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## Bulldog Breakdown

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## Baseball

	MIAA	OVR
1. UCM	23-3	31-4
2. ESU	22-6	29-8
3. UNO	20-6	24-10
4. FHSU	16-10	23-11
5. WU	12-12	13-14
6. MSSU	12-14	17-20
7. NWMSU	11-15	13-26
8. MWSU	11-17	12-11
9. PSU	12-20	13-20
10. SBU	6-24	8-32
11. Truman	5-23	10-29

## Softball

	MIAA	OVR
1. ESU	12-0	34-7
2. UNO	9-2	29-9
3. UCM	5-3	18-13
4. MWSU	7-5	21-17
5. WU	6-5	19-15
6. Truman	6-6	15-21
7. FHSU	5-7	18-14
8. MSSU	4-8	15-29-1
9. NWMSU	3-7	17-16
10. SBU	2-8	15-23
11. MSSU	2-10	15-20-1

## Quotable

"We've been through hard times with the team, good times with the team — not too many good times but we'll know what to expect and know what to see."

— Sophomore running back Donald Harvey

## IN THE BACKGROUND



Brent Foster/Index

Co-men's golf coach Jim Berrey provides instruction to freshman Eric Laugeman at Kirksville Country Club.

### Jim Berrey provides assistance for men's golf

#### Co-men's golf coach works behind the scenes with golf team

BY BRENT FOSTER  
Assistant Sports Editor

Co-men's golf coach Jim Berrey stood just off the driving range Tuesday afternoon at the Kirksville Country Club and watched freshman golfer Eric Laugeman work on chip shots. Berrey observed Laugeman chip onto the range, and he suggested that Laugeman drive the club further into the ground, before stepping into the background to watch Laugeman shoot again.

The interaction between Berrey and Laugeman seemed simple — a coach helping out his player with a normal golf shot. But the story of Berrey and the men's golf team is far

from simple, if not unique.

Berrey returned to his alma mater in 2006 as a part-time golf coach, but only by a twist of fate did he even get involved in the game.

He and his family moved to La Plata during his junior year of high school, when he decided to take up golf for the first time for one simple reason.

"There wasn't anything else to do in La Plata," Berrey said.

It was in La Plata where Berrey learned the fundamentals of golf from Ladd Pash, the La Plata High School golf coach at the time. Pash had been the golf coach at the University of Illinois and came home to teach after re-

tiring from the college ranks.

Berrey credited Pash for teaching him the fundamentals of the game and for being one of the reasons he passes his skills on to Truman golfers.

"He immersed me in what to do and how to do it," Berrey said. "So I got really good really fast."

"I'm a big believer in the good old fundamentals."

Jim Berrey  
Men's Golf  
Co-Head Coach

sudden death after high school, noting his game digressed after coming to college.

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## Editor issues midseason grades

It is a little past the midway point for most teams, but here it is anyway: my mid-season report cards for spring sports.

#### Baseball: C+

The baseball team is never expected to be near the top of the MIAA, so it's unfair to pick on the Bulldogs' 10-29 mark too much. Still, the team seems to have enough talent this season to compete for a spot in the MIAA tournament.

At the plate, five regular starters have better than a .295 average. On the mound, sophomore Ryan Trimble and freshman Jarrett Eiskina have been solid. This is the first year since 2006 that Truman has had two starters with an ERA less than 5.00.

Also, Truman's run differential suggests the 'Dogs should have 2.6 more wins, according to Bill James' Pythagorean formula. So why don't they? For one, the team has a 0-5 record in

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#### Commentary



JACK NICHOLL

## Track earns auto, provisional marks

### Dell'Orco, Biermann and McCarrroll nab qualifying marks

BY JOCELYN NEBEL  
Staff Reporter

With only a few weeks left in the outdoor season, the women's track team finished strong at the Jim Duncan Invitational last Saturday with two provisional marks and a national qualifying mark.

Sophomore distance runner Dani Dell'Orco ran the 10,000-meter run with a time of 35:23.82. This time was an automatic qualifying mark by a little more than six seconds. Dell'Orco said one of her biggest goals was to keep consistent with her split times.

"I lapped the entire field except one girl, and she was

### Jim Duncan Invitational: Standout Performances

- 1. Dani Dell'Orco:** 1st place **10,000m Run**  
35:23.82 (time)  
NCAA Automatic Qualifying
- 2. Katrina Biermann:** 2nd place **Triple Jump**  
39-09.25 (distance)  
NCAA Provisional Qualifying Mark
- 3. Rachel McCarrroll:** 3rd place **Discus**  
147-04 (distance)  
NCAA Provisional Qualifying

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300 meters behind me," Dell'Orco said. "This year especially, I've learned to be so much more of a pacer in my races. I really depend on the time rather than on racing people because I don't have that. I have myself."

Dell'Orco said there was a problem in her race, and

## Women's golf takes eighth at Drury Invite

### Men finish seventh at Missouri Southern University Invite

BY BRENT FOSTER  
Assistant Sports Editor

The women's golf team ran into tough competition and slow play last weekend in its final preparation for the MIAA Championships.

The Bulldogs finished eighth out of 11 teams at the Drury University Lady Panther Invite on Friday and Saturday at the River-cut Golf Course in Springfield.

Grand Valley State University (Mich.) won the tournament and finished first with a two-day total of 601. Ashland University (Ohio) was second at 631.

Senior Krystal Limsiaco was Truman's top individual finisher and tied for 26th place with a two-day total of 164. It was the third time this spring that Limsiaco has been the Bulldogs' top finisher at a tournament. Her 79 in the first round was the lowest score for Truman.

Junior Jen Lawson finished one stroke behind Limsiaco at 165, followed by senior Erin Semple at 171.

It was the seventh straight tournament that Limsiaco and Lawson have been Truman's top-two finishers.

Head coach Sam Lesseig said he was disappointed with the slow pace of play by some teams ahead of Truman during the first round and that he thinks the slow play affected the team's mindset. He said a late tee-time and the methodical play made Bulldog golfers worried about finishing their round.

Freshman Jessica Tomash had to finish her first round early Saturday because of darkness. Truman's score decreased in the second round by four strokes with a faster pace Sunday.

"They finally came around and told them to speed up, but you can't do that midway through the round," Lesseig said. "You have to start off and tell them to pick up the pace and go."

Semple said a normal hole takes about 10 minutes to play, but some holes took 20 minutes to play in the first round.

"[The delay] gives you time to think about little details that you wouldn't normally think about," Semple said. "So I think it definitely affects certain shots when

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