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Men hang on for 3-2 win at No. 7 Incarnate

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Bulldog Breakdown

Women's on campus:

Soccer: 4 p.m. today

against Missouri

Southern

Soccer: Noon Saturday

against UNO

MIAA Standings:

Football

	OVR	MIAA
T1. UCM (11)	4-0	2-0
T1. MWSU	4-0	2-0
3. NWMSU (6)	3-1	2-0
T4. FHSU	3-1	1-1
T4. WU	3-1	1-1
6. UNO	2-2	1-1
7. MSSU	1-2	1-1
8. PSU (23)	2-2	0-2
T9. ESU	1-3	0-2
T9. TSU	1-3	0-2

Volleyball

	OVR	MIAA
T1. Washburn	15-0	3-0
T1. UNO	13-3	3-0
T3. ESU	3-1	13-1
T3. UCM	3-1	13-3
T 3. PSU	3-1	11-4
6. TSU	2-2	11-5
7. NWMSU	1-2	8-7
8. FHSU	1-3	4-12
9. MSSU	0-2	5-6
10. SBU	0-3	5-10
11. MWSU	0-4	7-9

Wom. Soccer

	OVR	MIAA
1. UNO	5-3	4-0
2. NWMSU	7-1	3-1
3. TSU	4-2-2	3-1
4. SBU	4-1-1	2-1
5. UCM	3-3-1	2-1
6. ESU	1-4-1	1-2
7. MWSU	3-5	1-3
8. WU	2-4	0-3
9. MSSU	2-6	0-4

Regional Rankings:

M. Soccer

	OVR
1. Truman (11)	6-1
2. Incarnate Word (16)	3-1-2
3. Midwestern St. (18)	6-1-1
4. W. Texas A&M (22)	5-1-1
5. Northeastern St.	4-2
6. E. New Mexico	4-2-1

Quotable

“Those are the Dogs. We're Bulldogs, but those guys in the back are the Dogs, and they hunt in packs. That is what happens if you play against us.”

--Men's head soccer coach Duke Cochran.

Long-time driver dies from heart attack

Tom Martin drove sports teams, organizations since January 2001

BY JESSICA RAPP
Managing Editor

They filed out of the bus, duffel bags slung over their shoulders, cleats hitting the cement with soft taps.

“Good luck, boys.”

Tom Martin, a 51-year-old bus driver, often said these words to the men's soccer team before a big game, but last Thursday it would be for the final time.

Martin died Friday afternoon from a heart attack heart attack after driving the soccer players to Lambert St. Louis Airport the previous day. Senior captain Jack Randazzo said the news was a shock to the team when they first heard about it from head coach Duke Cochran on Saturday.

The team honored its bus driver by wearing black masking tape around their right biceps at the game in Austin, Texas on Sunday. The team is currently discussing how it will dedicate its season to Martin, Randazzo said.

“He'd kind of been part of the tradition for the last couple of years,” he said. “We've come to recognize him as a key figure.”

Other athletic teams and campus groups, including the Joseph

Baldwin Academy, STEP and Upward Bound, also had close relationships with Martin. He drove students since January 2001, when he joined Dean Baker and two other part-time workers in operating Truman's vans and mini buses.

Baker said Martin taught him a lot about the mechanics and maintenance needed to keep the vans and buses running smoothly. Before coming to Truman, Martin

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Photo Illustration by Sarah Thompson/Index

Women win 3-0 vs. Emporia

BY JACK NICHOLL
Sports Editor

Entering last Thursday's match against Washburn University, Mike Cannon, women's soccer head coach, was contemplating whether freshman forward Olivia Hayes was better coming off the bench.

Cannon inserted Hayes, who had started once in six matches this season, into the starting lineup.

Hayes responded with a match-winning goal off a penalty kick in the 26th minute in the 1-0 home victory. She also scored the first goal, this time coming off the bench, in the 'Dogs' (4-2-2, 3-1 MIAA) 3-0 Family Day victory on Saturday against Emporia State University.

“I think she calmed down after the goal, and obviously that won the game for us,” Cannon said. “And the first goal against Emporia was important too, because it wasn't until about five minutes before halftime that we scored again.”

Freshman midfielder Kelsey Twellman and junior midfielder Beth Bystrom tacked on second-half goals to seal the victory against ESU (1-4-1, 1-2), but it was Hayes' fourth goal of the season that gave Truman the lead for good.

Hayes took a pass from sophomore midfielder Jaclyn Schumann, dribbled around a defender to the top right of the box and bounced a shot into the opposite side of the net.

“In practice we have been working on taking people on, so I had that in the back of my mind — just trying to be more aggressive and go to the goal more,” Hayes said.

Twellman knocked in the second goal in the 60th minute off an assist from senior defender Theresa Bauler on a short corner. Twellman took the corner, then ran around Bauler before firing a shot from just outside the top of the box.

“I've never scored outside the box like ever, so that was one of my first,” Twellman said.

Hayes and Twellman are one-two on the team this season in points and goals, and Hayes has three game-winners in the 'Dogs' four victories.

The Bulldogs dominated Emporia on both sides of the ball, as they outshot the Hornets 29-1. ESU did not have a shot on goal, and Cannon said Truman could have scored as many as five or six goals.

Many of the 'Dogs' subs saw time, including Bystrom, who scored her second career goal in the 90th minute off an assist from sophomore midfielder Megan Buri. Freshman goalie

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A 'settling factor' in the middle

Reuck 'one of the best attacking midfielders' ever at Truman

BY LOGAN JACKSON
Staff Reporter

The women's soccer program is thankful senior midfielder Katie Reuck likes the small town atmosphere.

As a high school senior, Reuck searched for a college with the right fit. Truman was on her list, but so was Rockhurst University in Kansas City. Reuck picked Rockhurst and played soccer there for one year,

where she scored two goals in 19 games for the Hawks.

But the fit just didn't seem right. Reuck wanted to be an exercise science major and live in a smaller town. Luckily, for the Bulldogs, Truman offered both. Head coach Mike Cannon said he was excited when she approached him about transferring to Truman.

“I thought she was a pretty good player, but it wasn't until she transferred here that I was like, ‘Wow, we got lucky,’” Cannon said. “I was impressed with her, but when she came here I realized that I had underestimated her.”

Reuck came to Truman in 2007, before the spring semester of her sophomore year. Reuck said the transition couldn't have been simpler. She not only had the opportunity to meet all of her teammates, but she had a chance to mesh with them without the pressure of an upcoming season.

“It was really easy coming [to Truman],” Reuck said. “My first semester here wasn't like a normal freshman. I got to know all of the girls and played during the spring season.”

When she transferred it

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Football falls 41-31

Hays gains 495 yards as Davis leaves in game with injury

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Fort Hays State University entered Saturday's game against Truman averaging 89 rushing yards per game. The Tigers left Stokes Stadium averaging 129 yards a game.

The Bulldogs (1-3, 0-2 MIAA) couldn't stop Fort Hays running back James Walker, who ran around and through the Bulldog defense for 200 yards. Truman lost 41-31 on

Family Night at Stokes Stadium. Hays entered the game last in the conference in rushing, more than 30 yards behind the ninth-place Bulldogs. Hays closed that gap to three yards, thanks to 250 yards on the ground.

“Unfortunately, we weren't able to stop their run game really the entire game, so when that's happening it's only a matter of time until they wear you down,” head coach Aaron Vlcko said. “I don't think they were able to essentially score at will, but they were certainly having their way with us, and that was frustrating.”

The Bulldogs kept the

game close in the first half. Hays marched 60 yards down the field on its opening possession to make it 7-0, but Truman responded with a touchdown drive of its own. The Bulldogs went 80 yards on 13 plays, capped off with an eight-yard touchdown pass from junior quarterback Phil Davis to junior receiver Vanesse Emokpae.

After punting on its next possession, Truman made a mistake it had planned to avoid. The Bulldogs had been kicking away from Hays' return guru C.J. Lovett on kickoffs, but freshman punter Eric Phillips

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Mayank Dhungana/Index
Senior RB Phil Kenney fights for yards on Saturday against Fort Hays.