

March 17 Martin routs Colts Freshman 13-2

Martin got a big two-out two-run single in the first off Tyler Rice who had struck out the previous two batters after an early bout of wildness, almost wriggling out of a bases loaded jam. They added four in the second, and never looked back en route to a 13-2 shellacking of the Colts, who have now dropped four in a row. The Colts only mustered three hits and two runs, with third-baseman Lawrence Brandt leading off the second with a double, and eventually scoring, and relief pitcher Jordan Miller scoring in the third after a lead-off single. The only drama was in the second: with none out and Lawrence on third after a stolen base, shortstop Duane Hughes ripped a line drive that looked to be a clean RBI single. The field umpire was unable to move out of the way, and the ball struck him and was deflected to a Martin player who threw out Duane at first, while Lawrence scored. The umpire ruled that it was a dead ball and awarded Duane first base, sending Lawrence back to third (most of the fans including Coach Nix, were of the opinion that an umpire is "part of the field," implying that the original result was correct). The cosmic forces of the universe prevailed, as Omar Frias, the first baseman, hit into a 6-4-3 DP, with Lawrence scoring, so the call had no bearing on the results of the inning or the game. Martin then added three in the third to cement the victory.