

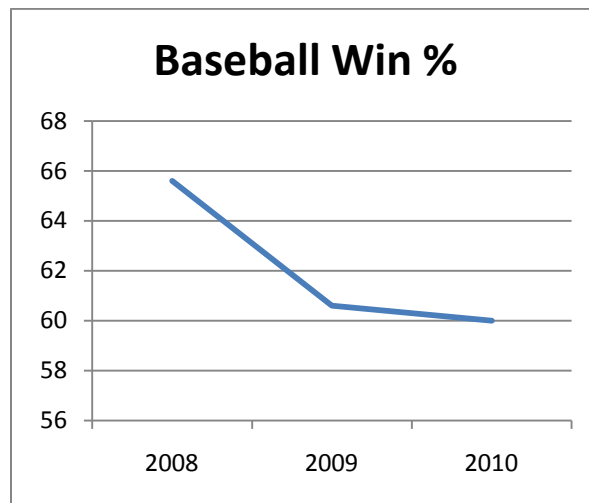
Aunt Martha's Pastime

A Look at How USM's Prez is Managing Athletics

The "Banner Year" series here at USMNEWS.net has pointed out that USM's varsity sports programs appear to be slipping under USM president Martha Saunders' stewardship. This report examines how Saunders has been managing, or as the data below suggest, possibly **mismanaging**, the baseball program at USM. Though the overall win percentage for USM baseball from 2007-08 through 2009-10 is 62.1%, a figure that is not terrible, the information that follows Table 1 is likely somewhat troubling for Eagles fans.

Sport	Wins	Losses	Ties	Win %
Baseball	118	72	0	62.1

A look at the trend below shows the bad news that is alluded to above. The downward path the baseball program is on currently is also likely cause for concern, particularly given the post-2009 retirement of famed USM head coach Corky Palmer. Palmer's replacement, Scott Berry, mustered only 36 wins against 24 losses in his first year, 2010.



The final installment in this puts the entire USM sports program into one picture in order to assess how Saunders is doing overall.