

SPORTS

Winning potential

By Jon Samples
Sports Editor

The final Head Coach candidate, for what has been nothing short of a football saga, was at the college Wednesday.

Fred Fimbres was not doing much more than watching practice and taking notes when he stepped out on to the field.

"There's some good talent and some good athletes out here, said Fimbres about his first impressions. "I think with a little guidance these guys will be in good shape next season."



Photo by Jon Samples

Fred Fimbres is the most likely candidate to step in as the new head coach of the football team.

Fimbres is leaving Fort Valley State University in his pursuit of the job.

While there he served as the Wildcats defensive line coach under Head Coach John Morgan.

Fimbres also served as head coach at College of the Desert in Palm Desert, California for the 2002 and 2003 season.

In total Fimbres has been involved in coaching football since 1994, and in 12 years he has been in seven championship games, six of which his teams have won.

"He came out hear and he seems like he wants to win,"

said Chrishaun Verdum after practice.

"He seems like a nice guy, a player's coach," said another player, Nate John.

At the time of print Fimbres was not officially named as head coach, but he is the likely candidate.

"I want to reestablish communication with schools in the district," said Fimbres about possible recruitment.

"I'm a big community college guy and I want the young men who aren't going to four year schools to see they have an opportunity to keep playing right hear at the college."

Go big or go home

By Jon Samples
Sports Editor

The Chaparral's finished their season last weekend when they split their Saturday double header.

The Chaps win came against McHenry, a game which they won off of a winning hit by pitcher Tyler Fletcher, 5-4.

The Chaps lost their second game of the afternoon 7-10 to Concordia college.

Saturday's double header brought the Chaps season record to 34-19 overall, with the second best conference record.

"We're not where we want to be as far as stringing together some wins before regionals," said Head Coach Dan Kusinski, "But we've had some good competition our last few games and I think we're ready."

The Chaps began their conference games yesterday against Rock Valley, but at the time of print the games had not yet been played.

So far this season, the

Chaps have beaten Rock Valley four times.

"It's a dangerous situation we're in with this first game," Said coach Kusinski Wednesday during practice. "When your playing a team that you haven't lost to you run the risk of becoming over confident."

However, the Chaps have had Rock Valley's number this season.

In the games the two teams played, the college out scored Rock Valley 27-4 and had two shut outs.

Fletcher, who is coming off a win, will pitch for the Chaps in first round of the playoffs.

"I'm looking forward to regionals," said Fletcher. "I'm definitely saving up my energy."

The tournament goes through Sunday, and pending their regional performance, the Chaps could be on their way to nationals.

"We're not thinking about that right now," Coach Kusinski said. "When you start looking too far ahead, you tend to trip yourself up."



Photos by Jon Samples

The baseball team gets ready on Wednesday for their playoff run, which began Thursday against Rock Valley.

From Chaparrals to Dolphins

By Jon Samples
Sports Editor

We have all heard the various names our college has collected over the years: College of Dreams, College of Lost Transcripts and my personal favorite UCLA (University Closest to Lombard Area), but former student Fred Evans refused to

let these jokes about his school effect his work ethic.

In last Sunday's NFL draft Evans, a former football player and student at the college, was drafted in the seventh round by the Miami Dolphins.

Evans played for the college in the 2002-2003 seasons under head coach Bobby Bennett.

From here Evans went on

to play at Texas State where he began to break out.

In his first season with the Bobcats evans registered 33 tackles, 18 of which were for losses.

He lead the team in his rookie season with 6.5 quarterback sacks, accounting for 35 lost yards.

In his second year Evans was named for the second time First-Team All-Southland

Conference and managed to nearly double his tackle totals from 33 to 55.

Evans was born in Chicago and went to Morgan Park High School where he played both offensive and defensive line.

Evans is also an exercise and sports science major who is pursuing a minor in business administration at Texas State.



Fred Evans

Photo courtesy of Texas State

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ASEP coaching certification

The College of DuPage Physical Education department will offer an American Sport Education Program (ASEP) coaching certification class over the Internet on June 12 to Aug. 6. Coaching certification is required by the state from club teams to the high school level.

Hall of Fame Inductions

Former student-athletes and coaches of 27 College of DuPage national title teams dating back to 1980 gathered at the college on Saturday, May 6, for induction into the newly created Region IV Hall of Fame.

Basketball Fundraiser

June 23 Foursomes can take part in the Chaparral Scramble. For \$80 faculty and staff, along with friends, family etc. can take part in a day of team golf. The event will be held at Hughes Creek. Proceeds go to Men's basketball team.

New Athletic Director

The Board of Trustees officially named Paul Zakowski as the new Director of Athletics. Zakowski will take over for interim Director of Athletics, Earl Reed, starting May 22.

Men's Tennis

College of DuPage (3-5) saw its chance for a fourth consecutive national title in men's tennis fall by the wayside when it finished second in the combined Region IV and North Central Community College Conference tennis tournament in Glen Ellyn on Saturday, April 29.

Spring intramurals

The intramural department will be offering basketball, volleyball, outdoor soccer, ultimate Frisbee and flag football.

Information and sign up sheets are available in the P.E. office. For more information call 942-2364.

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Attention anyone interested in writing for the Courier. If you would like to get useful experience in writing and have fun doing so, please contact Jon Samples at (630) 942-2631.

Athlete of the Week

Name: Tyler Fletcher
Sport: Baseball
Major: Physical Education
Year: Sophomore

run of my life.

Q: Have you won any awards for baseball?
A: This year I was First-Teams All Conference.

Q: How do you feel you are playing, going into playoffs?
A: I'm playing good. I think I could be playing better but right now I'm just trying to get ready for playoffs.

Q: Is this your first year at the college?
A: First year here. Last year I played at the University of St. Francis

Q: Have you done any thing different, or do you have a different game plan for tomorrow's playoff game?
A: Not really. I just plan to throw strikes. That's all I can do

Q: Are you going to keep playing baseball when you transfer out?
A: I, always gonna play baseball.

Q: Why did you pick baseball over a different sport?
A: I basically fell into baseball. Football was my favorite, but when I was in high school I wasn't very big

Q: What Sports did you play in high school?
A: I played football my freshman year, then I transferred to Downer's Grove where I played baseball and golf.

Q: What's your average golf game?
A: Low eighties, not that bad.

Q: What's your proudest baseball moment?
A: Actually it was this year against Harper. I hit the first home



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Tyler Fletcher, baseball

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Chaps begin spring cleaning

By Jon Samples
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The women had their bats in hand as they battered their way through the regional playoffs last weekend.

Pitchers Sonnie Krizek and Kory Brunette gave up zero runs in three games as the Chaps went out scored their opponents 12-0.

The Chaps blasted through their first game out hitting Rock Valley and capitalizing off four errors.

Krizek went four-for-three, driving in two runs and scoring one of her own.

The Chaps second game was against Joliet College, who they barely managed to sneak past.

The game was scoreless until the eighth inning when Krizek, again, drove in Kim Herff.

"After we won that close game against Joliet I had a good feeling about our chances to win the tournament," Head Coach Cline said.

Since the Chaps won both of their games on Friday, the team they played Saturday would have to beat them twice in order to knock them out.

This wouldn't matter, however, as the college clearly came to win.

Again the Chaps pitching was amazing as Brunette pitched a lights out game.

With four runs, the Chaps

had scored all they would need to win the tournament and secure a trip to Nationals.

For the most part the Chaps are healthy going in to their next games.

"A couple kids are sore and we're still watching Kory's shoulder," Coach Cline said, "Otherwise we're pretty healthy."

The Chaps are peaking at the right time of the year.

Right now the Chaps have a four game winning streak and have won 6 of their last 7 games.

They will take a week off before leaving to go to nationals.

The tournament, which is held May 18-20, will be held in Rochester, MN.



Photos by Jon Samples

Chaparral's have a light practice after a stellar performance in last weeks regionals.

COD 7, Rock Valley 0

COD	AB	R	H	RBI	Rock Valley	AB	R	H	RBI
Bohannan	3	2	1	0	Aspenson	3	0	2	0
Monkman	4	0	0	0	Romine	3	0	0	0
Krizek	4	1	3	2	Bently	3	0	3	0
Gipson	3	1	0	0	Dalton	3	0	1	0
Ekstrom	4	0	1	1	Bolthouse	2	0	1	0
Hruska	3	0	0	0	Mannese	3	0	0	0
Witt	2	2	1	0	Rutins	3	0	0	0
Cree	3	0	1	1	Hicks	2	0	0	0
Herff	2	1	2	1	Nihan	3	0	0	0
Total	28	7	9	5	Total	25	0	7	0

COD	AB	R	H	RBI	Rock Valley	AB	R	H	RBI
Rock Valley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Pitcher	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB
Krizek	7	7	0	0	2	7	25
Bently	6	9	7	6	3	3	28

COD 1, Joliet 0

COD	AB	R	H	RBI	Joliet	AB	R	H	RBI
Bohannan	3	0	1	0	Trizna	3	0	1	0
Monkman	4	0	1	0	Porter	1	0	0	0
Krizek	4	0	2	1	Graefnitz	4	0	0	0
Gipson	3	0	0	0	Mikl	3	0	0	0
Ekstrom	3	0	0	0	Plese	2	0	0	0
Hruska	2	0	1	0	Holman	3	0	0	0
Witt	2	0	0	0	Brown	3	0	0	0
Cree	3	0	0	0	Lefler	3	0	2	0
Herff	2	1	0	0	Price	3	0	0	0
Brunette	0	0	0	0					
Total	26	1	5	1	Total	25	0	3	0

COD	AB	R	H	RBI	Joliet	AB	R	H	RBI
Joliet	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Pitcher	IP	H	R	ER	BB	AB
Brunette	8	3	0	0	2	25
Lefler	8	5	1	1	2	26

COD 4, Joliet 0

COD	AB	R	H	RBI	Joliet	AB	R	H	RBI
Bohannan	4	0	2	0	Trizna	3	0	2	0
Ekstrom	3	0	2	0	Graefnitz	1	0	0	0
Krizek	4	1	1	0	Porter	3	0	1	0
Gipson	2	2	1	2	Mikl	3	0	0	0
Hruska	2	1	1	0	Plese	3	0	1	0
Monkman	3	0	2	2	Holman	2	0	0	0
Witt	3	0	0	0	Brown	3	0	1	0
Cree	3	0	1	0	Lefler	3	0	1	0
Herff	2	0	0	0	Price	3	0	0	0
Brunette	0	0	0	0					
Total	27	4	10	4	Total	24	0	6	0

COD	AB	R	H	RBI	Joliet	AB	R	H	RBI
Joliet	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Pitcher	IP	H	R	ER	BB	AB
Brunette	7	6	0	0	2	24
Lefler	6	10	4	4	0	27



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Track and Field 2006 National Qualifiers

Men's	Events
Nick Karavolos	Decathlon, Long Jump, High Jump, Javelin, Discus
Matt Miraglia	Pole Vault
Elliot Velez	Hammer, Discus
Alex Salinas	Shot Put, Javelin, Discus
Ben Emmanuel	3200 relay
Max Pinkevich	3200 relay, 3000SC
Idris Olatunmbi	3200 relay, 1600 relay
Aaron Van	3200 relay
Ken Smith	3200 relay
John Fry	3200 relay, 10,000M, 1500M, 5000M, 1600
Brian Gaddis	400 relay, 400M 200M, 1600 relay
Peter Kwintal	400 relay, 3200 relay, 110HH, 400IH, 1600 relay
Mark Unciano	400 relay, 110HH, 400IH, 1600 relay
Marcus Norment	400 relay, 110HH, 400IH
Mike Spillone	400 relay, 100M, 200M, 1600 relay
Steve Tovt	400 relay
Scott Glover	400 relay, 3200 relay, 400M, 800M, 1600 relay
Eric Hoogveld	400 relay, 100M, 1600 relay

Women's	Events
Kristen Ruge	Hammer, 400 relay, Javelin, 1600 relay, Pole Vault, Shot Put
Chelsey White	400 relay, 1600 relay, Pole Vault
Kristen Sherman	Hammer, Discus, Shot Put
Deb Youngs	400 relay, Discus
Erika Kane	Javelin, Discus
Diana Norusis	Hammer, Shot Put
Stephanie Frasca	100M, 1600 relay, 400 relay
Brittney LaSpisa	Long Jump, 400 relay, Triple Jump, 100M, 200M, 1600 relay, High Jump
Carly Turek	400 relay, Triple Jump, 1600 relay
Nina Matthis	400 relay, 1600 relay
Cathy Braun	Heptathlon, 1600 relay, Pole Vault, High Jump

Track team runs to nationals

By Jon Samples
Sports Editor

It's that time of year when all the hard work pays off. Thursday the college's Track and Field team boarded a plane on their way to Buffalo, New York in search of national glory. The national meet came right in time for the cresting Chaparrals. Last weekend was big for several members of the track team. Kristen Sherman is coming off a phenomenal meet, where she toppled her old shot put record by one-foot three-inches. Brittney Laspisa added another national qualifica-

tion in high jump. Her height of 1.41 meters was also a personal record. All together the team came out of the Wisconsin Twilight Invitational with 12 PR's. The national schedule is stacked for some of the athletes. They are five athletes competing in more than five events, including Cathy Braun who is competing in the Heptathlon and Nick Karavolos who is competing in the Decathlon. "We're pretty focused and mentally we are right where we need to be" said Head Coach Vatchev.

Sports Schedule

Spring Sports schedules and results

BASEBALL		
FEBRUARY		
Sat., 18	at SWIC	cancelled
Sat., 19	vs SWIC	cancelled
Sat., 25	at Southeastern Illinois	L 6-11, W 4-3
Sat., 26	at Southeastern Illinois	L 7-8, W 5-4
MARCH		
Sat., 4	at Lincoln Land	L 1-2, W 6-4
Sun., 5	at John A. Logan	cancelled
Fri., 10	vs Central Lakes (MN)	W 6-0, W 16-5
Sat., 11	vs. Southwestern CC (IA)	W 4-1, W 5-2
Fri., 17	at Monmouth	W 7-1, W 4-2
Sat., 18	at Carl Sandburg	L 1-2, W 11-5
Sun., 19	at Carl Sandburg	L 0-1, L 2-3
Sat., 25	at Waubensee	W 7-3, W 5-4
Sun., 26	at Waubensee	W 4-1, W 4-1
Wed., 29	Trinity Intl at Veteran's Park	W 11-8
APRIL		
*Sat., 1	at Harper	W 11-1, L 2-3
*Tue., 4	HARPER	L 5-6, W 11-6
Wed., 5	at Oakton	W 5-3
Thu., 6	PRAIRIE STATE at Village Green	cancelled
*Sat., 8	ROCK VALLEY	W 3-0, W 9-1
*Sun., 9	at Rock Valley	W 11-0, W 4-3
Tue., 11	OLIVE-HARVEY	W 10-0, W 18-1
Wed., 12	at Benedictine	W 11-1
Thu., 13	MORAIN VALLEY	L 7-13
*Fri., 14	JOLIET	W 6-3, L 5-6
*Sat., 15	at Joliet	L 4-7, W 7-6
Mon., 17	at Prairie State	cancelled
Tue., 18	SOUTH SUBURBAN	L 4-8
Wed., 19	LAKE COUNTY	L 5-6
Thu., 20	at McHenry	L 15-16 (11)
Sat., 22	KANKAKEE	L 8-14, W 7-6
Sun., 23	MORTON 12:00 pm	W 10-0, W 13-11
Tue., 25	OLIVE-HARVEY 7:00 pm	cancelled
Wed., 26	KISHWAUKEE	7:00 PM
*Sat., 29	at Triton	W 6-3, W 5-3
*Sun., 30	TRITON	L 0-10, L 7-10
MAY		
Wed., 3	McHENRY	W 5-4
Sat., 6	Concordia	L 7-10
Thu., 11-Sun 14	Region IV Tournament at Waubensee	noon
Sat. 20-Fri 26	NJCAA Division III World Series	
SOFTBALL		
MARCH		
Fri., 17-24	Disney Spring Games	W 13-0, W 1-0, W 9-6 W 4-2, W 8-2, L 5-6, W 4-3, L 8-10, L 2-7
Tue., 28	KISHWAUKEE	L 1-4, L 4-8
Fri., 31	MORTON	W 11-5
APRIL		
*Sat., 1	HARPER	W 7-0, W 7-0
*Tue., 4	at Triton	L 4-7, W 11-1
Thu., 6	at South Suburban	rescheduled
*Sat., 8	at Rock Valley	W 11-3, W 7-1
Tue., 11	KANKAKEE	L 3-11, L 0-8
Wed., 12	at McHenry	W 2-0, L 2-10
*Sat., 15	at Joliet	W 8-0, W 10-5
*Tue., 18	ROCK VALLEY	W 11-1, W 12-1
Wed., 19	at Lake County	W 9-1, W 9-5
Fri., 21	WAUBONSEE	W 7-4, L 5-1
Sat., 22	MORAIN VALLEY	W 9-2, L 2-5
*Tue., 25	JOLIET	rescheduled
Wed., 26	JOLIET	W 7-6, L 10-12
Thu., 27	SAUK VALLEY	L 0-5, L 4-6
*Sat., 29	TRITON	W 3-2, W 7-4
MAY		
*Tue., 2	at Harper	W 7-0, L 5-13
Fri., 5-Sat., 6	Region IV Playoffs @ Joliet	W 7-0, W 1-0, W 4-0
Thu., 18-Sat. 20	NJCAA Division III Nationals	
TENNIS		
MARCH		
Wed., 15	LEWIS UNIVERSITY	L 0-9
Fri., 31	DAVID WEBSTER DOUBLES	2p.m.
APRIL		
Sat., 1	DAVID WEBSTER DOUBLES	9a.m.
Wed., 5	at Waubensee	W 9-0
Sat., 8	vs. Calvin College at UIC	L 0-9
Sat., 8	at University of Chicago	L 0-9
Thu., 13	OAKTON	postponed
Sat., 15	at Vincennes University (IN)	4th place
Mon., 17	at Rock Valley	L 1-8
Thu., 20	JOLIET	W 9-0
Tue., 25	ELGIN	L 3-6
TRACK AND FIELD		
FEBRUARY		
Sat., 4	Tadd Metzger Indoor Invitational Carthage College (Kenosha, WI)	11a.m.
Sat., 11	Lewis Indoor Invitational Lewis University	10a.m.
Fri., 17	Women's Indoor Championship Lewis University	4p.m.
Sat. 18	Men's Indoor Championship UIC	10a.m.
Fri., 24	University of Chicago Indoor University of Chicago	6p.m.
MARCH		
Fri., 3	Gill Athletics Last Chance Meet Carthage College (Kenosha, WI)	5p.m.
Fri., 10	COD INTERSQUAD College of DuPage	tba
Sat., 18	Early Spring Opener Augustana College (Rock Island)	noon
Sat., 25	Benedictine Invitational Benedictine University	11a.m.
APRIL		
Sat., 1	Elmhurst College Quadrangular Elmhurst College	10a.m.
Thu., 6-Sat. 8	Chicagoland Championships North Central College	10a.m.
Fri., 14	Red / White Invitational North Central College	1p.m.
Sat., 15	Wheaton Invitational Wheaton College	10a.m.
Fri., 21	Wheaton Twilight Meet Wheaton College	3p.m.
Fri. 28-Sat. 29	Super Regional Championship Vincennes University (IN)	4p.m.
MAY		
Sat., 6	Wisconsin Twilight Invitational	2p.m.

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