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**WOMEN'S GOLF COACHES ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES 2020 KIM MOORE SPIRIT AWARD RECIPIENTS**

CORAL SPRINGS, Florida (April 30, 2020) – The Women's Golf Coaches Association has announced the 2020 WGCA Kim Moore Spirit Award recipients for Division II, III and NAIA.

This award is dedicated to Kim Moore, who played golf for the University of Indianapolis (1999-2003). Kim was an inspiration to all as she persevered through many physical challenges while playing collegiate golf. Her positive outlook and dedication toward the game was only out done by her sense of humor and passion for the game.

The purpose of the award is to recognize and honor a student-athlete or coach who exemplifies a great spirit toward the game of golf, a positive attitude on and off the golf course, a role model for her team and mental toughness in facing challenges.



**Division II WGCA Kim Moore Spirit Award**  
Jocelyn Troyer, Malone University

In March of 2016, Troyer was preparing for her upcoming high school softball season when she was hit in the right temple with a softball. Within hours she was fighting for her life, as a CT scan revealed she was suffering a severe brain bleed. Heading into surgery, Troyer's speech was slowed and she had no movement on the right side of her body, but after a three and a half hour procedure and the insertion of three small metal plates in her head she began her road to recovery. Within two months, she was preparing for her upcoming golf season and went on to attend Malone to play for the Pioneers in 2019-20. During her freshman campaign, she played in 10 rounds and ranked second on the team in birdies and scoring average, and was a part of the team that broke 18-hole and 36-hole school records.

Jocelyn Troyer acceptance video: <https://vimeo.com/413191511>



**Division III WGCA Kim Moore Spirit Award**  
Danielle Bambola, SUNY Cortland

In 2016, then-freshman Bambola was found lying on the floor unconscious by her roommate. After being airlifted to the nearest hospital, it was discovered that she had developed rapid diabetes over the last two weeks, an extremely rare occurrence that affects only 5% of people who develop diabetes. Without knowing she had developed diabetes, she went into diabetic shock. Bambola was forced to change her lifestyle but continued to play golf, going on to record 11 of the top-12 two-day scores in school history. During her senior season in 2019-20, she won four of the five tournaments she competed in, finishing runner-up in the fifth.

Danielle Bambola acceptance video: <https://vimeo.com/413188974>



**NAIA WGCA Kim Moore Spirit Award**

Lauren Behnken, Oklahoma City University

Immediately upon joining the Oklahoma City University women's golf team in 2018, Behnken became a role model for the rest of the team. She was not a highly recruited golfer but wanted the chance to be a member of a team, and to be a part of something bigger than herself. By her second semester, her mentality had spread to the entire team, and both fellow underclassmen and upperclassmen looked up to the freshman. As a sophomore this past year, she broke par for the first time in her life, shooting a 67 (-5) to finish runner-up at the SCU Fall Invitational.

Lauren Behnken acceptance video: <https://vimeo.com/413189932>

**About the Women's Golf Coaches Association**

The Women's Golf Coaches Association, founded in 1983, is a non-profit organization representing women's collegiate golf coaches. The WGCA was formed to encourage the playing of college golf for women in correlation with a general objective of education and in accordance with the highest tradition of intercollegiate competition. Today, the WGCA represents over 650 coaches throughout the U.S. and is dedicated to educating, promoting and recognizing both its members and the student-athletes they represent.

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