



Senior shortstop Alex Weber guns down a runner last weekend against Maryville University. Weber has a .909 fielding percentage and leads the team in assists.

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Bulldogs split doubleheader

BY SAM SHERMAN
Staff Reporter

Following a four-game weekend at the MIAA crossover, softball head coach Erin Brown said the team does not have room to have any off-games.

"There are a lot of teams [in the MIAA] that are competitive," Brown said. "We need to take care of business when we play and play each game like it's a conference championship. If we let down at all, every team in our conference has the ability to win against anyone."

The Bulldogs started the weekend in Springfield, Mo. with a nail-biter, winning 10-9 in extra innings against Pittsburg State University. During the top of the eighth, the Bulldogs jumped to a 10-6 lead but were met with a determined Pitt State team, which batted in three runs with only one out in the bottom of the eighth. However, the pitching of senior Beth Schnurbusch did not waver. She struck out the next batter and then forced a fly-out with two players on base to secure the win.

The Bulldogs (13-11, 1-1 MIAA) were led by junior first baseman Mary Manley who finished 3-for-5 with three RBIs, and sophomore outfielder Laura Miller who was 3-for-4 with one home-run and two RBIs.

Manley said the team does not plan to make the same mistakes next weekend when they play against Pitt State.

"Offensively, we played really well," Manley said. "It was not as solid of a performance defensively, but errors are going to happen and it's just a matter of correcting those and making it not as close of a game next time."

In the Bulldogs' second game, Missouri Southern used its one-hitter performance from its starting pitcher, junior Nicole Reed, to beat Truman 13-0. Manley had the only hit of the game, bringing freshman outfielder Kelsey Bollman's 17-game hitting streak to a halt.

Truman's games Saturday against Lincoln University and Emporia State were postponed due to the weather, allowing the Bulldogs to rest before their first game Sunday against the University of Central Missouri.

The Bulldogs led the Jennies 3-0 in the bottom of the seventh inning before Central Missouri came out swinging in the bottom of the seventh, amassing three runs to tie the game and send it into what was the second extra-innings game of the weekend for the Bulldogs. Following a scoreless performance from the Bulldogs in the top of the eighth, the Jennies capitalized on a sac-

rific fly to score the winning run.

In the fourth and final game of the weekend, the Bulldogs recovered from their extra-innings loss against UCM and shut out the Southwest Baptist University Bearcats following a one-hitter thrown by junior Ashley Rotkvich.

Along with Rotkvich's near no-hitter, which was foiled in the final inning, the Bulldogs finished with 10 hits on the day.

Sophomore catcher Christine Ulses and senior shortstop Alex Weber each finished with two hits each to lead the Bulldogs.

Truman's next action will be next Friday against Pitt State and next Saturday against Missouri Southern University.

Brown said she does not anticipate an easy weekend.

"Pitt State comes out like they have nothing to lose, and they have some really talented players that are huge threats offensively," Brown said. "Missouri Southern put the ball in play almost every at-bat when we played them [last weekend]. So we know that we need to be ready pitching-wise to keep them off balance and to hit our spots, and offensively we just need to continue to have good at-bats and make things happen."

TRUMAN ATHLETICS News and Notes

Women's Golf: Lawson wins MIAA award

Senior golfer Jen Lawson was named the MIAA Women's Golfer of the Week last week for her performance at the Texas A&M-Commerce Invitational on March 14-15.

She finished fourth individually in the tournament as the Bulldogs finished eighth out of 15 teams. She shot a 78-81 and was tied for the lead after the first day. This was her fifth top-five finish this season.

Last semester, Lawson won three tournaments and had another a top-five finish. The Bulldogs will be at home this weekend for the Truman Bulldog Classic.



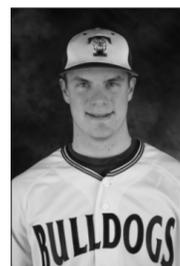
Baseball: Trimble wins Pitcher of the Week

Junior pitcher Ryan Trimble took home the MIAA Pitcher of the Week this week after starting the first game against Missouri Southern State University last weekend.

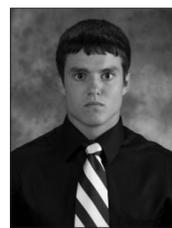
Trimble pitched eight innings and gave up four hits. It was the first win of the season for him after dropping his first three outings. He improved his team-leading ERA to 2.77.

Last year, Trimble went 5-5 with six complete games. He posted a 3.25 ERA and batters hit only .279 against him.

Trimble is the first Truman pitcher to win the award since April 10, 2007, when alumni A.J. Barton took home the award.



Wrestling: Nine earn academic honors



Schmitz



Banning

The Truman wrestling team finished in second place out of 18 teams in the Div. II academic championship this season. The Bulldogs posted a team GPA of 3.406. The University of Indianapolis won the championship with a GPA of 3.419.

Sophomores Colton Schmitz and Ryan Banning both earned second-team All-Conference honors. Sophomore Zach Hayes, juniors Warren Galloway, Jordan Powell and Thomas Redmon and seniors Andy Bader, Chad Kurovski and Max Muench were honorable-mention selections.

The second-place finish stopped the four straight championships by the Bulldogs. Truman has finished in the top two each of the last six years. Head coach David Schutter has led the team to six championships, more than any other Div. II program.

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