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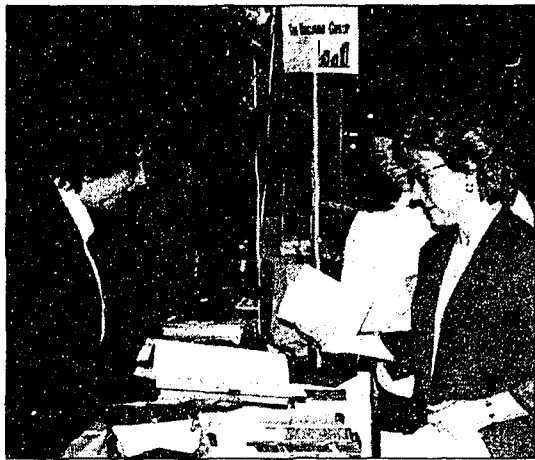
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Reaping the benefits of CU employment

Right: CU employees gather information from a worker at the fourth annual Benefits Fair, which was held Wednesday and Thursday in the Skutt ballroom. The fair provided insurance and retirement-plan information to faculty and staff.

Below: A YMCA masseuse treats a fairgoer.



Photos by Breann Suddock



Second Neon stolen from lot

By Julie Grohmann
 Reporter

Another Dodge Neon has been stolen from the McGloin parking lot, the second stolen from campus in the last two weeks.

Kelly Reardon, Arts & Sciences sophomore, returned from the Encounter TEAM retreat last Saturday only to discover that her red 1995 Dodge Neon had been stolen from the McGloin parking lot.

Rick McAuliffe, director of Public Safety, said that campus security has increased in all campus parking lots since these incidents. Public Safety and Omaha Police auto theft officers are randomly patrolling all campus lots.

Sophomore Nursing student Leslie Eisenman's 1996 Plymouth Neon was stolen Sept. 25 and found four days later at a North Omaha apartment complex.

McAuliffe said that the two stolen cars are statistically rare. Thousands of cars are on campus everyday, and two or three thefts per year is a small percentage. He reported that two cars were stolen and a third auto theft was attempted during 1998.

"It can happen anytime," McAuliffe

said. "Everyone needs to be aware of it."

Like Eisenman, Reardon had been planning an outing to Ted 'n Wally's. She had let a friend borrow her car Friday afternoon, so she wasn't too upset when she couldn't find her car at first.

Reardon and her friends then drove around to the other campus parking lots to make sure that her friend hadn't parked in another lot.

When they discovered that the car was nowhere to be found, Reardon reported the stolen car to Public Safety. The Omaha Police Department is now searching for her car.

"I was so worried and felt kind of helpless. There was nothing I could do," Reardon said.

According to McAuliffe, the Omaha Police Department is not reporting a rash of stolen Neons. However, he does recommend that all drivers, especially Neon owners, purchase the Club, which latches onto the steering wheel. Public Safety sells the Club at cost for \$14.86.

"Thieves do not want to take the time to defeat the clubs. It's a hassle," McAuliffe explained. "They will take the most vulnerable vehicles."

Student forum speaks softly at mall gathering

By Jean Ortiz
 Reporter

The Creighton student voice didn't speak all that loudly last week.

The Student Life and Policy Committee sponsored a forum for students to speak out about student-related issues. Organizers set up on the mall last Friday, but they attracted sporadic attention and few questions from passers-by.

The event consisted of short bursts of discussion interrupted by gaps of silence. Issues such as parking, on- and off-campus activities and the new president were topics discussed.

Matt McVey, a student representative on the Student Life and Policy Committee, saw the event as progress.

"The goal of the forum was to get input from the students rather than find answers right now," said McVey, Arts & Sciences senior. "We want to take the issues and potential solutions to discuss and evaluate in the Student Life and Policy meetings throughout the year."

If students want to comment, they can go to the Student Life and Policy website at www.speakout.creighton.edu.

The site allows students to discuss problems with fellow students as well as with members of the committee.

Though the forum didn't attract the attention of many students, McVey and other committee members said they hope that students will use the website to voice their opinions on issues.

CU Board of Directors names new chairman

Top Omaha business executives among new board members

By Natalie Roxburgh
 Reporter

Creighton University's new Board of Directors met for the first time on Monday, Oct. 4.

William Fitzgerald, chairman and chief executive officer of Commercial Federal Bank, presided as board chairman for the first time. He will run the meetings.

"I work with the board to look at the focus of the university," Fitzgerald said. "We have an excellent board at Creighton University. This being the

first board meeting, it was fairly exciting."

Fitzgerald is replacing Richard McCormick, non-executive chairman of US West's board and vice president of the International Chamber of Commerce. McCormick has served as board president since 1996.

Bruce Rhode, chairman and chief executive officer of ConAgra, Inc., has been selected to serve as vice chairman on the board.

Other new members include Richard Davidson, chairman and chief executive officer of Union Pacific Corp.; Ken Stinson, chairman and chief executive officer of Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc.; and Mark Huber, chairman and chief executive officer and president of PayFlex Systems USA, Inc.

The board's first task will be to select a presidential successor to the Rev. Michael G. Morrison, S.J. Morrison announced his resignation effective in June of 2000. The board may select a successor before the end of the year.

The board's primary function is to handle issues that campus committees bring to its attention.

Committees on campus include the student life committee, curriculum committee, finance committee, athletic committee, building grounds committee and Jesuit identity committee.

"Committees make recommendations to the board," Fitzgerald said. "The board takes the time to review [recommendations.] Some items require action of the full board."

Aside from dealing with individual

We have an excellent board at Creighton university.

William Fitzgerald
 Board of Directors chairman

committees, the board also reviews the status of the university as a whole.

"As a board member, one has to be supportive of the university," Fitzgerald said. "We are to help the university focus on the future for students, faculty, alumni and community."

Firms represent students' futures

Interview program benefits students, law firms

By Renee Pudenz
Reporter

Practice interviews paid off for Jennifer Stevens, a second-year law student.

The fall interview program, which takes place Sept. 13-Oct. 29, involves 25 firms coming to the Law School to conduct interviews, said Tricia Brundo Sharrar, assistant dean of the Law School.

Stevens went through the Law School's mock interview program before she participated in the school's fall interview program. She ended up with the same firm in her real interview as in her trial interview.

"In the mock interview, I had them tell me to put my G.P.A. and class rank on my resume," said Stevens.

The mock interviews are just one way that the Law School prepares students for the fall interview program.

"Twenty-five employers coming to campus is pretty substantial," Sharrar said. "This appears to be a greater number than last year."

Through the fall interview program, the Law School career services office does all that it can to make the student and employer feel comfortable and prepared. Along with the mock interview, the office also assists with resumes,

cover letters and gathering information, Sharrar said.

The employers are primarily interviewing second- and third-year law students to fill clerkship and associate positions. Clerks are hired prior to graduation to do research and writing while associates are graduates hired as full-time attorneys.

To make the students feel comfortable, the initial interview takes place on campus.

"The on-campus interviews make it really convenient," said Eric Kelderman, a second-year law student.

While the recruiters come to Creighton, the Law School does all it can to maintain a positive relationship with them. All requested documents, including resumes, cover letters, transcripts, writing samples and references, are col-

lected and delivered by career services. Interview schedules are also prepared by career services, Sharrar said.

After the interviews have taken place, Sharrar asks both the firms and the students how they feel the interview and process went.

"My number-one priority is to assist attorneys and promote Creighton University and its students to the community," Sharrar said. "My priority is my students."

A similar program with firms coming to campus and interviewing takes place in the spring.

"I think that the spring one is bigger," Kelderman said. "There are a lot of things there for first-year law students as well as second and third-year."

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Eric Kelderman
Second-year law student

Gimme' a break

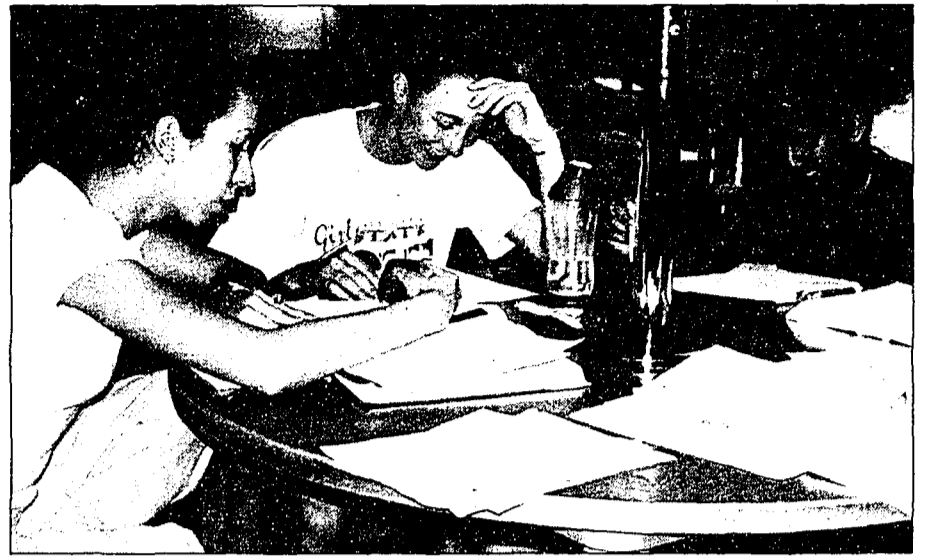


Photo by Leslie Young

Students are hard at work in the library. Fall break begins today. Classes resume Oct. 25.

Campaign '99 begins for Creighton Students Union

By Pinkey Mabogo
Reporter

Elections for the first student government leaders of the next millennium will be held Nov. 2.

Students will vote for president, vice president of internal affairs and school representatives of the new student government, which will be called the Creighton Students Union.

The vice president of finance and vice president of programming will be appointed next semester.

Approximately 20 positions are available.

"Students need to be encouraged to participate and freshmen should mostly be alerted that they have the right to run for the elections," said Gerry Stanley,

vice president for the student affairs.

Stanley said undergraduate full-time students with a 2.5 Q.P.A. are eligible for the elections.

A mandatory rules meeting for students interested in running for office will be at 9 p.m. Oct. 28 in Student Center room 105. Failure to attend will result in disqualification from the elections. Applications must be turned in no later than the rules meeting.

"Being a member of the SBG is a great opportunity to get your opinions... voiced to the university," Stanley said.

At the annual State of the Students Address, students voted to change the structure and name from Student Board of Governors to Creighton Students Union.

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Correction

The photograph printed on page 12 in the 10.8.99 issue of *the Creightonian* erroneously identified the soccer player as sophomore Shannon Wilcox. The correct identification is freshman Chelsea Loving.

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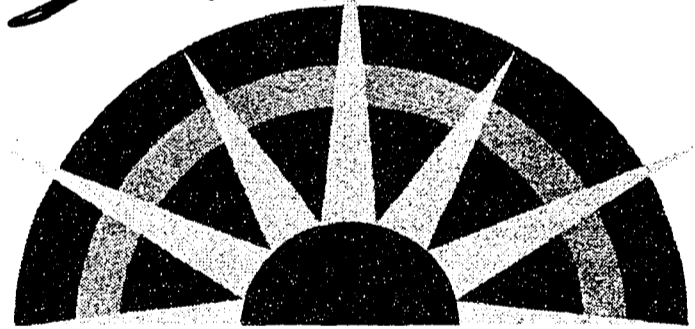
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Fans Only revamps CU athletics web site

By Kersten Flink
Reporter

Creighton boasts being "Number 1 in the Midwest," but according to Kiron Andersen of the Sports Information Office, Creighton used to provide one of the worst athletic web pages in the Missouri Valley Conference.

Poor graphic ability, no audio-visual components and no Creighton athletic archives are a thing of the past.

Another thing of the past is the typical access the site via the Creighton home page.

The home page can still be used to access the site, but the new address is www.gocreighton.com and can be connected to directly.

All the changes came after the Sports Information Office decided it was time for the athletic homepage to enter the 21st century.

Fans Only, a company that provides homepages and Internet sites to almost 60 schools across the nation, is behind the change.

The Sports Information Office decided to use an outside company after



realizing the time and resources were not available to them. Without a full-time staff member to update material, the old website was often behind the times.

"Our old site was terrible compared to what it is now," Andersen said. Information was put onto the old site slowly and without any visual component. Using Fans Only will eliminate these problems.

Fans Only has given the athletic web site a whole new look. According to Jim Rea, a sports information intern, the site's audio-visual component will allow users to listen to play-by-play of the men's and women's basketball teams, interviews and other radio programs.

Archives of games and the Creighton Sports Hour on WOW 590 AM will also be available to interested users.

Another new feature is the site's ability to use pictures. As for now, there are no interactive capabilities, but there are hopes of this in the future.

According to the Sports Information Office, one of the best parts about using Fans Only is the time and energy the company provides in developing the site. Creighton still has full control over the information placed in the site but does not have to take the time to update it.

"It's a great way to promote athletes because we do not have to battle for coverage," Andersen said. "We control the information, and they provide immediate access to our users."

Why was it important for Creighton to update its site?

"The web site is a potential student athlete's main source when looking at Creighton as an athletic university," Andersen said.

Creighton coaches and Sports Information staff provide press releases to Fans Only, and the information is downloaded quickly.

This gives recruits the opportunity to see up-to-the-minute reports on what is going on in Creighton athletics.

Creighton is not the only school in the MVC looking to use an outside company.

"Three schools in the MVC have already contacted me about the site and how we like using Fans Only," Andersen said. "I would guess that soon all the schools in the MVC who do not have full-time Internet staff will go outside their university for help."

Andersen and Rae agree that the effectiveness and information of the new site is helping Creighton set the stage in the MVC when it comes to the Internet race.

Gallagher residents return home

By Dayana S. y Caballero de Galicia
Reporter

The 41 students who had to move out of Gallagher Hall because of a fire are now back in their old rooms.

The fire, which broke out Sept. 18, destroyed the fourth-floor room where it started and forced other fourth-floor residents to move while crews cleaned up fire, smoke and water damage.

About 20 students were moved to open beds in Swanson and Kiewit Residence Halls. The rest of the students camped out in lounges in McGloin Hall that were designed to handle overflow housing.

Cleanup and remodeling started two days after the fire with a goal of finishing the work before mid-term exams. Marcy Ball, Gallagher resident director, said the repairs were finished in two weeks because of the team effort.

"The Creighton Maintenance group did a great job," said Ball. "Even those who were not scheduled showed up and gave their support."

The cleanup began with the maintenance group clearing away the soot, smoke residue and water.

Carpenters and locksmiths worked on the room doors, contractors painted and carpet was put in to make the floor ready for students.

Fire officials said the fire was caused by a pinched cord behind a refrigerator. There were no serious injuries, but two Public Safety officers were treated for smoke inhalation.

Fire officials commended Public Safety and the Gallagher residents for their quick, calm response to the fire. Students went door to door, making sure everyone was out of the building.

University officials declined to give a monetary estimate of damages. Either the individual homeowner's insurance or the university's insurance was used to pay for students' belongings damaged by the fire.

Even though the fire was a distressing experience for students, Ball said the residents were brought even closer together by it.

"I was impressed to see all the help and hard work done," Ball said.

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Series examines male roles through motion pictures

By Enole Ditsheko
Reporter

Swanson Hall is hosting a film series that will show movies focusing on male issues. The series consists of a total of nine similarly themed films.

At the end of every show, there will be discussion from which resident hall director Jim Mello hopes students, faculty and staff will benefit.

Mello hopes to raise awareness on campus and wants women to know that the film series is open to anyone who is interested.

Mello got the idea from the American Men's Studies Association conference he attended last March in Nashville.

The university has addressed female students' needs and concerns through various organizations such as the all-female Deglman Residence Hall, the Center for Women, the Committee on the Status of Women and the Mary Lucretia Creighton Awards given during Founders Week.

Mello said that even though females lead in undergraduate enrollment, their male counterparts need to be recognized, and that the time has come to serve the needs of male students.

"We can not take for granted the

resources and programs available to our male students," he said.

Despite low attendance at *Rambo: First Blood*, the opening film of the series, Mello said the success will truly be measured by the quality of the discussion of those who attend.

Mello said the second session, which was held this Wednesday night, would most likely be a tough sell, con-

sidering its timing during midterm week.

"I have no expectation for a certain number of males or females; the actual number of attendees is not important," Mello said. "The amount of impact the experience has on an individual is what I am concerned about."

Mello selected the movie titles according to their themes. He hopes the series will be "engaging and energizing while offering an opportunity to explore topics they might have not dealt with before."

He encourages everyone who can attend every show to do so, but even if a student can only come once or twice, Mello hopes the experience will last a lifetime.

All shows are at 7 p.m. in the Swanson Hall South Conference Room.



Students make use of restaurant leftovers

By Sarah Stanley
Reporter

The concept of circulating leftover food to feed the hungry is not an original one.

Elaine and Kramer tried to donate unwanted muffin stumps to homeless shelters on an episode of *Seinfeld*, but the plan flopped.

But Foodshare, a program created by two Creighton students, has achieved positive results so far.

In March, Anne O'Hara, Arts & Sciences senior, and Colleen Bowles-Inselman, Creighton alumna, went on a Creighton-affiliated service trip to Michigan.

Eating at a Border's Books and Music late one night, they were offered some leftover bread. Realizing that all the other food would be wasted, they asked for it and took it to a homeless shelter.

Reflecting on the experience, O'Hara and Bowles-Inselman developed the Foodshare program in May.

Volunteers transfer food from participating restaurants — which throw their food away at the end of the night — to local homeless shelters.

Organized into pairs or on an individual basis, the volunteers have a set pick-up time from one of the five participating restaurants.

Bruegger's Bagel Bakery donates about six dozen bagels everyday.

"What we donate to Foodshare we would normally throw away, so it

doesn't affect our business," said Assistant Manager Alan Day. "It does promote a positive image for the restaurant, though."

Each group delivers the baked goods to one of several homeless shelters.

The Siena/Francis house receives bi-weekly amounts of food for their women's side.

"They bring food over here twice a week, and we serve about 200 breakfasts with the sweet rolls and muffins," said Kathy Gaines, Siena/Francis House donation coordinator. "It's been great."

Natasha Merz, Arts & Sciences junior, volunteers twice a week and helps organize food pick-ups. She has been with the program since May.

"I couldn't believe that there wasn't a pre-existing organization," Merz said. "It seemed like such a simple idea."

More restaurants are needed to accommodate the growing number of volunteers.

Plans are under way to incorporate other types of food to transport to the shelters.

"We would like to somehow get containers where we can transport food — stuff that can't just fit into a bag, like soup and pasta," Bowles-Inselman said.

Foodshare is currently in the process of becoming an official club at Creighton.

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311 come good, not great, on System

By R.M. Dunlay

As one of the only music exports Omaha has produced, 311 releases are always a little more important here than any place else in the country.

While 311 may not want to admit it, the fans they have in the Midwest are the ones who have been down the longest and most loyal. 311 gives Nebraskans something cool to come out of their state besides Arbor Day.

It's bad enough that the cover sleeve on *Soundssystem* is filled with pictures of very non-Omaha palm trees. If the music on the band's fifth album wasn't good, Nebraskans everywhere might have only the Huskers to cheer for.

Thankfully, *Soundssystem* is pretty good.

311 isn't going to win any new fans with *Soundssystem*, but it probably isn't going to lose any, either. The band hasn't changed much in their formula.

Soundssystem doesn't expand on the softer, more experimental sounds of 1997's *Transistor*. More than anything else, *Soundssystem* sounds like a companion disc to the band's self-titled 1995 disc that produced "Down," "All Mixed Up" and "Don't Stay Home."

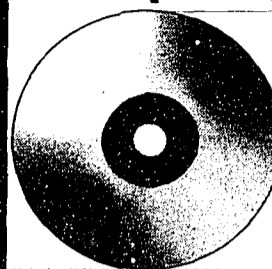
While it may be disappointing that 311 still hasn't topped its earlier efforts of *Music* or *Grassroots*, it's a relief to hear the band hasn't changed its music to accommodate MTV's recent fixation with rap/metal groups. (One has to wonder if Kid Rock will go on to have a long and prosperous career.) Even if they haven't perfected it, it's good to see the band stick with its original sound.

Like any other 311 album, *Soundssystem* has its throwaways as well as its keepers. Uninspired rehash like "Evolution" and "Can't Fade Me" might have been better suited as obscure, hard-to-find B-Sides. 311 fare better with ambitious tunes like "Large in the



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sure does sound similar to other bands. It's not so bad when Smashing Pumpkins, Sublime, Red Hot Chili Peppers and Bob Marley influences can be heard on *Soundssystem*, but is disturbing to hear Sugar Ray and Shaggy-like tunes pollute the album.

Overall, though, *Soundssystem* has more good points than bad. 311 still hasn't created a masterpiece, but at least the band still hasn't embarrassed either themselves or Nebraska.

Margin," "Eons," and the soon-to-be overplayed "Come Original," which should please listeners.

For a band that's encouraging entertainers to "Come Original," though, 311

Calendar

music/art

- "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940," 7:30 p.m. today, Main Stage in the Lied Education Center for the Arts.
- Omaha Brass Ensemble, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 28, Main Stage in the Lied Education Center for the Arts.
- Daniel Dallmann: Selected Paintings, opening 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 28. Gallery, Lied Education Center for the Arts. Exhibit will be on display from Oct. 29 thru Dec. 11.

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- "The End of the World? Early Jewish Apocalyptic Groups" presented by Dr. Leonard J. Greenspoon, Klutznick Chair in Jewish

- Civilizations. 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 25, Skutt Student Center, Room 104.
- "Fatherhood is a Social Issue" lectured by BeBe Moore Campbell, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 25, Skutt Student Center ballroom.
- The "Domestic Violence" soup luncheon series will include the following topics: Intimate Violence 101; Men, Women and Violence: It's Everybody's Business; Creighton University and the Law; The Epidemic of Intimate Violence; A Health Care Response; and What Can I Do: A Faith and Justice Response. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Oct. 25-29 Student Center room 104 or 105.
- "He Said-She Said" presented by Ms. Katie Koestner, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 26, Rigge Science 120.

sports

- Men's Soccer vs. Vanderbilt, 7 p.m. Oct. 15,

- Men's Soccer vs. Western Kentucky, 1 p.m. Oct. 17, Men's Soccer vs. Bradley, 7 p.m. Oct. 22 and Men's Soccer vs. Eastern Illinois, 1 p.m. Oct. 24 Tranquility Park.
- Women's Soccer vs. Illinois State, 7 p.m. Oct. 29 at Tranquility Park.
- Volleyball vs. Bradley, 7 p.m. Oct. 15 and Volleyball vs. Northern Iowa, 7 p.m. Oct. 16 at Omaha South High School.

fall break hours

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- Oct. 17 1 p.m. to 10 p.m.
- Oct. 18-21 7 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.
- Oct. 22 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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By Dayana S. y Caballero de Galicia

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Campus Voice

What have you done to procrastinate this week?



Mike Lambert
Arts & Sciences Freshman

"Stay up till all hours playing cards."



Nicole Westfall
Arts & Sciences Junior

"Didn't start writing my big bio paper until two days before it was due."



Dev Batra
Arts & Sciences Senior

"Sat on the mall and enjoyed the weather."



Megan Donald
Arts & Sciences Sophomore

"Waited till less than 12 hours before tests to study."

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And My Point Is...

By **Todd Bonkiewicz**
Copy Editor

Philosopher Joseph Campbell once mused, "There is no evidence that life is serious." As of late, I've been holding on desperately to that maxim, what with all the odd rumblings from the left, right and center of the political spectrum concerning the possible presidential candidacies of Jesse Ventura, Warren Beatty and Donald Trump. Indeed, who would have predicted, say, ten years ago, that, in America at the turn of the millennium, the electorate's menu would boast not only a Bush, a Dole and an erstwhile NBA player, but a pro wrestler, a movie star-cum-Don Juan and a swash-buckling billionaire as well? As Hamlet would say, "Angels and ministers of grace defend us!"

But this is America, and America is, first and foremost, a spectacle - something to gawk at; something that looks good, goes fast, and makes shrill noises

(like the Concorde or, say, Troy McClure of *The Simpsons*); something that makes for great television, but poor reading.

The state of the union of our country's political scene reflects this. Our man in the Oval Office is less a president than simply a man who plays one on TV. John Q. Public seems to place more weight on the outcome of a Monday Night Football contest than that of an election. Columnists from both sides of the political spectrum - from Mary McGrory to George F. Will - have lately found themselves wondering aloud about what can be done to motivate a lethargic electorate to march to their polling places on Election Day.

In short, to most Americans, politics today is a) repulsive, b) narcolepsy inducing, or c) both.

Indeed, perhaps what this country needs is the proverbial wake-up call; someone to bust out the remote, tune the set to TNT's *Movies For Guys Who Like Movies*, and pump up the volume to an illegal level.

Indeed, Misters Ventura, Beatty, and Trump are supposedly capable of such things. Tossing aside the issue of whether they'll actually run (hey, everybody's doing it), let's examine this trio somewhat.

Electing Jesse Ventura would be like

using a hockey stick to play pingpong. Results (if any were to be forthcoming) would be drastic. This is a man who chose a Lincoln Navigator as his personal G- (as in Governor's) Ride, and not because of its inherent SUV-chic factor, but because, in his words, its high ground clearance "makes it easier to run over reporters." That's a beautiful thought if you're, say, Charles Barkley - but from the leader of the free world? No thanks; I gave up pain for Lent.

Warren Beatty, who also has yet to declare his candidacy, is a more palatable choice - but only by a slight margin. Though his suave, manicured image has recently charmed every media notable from Matt Drudge to Maureen Dowd (not to mention innumerable Hollywood debutantes - but that was during his better days), and his 1998 dramedy *Bulworth* moved the Richter scale with its political commentary, he seems to lack a definitive platform.

After reading a recent column that fawned over the rumors swirling about his possible run, I couldn't help but think that Billy Crystal would do a better job playing Beatty as president than Beatty would playing himself, if he gained passage to the Oval Office. Note to Warren: after Madonna, who's left that's worth having your way with?

And what of Manhattan real-estate

tycoon and Pizza Hut pitchman Donald Trump? Could a billionaire do better than a man whose list of possessions includes one six-cylinder Mustang and zero houses? *Sic et non*. Ten bucks says President Trump would be the worst plague visited upon this nation since Lilith Fair: my crystal ball shows him moving the Capitol to Las Vegas, making it a federal offense for employees to get Christmas Day off, and possibly ordering that the face of the Sultan of Brunei be smacked onto the dollar bill. Donald would still be better than Bill (remember: Clinton's vanity fair came before Lilith Fair) of course, but what price the Presidency?

My thoughts: America's wake-up call won't be found in any of these possible third-party or independent candidates. Yeah, yeah; so Jesse can pile-drive entire superpowers whilst intoning "I ain't got time to bleed" and Warren's image cuts a whitened, tightened swath for GQ fans and Donald may prove to be Richard Branson on Ritalin, but who needs all the attendant glam and glitz?

Not me. I'll look for my wake-up call elsewhere. Give me a reputable, down-to-earth candidate any day, for, while there may not be any evidence that life is serious, one shouldn't be duped into thinking that politics is similarly laughable.

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Buford, Swenson give the NBA a taste of Jay flavor

By Jim Clements
Sports Editor

Tim Duncan, Shaquille O'Neal and other NBA stars reported to training camp on Oct. 5, knowing what their future holds. Former Creighton basketball standouts Rodney Buford and Doug Swenson reported to camp not knowing how long their future in the NBA will last.

Both Buford and Swenson commented on their training camp experiences via telephone interviews.

Last June Buford's NBA dreams became reality when he was selected by the Miami Heat in the second round (53rd overall) of the NBA draft.

In the middle of July he traveled to Miami where he had been working out every day prior to the start of training camp. The Heat got an early start to training camp, beginning Oct. 2.

Buford has enjoyed his chance to play with the big boys.

"It's a chance of a lifetime," Buford said. "I am learning how to play the NBA game."

Buford has found out quickly how different playing NBA ball is from play-

ing at Creighton.

He gets up most mornings at 7 a.m. to get taped and get breakfast. Throughout the day he practices, watches video and studies his 200-page play-book. His day ends at about 7 or 8 p.m. after the team's evening scrimmage.

Has Buford been intimidated by one of NBA's winningest coaches, Pat Riley? "Pat Riley is intense but laid-back," said Buford. "He just wants to win."

The NBA deadline for making final roster cuts is Nov. 1. Almost every team has about 20 players in camp, but only 12 players make the regular season rosters. Buford likes his chances.

"I think I've got a good shot," Buford said.

Buford is being paid for being in camp, but he would not disclose his salary.



Swenson



Buford

Although Buford is enjoying the NBA dream, he does miss Creighton.

"I miss the guys," said Buford. "Creighton, thanks for everything you have done for me."

Swenson traveled a different road to the NBA.

Swenson was not picked in the June draft but received an invitation to the Chicago Bulls camp on Sept. 27.

Unfortunately, Swenson strained his left calf muscle on the fourth day of training camp. He hurt his leg trying to push off it in practice.

"I can walk on it," said Swenson. "I just can't put a lot of weight on it."

He had a similar injury to his right leg in the summer when he was trying out for the Miami Heat. That time it was a calf tear that sat him out for five weeks. He hopes this injury isn't as serious.

Despite the injury, Swenson will

probably stay with the Bulls at least until the final cut.

"They have been taking care of me despite the injuries," Swenson said. "It will be tough to make the last twelve players."

In the meantime Swenson has spent time rehabilitating and learning from the veterans on the team.

"It is nice to talk with players like B.J. Armstrong and Will Perdue," said Swenson. "They have been in the league a long time."

Swenson has also been learning from Bulls Head Coach Tim Floyd.

"It's a great opportunity to learn from him," said Swenson. "He's a great teacher."

Swenson receives a \$1000 a week and \$84 a day for meals.

If Swenson does not get a chance to extend his stay with the Bulls then he will explore other options. The Continental Basketball Association Sioux Falls SkyForce drafted him last month. He also tried out for the International Basketball League's Las Vegas Silver Bandits. There is also the possibility of playing in Europe.

Jays hot streak cooled off with a sweep by the Lady Bears

By Kelly McGarry
Reporter

After splitting matches last weekend, the volleyball team returns home with a hard-fought fourth place in the Missouri Valley Conference.

The Jays took a hard fall to Southwest Missouri State last Friday but

regained their composure to defeat Wichita State on Saturday.

SMS (9-8, 3-4) only needed three games to deal the Jays their first loss in the last six outings (6-15, 7-15, 13-15). The Lady Bears held Creighton to a .139 total attack percentage in three games.

"We took too long to get started," said Head Coach Howard Wallace. "We

did not get into the match until game three and that's why we lost."

Melissa Walsh tallied only nine kills as teammates Lisa Meekins and Erin Swanson each contributed eight kills.

Walsh and Swanson played with a vengeance on Saturday as they helped the Jays dig deep to shock Wichita State (15-11, 11-15, 16-14, 13-15, 15-11).

Walsh attacked WSU with 19 kills and 18 digs while Swanson added 12 kills and 17 digs.

Sophomore Kailey Reyes and senior Shelly Kapler added powerful play. Reyes recorded her second career triple-double with 11 kills, 47 assists and 11 digs. Kapler contributed 16 kills to go along with 17 digs.

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Hat trick by Reisbig ignites scoring explosion

By Brian Fuchser
Reporter

The Creighton women's soccer team opened up Missouri Valley Conference play last weekend with two of its best games of the year even though one was a loss.

On Sunday, Creighton fell to the Evansville Purple Aces 2-1 in a double-overtime game that the Jays controlled from the start.

"I don't feel that the score against Evansville was a good indication of the game itself," said senior forward/midfielder Kristina Schoeck. "We clearly dominated them, yet failed to convert on our scoring chances."

Head Coach Bruce Erickson said, "we dominated play and created chances but lost."

Creighton struck first in the game when junior midfielder Heather Houska knocked in a header off of sophomore forward/midfielder Sara Hovland's corner kick for her fourth goal of the year. The Jays went into halftime with a 1-0 lead.

Evansville tied the game by sinking a

direct free kick with 28:56 left in the game. Regulation ended with the score tied 1-1.

The game ended in the second overtime when Evansville scored from 12 yards out. It was Creighton's third overtime loss of the year.

The Jays crushed conference foe Arkansas-Little Rock 6-0 for their first MVC win of the season.

Creighton junior midfielder/forward Kersten Flink put in her team leading 8th goal of the year. Junior midfielder Katie Reisbig put the Jays up 2-0 at the half with her first goal of the year off an assist by sophomore midfielder Becky Heiberger. It was her first of three goals on the night.

In the second half Schoeck and Heiberger scored a goal each to help cement the 6-0 romp.

"It seemed like we dictated our play as well as theirs," said Hovland. "I don't feel like we gave them any room to feel comfortable."



Photo by Jeremy Quigley

Above: Junior Sira Bangura gives the Purple Aces' defender a royal flush.

Despite injuries, Creighton men get back on track

By R.M. Dunlay
Copy Editor

For the first time since Sept. 12, Creighton's mens soccer team survived a weekend without a setback. The Jays defeated Wisconsin-Milwaukee 3-0 on Saturday.

Freshman forward Mike Tranchilla provided the fire power for the Jays, scoring a goal in each half. Head Coach

Bret Simon said he hopes to see similar play from Tranchilla in the future.

"I'm hoping that it's a breakthrough game for him because he's been very close to scoring a lot of goals in a number of games," said Simon. "He plays very well in games and seems to be more comfortable working with the first group."

Senior midfielder Kyle Stannard added a goal for the Jays with seconds left to round out the scoring.

Simon said senior midfielder/forward Angel Rivillo, who assisted on Tranchilla's second goal, played well with a knee strain. Rivillo was questionable for the game.

While the Jays were thankful Rivillo's injury was not serious, they were disappointed to learn that junior midfielder/defender Todd Hammett's injury will keep him out for the remainder of the season.

Creighton adapted by moving junior defender/midfielder Joel Reddington into Hammett's spot and starting sophomore defenders Tim Lyons and Lane Peercy.

Senior forward Mike Bustos' hamstring injury kept him out of the Wisconsin-Milwaukee game, but he is listed as probable for this weekend's contests.

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CU Greek News

ΑΦ

The Sisters of **Alpha Phi** will hold their annual "Bid for a Heart" Date Auction on Sunday, Nov. 7 at 8 p.m.

ΠΒΦ

The sisters of **Pi Beta Phi** will head to Gatlinburg, Tennessee for Fall break to visit their national philanthropy, Arrowmont Arts and Crafts School. On Oct. 30, Paddle for Pi Phi will be held in the Kiewit Fitness Center. Proceeds will benefit the Omaha Public Libraries. This aquatic event will feature contests like Cannonball Competition and Longest Dead Man's Float. Cost is only \$15 per person, or \$75 per team. Pi Beta Phi semiformal will be held on Nov. 13.

ΓΦΒ

A groups of sisters from **Gamma Phi Beta** will spend their Fall break on a service trip to Grand Coteau, Louisiana. The Gamma Phis will hold their annual Goo Phoo Boo date party on Oct. 30. A Founder's Day event will be held on Nov. 11. Creighton members and local alumni will celebrate Gamma Phi Beta's 125th anniversary on this date. The Gamma Phi Beta senior retreat will be held on Nov. 12 and a mixer with the brothers of Phi Delta Theta will be held on Nov. 13. The Gamma Phis held Parent's Weekend Sept. 25 and participated in Race for the Cure on Oct. 3.

The National greek Honor Society, **Order of Omega**, initiated 18 new members Sunday night. Three of the 18 members were alumni of their Greek organizations. This event marks the first initiation of honorary members into the Mu Lambda class at Creighton.

Honorary members include: **Jody Conway** of Chi Omega; **Patrick Lynch** of Tau Kappa Epsilon; & **Tanya Winegard** of Alpha Xi Delta.

Other new members include: **Maureen Baker**, **Emily Cyr**, **Kris Gutschewski**, **Stephanie Kidd**, **Kathleen Lescher** & **Melissa Wheeler** of Pi Beta Phi; **Haleigh Christiansen** & **Jill Muller** of Delta Zeta; **Kelsey Majors**, **Jill Narak** & **Katie Robertson** of Gamma Phi Beta; **Allison Meisheid** & **Jennifer Yao** of Alpha Phi; & **Jay Roby** & **Doug Curtis** of Phi Delta Theta.



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