

Moving to the east side

Schlegel tells reporters he's dreaming of a green campus

By Kate Schnurr
 Reporter

Picture this: In several years you are at Omaha's new Convention Center-Arena looking west. You start walking toward Creighton, and you see a soccer stadium, green space for recreation and possibly restaurants and stores.

That's part of the vision of the Rev. John P. Schlegel, S.J., for Creighton's eastward expansion, but he said there are no definite plans right now.

Schlegel told reporters Nov. 22 that whatever form the expansion takes, it will bring a new stature to Creighton, attract more students and "soften this side of Omaha."

Schlegel said there would be more information about the expansion and the form it will take in mid-January, but rumors floating around Omaha made him decide to address the issue publicly.

The new boundaries will make Cuming Street the northern border and 17th Street the eastern edge of campus. The plan will include a soccer stadium at 17th and Cass streets; new student housing, particularly for upperclassmen; more green space for recreation; and new and renovated academic buildings.

Schlegel said he hopes to begin this project within the next two and a half years, although ground breaking will begin this spring on the new undergraduate and health sciences building and the renovation of the Rigge Science building.

"We have time on our side," Schlegel said. Creighton won't use eminent domain to force people out of their homes or businesses, Schlegel said.

Creighton already has begun purchasing land in that area, including the building that housed the Fright Zone, an annual Halloween haunted house.

Funding for the renovation will come from various donors, fundraising and tax bonds.

Schlegel said that tuition increases would not be implemented specifically to fund renovations or expansion.



Photo by Jay Langhurst

Skinner Mall sparkles with hundreds of lights shortly after the official lighting ceremony Tuesday evening. The traditional event was followed by a dinner and performance from the Creighton University Symphony Orchestra and the University Chamber Choir.

Changes to tradition light campus

By Kamahria Hopkins
 Assistant Editor

Holiday festivities at Creighton went off without a Grinch — rather than a hitch — despite criticism over a change in the Christmas tree location this year.

The event included a Christmas tree blessing, mall-lighting, free cookies and cocoa, dinner and a symphony orchestra concert. About 180 people attended both the tree lighting ceremony and the dinner.

Cassie Cash, Inter Residence Hall Government programming chair, said the event was successful. She said a large amount of money was donated to the Siena Francis House, a homeless shelter. Those attending the dinner were charged a fee. Buckets were also available for additional donations.

People in attendance included Creighton's president, the Rev. John

P. Schlegel, S.J.; the chief executive officer of Godfather's, Ronald B. Gartlan; and the executive director of the Siena Francis House, Paul Koch.

Schlegel's decision to use the live tree near Swanson Hall instead of placing the traditional decorative tree in front of the Administration Building had stirred up mixed feelings in the weeks leading up to the event.

One form of protest came in the shape of a 6-foot Christmas tree that was left in front of the Administration Building last weekend by John Kelly, president of Inter Residence Hall Government, covered with editorial cartoons from the *Creightonian* depicting Schlegel as the Grinch who stole Creighton's Christmas tree.

"I just chuckled," Schlegel said, referring to the cartoon-covered tree. "That's great. I was surprised Monday to see it gone."

Schlegel said he even sent a copy

of the cartoon to his mother.

Schlegel said the change was because the tree donated this year was of low quality. He also said that the tree in front of Swanson Hall was originally planted to serve the purpose of being Creighton's Christmas tree.

"This is just one of many changes that will gradually take place," Schlegel said. "It's not my intention to offend people. I'm trying to be more creative."

Arts & Sciences sophomore Arinna Butler and Arts & Sciences junior Jeremy Majeski organized a petition protesting the tree change. In three days, 635 signatures were gathered from students primarily living on campus. Butler dropped off the petition to Schlegel's office Tuesday afternoon.

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Photo by Lynn Safranek

Jews pray this summer at the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem. The Dome of the Rock, a Muslim site, is in the upper left corner.

Media misrepresents Mideast

By Lynn Safranek
 News Editor

Palestinians and Israelis have both been misrepresented by the media, according to people at Creighton close to the situation.

During past months' violence in Israel, few positive Palestinian news pieces have been written, said Naser Al-Sharif, pharmacy professor and Palestinian. Al-Sharif was the organizer of a series of lectures in early November on the Palestinian point of view of the crisis in Israel.

Selective media coverage hasn't been limited to bias against the

Palestinians, said Dr. Richard Buck, assistant professor of Philosophy. There has been slanted media coverage on both sides.

"The Palestinians have guns, rocket launchers and they're using them," Buck said. The media have a tendency to only show Palestinians throwing rocks and Israelis fighting back with guns.

Buck, who has friends living in the West Bank region and Jerusalem, used to belong to the Progressive Zionist Caucus, a group supporting the end of Israeli occupation in the West Bank.

Jews who move to the West

Bank and Gaza Strip, which are Palestinian-occupied territories, expect the Israeli government to protect them, Buck said. He said it's costly to protect those Jewish settlements, and many Israelis don't want to fight just because someone decided to go live in a Palestinian settlement.

"The majority just want to live a normal life, a life without conflict," Buck said.

Jehad Edwan, a Creighton graduate student, is a Palestinian who lived in Raffa in the Gaza Strip

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for most of his life. In a lecture on the personal perspective of the crisis, Edwan described the hardships he endured while living in Raffa.

Raffa had no sanitation system because the Israeli government would not allow it, and Palestinian citizens could not dig wells or practice their religion freely, Edwan said.

Because there was no work in Gaza, Palestinians had to get permission to travel into Israel to work, he said.

Along with special permission, they are required to pay a flat fee of 1,000 shekels — about \$250 in U.S. currency. They also must forfeit a certain percentage of their wages and are not allowed to sleep in Israel.

"I want to live in peace," Edwan said. "I want to forget

about the days they used to bombard us with huge bombs of tear gas."

Palestinian demands for peace, Al-Sharif said, include Israel's withdrawal from Palestinian-occupied territories, including East Jerusalem.

Jews must stop building settlements on Palestinian land and Jewish settlers must move, he said.

Even if the Palestinians were given all that they want, violence would still exist, Buck said.

Radical Palestinian groups like Hamas will always exist, Buck said, but in the past, Israel has made strong efforts to control its radical fringe throwing people out of the Knesset, Israel's governing body, and jailing some radicals.

To achieve peace, both sides need to continue negotiating.

"There's no option to peace except negotiation," Calvert said.

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"It's not just about the Christmas tree. It's to let them know that the students do care," Butler said. "It's not just a campus thing, it kind of brings the Omaha and Creighton community together."

Schlegel said he received the petition and plans to write a letter in response to the students' concerns.

"I would have preferred a conversation rather than an accusation," he said. However, Schlegel said "I care deeply about what students care about. I'm very sensitive to students' concerns."

Next year, Schlegel hopes to have a speaking part in the Christmas ceremony. He said in honor of this year's talk about the tree change, he considered saying while flipping the light switch "This is brought to you by the Grinch who stole your Christmas tree."

Taking time to 'GIV'



Photo by Thabo Moipolai

(Clockwise from left) Ryan Dobbs, Mike Soucie, Kinjal Shah and Kelly Yohnk load presents Wednesday night to be given as part of an Adopt-a-family program that was part of Greeks Involved in Volunteering (GIV) month. A GIV prayer service was held at St. John's Wednesday.

Ward nominated for Finance VP

By Rachel Buttner
Copy Editor

Katie Ward, an Arts & Sciences sophomore, was recently nominated to fill the position of Vice President for Finance for the Creighton Students Union.

Ward said she felt honored to be selected and would use her experience from her year on the finance committee.

"It's an integral part of CSU," Ward said.

The nomination will be presented to the Board of Directors on Dec. 3 for approval.

Three other applicants were reviewed by the selection committee,

which was made up of the President Ryan Zabrowski;

President-elect Kurt Morrison, Vice President for Internal Affairs Stephanie Aduloju; Vice President for Programming Didi Omiyi; and the Assistant Dean of Students Tanya Winegard.

If selected, Ward will be responsible to chair the six-member finance committee, review fund-

ing applications and represent the student body with the Board of Directors. Ward would also be in charge of the student directory.

Along with weekly representative meetings and weekly executive meetings, Ward will have 10 office hours available for anyone with financial questions.

"People can always come to me if they have questions about event funding," Ward said.

The next Vice President for Programming will be selected through a similar process that will take place in March.

CSU will have its End of Year Banquet/Inauguration on Monday, Dec. 4, to recognize outgoing officers and representatives. New officers and representatives will also be sworn in for their terms.



Ward

Yearbook photo deadline today

Today is the last day for undergraduate students to get their photos taken for the yearbook.

Student photos were available to be taken all week. Today from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. is the last chance.

According to the yearbook adviser, Tanya Winegard, the photographer scheduled to take

photos earlier this year quit.

The yearbook staff missed its color deadline, but Winegard said the publisher allowed pictures to be turned in late without an extra fee.

Winegard said senior pictures will still be printed in color.

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Weekly Campus SAFETY Report

For more information or to report additional information, contact Public Safety at 280-2104.

11/16/00 12:30 p.m. A student reported that a window had been broken out of his vehicle parked on the north side of Cuming Street. A cell phone and compact discs were stolen.

11/17/00 6:55 a.m. A window had been broken out of a student's vehicle in the Burt-Cuming parking lot. A CD player was stolen from the dashboard.

3:45 p.m. Reported theft of a book bag and contents, coat and shoes from an unlocked locker in the Kiewit Fitness Center's men's locker room.

11/19/00 3:37 p.m. Theft of a student's clothes from the Swanson Hall laundry room.

11/20/00 4:15 p.m. Theft of a backpack containing textbooks and clothing from an unlocked locker in the Kiewit Fitness

Center's men's locker room.

5:33 p.m. A student reported the theft of a cell phone and CD player from his unlocked vehicle parked on the fence line south of the Kiewit Fitness Center.

11/23/00 1:40 a.m. Paraphernalia and a substance believed to be marijuana was confiscated from a resident's room in Swanson Hall. The matter has been referred for university disciplinary action.

11/26/00 11 p.m. A student's vehicle was discovered with the passenger's window broken and a stereo faceplate removed in the parking lot behind Kenefick Hall.

Crime Prevention Officer Mary Vyverman's Tip of the Week:

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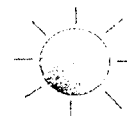
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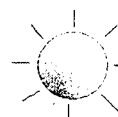
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Dry and warmer. High 40 to 45.

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Photo by Jay Langhurst

One PC Plaza buyer Max Bogard stands next to Gateway computers kept on hand for Creighton students, faculty and staff. Creighton purchases these computers at a discount through a special arrangement with Gateway. The store is located at 1912 California St.

One PC Plaza offers CU students savings

By Linda North
Reporter

Students and faculty can benefit from Creighton's decision to buy in bulk.

One PC Plaza, Creighton's computer and software store located at 1912 California St., provides students, faculty and staff with the opportunity to purchase computers at a cheaper price than most other computer stores. Discounts are as high as 25 percent off retail prices on desktop or laptop computers.

Max Bogard, a buyer at One PC Plaza, is responsible for purchasing computers, printers and software for customers.

"July, August and September are when we sell the most as freshmen and new students arrive at Creighton," Bogard said. "And as Christmas gets closer, sales start to increase again."

The discounted rate has increased from 4 percent to 25 percent over the past few years. The cheaper prices for computers and printers are possible because merchandise is purchased in larger quantities, Bogard said.

Last year, One PC Plaza purchased about 1,400 machines through an agreement with Gateway Computers. Of the total machines, 400 were sold to students, faculty and staff; 1,000 went to departments at Creighton. This year

over 300 computers have been sold to students, faculty and staff since July, Bogard said.

The desktops can range in price from \$906 to \$1,476, depending on the size of the monitor.

Laptops are becoming more popular, Bogard said. They range in price from \$2,065 to \$2,451.

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- 600 Mhz Pentium III laptops: \$2,065 — \$2,451
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When you buy a computer at One PC Plaza, you can get discounts on software such as Microsoft Office 2000 Professional — which includes Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, Outlook and Publisher. This software usually costs \$570, but can be bought for \$155 with the purchase of a desktop or laptop.

Some may be confused about One PC Plaza's location. A One PC

Plaza sign still hangs in front of the Creighton Bookstore, but it changed locations almost three years ago.

At the end of May, it moved again to its present location on the east side of campus located next to the Creighton Mail Center.

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And my point is...

By Thabo Moipolai
Guest Columnist

The conflict going on between the Israeli and Palestinians should be a concern to all of us.

This conflict has been going for a long time without a permanent solution. It is an issue that has affected people of different religions and identities. The reason this is significant is because of the repeated violence that has claimed the lives of many innocent people.

The real issue is the question of who should have sovereignty or other administrative authority over holy sites in East Jerusalem. It is home to ancient holy sites and major places of worship for Jews, Christians and Muslims. These sites in the Old City include the area called the Temple Mount by the Israelis and al Haram al-Sharif, or Noble Sanctuary, by Palestinians.

No issue in the conflict between Israel and the Palestinians is more emo-

tional than the future of Jerusalem. The violence that erupted after Israeli politician and prime minister candidate Ariel Sharon's Sept. 28, 2000, visit to the Temple Mount testifies how the location can act as a catalyst for large-scale violence. However, the Israeli government and the Palestinian Authority have the capacity to stop the violence. To do that, they have to reach an agreement that would satisfy both sides — an agreement to which both sides can commit.

I find the control of Jerusalem or certain parts of it by Israel disturbing because many people are losing their lives. I think that as Christians we are called to help in making the world a better place for everyone. It should be clear to most of us by now that even though both sides would like control of certain parts of Jerusalem, it is not possible. To reach peace, we must put aside religion. Neither the Torah nor the Koran would support a solution based on the religion of the other.

It is therefore important for negotiators to decide issues on their merits rather than religion. As history has shown, it is dangerous to justify actions in the name of religion.

Israelis and Palestinians must avoid a

bottom-line argument since it makes them resist change that can benefit both sides. The Israeli government and Palestinian authority need reasoning and open-mindedness to meet an objective criterion. If Israeli Prime Minister Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat can yield to principle and reason, an agreement will be reached.

I think the best option for both parties will be to share sovereignty of holy sites. Such an agreement will be fair to both parties because of their belief that holy sites are an important piece of land

not to be left out of an agreement.

If they can reach shared sovereignty, the Palestinian authorities could go home and tell its citizens that the Temple Mount has not been lost, but instead it will be shared in the spirit of brotherhood with the Israelis. The Israeli government would tell its citizens that it has reached an agreement that will make them live their lives without fear of any suicide bombings. The sharing of these holy sites would mean that Jews, Palestinians and Christians could visit anytime without fear.

Campus Voice

Why don't students attend campus events?



Willie Hale

Arts & Sciences Sophomore

"There is sometimes a lack of interest, publicity and unity."



Alysia Conklin

Business Freshman

"They are at odd times during the day."



Adam Molzer

Business Sophomore

"It isn't that students don't want to be involved, it just seems that class load and a lack of information about activities decrease overall involvement."



Rosie Ryan

Arts & Sciences Sophomore

"I don't think people really know about events. Publicity is key."



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Letters to the Editor

GSA stresses acceptance

In the article "Alliance Approval in Limbo" from the 11/17/00 issue of the *Creightonian*, nearly all of the content of the forum was accurately represented. However, there are a few points I feel may deserve clarification.

The Creighton Students Union has not approved the Gay/Straight Alliance's application for official recognition, as the article states. Creighton University does not recognize student organizations. Rather, applications that are approved allow the corresponding student organization to be "registered."

The Student Organizations Review Committee has recommended that the GSA's application for registration be approved. Dr. Cernech, vice president for Student Services, will make the final decision.

Student Services has treated the GSA with the utmost respect, diligently answered our questions and responded to our concerns at each stage of the application process.

Like any other student organization, the GSA intends to have social events designed to promote a sense of community and solidarity among its members, both gay and straight. Obviously, acceptance is at the heart of any such event as it is a part of the mission of the GSA. But

to complete the statement cited near the end of the article, the Gay Straight Alliance will not encourage nor advocate the homosexual act.

To do so would be to go against Catholic teaching and against the purpose of creating a group to objectively explore the issues surrounding homosexuality for the benefit of gay and straight students at Creighton.

If a GSA member were to bring a boyfriend or girlfriend to a social event, they would be accepted with the respect and compassion that we are compelled to offer as morally responsible individuals. However, this does not mean that the GSA condones or advocates homosexual acts.

Rather it means that the GSA practices what it preaches: acceptance and compassion. As a final note, I would like to add my apology to that of Elisa Kisselburg regarding her statement about Greek organizations. After making the statement concerning alleged activities by fraternities, she noted that it was not appropriate or representative of the members of those groups as a whole.

I would add that such general assumptions about groups of individuals and their status as recognized student organizations based upon broad characterization is the greatest threat to an

environment centered around intelligent discussion and compassion that the GSA and many others on campus seek to create.

Patrick Millerd
Arts & Sciences Junior

Greek defends organization

This letter is in response to some of Elisa Kisselburg's objectionable quotes, which were printed in Nic Prenger's 11/17/00 article "Alliance Approval in Limbo." In this article, Ms. Kisselburg was quoted as saying: "There are frats that get money and serve alcoholic beverages, throw parties, get drunk and participate in promiscuous sexual activity...activities that are against Catholic teaching."

Statements such as these appear to be uninformed attempts at a defense rather than real reasons to be granted university money.

First, as an officer of a fraternity, I can tell you that we receive no money from the university, let alone any monetary help for our social calendars. In addition, your comment was stated in a way which implied that we apply to the university to finance drunken orgies.

At our social events we are required to have security and a third party alcohol

vender to assure that underage drinking is curtailed. In addition, based on attendance, a percentage of the fraternity is required to be dry to aid in the care of any legal drinkers that may have too much.

In addition to this, we have sober transportation available for anyone that may need a safe ride home from one of our events. As if these precautions are not enough, the Inter Fraternity Council is forming a "Social Patrol" to attend various fraternity events to ensure that the aforementioned precautions are being implemented.

My main point is that whereas the Greek Community may be an easy target, bashing another on-campus organization is hardly a compelling argument to attain the university's monetary recognition. In the future, I suggest that you take a cue from the debate team and research your arguments first.

Adam Bukaty
Arts & Sciences Senior

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Serb to reunite with family for holidays

A peaceful country awaits student who fled 18 months ago

By Lynn Safranek
News Editor

Many Creighton students will be glad to go home for Christmas this year, but none will be happier than Dusan Stanojevic.

Stanojevic, an Arts & Sciences sophomore, is returning home to Serbia for Christmas break after escaping the war-torn country a year and a half ago to avoid conscription into the army.

The last day he saw his family was Aug. 22, 1999, while they were standing in front of a Belgrade hotel. After he said his good-byes, Stanojevic embarked on a dramatic journey to America, lying to Serbian guards about his destination and holding on tightly to his parents' life savings.

On Dec. 18, Stanojevic will step onto a plane to take him back to Serbia where he will be greeted by family, teachers and friends.

"My mom is making plans — what she's cooking every day," Stanojevic said. His first meal when he gets home will be sarma, ground beef rolled in cabbage.

Since the overthrow of Serbian dictator Slobodan Milosevic on Oct. 13, Stanojevic said his family and the country have seen the first signs of progress. Serbia's inflation is starting to stabilize, presidents and prime ministers are visiting the country and his parents' salaries, which at one time had been \$150 a month, are beginning to increase.

"Sugar and oil are expensive, but they're there on the shelves," Stanojevic said.

Stanojevic has been able to speak more freely on the phone with his parents and can hear about his family's life in Serbia. Before, his family had to censor what they said to Stanojevic for fear that their conversations were being overheard.

It is not dangerous for Stanojevic to return home because his family told the government he came to America to go to school. Under the previous government, Stanojevic would have been sent to jail for not participating in the military.

The support for Stanojevic at Creighton has been tremendous. Stanojevic said he doesn't know how he would have made it without his friends.

"Creighton, for one and a half years, has been my family," Stanojevic said.

Alice Smith in Media Services is high on the list of Stanojevic's Creighton family. Stanojevic lived with Smith and her family this summer, hiked with them on their family vacation to the Grand Canyon and will celebrate his 20th birthday with them on Sunday.

She said that Stanojevic is looking forward to seeing his family, especially his sister.

Smith's 13-year-old daughter is only a few months younger than Stanojevic's sister in Serbia, and Smith has three sons that Stanojevic plays basketball with.

"He's so much of a kid, yet he's been through some things most adults would never imagine," Smith said. "His mother has done a wonderful job and has raised a wonderful son."

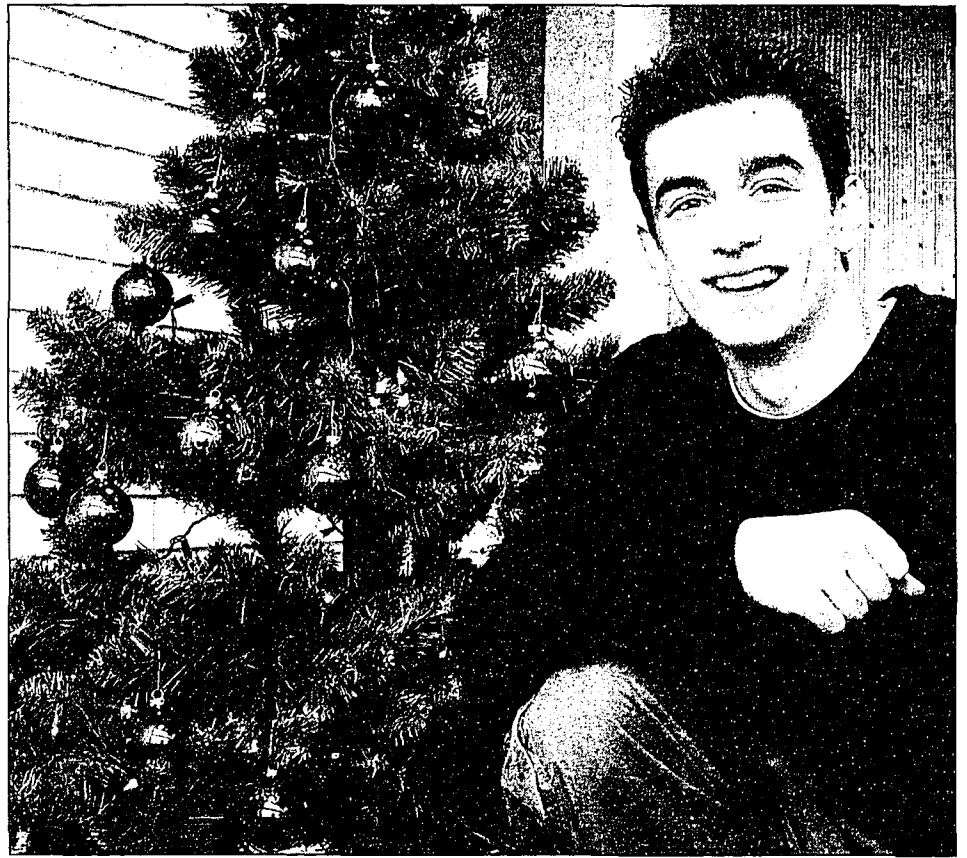



Photo by Jay Langhurst


Arts & Sciences sophomore Dusan Stanojevic plans to return to his home in Veliko Gradiste, Serbia, a town across the Romanian border on the Danube River. In a recent phone call to his family, Stanojevic described Creighton's Christmas tree lighting ceremony on Monday. He said his family was excited to hear about it because in Serbia people start preparing for Christmas only one to two weeks before Dec. 25. Stanojevic will leave for Serbia on Dec. 18 and return on Jan. 9. Depending on his financial situation, Stanojevic may visit Serbia again this summer.

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Festival leads students in new direction

By Liz Harvey
Assistant Entertainment Editor

The One Act Play Festival showcasing three student-directed plays opens Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Lied Center's Studio Theater and runs through Dec. 9.

The plays offer a change of pace from typical productions because of their length and smaller casts.

The directors were chosen by submitting a proposal to the theater department on their concept of a theater piece. The department then chose three finalists to hold auditions for actors.

The One Act Play Festival gives the students some hands-on experience at the production work as well. Student lighting, scene and costume designers as well as musical composers are all involved with the shows.

"It is a great way for students to really learn what's involved in the production of a show," Nick Zadina, Arts & Sciences Senior and director said. "The shows... are all very different."

Beyond the Door

Directed by Arts & Sciences junior Natalie Tiehen, this play stages six actors who play out the story of a man who has killed his wife and is fleeing from the police. He winds up at the house of two middle-aged sisters who agree to



Photo by Jay Langhurst

Haley Piper, Arts & Sciences sophomore and Steve Finley, Arts & Sciences junior rehearse a scene from *Brilliant Traces*, a play directed by Nick Zadina, Arts & Sciences senior. The play is one of three student directed plays featured in this year's One Act Play Festival that runs Dec. 7-9 in the Lied Center.

hide him. He considers marrying a third sister who is locked behind a door and remaining safe, or turning himself in to the police.

"It has been a very good experience," Tiehen said. "As a director, you

have to think of the big picture as a whole, and you have a lot more different responsibilities than you do as an actor."

Leon and Joey

Kirstin Kluever, Arts & Sciences

senior, directs this comical play.

Leon and Joey are twin brothers. Leon is mentally retarded and Joey is suicidal, but Joey doesn't want to die before he knows that his brother is taken care of. He meets a woman through the personal ads, who happens to be physically disfigured.

She falls in love with Joey and shows him the lighter side of life.

A beginning directing class originally sparked Kluever's interest in this aspect of theater.

"[I am] able to convey a message through a piece," she said. "It's a thrill."

Brilliant Traces

Written by Cindy Lou Johnson and directed by Zadina, the play deals with the power of relationships. Haley Piper, Arts & Sciences sophomore, plays Rosannah and Steve Finley, Arts & Sciences junior, plays Henry Harry.

The play begins with Rosannah stumbling into Henry's house in a wedding dress after her car has broken down. The story's theme explores the characters' pasts, which explains the situation and their personalities.

Zadina is also doing this project for his senior thesis to receive his bachelor's degree in Fine Arts.

Good movie submerged in Shyamalan similarities

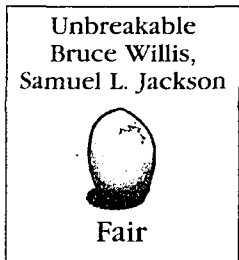
By Jean Ortiz
Entertainment Editor

M. Night Shyamalan may have a winner with his new movie, *The Seventh Sense*, uh, I mean *Unbreakable*.

In Shyamalan's follow-up to his 1999 blockbuster *The Sixth Sense*, he takes a similar approach to the writing, directing and casting.

The plot focuses on David Dunn, played by Bruce Willis. He is a football stadium security guard, husband and father who miraculously survives a train wreck that kills 118 passengers. Samuel L. Jackson stars as Elijah Price, a man who may have an explanation as to why Dunn survived without a scratch.

Aside from Spencer Treat Clark, the



boy playing Dunn's son, the acting was good. Seeing Clark on screen made me wonder whether Shyamalan had written the part for Haley Joel Osment, who was

just too worn out from seeing dead people to take the role.

While finishing editing on *The Sixth Sense*, Shyamalan wrote the part of Dunn specifically for Willis. Despite Willis' abilities and fame, I think Shyamalan might have been better off choosing another actor whom the audi-

ence wouldn't connect so strongly to Willis' character in *The Sixth Sense*.

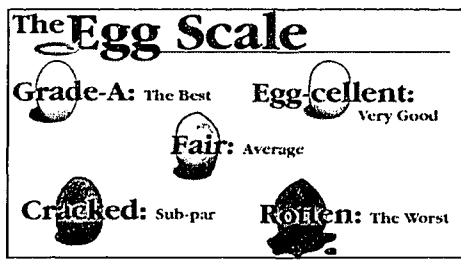
Shyamalan takes many chances with his camera angles in this one. In general, I felt they added to the individual scenes, but in some cases, the ideas were just too bizarre.

Beyond the many similarities to *The Sixth Sense* lies a great movie. I thought it was well written. It included a little bit of everything—comedy, drama, action, a love story and especially suspense.

The story line is highly introspective and digs deeper than *The Sixth*

Sense.

You must keep an open mind to fully understand and appreciate this one.



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CU one win away from Final Four

Eighth-ranked men's soccer to play at No. 5 Virginia for berth in College Cup

By Ryan Dunlay
Sports Editor

The Creighton men's soccer team has taught a valuable lesson to its opponents in the opening two rounds of the NCAA Tournament: You can't win if you don't score.

After posting back-to-back shutouts, a 1-0 victory at Ohio St. on Nov. 19 and a 3-0 win at third-ranked San Diego on Saturday, Creighton finds itself among the eight teams remaining in the tournament field and one win away from the Final Four in Charlotte, NC.

Despite losing its starting goalkeeper Tom Zawislak and defenders David Wright and Steve Bernal to graduation, the team's defense, anchored by senior captain Peter Henning, has put it in a position to advance to the College Cup for the first time since 1996.

Head coach Bret Simon said the team isn't looking past its next opponent, No. 5 Virginia.

"Virginia has traditionally been the most talented team in the country," Simon said. "They were the college team of the '90s."

Virginia captured three national championships during the 1990s, the last in 1994, and remains a top-tier team. The Cavaliers, 17-5-1, did not lose to a team this season that failed to make the NCAA Tournament.

The Cavaliers record is even more impressive given their conference, the Atlantic Coast. The ACC produced the 2000 tournament's No. 1 seed North Carolina and No. 2 seed Clemson. Virginia defeated both this season, though it lost to the Tarheels in the ACC Tournament final.

The Cavaliers are led by sophomore forward Ryan Gibbs and freshman forward Alecko Eskandarian, players Simon calls "dynamic."

"In our conference we have arguably the best attacking group of players in the country," Simon said. "We've seen some good forwards this season, but no pair as good as these two. We'll have to be very sharp."

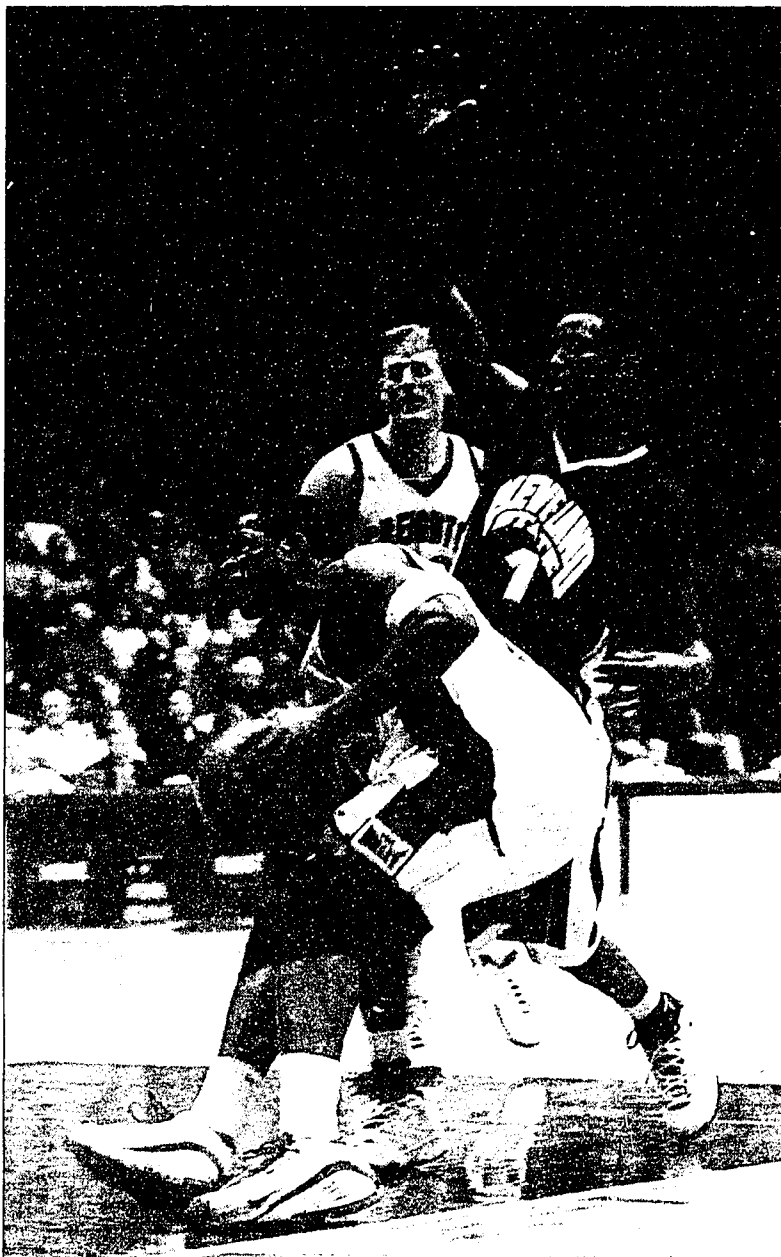
Eskandarian led the Cavaliers with 16 goals this season.

Saturday's noon CST game against Virginia will mark the fourth consecutive weekend the team will play a road match. Simon said the team had, thus far, handled the travel well but was concerned with traveling a time-zone to the East.

Creighton made a similar time-zone transition in 1998. The Jays eliminated UCLA in Los Angeles to advance to the quarterfinals. A week later the team traveled to Maryland and was defeated 3-2 by the Terrapins.

Simon said the team was not its sharpest due, in part, to travel-induced fatigue.

Victory slips through Jays' fingers



Photos by Jeremy Quigley

Above: Senior guard Ben Walker muscled his way into the lane against Cleveland State in the first round of the Energia Systems Thanksgiving Tournament in Kansas City, Mo. on Nov. 24. Walker led the Bluejays with 18 points.

Left: Senior guard Ryan Sears sits dejected on the bench during the closing moments of Creighton's 61-57 loss to Toledo in the tournament final Sunday. Creighton shot only 32 percent from the field during the game.

The Bluejays advanced to the championship game after defeating Providence 63-51 in the semifinals Saturday.

Creighton plays at Wyoming tonight at 8:05 p.m. and will play Colorado State at the Omaha Civic Auditorium on Wednesday at 7:05 p.m.



Women's basketball opens season with hot start

By Brian Fuscher
Reporter

The Creighton women's basketball team started its 2000 season strongly with back-to-back wins at the Omaha Civic Auditorium to open the season with a 2-0 record. The CU women have been impressive in dominating performances over Southern California and Tulsa.

Head coach Connie Yori was pleased with the team's performance.

"We feel like we've played pretty well in both of our opening games," Yori said. "USC was a quality win for us. We feel like we have a really good start to the season."

On Saturday, the Bluejays earned their second straight regular season win by downing Tulsa 82-47. The win was



Yori

the largest margin of victory for the Bluejays since 1993.

Junior guard Traci Jones thought the game showed a lot about Creighton's depth on the bench this season.

"That game we came out and played hard," Jones said. "We out-worked them and we wore them out. I think that shows everyone can play and that we have a deep bench."

The Bluejays showed their depth by playing everyone on the bench, most for more than 10 minutes, allowing every Bluejay except one to score in the game.

Yori said the extra playing time for the bench players makes practice a little more exciting.

"It's very positive," Yori said. "It gives a lot of players experience."

Creighton shot 43 percent from the

field and from the 3-point line, including 3 of 5 in the second half.

Senior guard Tanya Cenac and freshman guard Dayna Finch hit three 3-pointers apiece, while senior guard Krissie Spanheimer chipped in two of her own.

Spanheimer led the team with 12 points and six rebounds. Finch added second on the team with a career-high 11 points, while Cenac recorded nine points and three assists.

Creighton's inside game was also a key ingredient in the win. Sophomore forward Teresa Wessling scored 10 points and grabbed five boards while senior forward Taya Allen chipped in nine points and four rebounds.

On Nov. 17, the Jays cruised past Southern California 69-58.

Senior guard Angela Timmons led the Jays with a game and career-high 30 points, including 17 of 21 from the free-

Bluejays exit MVC tourney in first round

By Jeremy Quigley
Photography Editor

It was the best season yet in Creighton volleyball history.

The Jays ended their most successful season with an overall record of 16-12, losing in the first round of the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament to Evansville, 15-9, 2-15, 15-11, 15-13.

"We had some great highs but also some lows," said head coach Howard Wallace. "Unfortunately the lows occurred at bad times producing the loss against Evansville. It really was a case of us making more mistakes than Evansville at critical times."

The Jays end their season tied for fourth place in the MVC with the Aces.

As a team, the Jays met many of their season goals including a winning season, making the conference tournament and improving their record from last year.

"Our goal of getting to the NCAA Tournament will have to wait one more season," Wallace said.

The Jays will be polishing their skills both in team practices and competitions along with individual workouts. Wallace said fans can expect the team to continue a sophisticated offense next season with a few more wrinkles.

Adding to these wrinkles will be some new talent next season. Three frontline players have signed with Wallace for next season. Sarah Beulke, a 6-foot 2-inch middle hitter from Omaha, and 6-foot 3-inch middle hitter, Ashley Williams from Valley, Neb., will represent the home state for the Jays.

There will also be an international flair on the team as the third recruit, 6-foot, outside hitter Lisa McEwan hales from Gladstone, Queensland, Australia.

Wallace expressed a lot of excitement about the potential impact these three will make.

"They come in as one of the best recruiting classes we've had," Wallace said.

Yearly Volleyball Records

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throw line.

Jones said the team did what they needed to do to earn the win.

"I thought we played really well, really hard," Jones said. "I think we knew we had to work hard in order to win."

Yori was optimistic that the big wins would not lead to a let down against Creighton's upcoming opponents.

"We have a lot of opponents coming up that are difficult," Yori said. "We know that our competition level is going to increase in the next week, but we have enough players with experience. We feel like we did what we needed to do in the first two games."

The team dropped Wednesday's game at No. 11 Iowa State 74-71.

The Jays will play Nebraska on Sunday at 2:05 p.m. at the Omaha Civic Auditorium.