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Area Colleges: UIS sweeps Eureka in softball

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EUREKA — The University of Illinois Springfield got to experience two kinds of victories in its sweep of Eureka on Tuesday.

The Prairie Stars took a 3-2, nine-inning win in the first game and then brought out the offense for a 13-4 victory.

In the opener, UIS scored what would be the winning run in the top of the ninth when Tina Buck drove in Brienne Moeller with a sacrifice fly. Moeller was also the winning pitcher, allowing just two earned runs and striking out five in nine innings.

The nightcap saw UIS (3-9) explode for a season-high 14 runs behind Brooke Carroll and Buck, who each had three hits. Brittany Morgan and Carroll each drove in three including a two-run homer by Carroll to key a five-run fifth inning for the Prairie Stars.

Buck got the pitching victory, scattering seven hits and striking out 14 in seven innings.

SOFTBALL: Eagles split with LLCC

ROCHESTER — Allie Neff went five innings and allowed two hits and one run to lead Robert Morris University past Lincoln Land 4-1 in the first game of a doubleheader at Rochester Community Park. Neff provided the hitting as she went 2-for-3 and scored a run.

In the nightcap, Stephanie Angelo hurled a four-hit shutout as the Loggers blanked RMU 4-0. Randi Martin smacked a two-run double in the first inning and delivered a RBI single in the third.

BASEBALL: John Wood beats SCI

John Wood Community College scored 11 runs over the final three innings Tuesday to walk away with a 12-2 Mid-West Athletic Conference victory over Springfield College in Illinois at Lanphier Park. Bulldogs relief pitchers, including losing pitcher Tom Newell, combined to give up eight hits, 11 runs and four walks in the last three innings.

TENNIS: Prairie Stars fall to Lewis

University of Illinois Springfield got three singles victories and one in doubles but it wasn't enough as Lewis University defeated the Prairie Stars 5-4 in a Great Lakes Valley Conference dual meet at the Velasco Tennis Center.

The Prairie Stars got a doubles victory from Priyanka Deo and Thiyumi Abeysinghe at No. 1. In singles, Deo (No. 1) and Abeysinghe (No. 2) both won as did the Prairie Stars' Jane Brown at No. 4.

The UIS men's team lost 8-1 to Lewis, getting its only victory from Patrick Callahan at No. 6 singles.

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