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In the top of the eighth, a one-out single by Logan, followed by a walk from Matt Lokken, put the Senators in business and forced Embree to replace Rosebeck on the hill with Nate Hunter.

After giving up an infield single, Hunter retired the next two hitters to get out of the bases loaded jam.

"Whenever it's messy out there, I have

a lot of confidence in Nate," Embree said. After struggling to make contact on Vazquez, the Mavericks finally broke through in the bottom of the ninth.

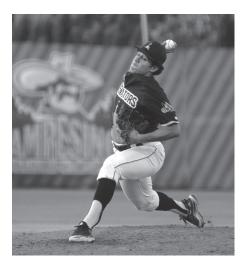
"We just got more at-bats and got more guys to see him. He threw a lot of fastballs, and you can time a jet eventually," Embree said. "Fortunately we had the right part of our order up."

Holliday got the inning started by lacing a fastball into center field for a hit. After Vazquez's 16th punch-out of the night, Markantonatos stepped to the plate with an opportunity to win the game with one swing

After looking at a ball and a strike, Markantonatos tattooed a 1-1 curveball deep into the night sky. Once they saw the ball go over the fence, the Mavericks bench celebrated in a frenzy.

"He was throwing me fastballs all game, but I like the off-speed stuff. So when he threw one low, right in my power zone, I just drove it over," Markantonatos said.

> Alan Vasquez had 16 strikeouts before giving up a walk-off home run. Photo by MATT RAWLINGS of Keizertimes

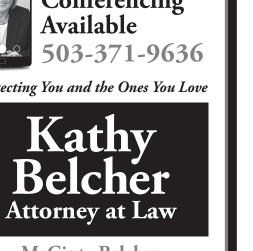


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