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Okada threw another scoreless frame in the second inning, getting a pair of fly-outs after a base-runner was caught stealing.

"I just tried to pound the zone and I let the defenders behind me back me up," Okada said.

"Danny did a good job. He's a strike thrower. He's always been efficient that way," Keeker added.

Tavera replaced Okada on the hill in the top of the third, but a trio of errors and free passes allowed Team Sandoval to get six runs in the inning.

Patterson, who drew a walk, was the first player to get on base for Lincecum in the bottom of the third. Tavera reached on an error later in the inning and Patterson eventually scored as the Sandoval catcher could not throw out Tavera, who stole second on a first-and-third situation, which allowed Patterson to come home.

In the top of the fourth, Okada and Tavera pulled off a highlight-reel double play in the infield. With runners on first and second, a ground ball was hit to Tavera, who moved to second base. Tavera flipped to Okada, who was playing shortstop, for the first out. Instead of trying to throw to first to get the tra-

ditional 4-6-3 double play, Okada noticed that the runner on second was attempting to score on the play. So Okada faked the throw to first and fired home to nail the runner at the dish.

Simpson took the mound in the top of the sixth, striking out one and giving up a run in the frame.

Simpson, along with Patterson, drew walks in the bottom of the sixth. But Team Lincecum couldn't take advantage as they dropped the first game 11-2.

Team Lincecum lost their second game 10-3 against Team Crawford the following day, but had better offensive performances from the Celtics hitters. Martin and Okada each had base hits and Tavera came through with an RBI via sacrifice fly, along with making several key defensive plays.

While it didn't make up for the season that was lost, the Celtics players cherished their final time on the field.

"It was a lot of fun getting to play ball again with kids that I have played with for all four years of high school," Okada said. "I've come to Volcanoes games for years. I was even at bat boy when I was younger. It's a dream come true to play on this field with my best friends."

"It felt really good to have the opportunity to play one last time with guys that I have know for years. It was special," Martin added.

Volcanoes hosting 18U tourney

The Salem-Keizer Volcanoes are preparing to host an 18U baseball tournament that will run Aug. 10-14.

The tournament will feature teams like Showtime Oregon, Diamond Sports Premier and the NW Star Eagles, along with several other squads.

Game times on each day will be at 9 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Tickets are available at Volcanoesbaseball.com.



KEIZERTIMES/Matt Rawlings
Luke Allen flashes a grin as he rounds the bases after hitting a two-run homer.

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8-3.

"My eyes lit up when I saw that pitch," he said.

Woodburn made things interesting in the in the top of the fifth, scoring three runs in the inning and cutting the deficit to 8-6. The Celtics, however, put the game away in the bottom half of the frame.

After a one-out single from Herring, Vachter doubled to the left center field

gap. Felbob then followed with his third hit of the game, an RBI-single. Vachter eventually scored on a passed ball.

Later in the inning, Allen was intentionally walked to load the bases. The next two batters, Olivio and Esteban Rusher, were both hit by pitches, which brought in two runs. Blake Hayman knocked in McNary's final two runs with a single to left field.

"We can play with anyone when we hit like that," Wort said.



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Danny Okada threw two scoreless innings for Team Lincecum on Friday, July 31.

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