



# UPPER MIDWEST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE



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# PLAYER OF THE WEEK AWARDS

SPORT	ATHLETE	SCHOOL	YR	POS
Baseball Pitcher	Alex Smith	Bethany Lutheran	JR	P
Baseball Player	Joe Fayden	Minnesota-Morris	SR	1B
Softball Pitcher	Rilee Dawson	St. Scholastica	SR	P
Softball Player	Amanda Rodgers	Northwestern College	FR	IF
Women's Track & Field	Jen Houck	St. Scholastica	SR	
Women's Tennis	Jenny Joecks	Martin Luther College	JR	

### Baseball Pitcher

The Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (UMAC) baseball pitcher of the week is Alex Smith of Bethany Lutheran College. Smith (Jr. St. Michael, MN) earned a complete game 10-3 victory for the Vikings against Cornell College (IA). He worked seven innings giving up eight hits and three earned runs, with two strike outs and no walks.

### Baseball Player

University of Minnesota-Morris senior Joe Fayden is this week's Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (UMAC) player of the week. Fayden (Great Falls, MT) was 9 for 23 (.391) in six games in Ft. Myers, Florida last week for the Cougars. He had six runs batted in with one double.

### Softball Pitcher

This week's Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (UMAC) softball pitcher of the week is St. Scholastica senior Rilee Dawson. Dawson pitched in five of the eight games the Saints played in Tucson, Arizona. She posted a 3-2 won-loss record with a 2.00 ERA. In 28 innings of work, Dawson allowed just 22 hits, eight earned runs had 34 strikeouts and walked 13. Opposing teams hit just 206 against her.

### Softball Player

Posting a .608 batting average in eight games has earned Northwestern College freshman Amanda Rodgers this week's Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (UMAC) softball player of the week honors. Rodgers (Monticello, MN) was 14 for 23(.608) in the games played in Fort Pierce, Florida with five double's, one homerun and 11 runs batted in.

### Women's Track & Field

Jen Houck of St. Scholastica has been named this week's Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (UMAC) women's track and field athlete of the week. Houck (Sr. Cromwell, MN) won the 5000 meters with a school record time of 17:33.47 at the Oxy Distance Classic at Occidental College in Los Angeles, California. The following day she won the 1500 meters in a school record time of 4:59.92 and ran a leg on the 4 x 400 relay team which finished 2nd and set a school record of 4:20.85. Her 5000 meter time provisionally qualifies her for the NCAA Division III national meet.

### Women's Tennis

This week's Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (UMAC) women's tennis player of the week is Jenny Joecks of Martin Luther College. Joecks (Menominee Falls, WI) defeated Ashley Leister in the number one singles match, the Knights first match of the season, on Sunday, March 18th.