Softball drops opener to Clark

By Minor Huffman

The women's softball team lost its season opener Wednesday to Clark, 11-9. The Engineers displayed some opening day jitters and were unable to gain the lead after falling behind early.

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