# SCAC FASTPITCH WEEKLY

## SOFTBALL REPORT

### 2010 SCAC Softball Tournament
- April 23-25, 2010 (Fri-Sat-Sun)
- Hosted by Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas
- Six Team Field, Double-elimination
- Qualify: Top three teams from each division
- Champion: SCAC automatic qualifier to NCAA Division III Championship

### NCAA Championship Tournament
- Regional Championships: May 8-10 (on campus)
- Division III World Series: May 15-17 (Salem, Va.)

### 2009 SEASON REVIEW

**SCAC Champion**
DePauw University

**NCAA Championship Participants**
DePauw University – AQ
(lost in NCAA First Round Title Game)

### WEB LINKS
- www.ncaa.org
- www.ncaasports.com
- www.scacsports.com/sports/sball
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#### CONFERENCE STANDINGS

*Games through March 14 (Sunday)*

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| Southwestern University | 0 0 0.000 | 10 5 0.667 |
| Hendrix College        | 0 0 0.000 | 7 5 0.583 |
| Austin College         | 0 0 0.000 | 9 7 0.562 |
| Trinity University     | 0 0 0.000 | 6 8 0.429 |
| Millsaps College       | 0 0 0.000 | 3 7 0.300 |

*BSC will not be eligible for the conference championship however all contests against BSC will count towards conference standings.*

### THIS WEEK’S SCHEDULE

**Monday, March 15 – Sunday, March 21**

**Monday, March 15**
- Rust @ Millsaps (2-7) 1 p.m.
- Southwestern @ Tuscan Invitational (2-7) (Tuscan, Ariz.) 8/10 a.m.
- Hendrix @ Rebel Spring Games (2-7) (Kissimmee, Fla.) 10 a.m./2 p.m.
- Rhodes @ Cocoa Beach Spring Break Tourney (2-7) (Cocoa Beach, Fla.) 5/7 p.m.

**Tuesday, March 16**
- Rust @ Millsaps (2-7) Noon
- Birmingham-Southern @ Spring Hill (2-7) Noon
- Hendrix @ Rebel Spring Games (2-7) (Kissimmee, Fla.) 2/5 p.m.

**Wednesday, March 17**
- Rhodes vs. Sweet Briar (1-7) (@ Cocoa Beach, Fla.) 9 a.m.
- Midland Lutheran @ Trinity (2-7) 3 p.m.
- Austin College @ University of Dallas (2-7) 6 p.m.

**Thursday, March 18**
- Hendrix @ Rebel Spring Games (2-7) (Kissimmee, Fla.) 9 a.m./Noon

**Friday, March 19**
- MILLSAPS @ TRINITY (2-7) 1 p.m.

**Saturday, March 20**
- DEPAUW @ RHODES (2-7) 1 p.m.
- MILLSAPS @ TRINITY (2-7) NOON
- AUSTIN COLLEGE @ SOUTHWESTERN (2-7) 1 P.M. Centre @ Maryville (Tenn.) (1-7) 9:30 a.m.
- Centre vs. Ohio Northern (1-7) (@ Maryville, Tenn.) 11:30 a.m.
- Birmingham-Southern vs. Ohio Northern (1-7) (@ Maryville, Tenn.) 11:30 a.m.
- Birmingham-Southern @ Maryville (Tenn.) (1-7) 3:30 p.m.

**Sunday, March 21**
- AUSTIN COLLEGE @ SOUTHWESTERN (2-7) NOON
- DEPAUW @ RHODES (2-7) NOON Centre vs. Ohio Northern (1-7) (@ Maryville, Tenn.) 11:30 a.m.
- Centre vs. Birmingham-Southern (1-7) (@ Maryville, Tenn.) 1:30 p.m.
- Birmingham-Southern @ Maryville (Tenn.) (1-7) 3:30 p.m.

*SCAC GAMES BOLDED IN ALL CAPS / All Times Local.*
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SCAC PLAYER OF THE WEEK
Games of March 1 – March 7

JENNIFER MCKINLEY OF MILLSAPS COLLEGE, a senior third baseman from Frisco, Texas, has been selected the SCAC Softball Offensive Player-of-the-Week for games played from Monday, March 1 through Sunday, March 7.

McKinley became the first player in program history to hit three home runs in one game – doing so against No. 10 ranked Mississippi College on the road Friday afternoon as the Majors pulled off the 7-1 upset win. McKinley went 3-for-3 in the game while recording five RBIs and one walk. She is believed to be just the second player in league history to hit three round-trippers in one contest – following Stefanie Faith of Austin College, who hit three against Hendrix on March 22, 2008.

McKinley’s hot bat continued on Saturday when she hit went 1-for-2 with a solo home run and two walks against the Lady Chocitaws. McKinley finished the week 500 (6-for-12) with four home runs, six RBIs, six runs scored and four walks. She also recorded a slugging percentage of 1.500 in four games over the weekend.

Other outstanding individual performances in the SCAC:

Sophomore outfielder Elize Tindale of Rhodes hit .750 on the week (12 for 16) with a .765 on base percentage, and is currently riding a nine-game hitting streak. She belted four doubles, two home runs, scored eight runs and had five RBIs to lead the Lynx to a 6-0 week and a 14-4 overall record. In the Lynx 9-0 win over Finlandia, she went 3-for-4 with a double, a home run, two runs scored and three RBI. On the season, Tindale is hitting .480 with a .559 OB%, has nine doubles, four home runs and 18 RBI. Junior utility Jaclyn Herrera of Hendrix was 9-for-14 (.643) with five runs scored, four RBI, a double and two homers over the week. She helped lead Hendrix to a 3-1 record, including a two-game sweep in the first day of the Rebel Spring Games on Sunday. Both of Herrera’s home runs (a solo and a two-run shot) came on Sunday. She posted a 1.143 slugging percentage and an .667 on-base percentage. Junior first baseman Stefanie Faith of Austin College had a big week at the plate, hitting .538 (7-for-13) with two home runs, a double, three runs scored and six runs batted in. Faith also had a 1.077 slugging percentage. Sophomore third baseman Jen Kosinski of DePauw went 5-for-7 (.714) at the Centre College March Mayhem Tournament as the Tigers swept all three of their games. Kosinski scored five runs and drove in four more with a double and a home run. She slugged 1.286 for the weekend and also handled 13 chances at the hot corner without an error. First-year middle infielder Chelsea Collard of Centre batted 9-for-19 at the plate for a .474 batting average. The Colonels hosted their annual March Mayhem Tournament on Saturday and Sunday, and in the team’s five games, Collard hit two home runs, three doubles, and had six RBI’s. She also scored eight runs for the Colonels. Senior catcher Caitlin Richards of Trinity led the Tigers to a doubleheader split in the team’s only action of the past week, defeating Schreiner 13-6 in the second game. Richards was 3-6 (.500) for the two games, scoring twice. She also drew two walks to give her an on-base percentage of .625 for the day. Southwestern did not nominate anyone for the award, and Birmingham-Southern and Sewanee did not play.

SCAC PITCHER OF THE WEEK
Games of March 1 – March 7

SARA BOWEN OF RHODES COLLEGE, a junior right-hander from Nolensville, Tenn., has been selected the SCAC Softball Pitcher-of-the-Week for games played from Monday, March 1 through Sunday, March 7. It is the second consecutive week she has won Pitcher-of-the-Week honors.

Bowen went 2-0 on the week with a save, giving up just one hit and no runs while striking out 29 in 12 innings of work. She struck out the side in the top of the seventh to earn the save against MacMurray, and against Blackburn, she tossed her fifth career no-hitter, striking out 11 in the process. On Sunday against Finlandia, Bowen gave up her only hit of the week, and struck out 15 batters in 6.0 innings of work.

For the season, Bowen is currently 5-2 with two saves and a 1.76 ERA, and has not allowed an earned run in her last 27.0 innings of work.

Other outstanding individual performances in the SCAC:

Senior right-hander Kasey Thibodeaux of Millsaps appeared in all four games over the weekend against No. 10 ranked Mississippi College and Huntington College. She pitched a complete game allowing just one run on six hits while striking out five to hand the Lady Choctaws their first loss of the season on Friday. She added a complete game victory on Saturday, this time giving up two runs on four hits to Huntington. Thibodeaux finished the week with 21.0 innings pitched and allowed 12 runs – nine earned – for a 3.00 ERA with 13 strikeouts and a 2-2 record. First-year right-hander Ashley Halbert of Hendrix improved to 3-0 with a pair of wins this past week. She took down University of Ozarks on Thursday after 5.0 innings, seven hits, four runs (two earned), two walks and two strikeouts. Halbert then defeated Springfield on Sunday – allowing just three hits and one earned run in 4.1 innings of work. First-year right-hander Sam Mulitis of Austin College went 1-0 on the week, giving up two runs on nine hits while striking out a pair with no walks in a complete game victory over Midland Lutheran. Centre, DePauw, Southwestern and Trinity did not nominate anyone for the award, and Birmingham-Southern and Sewanee did not play.
Thursday, March 11
Rhodes 10, MacMurray 2
Rhodes 15, MacMurray 0  (5 innings)

Wednesday, March 10
Centre 7, Hanover 3
Centre 10, Hanover 2  (5 innings)
Schreiner 10, Trinity 2
Trinity 13, Schreiner 6

Thursday, March 11
Rhodes 8, Blackburn 0  (5 innings)
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Univ. of Ozarks 5, Hendrix 2
Hendrix 8, Univ. of Ozarks 5
Austin 7, Murray State 1
Murray State 9, Austin 5

Friday, March 12
Millias 7, #10 Mississippi College 1
Huntingdon 6, Millias 5

Saturday, March 13
Centre 10, Manchester 5
Centre 11, Oberlin 3
Millias 8, Huntingdon 2
#10 Mississippi College 7, Millias 4  (5 innings)
#24 DePauw 11, Manchester 5
#24 DePauw 15, Maryville (Tenn.) 1
Southwestern 12, Augsburg 4  (5 innings)
Southwestern 10, Augsburg 2

Sunday, March 14
Manchester 3, Centre 2
Centre 12, Oberlin 5
Centre 7, Maryville (Tenn.) 5  (8 innings)
#24 DePauw 12, Oberlin 0
Rhodes 9, Finlandia 0  (6 innings)
Rhodes 3, Minnesota-Crookston 0
Midland Lutheran 6, Austin 5
Austin 5, Midland Lutheran 2
Southwestern 4, Dickinson 0
Southwestern 6, Wisconsin-La Crosse 3
Hendrix 9, Rutgers-Newark 1  (6 innings)
Hendrix 11, Springfield 7

SCAC GAMES BOLDED IN ALL CAPS
NFCA.org ranking noted when applicable

AROUND THE SCAC

Austin College went 2-2 on the week, splitting doubleheaders with Murray State College and Midland Lutheran College. In the first game against Murray State, the ‘Roos got home runs from Stefanie Faith, Sam Smith and Jennifer Dowsey as part of a six run third to blow open the game on their way to a 7-1 victory. Faith knocked in four runs in the game and Chelsea Delaney finished 3-for-4 while Ashley Johnson went the distance for the win, at one point retiring 12 straight batters. In game two the two teams were tied at 5 heading into the seventh inning, but four Murray State runs in the top of the seventh lead to a 9-5 loss. Against Midland Lutheran, the ‘Roos took a two run lead into the seventh but an error with two outs opened the door for the Warriors to score three runs and hand Austin College a 6-5 loss. Faith and Suzanne Beltran hit back-to-back homers to lead off the third, while Johnson was handed her first loss of the season and is now 5-1. In game two the ‘Roos got another homer from Beltran to go ahead and didn’t look back, taking a 5-2 victory with Sam Matulis tossing a complete game for the win.

Birmingham Southern did not play last week. The Panthers, 10-0 and sporting a 13-game win streak that dates to last season, will put their perfect record on the line on Tuesday with a road doubleheader at Spring Hill (Ala.) College.

Centre went 4-5 on the week, as they hosted their annual March Mayhem Tournament of Saturday, March 13 and Sunday March, 14. On Saturday, the Colonels opened play against Midland College, where the team picked up a 10-5 win. The team picked up a big seventh inning where they scored six runs, while only giving up one run to the Spartans to close out the inning. In the Colonels’ second game, the team faced Oberlin College. Centre won the game by a score of 11-3 in six innings. The Colonels scored four runs in the third, three runs in the fourth, and four more runs in the sixth. Centre opened up the second day of action with a 3-2 loss against Manchester. The Colonels recovered in their second game of the day as they beat Oberlin, 12-5. Freshman Chelsea Collard had four runs in the game, while sophomore Elizabeth Ensmeringer had five RBI’s in the win. In the third and final game for Centre, the team earned a 7-5 victory over Maryville (Tenn.) College in eight innings after Collard hit a two run homer to win the game. Centre will take part in the Maryville College Classic on Saturday, March 20 and Sunday, March 21.

#24 DePauw improved to 6-1 on the season after sweeping their three games at Centre’s March Mayhem Tournament. DePauw opened with an 11-5 win over Manchester followed by a 15-1 victory over Maryville (Tenn.) and a 12-0 win over Oberlin. In the win over Manchester, the Tigers banged out 15 hits with Rachel MacBeth and Ashlee Anton each from Rachel MacBeth and Ashlee Anton. For the weekend, the Tigers hit .558 and posted an .826 slugging percentage with a .594 on-base percentage. Kosinski hit .714 (5-7) followed by MacBeth at .700 (7-10). Soltz posted a 2-0 record with Barrow finishing at 1-0.

Hendrix posted a 3-1 record this week after splitting a doubleheader against University of the Ozarks on Thursday and sweeping its competition on the first day of the Rebel Spring Games on Sunday. The Warriors improve to 7-5 overall and will play six more games at the Rebel Spring Games. Hendrix stranded seven runners and gave up a pair of runs on three errors in its 5-2 loss to Ozarks in Thursday’s opener. The Warriors collected 13 hits and had five players post multi-hit performances for an 8-5 victory in the night cap. Jaclyn Herrera started on the rubber in the first game and scattered 10 hits over 6.0 frames. She gave up one free pass and fanned five batters in her first loss of the season. Ashley Halbert started in the circle for game two and improved to 2-0 on the season after 5.0 innings, seven hits, four runs (two earned), two walks and two strike outs. Jessica Mabry finished off the last two innings for her first save of the year. Ryan Bracken, Alyssa Barry, Christina Byler, Sydney Selby and Sydney Copeland all collected two hits in the nightcap. Big damage came in the sixth when Herrera...
### NATIONAL, REGIONAL POLLS

**NATIONAL FASTPITCH COACHES ASSOCIATION TOP 25**

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**NCAA DIVISION III SOUTH REGION POLL**

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### AROUND THE SCAC

**Millsaps** played No. 10 Mississippi College and Huntingdon College to a split on Friday giving the Lady Choctaws their only loss of the season, 7-1, before falling to No. 11 Huntingdon, 6-5, Saturday. The teams squared-off again, this time the results were switched as the Majors beat Huntingdon, 8-2, before falling to MC, 7-4, in six innings. Senior Jennifer McKinley had a career outing for Millsaps going 3-3-for-3 with three home runs and five RBIs against the Lady Chocotaws. This was the first time a Millsaps player has ever hit three home runs in one game. Senior pitcher Kasey Thibodeaux was stellar in the circle for Millsaps giving up just one run off six hits while striking out five to earn the victory over MC. Coming off its most impressive victory in recent history, the Majors could not put up a repeat performance against Huntingdon, falling 6-5. Millsaps rebounded on Saturday morning against the Hawks to come away with an 8-2 victory. LeAnn Williams doubled down the left field line in the third and later scored on a single by Matthews before Yglesias drove home Matthews with an RBI double to lead the Majors to a 2-0 lead through three innings. Emily Spicer added an RBI single in the fourth and that would be all the run support Thibodeaux would need. Thibodeaux started the next game with Mississippi College but did not fare as well — allowing five first-inning runs to the Lady Chocotaws. Millsaps would get two runs back in the bottom half of the inning when Tarbox hit a two-run double and McKinley led the bottom of the third with a solo home run, her fourth against MC on the weekend, but it was not enough as the Majors stranded 11 runners and fell 7-4. Millsaps, now 3-7 overall, will be back in action at home as Rust College travels to Jackson for a doubleheader on Monday afternoon with first pitch at 1 p.m.

**Rhodes** finished the week 6-0, improving their overall record to 14-4, and is currently riding an 11-game win streak. On Tuesday, Rhodes defeated MacMurray by scores of 5-2 and 15-0, with Cindy Bitters picking up the win in each. They returned the next day with an 11-game win streak, defeating Blackburn 8-0 in both games. For Bitters, it was the first no-hitter of her career, while Bowen tossed her fifth career no-hitter. Zomer, Suna, Olivia Ryan, Rebekah Moore and Allison Conn each homered to pace the Lynx offense. Rhodes opened their Spring Break trip to Cocoa Beach with a pair of wins on Sunday, 9-0 over Finlandia and 3-0 over Division II University of Minnesota-Crookston. Bowen struck out 15 and tossed a 1-hit shutout against Finlandia, and added a home run in the game, while Suna and Ryan each added a home run to lead the Lynx offense. Against Minnesota-Crookston, Peters tossed her fourth shutout of the season and improved to 7-2, giving up just five hits and not allowing a runner past second base. Moore gave the Lynx an insurance run with an RBI single in the sixth and Jennifer Whatley’s sharp line drive past the Crookston third baseman in the seventh added a third insurance run to seal the win. Rhodes has 4 more games this week in Cocoa Beach before opening up SCAC play on Saturday, when they host two-time defending SCAC champion DePauw.

**Sewanee** did not play. The Tigers (0-4) are not scheduled to hit the diamond again until a pair of SCAC doubleheaders at Centre College on March 27 and 28.

**Southwestern** softball has been hard at work this week as they played a couple of make up games before heading out on a spring break trip. Tuesday, Texas Lutheran made the trip north for a double header that found Southwestern easily winning game one and then falling in game two, 5-3. Errors cost the Pirates in the second contest as they had five hits and five errors. Southwestern played in Arizona this weekend, facing Division III teams from around the nation. Saturday SU faced Augsburg for two games and won easily 12-4 and 10-2. They continued their winnings ways, posting a 4-0 victory against Dickinson and a 6-3 win over Wisconsin LaCrosse on Sunday. The Pirates finish their games in Arizona on Monday against St. Scholastica and Minnesota-Morris before returning home to open up conference action against Austin College on Saturday.

**Trinity** softball team split a doubleheader at Schreiner in its only action last week, bouncing back after a 10-2 loss to earn a 13-6 victory. The Tigers also split with Schreiner at home earlier this season. The Tigers return home this week to start a 10-game home stand, including six games this week. Trinity will play Midland Lutheran on Wednesday afternoon, and then Friday and Saturday will be back-to-back doubleheaders to open SCAC play.

For complete team and individual statistics and box scores for all games, click to the official website of SCAC Softball:

[http://www.scacsports.com/sports/sball/index](http://www.scacsports.com/sports/sball/index)