

KCC volleyball stuns No. 1 Parkland

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The Kirkwood women's volleyball team pulled off a stunning upset in the first round of its own tournament Friday.

The ninth-ranked Eagles whipped top-ranked Parkland, 25-22, 25-22, 21-25, 20-25, 15-11, in an exciting match at Johnson Hall.

Parkland (17-1) suffered its first and only loss of the season. Kirkwood raised its record to 8-4 with two wins Friday.

Anna Gorsich led the Eagles with 14 kills and 21 digs against Parkland. Aubrin Dittmer and Abbie Ericson had 13 kills. Maggie Peters contributed eight kills and blocked seven shots.

Madi Wagaman had 26 assists against Parkland and Rachael Nelson had 19. Maranda Wheelock matched Gorsich with 21 digs. Taylor Carey blocked five shots. Ellie Bildstein and Gorsich had four blocks.

Kirkwood swept Sauk Valley, 25-15, 25-11, 25-16, in its other match Friday in the tournament. Dittmer and Ericson had nine kills. Gorsich had seven. Wagaman had 20 more assists and Nelson contributed 11. Gorsich made 11 digs. Carey blocked nine shots.

The tournament continues Saturday.