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**Students Explore Upstairs Admin Building During Junior Mugging Event**

**Teresa Masteller**  
Staff Writer

Wampler Auditorium was filled with the Manchester University Class of 2019 on Wednesday, Feb. 28, as the Junior Mugging Event welcomed them to class-bonding activities, a walking-taco bar, a tour of the third-floor Administration building, a performance by the Acme Blues Band and, as the event name suggests, a gift of a mug.

Breakfast-themed word-search puzzles, crayons, decks of cards, and various other simple party games littered long tables with plenty of seats for the junior class. The Acme Blues Band played on stage with a slideshow behind them featuring photos of students, and encouraging messages such as “You have already accomplished so much. You are almost halfway done with your first year of college. Welcome to the mission.”

As the juniors are now in their third year, this was definitely a typo. Someone may not have double-checked the slideshow, but the encouragement was still felt by the crowd as students were seen giggling about the mistake.

Lauren Rodts, one of the STAT (Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow) students for the alumni office, gave a short speech before introducing a class-building exercise to the students.

Rodts’ speech was adapted from the speech written by Tate Wooding, a senior, at last year’s Junior Mugging Event. “I think the importance or desired impact of that speech is to remind everyone how much we have changed and grown in the last three years,” Rodts



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From left to right: Juniors Abby McVay, Madeline Leinweber, Britanie Jernigan, Stormy Buck and Jessica Baber.

said. “It is to remind the students how our connection with Manchester is one of a kind. We’re all comfortably able to call Manchester home and no matter where we end up in life, we can always come back ‘home.’”

After the speech, Rodts invited everyone to sit with their SOL (Student Orientation Leader) groups. These SOL groups were arranged during the students’ first year on campus during Welcome Week. For many, these SOL groups were their first sense of community as Manchester students.

SOL groups sat together to catch up and reminisce as the Acme Blues band continued to play and the walking-taco bar was opened. After students finished eating and catching up, they were welcomed to the third floor of the Administration building to explore the hallways, the vintage faculty offices and old classrooms.

Fairy lights dimly lit the hallway for crowds of students to test different door handles with the hope of them all being unlocked, which most of them were. Bulletin boards in the hallway were deco-

rated with old Oak Leaves articles, some dating back to the 1940s. Most of the rooms were empty, with the occasional box of books left behind, and the not-so occasional dustbunny that took refuge wherever it wanted.

Students even chose to explore a room so dusty that footprints can be seen left on the floor. This is the old executive board’s office; the room most likely gained students’ attention due to the large Spartan head mural on the wall, accompanied by

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**Annual Career, Internship Fair Offers Professional Experience Opportunities**

**Avis McGovern**  
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The Office of Career and Professional Development presented the Career and Internship Fair from 2 to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the Jo Young Switzer Center on Manchester University’s campus. Students of all rank were able to meet with representatives from companies and organizations to ask questions and network, but most importantly to hand out resumes.

MU hosted 59 organizations and graduate programs with hundreds of full-time, part-time and internship positions as well as graduate programs. Students were given a map of the layout for the Career Fair as they arrived to help guide them to areas of interest. Each organization and program was represented by their own table booth that included poster boards, brochures and a representative. Some booths even opted to have sweet treats for visitors that included cookies and candy.

Students who attended the event did not arrive empty-handed. “I brought 15 printed copies of my resume, in a portfolio, to easily handout for an internship,” said first-year Olivia Wilson. Students had the opportunity prior to the event on Monday, Feb. 26, to meet with the Career and Professional Development Department for resume reviews. With no appointment necessary, students were able to receive professional guidance and advice from the Success Center.

Along with paper items, students also brought notepads for quick notes, pens, a friendly attitude, and a smile while dressed in their business attire. “I wore a black dress with long sleeves, black tights, black and white striped heels, and pearls,” Wilson said. “Even if I did not know how to approach the representatives, or make good conversation, I still wanted to look professional and like I knew what I was doing as a first-year student trying to grab an internship at an accounting firm.”

The Career and Internship Fair had over 100 students filter in and out of the Upper JYSC. Students each spoke with representatives for an average 15-30 minutes, asking questions about



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Staff from the Success Center, from left to right: Sarah Aubrey, Laura Turner-Reed, Kyle Cline, Josh Friend, Glenna Castillo. Front: Diana Nettleton.



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Sophomore Kris Connors listens intently to a potential employer on the balcony above Haist Commons.



Photo by William Southern

Junior Joshua Holmes speaks with an advising company in the Upper JYSC.



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Sophomore Isaiah Knight-Neraasen speaks to a potential employer at the Career and Internship Fair.

positions and internships that were associated with their majors. Although the Career and Internship Fair brought 59 organizations and programs to campus, the variety for area of interest was small for students looking for opportunities beyond business.

“For non-business majors, the variety of companies to speak with were very slim,” said junior Quantae Miller. “For my friends studying in other areas, they found it difficult to go to booths looking for students in the Education and Social Sciences program, or other

sciences. The Career and Internship Fair seemed to have most interests in having students speak with companies and organizations that involved software programming and sales.” However, many students of varying majors still managed to talk to at least 3 booths and gain information about the application process and experience with talking to professionals.

“Going to the Career and Internship Fair really helped me build my confidence in speaking to future employers,” said first-year

Richard Anthony. “I was nervous arriving to the event with all my submissions in hand, but after getting all the jitters out talking to the first booth, I felt more comfortable in the professional atmosphere. The map with the station layout was easy to navigate for everyone, and it helped me check off the companies I was eager to speak with.”

“I felt really lucky to have been able to attend the Career and Internship Fair,” said sophomore Kris Connors. “I am not usually someone to make a phone call or

go into an office to gather information about a company’s open position, so this really helped out a lot.

“It was also beneficial to see how other students were approaching the representatives as I was walking through the stations,” she continued. “I could tell I was not the only nervous one there, but that everyone was eventually settling down and become more comfortable. The water station was nice to have as well.”

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Much to the juniors' delight, the upper floors of the Administration Building were decorated with fairy lights.

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signatures of graduated boys.

Perhaps the most exciting destination of the night was the bell tower. Students who at first were too scared to enter the chilly chime room soon crowded the dark and dusty space so much that other students couldn't escape. Shrills and loud booms filled the room as somewhere, somehow students started ringing the bells. But soon

as all was well, the junior class used their interesting (and loud) communication skills to sort everything out, and the crowd safely dispersed.

After the exploration of the third floor, students gathered back in Wampler Auditorium to claim their promised mug. Before the event ended around 9 p.m., students got their "mugshot" taken as they posed with their new memento.



## STUDENT CONCERNS COLUMN

Student Senate has heard many questions and concerns regarding the housing changes. We hope that you were able to make it to one of the forums to have your questions or concerns met. The Student Senate e-board also addressed many of the concerns that were discussed to President Dave during their monthly meetings. If you have any questions regarding housing, please contact Residential Life Director Melanie Lawson. Student Senators are also always willing to address your concern or question for you.

### E-Board

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Have a student concern?  
Send an email to [tawooding2018@manchester.edu](mailto:tawooding2018@manchester.edu) or contact one of your senators.

## Mid-Winter Concert Features Modern, Classical Works

**Kaity Collins**  
Staff Writer

Manchester is ready to say goodbye to Winter and hello to Spring.

Tonight the university will be hosting the Mid-Winter Concert by MU's Symphonic Band,

an event featuring symphonic and jazz musical performances. It will feature both classical and modern musical pieces, and the Jazz Ensemble will perform pieces from James Brown, Count Basie and more.

One of the annual concerts presented by the Department of Music, the bands will not just

consist of students and alumni; anyone is welcome to perform and watch. In fact, 40 musicians will be performing in both music bands; 37 of them are students and three are community members.

"We always welcome any community members to play," said Scott Humphries, band conductor and assistant professor of music.



Photos provided

Left: Scott Humphries, Symphonic Band conductor and assistant professor of music. Right: Mykayla Neilson '17 helped conduct the 2017 Symphonic Band performance.

Not all of the Jazz and Symphonic Band musicians are music majors, either.

"The concert is made up predominately of non-music majors," Humphries said. "You don't have to be a music major to play in an ensemble."

The band members have been practicing their pieces and are proud of their progress. Manuel Hernandez, first-year psychology major and trumpet player, said: "Everyone is doing well, and I think everybody's ready."

Humphries agrees. "We all worked very hard for this

concert," he said. "There will be classic literature pieces from each band, and both will present works of good classical literature for both ensembles."

The Mid-Winter, A University Bands Concert is a Music Department feature performance that ties both campus and community together, demonstrating a sense of pride for the musicians. "To me, it's always been for fun," Hernandez said. "It's something I've enjoyed doing."

The event will take place tonight (March 9) in Cordier Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. with free

admission for faculty and students. Both the Music Department and musicians are looking forward to a good turnout this year. "Come out and support your fellow students," Humphries said.

Hernandez encourages attendees as well. "I hope a lot of people show up," he said. "I'm not really nervous, so please come." Even students who plan to attend are excited and feel a sense of pride. "I think it's a great way to get the community together," sophomore Natalie Collins said.

## CAREER FAIR, FROM PAGE 1



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Senior Abbie Stewart greets a representative from Parkview Wabash Hospital at the Career and Internship Fair.



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The Career and Internship Fair of 2018 hosted 59 different employers and representatives in the Upper JYSC.



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Senior Alejandro Cruz meets with representatives from Ball State University.



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Seniors Austyn Rybicki, Tyler Gibson and Aaron Lloyd with Leslie Marlatt.



Photo by Maraki Shigzaw

Junior Courtney Zentz enjoys a meal from Revolution Noodle, complete with a fortune cookie.



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Sophomore Hermela Mebrahtu at The Oaks.



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First-year Emily Rogers at The Oaks.

## Campus Noodle Bar Served Compliments, Criticism

**Evan Harris**  
Staff Writer

To noodle, or not to noodle? That is the question being asked around campus as the Revolution Noodle Bar at The Oaks received mixed reviews after its opening at the beginning of second semester.

Late last semester, Chartwells offered surveys on what new restaurant MU students would be interested in eating at. Students were given several options, like a pasta bar or the winning noodle bar. When the noodle bar was established, Chartwells also added Burrito Bowl Thursday for variety, similar to Wilbur's Taco Tuesday and Hot Dog Thursday.

Director of Dining Services Lisa Beery shared why the changes were made to The Oaks: "The Revolution Noodle was in response to the feedback we received from students looking for a change in food available to you," she said. "The students expressed they would like options other than sandwiches. We did a poll with students going through The Oaks and Haist Commons and asked if they would like Revolution Noodle, Burrito Bowl or keep The Oaks the same. Revolution Noodle won the poll contest, so that is why we switched it to Revolution Noodle.

"I am not sure Revolution Noodle is exactly what students thought it would be," Beery continued, "so, we have again listened to what the students want and are changing the concept again. At this point we are looking at going back to sandwiches or possibly Burrito Bowl and keeping Revolution Noodle once a week. There are students who do enjoy Revolution Noodle and would like it to stay so we thought keeping it one day a week would cater to those students as well. The change will happen if all goes as planned over Spring Break."

Despite the popular vote of the Revolution Noodle, card swipes at the restaurant actually decreased in comparison to last semester. According to the Director of Conference Services Alexis Young at the Feb. 21 student senate meeting, it was discovered that the restaurant saw a consistent decrease of 10% in relation to visits.

Combined with the decrease in location visits, Beery also noted another factor in students' disappointment in the Revolution Noodle, and why noodles and sandwiches could not be served simultaneously.

"The space needed for both concepts to run simultaneously in the Oaks is not feasible," she said. "Additionally, the meal prep time for both to run at the same time would take too long.

We are going back to sandwiches after Spring Break."

With sandwiches returning back home to The Oaks, what changes to the other restaurants on campus might be made? "At Haist Commons, we have added a pasta bar on Monday and Friday mornings, and a potato bar on Wednesday nights," Beery said. "We also have a fajita bar at Pantry Station on Tuesdays at lunch, added sauté pans to Mongolian Grill for vegan students so their food is not placed on the grill with meats, and many other additions. At Sisters' Café, we added egg rolls and hamburgers to their menu."

Chartwells is also considering additional changes as well. "We are currently evaluating new dining options at our current locations as well as ways to update our menus," Beery said. "We have a few national brands as well as our own Chartwells concepts that we would love to bring into Manchester.

"Once we figure out what we will be putting in at the Chinworth Center we will be able to make decisions in regard to the other locations. I would love to share these ideas, but I am unable to until definite decisions have been made. Our future at Manchester is going to bring some very exciting changes."

## Dave's Blog: Kenny Doss Inspires Others

**President McFadden**  
MU Today



### Dave's Blog

Notes from the President

I first met Kenny Doss walking across campus during the first week of classes two years ago. He and I were heading in the same direction, Kenny to find Professor Joe Messer in the Academic Center and me to find a cup of coffee at Sister's.

"I came for basketball," Kenny told me, "but I'm going to stay because of Messer." Kenny had experienced an immediate sense of kinship with Joe when they first met and he was eager to reconnect.

Kenny's story has garnered lots of attention and press, most recently in this NCAA story. He comes from a challenging neighborhood in Chicago and is

committed to doing everything he can to lift up the kids growing up there. Basketball has been Kenny's passion for years, but he doesn't see the way up coming from get-rich glory in the NBA. Rather, he sees basketball as a bridge across the divides that literally separate kids on one block from those on another.

Kenny once explained to me that individual city blocks define communities and safe spaces for many of the kids in his neighborhood. His idea, come to life several years ago, was to create

a summer basketball league that helped young people to connect with one another where rivalry was friendly and safe and competitors could become friends.

Manchester's mission is to graduate persons of ability and conviction. Some of our students, like Kenny, arrive well on their way and serve as role models for their classmates. They also serve as inspirations for those, like me, who came before.

## Wappes Qualifies for NCAA Division III Nationals



INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

2018 NCAA DIVISION III NATIONALS QUALIFIER

HANNAH WAPPES

**Press Release**  
MU Today

Sophomore distance running standout Hannah Wappes (Columbia City, Ind.) resumed an impressive roll for the Manchester University women's indoor track and field program.

With declarations for the 2018 NCAA Division III Championships, Wappes found herself among the 17-competitor field in the mile run. She managed to put herself in position for the qualifi-

cation by collecting a school record at the University of Wisconsin at Stevens Point last chance meet Saturday, March 3.

Wappes' time of 4:59.6 on the Multi-Activity Center surface was not only the program's first-ever sub 5:00 clocking for a new standard, but the recalculated mark of 4:56.57 due to track size vaulted her from 68th to 21st on the final regular-season national performance list.

She goes into this weekend's championships, set for the Birmingham CrossPlex in Birmingham, Ala. Friday and

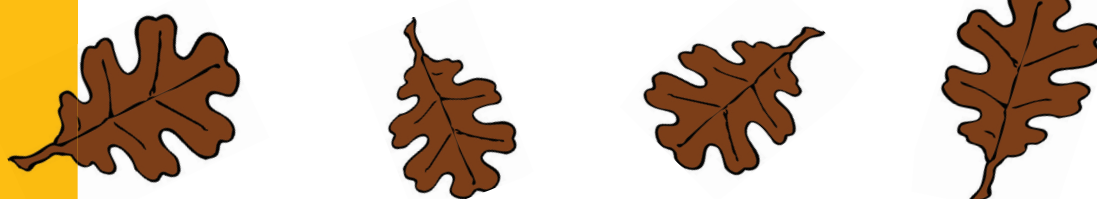
Saturday, March 9 and 10, sitting 14th-fastest.

Wappes' qualification marks the fifth consecutive national meet appearance for Coach Brian Cashdollar's program. Former thrower Shay Aator (2016/2017) in the weight throw and former jumps specialist Bridgette Rowe (2014/2015) in the high jump started the skein.

The sophomore is scheduled to compete in the preliminaries at 3:50 p.m. Eastern Standard Time Friday with the final slated for 4 p.m. Saturday.

### Upcoming Events and Opportunities

- **Mid-Winter, A University Bands Concert:** March 9, 7:30 p.m. in Cordier Auditorium
- **Not So Manchester - MAC Event:** March 9, 8:08 p.m. in Cordier Auditorium
- **MSO - The Bohemians!:** March 11, 3 p.m. at the Honeywell Center in Wabash
- **Supporting Re-Entry and Preventing Recidivism in Indiana (VIA):** March 13, 3:30 p.m. in Cordier Auditorium
- **Poverty's Laws Past and Future (VIA):** March 15, 7 p.m. in Upper JYSC
- **Choral Ensemble Concert:** March 15, 7:30 p.m. in Cordier Auditorium
- **Spring Break:** March 17-25





## SPARTAN SPORTS

### Spartans Open Season with 3-3 Trip to Myrtle Beach

**Kody Smith**  
Freelance Writer

The Manchester University baseball squad began its 2018 campaign with a three-day road trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. The Spartans played six games over the long weekend, picking up three wins and three losses to conclude the early spring trip.

MU traveled over 12 hours on Wednesday, February 28, in order to meet York College of Pennsylvania and John Jay of New York on Thursday, March 1. The Spartans would kick off the 2018 regular season with an 8-6 loss at the hands of the York College Spartans, where a big four-run second inning fueled the squad from New York. Sophomores Joe Gallatin and Quinton Rumsey paced the six-run offensive effort, each tallying a double and two RBI's to lead the Spartans. Senior Taylor Kopplin opened the season on the hill for Manchester, pitching six innings while allowing five earned runs and seven strikeouts during the contest.

The Spartans would bounce back from the loss with a victory over the John Jay Bloodhounds, with a final score of 10-8. The offensive showcase was highlighted by a five-run third inning, as well as a four-run sixth inning for Manchester. Sophomore Nick Rush performed perfectly at the plate, going 4-4 with three RBI's. Senior Hunter Lane added two

doubles to contribute to a 3-5 night, which also included a pair of RBI's, while first-year Hunter Freeman added two RBI's following a 2-4 effort from at the plate. Junior Braxton Riley powered his way to a 2-5 performance, which included a solo homerun, the first homerun of the season for MU. Senior Brandon Eck was victorious on the mound, pitching 7 and 1/3 innings with four punch-outs.

The offensive barrage continued on Friday, March 2 as the Bloodhounds and the Spartans met for their second contest of the weekend, with the black-and-gold powering their way to a 17-10 victory. Rush put in another stellar performance, crushing his first homerun of the year in route to a 3-6 day with five RBI's. Riley hit another homerun again, contributing to a 4-6 day with three runs scored and two batted in. Junior Christian Smith added two runs scored and three hits to the Spartan victory. Junior Tyler LaFollette, senior Alec Trzeciak, and first-year Joe Henschel all went yard in-route to a five-homerun performance for MU. The bats continued to shine as the Spartans met Lehman College, but the Lightning struck for 23 runs as they burst their way to a 23-10 victory over Manchester to conclude Friday's contests.

MU would wrap up the South Carolina trip with a double-header against the Blue Devils of Fredonia, the State University of New York. The two teams would split the series, with the Blue Dev-



Photo Provided  
**Taylor Kopplin pitches during a game in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. During their collegiate careers, senior pitchers Brandon Eck, Taylor Kopplin and Stephen Pinarski have a combined total of 27 winning games.**

ils securing game number one 8-1 in an eight-inning contest, and the Spartans winning game number two 12-1 after only seven innings played. Manchester tallied eleven hits in the 9-8 loss, which was led by a 3-4 outing at the plate from LaFollette, which included a double and three runs batted in. First-year Nick Tillman added a pair of RBI's to contribute to the eight-run effort. Game two was led by a masterful effort on the mound by junior Jordan Hillyard. The right-hander threw seven terrific innings, allowing just one earned run on six hits while striking out three Blue Devil batters. Henschel saw one at-bat in the contest, and he made the

most of the opportunity, slugging a three-run homerun to lead the RBI category for his squad. Hunter Lane went 2-for-5 in the contest with a triple, a double, and two runs batted in as well. LaFollette, Riley, and first-year Hunter Seegers each added a pair of RBI's as well.

Manchester will take the field again on March 10 and 11, as the Spartans will travel to Bishop Chatard High School in Indianapolis to meet a tough DePauw University team. A double-header will take place on Saturday, March 10, at 12 p.m. with game two to follow. Game three will be played on Sunday, March 11, with a first-pitch time slated for 12 p.m.

### Schedule

#### March

- 10 DePauw (N)
- 11 DePauw (N)
- 17 vs. Heidelberg
- 18 @ Heidelberg
- 20 @ Wabash
- 24 @ Anderson
- 31 @ Hanover

#### April

- 03 @ Anderson
- 04 @ Anderson
- 07 vs. Rose-Hulman
- 08 vs. Bluffton
- 10 vs. Indiana Tech
- 14 Franklin
- 17 @ Defiance
- 21 vs. Mt. St. Joseph
- 22 vs. Wabash
- 25 @ Indiana Tech
- 28 @ Transylvania

#### May

- 04 @ Earlham

## Manchester University Baseball 2017 Review/2018 Preview

\***Bold Names signify a player that is still with the team.**

**Offense-**  
Batting Average Leaders-

- 1) Joe Gallatin- .358
- 2) Kevin Clarke- .351
- 3) Chad Schultz- .335
- 4) Tailur Szarenski- .322
- 5) Tyler LaFollette- .305

**Homeruns-**

- 1) Chad Schultz- 8
- 2) Joe Gallatin- 7
- 3) Tyler LaFollette- 5
- Eric Knepper- 5

4) Matt Pritz/Kevin Clarke/Brandin Frazier/Nick Rush- 1

**Runs Batted In-**

- 1) Joe Gallatin- 46
- 2) Chad Schultz- 41
- 3) Tyler LaFollette- 33
- 4) Eric Knepper- 32
- 5) Braxton Riley- 15

**On-base percentage-**

- 1) Kevin Clarke- .467
- 2) Tyler LaFollette- .433
- 3) Tailur Szarenski- .421
- 4) Braxton Riley- .401
- 5) Chad Schultz- .398

#### Pitching-

**Wins-**

- 1) Cory Ferguson- 7
- 2) Brandon Eck- 4
- 3) John Magers- 3
- Stephan Pinarski- 3
- Taylor Kopplin- 3

#### Earned Run Average (ERA)-

- 1) Stephan Pinarski- 3.89
- 2) Brandon Eck- 3.91
- 3) Mason Neuman- 5.31
- 4) John Magers- 5.46
- 5) Craig Overpeck- 6.16

#### Strikeouts-

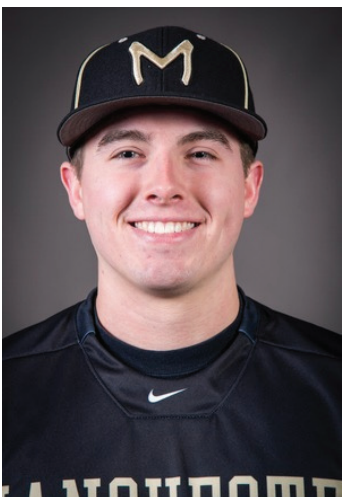
- 1) Cory Ferguson- 50
- 2.) Brandon Eck- 41
- 3.) Taylor Kopplin- 36
- 4.) Stephan Pinarski- 20
- 5.) John Magers- 17

#### Innings Pitched-

- 1) Brandon Eck- 73.2
- 2) Cory Ferguson- 68.1
- 3) Taylor Kopplin- 64
- 4) Stephan Pinarski- 34.2
- 5) Mason Neuman- 20.1



## 2018 Spartan Baseball Seniors



Hunter Lane #1  
Pos.: INF/OF  
B/T: R/R



Eric Knepper #3  
Pos.: OF  
B/T: L/L



Landon Stratford #14  
Pos.: P  
B/T: L/L



Stephen Pinarski #20  
Pos.: P  
B/T: R/R



Brandon Eck #21  
Pos.: P  
B/T: R/R



Deric Haynes #23  
Pos.: P  
B/T: R/R



Taylor Kopplin #30  
Pos.: P  
B/T: R/R



Alec Trzeciak #32  
Pos.: OF/P  
B/T: R/R



Peter Shepherd #41  
Pos.: C  
B/T: R/R



Garrett Phelps #44  
Pos.: P  
B/T: R/R