

# Spring Hill takes two from Louisburg on Senior Night



Louisburg senior Garrett Caldwell tags out a Spring Hill runner in a cloud of dust during the Wildcats' game with the Broncos on May 7 at Lewis-Young Park. Caldwell and fellow senior Nate Swenson were both honored during a Senior Night ceremony.

As Garrett Caldwell and Nate Swenson made their way onto the Lewis-Young Park field for the second game of a doubleheader with Spring Hill, they both knew it would be the final time they would step foot on their home dirt.

The Louisburg seniors were certainly going to make the most of it.

After Louisburg fell to Spring Hill 14-4 in the opener, both players did all they could to try and get a win in their final game, but came up just short in a 6-5 loss on May 7.

In between games, Caldwell and Swenson were both honored with their parents during a Senior Night ceremony for recognition for what they gave to the program.

Both players gave it all they had in their final home game.



**Nate Swenson winds back for pitch during the Wildcats' second game with Spring Hill on May 7.**

Caldwell went for 2-for-4 with a pair of singles, an RBI and a stolen base, while Swenson also had a single to go along with four innings of relief work. He gave up just two unearned runs in four innings on four hits.

Spring Hill opened the second game with a 3-run first inning, but the Wildcats struck back with a pair of runs in the bottom of the frame on a 2-run double from junior Noah Larson that scored Caldwell and Garrett Harding.

Louisburg (7-13) trailed Spring Hill 6-3 in the sixth inning when the Wildcats cut into the Broncos' lead once again. Caldwell singled home Logan McClellan, and then two batters later, Larson drove home this third run when he singled home Caldwell.

Unfortunately, the Wildcats could get no closer as they ended their regular season with a loss.

Larson led the Louisburg offense with a three hit performance, including a double and 3 RBIs. Michael Rogers and McClellan also had a pair of hits for the Wildcats.

In the opener, the Wildcats found themselves down three runs to Spring Hill in the third inning, only to make a rally with one big swing of the bat. With the bases loaded, Harding, a sophomore, connected on his first varsity grand slam to give the Wildcats a 4-3 lead.

The lead didn't last long as the Wildcats committed a pair of errors that led to eight Spring Hill runs in the top of the fourth inning and Louisburg trailed 10-4 and would get no closer.

Rogers and Harding each led the Louisburg offense with a pair of hits. Jakob Krause had a pair of stolen bases and Rogers added another.

Although its regular season came end, the postseason is just beginning for Louisburg. The Wildcats are the No. 4 seed in the Fort Scott regional tournament and they will meet No. 1 seed Paola at 2 p.m. today.

If the Wildcats advance, they will meet the winner of Spring Hill and Fort Scott in the regional championship game at 5 p.m.