Softball demands better

During a 30-0 loss to the Panthers, the team's only action of the season, the 'Dogs allowed more than five errors all week. "Defensively, we only had a few more of a chance," Kraner said. "Clutch hitting has been one of the team's most notable problems for the team. Kraner said, "Yeah, we stink.'"

Although the 'Dogs were glad to get on the field, the trip uncovered several areas that caused them to struggle early. "We just needed to get outside," Kraner said. "All right, we'll keep working on being aggressive on the bases."

Although the 'Dogs combined to bat .240 during the Gulf Coast Classic, Kraner said the team needs to focus more on keeping up the intensity. "We're going to be aggressive on the bases, trying to steal on consecutive days. We also have started off slowly. The team's chances will be aided against both teams."

"We just weren't consistent," Cornejo said. "We were 6-4, and a lot of hits were easy, like, 'All right, we're going to drive in base runners.'"

"We have a lot of improving to do," Mueller said. "But we don't want to push too soon, either. The team needs to work on communication during games." "Communication is a big key," Wonderly said. "And learning on the field, like, 'All right, we're going to steal on every game no matter what.'"

Schanz said the team had been working on being aggressive on the bases. "They tried to steal on us," Wonderly said. "We just didn't give them the green light on the bases, but we've talked about that and we're going to focus on having lots of intensity this weekend."