higher education.

## Vet Tech students washing dogs for \$10!



Source: Sidney Mounts

The dogs being washed by the vet tech for \$10 a bath.



Source: Sidney Mounts

A dog getting soap on his fur to be washed off by the student.

# Science



Parkland Maple Trees Begin to Blossom.

Source: Ayla McDonald

## Earth

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went global, mobilizing 200 million people in more than 190 countries and lifting environmental issues onto the world stage... More than 1 billion people now participate in Earth Day activities each year, making it the largest civic observance in the world."

Parkland College will participate in the global celebration of Earth Day with a Sustainability Fair to be held on Monday, April 22 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Flag Lounge. According to the event page at parkland.edu, "The Sustainability Fair is an opportunity for students to learn about sustainability efforts at Parkland and in the community." The Fair is to feature student organizations Phi Theta Kappa, the Art and Design Club, and the Science Club,

with demonstrations of how to reuse materials and how to make homes for local bees. Students will also be able to obtain free water bottles handed out by the Student Life office.

Making an effort to maintain a sustainable campus is an important mission of Parkland College. According to the College's website, "At Parkland College, our goal is to become a sustainable campus and to teach and train the students and staff to become sustainable citizens in all aspects of their lives. We have taken several steps to help the regional community to become more sustainable through example and education." A list of sustainable choices made by the college can be found online at parkland.edu. Regarding sustainability efforts at Parkland, Josh Clark, Activities Program Manager and organizer of the Sustainability Fair

said, "Parkland has a Green Revolving Fund which is used to fund sustainable efforts and then the savings from those projects are reinvested to fund more projects. An 8-acre solar field is



A pink magnolia.

and disbanded within the past four years. Benjamin Roberts, former president of the first club, told the Prospectus, "We started in the spring semester of 2016, and stopped meeting in the fall

of 2017. The most members we had was 9." The original club organized events such as an environmental film viewing and a locally sourced food fair. A second Student Sustainability Club was formed during Fall semester of 2018. Lauren Urie,

Parkland student and founder of the club, told the Prospectus, "During the warmer part of the year, we would... have prairie restoration workday on Fridays. We were a very small group. I believe there were only about four other students. Though having a small group made progress more challenging, it did not impact the amount of enthusiasm we had for our projects." The Fall 2018 club being the most recent effort, this club disbanded with the start Spring 2019 semester.

While there is not currently an active student organization for sustainability efforts at Parkland, Urie encourages students to make environmentally friendly choices on their own. "The point is often made that our choices will impact the habitability of our planet, and that we should think of ourselves as well as future generations." Urie

said. "Even if one believes that it is too late for us, it does not give us a free pass to be irresponsible about our choices as consumers, which impact the lives of people working in these industries as well as wildlife and their habitats... Take interest and spread interest. It's important to educate yourself about these issues and to start a conversation."

Josh Clark offers suggestions of ways that students can make an impact on their own, and how they can get involved with sustainability on campus. "You can always make changes to your personal behavior by using less water, energy, etc.," Clark said. "However, if a student is interested in making real changes on campus, I would encourage them to advocate for the changes they want to see by getting involved with Student Government or starting a student organization."



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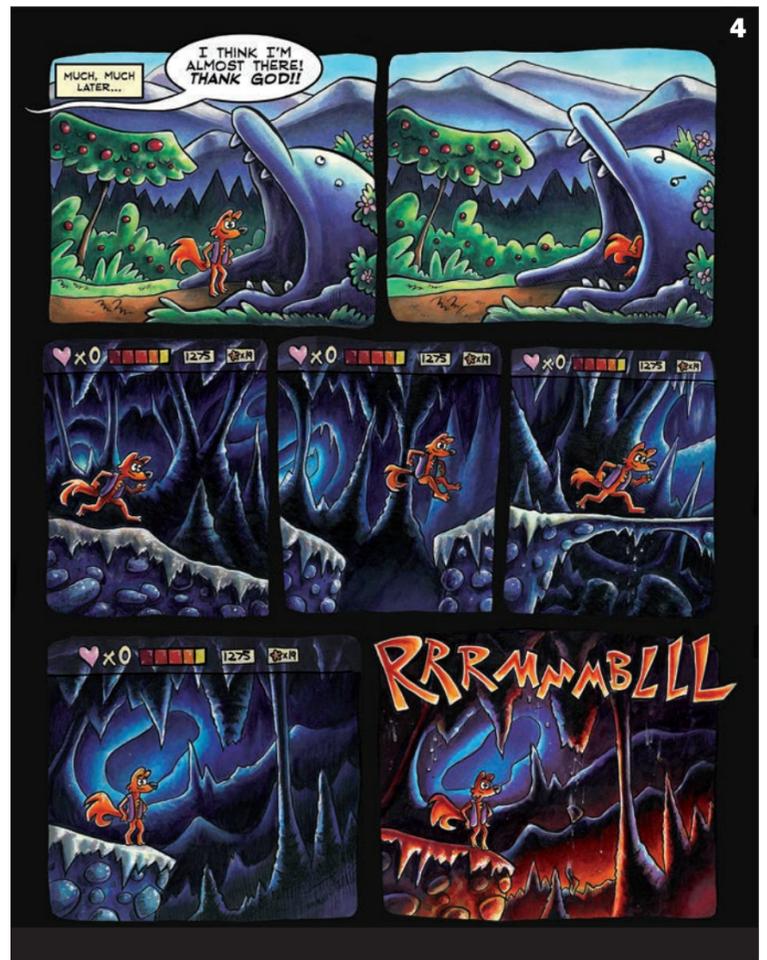
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# Comic & Crossword

## Krazy Noodle Massacre

Alex Lutz



Krazy Noodle Massacre is the story of one man's obsession with a generic macaroni product -- and the nerds who spy on him.

It is created, written, and drawn by Parkland graphic design student Alex Lutz. The first chapter will run in the Prospectus in chunks of 4 pages for the rest of the semester. During the school year of 2019-2020, weekly gag strips with these characters will be featured while Krazy Noodle Massacre will continue to update online.

You can read the story so far at the official site: [krazynoodlemassacre.com](http://krazynoodlemassacre.com)  
Or follow the creator on Instagram at @lutztoons for more content.



The front of the U-building at Parkland college near the parking lot.

Source: Sidney Mounts

# Cobra Sports

## Parkland Golf Takes Second at Small College Championship



Source: Parkland Athletics

Parkland Men's Golf Team 2019  
By Chad Beyer

**Kristian Kristensen finishes tied for third individually**

FRENCH LICK, Ind. – Sophomore golfers Kristian Kristensen and Brandon Rowe finished in the top-10 individually, as the No. 5 Parkland golf team took second place (292-295=587(+27)) at the Indiana Small College Championship. The Cobras were the top two-year school in the field, placing behind NCAA DIII No. 3 Illinois Wesleyan.

Finishing runner-up for the second straight weekend, the Cobras beat out Centre College (+35) and Rend Lake (+41) for second place. In addition to Kristensen and Rowe, the Cobras had three others in the top-25 of the 70-player field,

as Evan MacLean (+8) tied for 11th, Mason Ghidina (+11) 17th and Jalen Hodges (+13) in 24th.

Atop the leaderboard through 18 holes on Saturday, Kristensen birdied five of his 18 holes on Sunday but was held back by only five other even-par holes. Finishing in a tie for third, the sophomore All-American finished 3-over on the day and 3-over for the weekend on the par-70 course.

After finishing Saturday in a tie for 12th, Rowe moved into the top-10 on Sunday with a 3-over final round. Tied with Kristensen for the best Cobra score on the day, Rowe birdied two holes on the back nine and even on 11 others. The eighth-place finish his Rowe's

fourth top-10 performance of the season and first this spring.

Parkland's leader at the first two tournaments of the spring, MacLean duplicated his 4-over par from Saturday again on Sunday to finish in a tie for 11th. The first-year Cobra's best round came on the 10th hole, completing the round in three strokes for birdie.

Fourth on the team this weekend, Ghidina birdied three holes on Sunday, but a pair of double bogeys set him back to 7-over for the day and 11-over on the weekend.

Rounding out the group, Jalen Hodges moved up to 24th with a three-stroke improvement over Saturday, highlighted by a birdie on the seventh hole.

### Team Scores (top 5 of 12):

1. Illinois Wesleyan: 287-284=571 (+11)
2. Parkland: 292-295=587 (+27)
3. Centre College: 306-289=595 (+35)
4. Rend Lake: 302-299=601 (+41)
5. Hanover: 305-299=604 (+44)

### Parkland Individual Scores (Ranking out of 70):

- T3. Kristian Kristensen, 70-73=143 (+3)  
T8. Brandon Rowe, 74-73=147 (+7)  
T11. Evan MacLean, 74-74=148 (+8)  
T17. Mason Ghidina, 74-77=151 (+11)  
T24. Jalen Hodges, 78-75=153 (+13)



### The Course:

Played on the Donald Ross Golf Course in French Lick, Indiana, the par-70 course stretches 6,517 yards. The course has been rated the No. 2 ranked course in the state of Indiana by Golf Week.

## Cobras Silence Snappers on Saturday DH Route

By Chad Beyer

**Cobra starters toss 12 shutout innings**

CANTON, Ill. – No. 6 Parkland baseball swept the opening two games of its series against Spoon River, beating the Snappers 9-1 and 16-0. Game one starter Ty Rybarczyk (5-0, 0.71 ERA) pitched seven shutout-innings, while Keegan McHood (4-1) earned the second win with five shutout innings. 21-8 on the season, the Cobras sit atop Region 24 with a 15-3 record.

Finishing seven innings for the third time this season, Rybarczyk recorded his first scoreless start of the season since March 16 at Lewis & Clark. Needing just 87 pitches to record 21 outs, the freshman allowed just three hits and one walk while striking out five Snappers. The scoreless seven innings dropped his miniscule ERA down another 16 points to 0.71 and moved his strikeout-to-walk ratio to 38:9.

Winning his fourth game of the season, McHood pitched five scoreless innings in game two while allowing five hits and striking out six. Sulton Solebo closed out the victory with two strikeouts in a scoreless sixth inning.

At the plate, the Cobras scored 25 runs on 25 hits over 15 innings. Scoring multiple runs in seven different innings on Saturday, the Cobras scored four or more runs in three different innings in game two. Tynan Shahidi led the Cobras in game one with three hits and three RBI, while Jeremiah Lebron and Corey Price drove in three runs each in game two.

**Game 1: No. 6 Parkland 9, Spoon River 1 (9 inn.)**

Ty Rybarczyk (5-0) pitched seven shutout innings and left fielder Tynan Shahidi went 3-for-5 with three RBI to lead the Cobras to a 9-1 victory in the nine-inning opener. Robert Barnard and Corey Price also recorded multi-hit days, while

Alex Steinbach hit his fourth home run.

Following two perfect innings from Rybarczyk, the Cobras pitted him to a lead in the third inning with a pair of runs. After Trevor Burkhart reached on an error to lead off the inning, the Cobra lead-off man scored from second base on a passed ball for the game's first run. Shahidi then singled and moved to second base on a Trevor Minder bunt single before stealing third and home to make it 2-0 Parkland.

With the Snappers unable to figure out Rybarczyk, Parkland added insurance runs in the fifth and sixth innings. Shahidi drove in the first run with a single to left in the fifth, and Damian Pierce singled home a Corey Price double and scored on a Burkhart sacrifice fly in the sixth for a 5-0 lead.

Shahidi's third run-scoring single came in the top of the eighth, as the freshman came through with the bases loaded and two outs to drive

in Alex Steinbach and Robert Barnard.

The Snappers would score an unearned run in the eighth, but an Alex Steinbach two-run homer in the top of the ninth would push the advantage out to the final margin of 9-1.

Freshman Rick Castro relieved Rybarczyk, pitching the final two innings and allowing just the unearned run on one hit, while striking out four batters. The two innings without an earned run lowered Castro's ERA to 2.55 this season.

**Game 2: No. 6 Parkland 16, Spoon River 0 (6 inn.)**

Aided by seven Snapper errors and five innings from starter Keegan McHood, the Cobras cruised to victory again in game two. Alex Steinbach and Corey Price led the team with three hits, while Price and Jeremiah Lebron drove in team-leading three RBI.

Winning his fourth game of the season, McHood pitched five scoreless innings while allowing five hits and

striking out six.

Backing McHood before he stepped foot on the mound, the Cobras sent nine batters to the plate and scored five runs in the bottom of the first. After Burkhart and Minder singles put two on with one out, Jeremiah Lebron hit the third single of the inning to score Burkhart. Steinbach followed suit with a hit to center, driving in Minder and scoring Lebron on an error by the center-fielder. Leading 3-0, Corey Price kept the line moving with the Cobras' third RBI single of the evening, while the fifth run came home on error by the shortstop that scored Dan Warkentin who reached on an error.

After an uneventful first inning, McHood escaped a pair of jams in the second and third. Facing two baserunners in both innings, the Cobra starter escaped with a groundout and strikeout in the second and then three straight strikeouts to end the third.

The Parkland bats

came alive again in the fourth inning, as the Cobras again put up a crooked number with four runs to push the lead to 9-0. Walks to Barnard, Burkhart and Minder to start the inning set the table with one out, and then Lebron punched a ball into left field to drive in Barnard and Burkhart. After a second out, Price doubled home Minder and Lebron.

McHood again held the Snappers scoreless in the fourth and fifth, the Cobras blew the game open again with a seven-run sixth inning to earn the run-rule shortened victory. Five straight batters reached base to start the inning with two singles, a walk and pair of hit-by-pitches. A bases-loaded single by Pierce scored the first two runs, and then Shahidi doubled in two more three batters later. After a walk, Lebron hit a sacrifice fly to plate the 14th run and an error off the bat of Steinbach brought in two more.

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