

Golden Eagles Sweep Shasta
Win over Knights is No. 500 for Baumgartner

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QUINCY, CA - Feather River Community College swept a doubleheader from Shasta College on Friday by scores of 13-3 and 5-4 to improve the Golden Eagles overall mark to 28-5 and they are now 21-2 in Golden Valley Conference play.

The victories also turned over another impressive number. Head Coach Terry Baumgartner gathered his 500th career win at the collegiate level, having coached four seasons at Feather River and 11 years at Western Oregon University. His mark in 15 years as a head coach is now 501-255.

The Golden Eagle leader is now 131-35 at Feather River, adding up to a sizzling winning percentage of .789. Baumgartner's team is currently ranked No. 1 in the RPI, and No. 2 in the coaches poll in Northern California and is listed fourth nationally by Perfect Game. Baumgartner is just 41 years old.

"I feel blessed to get to 500 victories and I hope that there are 500 more out there," the Salem, Oregon native said. "I am fortunate to have always had great assistant coaches along side of me and hard working players. I obviously wouldn't have one career victory without those two things."

Feather River has won five consecutive GVC titles, and the Golden Eagles currently sit on top of the conference standings in 2011. Baumgartner has been named the GVC Coach of the Year in each of his previous three seasons as the squads' head coach.

Prior to arriving in Quincy, Baumgartner led Western Oregon to a 370-220 mark, never suffering a losing season in 11 years at the helm. He became the youngest head coach in school history in 1995 at the age of 24, and promptly led the Wolves to the Cascade Conference title. WOU would later place third at the 2001 NAIA World Series before the school transitioned to the NCAA Division II level. Baumgartner then directed the Wolves to their first NCAA post-season tournament in school history in 2003, and they would go on to claim a second place finish at the west region championship in 2005.

Baumgartner also played collegiately at Western Oregon as a pitcher. He prepped at Sprague High School in Salem, where he played for his father, Bill Baumgartner.

The Golden Eagles will try to add to Baumgartner's win total and wrap up the regular season in victorious fashion with a single game on Saturday against Ohlone College and on Thursday April 28th they host College of the Redwoods in a noon doubleheader. To get updated stats and information on the Golden Eagles go to ccaasports.org or <http://gvcstats.com/> and you can also go to the Feather River College Baseball Facebook site.