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Freshman Ava Martin goes for a kill against Marquette. Martin earned Big East Freshman of the Week honors for her performance over the weekend. CORI JOBMAN/THE CREIGHTONIAN

Jays remain undefeated in Big East

CORI JOBMAN  
Sports Editor

The Creighton volleyball team remained undefeated in conference play following a pair of comeback wins against Marquette and DePaul.

Coming into the weekend, Marquette

and Creighton were the only two undefeated teams left in the conference season, meaning the winner took control of the conference, and it looked early like the Big East was Marquette's for the taking.

The first set seemed to be evenly matched, ending 25-21 in favor of the Golden Eagles, separated almost entirely by three attack errors for the Jays in the set.

The second set was another where the difference came down almost entirely to Creighton mistakes, this time in the form of 3 service errors in a set that Marquette won 25-22.

At intermission, both teams had 2 aces and Marquette had only one more block and one more kill, leaving the two teams statistically neck and neck.

The match began to turn in the third as

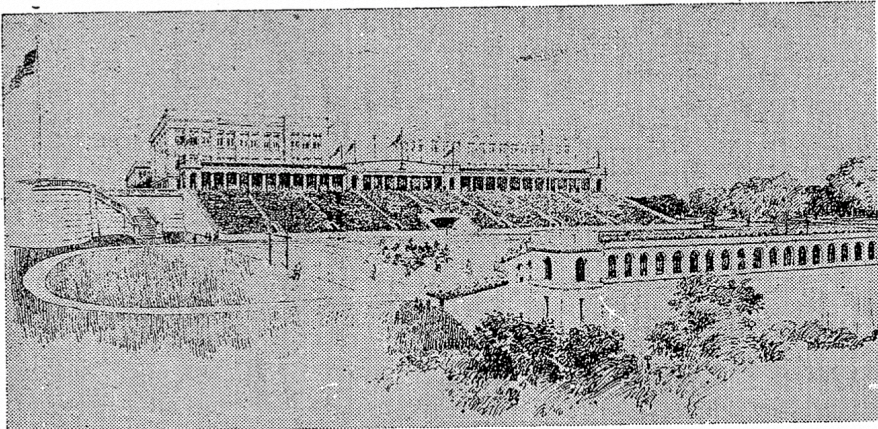
freshman outside hitter Ava Martin heated up, notching seven kills without an error in the third, leading Creighton on their way to a third-set victory, 25-19. The block also began to have an impact, as the Jays landed four team blocks in the set.

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FOUNDERS' PROGRAM  
IN SOPH ARTS CLASS

The following speech was delivered by Paul Fitzgibbon, Arts student, on Tuesday, February 6, before the members of the Journalism class. Mr. Fitzgibbon was enrolled in the Oratory class last semester. Rev. F. X. Reilly is professor of this course.

"Among the ethical writing of Aristotle there is an extended discussion on the subject of the Public Benefactor. That great reason was among the first to

—Courtesy Omaha Bee

Over fall break, The Creightonian celebrated its 100th anniversary. Look forward to more history in our 12-page issue on Nov. 4th!



# Stevenson speaks on solidarity for marginalized

JOSIE TALLEY  
News Reporter

Bryan Stevenson, lawyer and author of “Just Mercy,” visited Creighton before fall break to discuss his book and share how people can be agents for positive change.

Stevenson is an activist who works to help those imprisoned, especially those on death row. In this lecture, Stevenson focused on the continued impacts of racism and slavery in society today, particularly within the legal system.

“The opposite of poverty is justice,” Stevenson said.

Stevenson emphasized the importance of being proximate to people who experienced poverty and injustice. Stevenson attributed his success to his ability to be proximate to the people whom he served.

Stevenson shared several stories of imprisoned people who have been unjustly sentenced, whether it be life without parole or the death sentence. The audience clapped at many points during the speech, especially after a story about a justice victory.

“I have zero interest in punishment,” Stevenson said. “My interest is liberation.”

Stevenson pointed out how German students learn about the Holocaust and go to the locations of concentration camps, contrasting the United States, where statues of Confederates still stand, and parts of history

are glossed over. Stevenson argued that reconciliation cannot come without telling the truth first.

“We’re going to have to make a commitment to do the uncomfortable,” Stevenson said.

Several Dean’s Fellows students from Creighton were given the chance to attend this event.

“I wanted to go to this event because, as a pre-law student, I found Bryan Stevenson’s story particularly inspiring, and I may want to do work like that in the future,” freshman Erin Buglewicz said. “I was really inspired by his message about hope. He talked about inmates, such as Walter McMillian, who have been wrongly imprisoned for years yet still managed to hold onto hope.”

Freshman Tyler Chritensen said he was impacted by Stevenson’s speech. “I think the portion of Bryan’s speech where he talked about proximity and it’s importance in the legal system was very impactful and inspired me,” he said.

Another freshman, Bryn Taylor, felt a personal connection to Stevenson’s lecture through her father and her volunteer work. “I volunteer at a hospital and the things he talked about has made me more conscious and compassionate towards the patients I help,” Taylor said.

# Women in business Bailey speaks on leadership

ALISON FRIEDRICH  
News Reporter

Adriene Bailey, partner at Oliver Wyman management consulting firm, spoke about the journey to leadership in the Harper Auditorium.

Bailey works in the transportation sector and advocates for equality in the workplace.

Bailey discussed times in her life where something struck her and changed her in some way, “lightbulb moments” as she calls them.

She emphasizes that we should ask ourselves: what motivates me?

Another lightbulb moment she highlights is that “alpha American culture is not the only way,” acknowledging that business involves cultural differences. This is something that Bailey learned during her time with a Japanese company.

Bailey discussed her experience being a woman in business. She notes that women’s experiences and needs are left out by the system built around men in the workforce.

“It was interesting to hear from a woman in a leadership role because we often see men dominating leadership roles,” said Ella Paradis, a freshman in the Heider College of Business.

“Alpha American culture is not the only way.”

Adriene Bailey  
Partner at Oliver Wyman management consulting firm

Bailey noted that people need to fix the system designed for men instead of trying to fit the system as women.

“I worked in logistics for a company in the railroad industry, so I thought it was interesting that I was able to relate to Bailey in that way,” said Sidney Linder, a freshman in the Heider School of Business. “It was cool to see someone become a female leader in the transportation industry.”

Bailey encouraged students to figure out how to find joy in their lives instead of feeling trapped in a career with no other options.

“I was surprised in learning about Bailey’s various job changes,” said Ike Alexander, a freshman in the Heider College of Business.



# Weekly Campus Safety Report

This is a selection of incidents chosen by the Editor in Chief and is not a comprehensive weekly report. The full report is compiled in the Daily Crime Log which anyone can access in the Public Safety office located at 2222 Burt St.

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Oct. 7 - 11:32 p.m.  
A full red fire alarm at Heider Hall was caused by a broken sprinkler head.
- 2

Oct. 13 - 6:52 p.m.  
Public Safety assisted OFD who was contacted by a student in Kiewit Hall experiencing a medical emergency.
- 3

Oct. 15 - 12:00 a.m.  
Public Safety responded to Kiewit Hall for a student suffering a mental health crisis.
- 4

Oct. 16 - 12:36 p.m.  
A woman tripped on the sidewalk, injuring her right shoulder near Lot E85. OFD transported her tto CHI - CUMC University Campus for treatment.



# Creighton Law continues Red Mass Tradition



ELLA GERAGHTY /THE CREIGHTONIAN  
Photo of the altar in Saint John's Parish before the annual Red Mass held by Creighton Law.

ELLA GERAGHTY  
News Reporter

The Creighton University School of Law held their annual Red Mass on Monday, Oct. 3, commencing the new Court Term.

The Red Mass has been a tradition since 1245, when it first began in Paris. The original mass celebrated the opening of the Ecclesiastical Courts, and to invoke divine guidance upon those responsible for the laws and administering justice.

Red vestments were worn by the priests in order to signify the fire of the Holy Spirit, and to represent the scarlet robes worn by judges and doctors of the law in the 13th century.

Judges, attorneys, law enforcement and government officials were in attendance to celebrate the role of the law in daily life.

Creighton's Red Mass was presided over by the Most Reverend William J. Dendinger, Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Grand Island. He also performed the homily.

Dendinger spoke on the importance of the Red Mass and the role of justice in daily

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**-Bishop Emeritus Dendinger**

life.

"Laws permeate all aspects of our lives today," said Dendinger. "Character is what makes law human."

Creighton's Heritage Edition of the St. John's Bible was used by Dendinger, readers, and the Rev. Daniel Hendrickson, S.J. throughout the course of the mass. The scarlet red bindings were appropriate amongst the red vestments and red clothing worn by parishioners.

A reception was held afterwards for attendants to celebrate and socialize during the inauguration of the new Court Term.

## Intercultural Center hosts Jays Out Day Celebrates LGBTQ+ students

ELIZABETH JONES  
News Editor

The Creighton Intercultural Center hosted a Jays OUT Day to "celebrate those who are out [as LGBTQ+] and those who support them," according to the event's CUinvolved webpage. The event drew a crowd of over 100 people.

"Jays OUT Day is Creighton's response to National Coming Out Day. It happened about five years ago. It came about because we have a really healthy community and want them to feel welcome here on campus," said Curtis Taylor, assistant director of the CIC.

The event included Rice Krispies treats dyed every color of the rainbow, music and a rainbow-painted door that students could walk through to symbolize coming out.

"People forget how difficult it is to come out," said David Tavaréz, secretary of Creighton's Gender and Sexuality Alliance. "Even though society is becoming more progressive and more accepting of it, it is still a very difficult thing to come out. I think having the door, and what it represents, is very important to show that."

The event gave students, LGBTQ+ or not, a chance to celebrate both National Coming Out Day and LGBTQ+ History Month.

"I think it is really important for our campus, especially a Catholic campus, to have queer students be able to represent ourselves in a very open space like this," Tavaréz said. "It is important to showcase our support of that – not only for members within the com-

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Secretary of Creighton  
Gender and Sexuality  
Alliance**

munity, but our allies and people who are not as proud of their identities to know that they have support."

To continue showcasing support for queer students during LGBTQ+ History Month, Creighton's GSA is collaborating with the Theology Department to host an event called Queer Christianity: Intersecting LGBTQ and Faith Identities. Speakers at this event will include Zachary Smith, Ph.D, Todd Salzman, Ph.D and James Pennington. Both Creighton students and staff, as well as non-Creighton affiliates, are invited by Creighton's GSA to attend.

"The premise is absolving the guilt with religion and being a queer person, and its open to anyone. It is for people to hear about how to be religious and queer," Tavaréz said. This will be held in the Skutt Ballroom on Oct. 26 at 5:30 p.m.

## Mechanical bull attracts fundraisers on the mall



RILEY LINK /THE CREIGHTONIAN  
Gracie Peterson and Charlotte Jung table together at the Dance Marathon fundraising booth.

RILEY LINK  
News Reporter

Creighton's Dance Marathon hosted a preliminary fundraising event on the mall. This fundraiser's main attraction was a mechanical bull which cost \$5 to ride.

For Dance Marathon volunteer and college of Arts and Sciences senior Molly Conway, "it is a big push day for fundraising to reach our goal this year to support children's hospitals".

Along with that, Conway stated that this event is about getting, "more people registered and set up their Facebook fundraisers and fundraise, so we have more than just the main event to contribute to our fundraising efforts."

As for the bull riding, sophomore in the college of Arts and Sciences Ben Strougal said he chose to attend this event because, "I saw the mechanical bull and I wanted to ride it."

Ben said, "It was pretty fun, and I haven't done it before, so I just wanted to know how it was."

The actual Dance Marathon will be on Saturday, Oct. 22 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. College of Arts and Sciences sophomore, Charlotte Jung said, "it supports a children's hospital in Omaha and last year we got to help contribute to making hospital rooms and we are hoping to make more this year"

Jung and Conway both encouraged everyone to come out and support because as Molly stated, "It's a really good cause and we would love support from everyone beyond just the FSL community to register!" To register for Dance Marathon, download the Donor Drive App, and login as a returning participant or register. You can join a team or as an individual, and you can customize your personal page. Once you begin fundraising your progress will appear on the app.

### CSU Elections Information

**October 17**  
Campaigns announced

**October 27: 6-7 p.m.**  
Election Debate at the Skutt Fireplace

**November 1: 7 a.m.-7 p.m.**  
Voting opens in an online ballot

**November 1: 8 p.m.**  
Election results announced at State of the Student Address





ANNIE ELMING/THE CREIGHTONIAN

Falling leaves around campus solidify the end of summer and mark the transition into fall events and attractions available both on and off campus.

# Spooky season has arrived

## Fall entertainment available on and off campus

**BAYLEE JOHNSON**  
Scene Editor

As summer disappears and the chilly weather becomes more permanent, Fall and Halloween activities and events rapidly gain popularity. There are endless options both on campus and off available to get into the season.

Various organizations on campus are hosting Fall and Halloween themed events. The College of Arts and Sciences Student Senate is hosting “Burn Your Burnout & S’mores with Senate” Oct. 23 on the KFC Lawn. Students can write down what has been “burning them up” and then burn it while also roasting s’mores.

On Oct. 24 Creighton DIVE is hosting “DIVE Tricky Treats!”, an Asian-themed Halloween bake sale in the Skutt Student

Center. They are making from scratch tapioa, ube cookies, matcha brownies, banana lumpia, red bean mochi, almond cookies, and pumpkin butter mochi, all of which will be decorated to fit the Halloween theme.

The Lieben Center for Women is holding a talk on the “Salem Witch Trials and Appropriation in Witchcraft Practices” on Oct. 25 in the CIC. They will also be doing a spooky craft that can be used as a Halloween decoration.

Off campus there are countless places to go and events to attend. Vala’s Pumpkin Patch and Apple Orchard is open year-round but hosts its Fall Festival Sept. 21 through Oct. 31 with 50 themed attractions, including pig races, Spookley’s Play Yard, the Lost Pumpkin Mine, dragon shows, the Haunted Trail and Farmhouse, Graveyard Golf, along with a train and hayrack rides.

Another common fall attraction can be found at Skinny Bones Pumpkin Patch, which has a 10-acre corn maze. Bellevue Berry Farm has a life size tree house and pirate ships. It is also home to the Ranch of Terror haunted experience.

Different from some of the other attractions, Wenninghoff’s Pumpkin Patch focuses more on the harvest atmosphere of the season. Infinite Loop is also unlike other experiences in the area. Located in La Vista, Infinite Loop is a virtual reality zombie shooting game.

For those looking for a scare, Mystery Manor is a haunted house located in walking distance from Creighton’s campus and is Omaha’s longest-running haunted attraction. Scary Acres has 20-acres of fright filled attractions and was voted the “Best Haunted House in Nebraska” by Cosmopolitan and Ranker.

For those looking for a “real” scare, located in downtown Omaha is the Museum of Shadows. The museum houses over 3,000 verified haunted artifacts donated from across the world. Visitors have reported being physically touched, seeing apparitions, hearing disembodied voices and much more.

For a less frightful experience, Jack O’Lantern World is located at Eugene T. Mahoney State Park and is a walkthrough trail experience with 1000’s of Jack O’Lanterns hand carved by over 50 artisans. The Legend of Sleepy Hollow, the story of the headless horseman is currently running at the BLUE-BARN Theatre through Oct. 31 for those looking for a spooky night of theatrical performance.

# Hawaii Club fundraises with bake sale

## Promotion of bonding and future Lu’au

**CHARLIE HARRINGTON**  
Editor in Chief

The Hui’o Hawaii Club fundraised for their annual Lu’au next semester in the Skutt student center.

Among the treats that were baked and for sale at the booth were Hawaiian baked goods specific to the culture. As students walked up to the booth in support, junior Trystan Tanaka of the College of Arts and Sciences talked about the luncheon at the beginning of the year that introduced the Creighton commu-

nity to some of Hawaii’s native dishes. “We cook local food from home for all of our members. After that it’s mainly our Lu’au.”

The Lu’au, which occurs in the Spring semester of the school year is a production that takes planning, funding and a lot of work. Fundraisers like this one are small steps towards a bigger goal.

As students came up to the booth and helped to support the Hawaii club, the students running the booth emphasized the importance of bonding with their club members together.

**“We want to share some of our food with Creighton.”**

**-Jonah Kea**  
President of Hawaii Club

Hawaii club’s president, Jonah Kea was there as well, helping to sell pastries and fruit pies.

“It’s mostly to bond, and also to raise money for our club. We want to share some of our food with Creighton.” said Kea.

Kea said the event will undoubtedly come back in the future. “Next semester, if not next year,” said Kea.

The Hawaii club is open to all people on Creighton’s campus and meets once a month. Contact information for the Hawaii Club is available on CUInvolved.



# What're you listening to?

**JACIE LEIBFRIED**  
Scene Reporter

What kind of music have Bluejays been listening to lately? As fall creeps in, the student body's music taste is being assessed once again.

Indie music of all types seem to be dominating the scene this week, with a mix of country and rock. Bluejay Life published the third video on their Tik Tok, asking viewers what they are listening to.

The woman behind the videos Naomi Heu, a sophomore in the College of Arts and Sciences, started asking people what music they were listening to last semester.

"I saw the trend on Tik Tok and thought it would be cool to see what Creighton students are listening to" said Heu.

Hippo Campus, the Front Bottoms, King Gizzard and Kane Brown were among the artists featured in Heu's latest video.

"I keep doing it because I get lots of feedback from other students that they enjoy this series and want to see more or even be in them," said Heu. "I think this one was oddly skewed to more indie music, which was really interesting because usually I get more variety."

Thalia Lawson-Betum, a sophomore in the College of Arts of Science, said "Samm Henshaw has been a favorite of mine recently."

**"I am listening to more Tejano and reggaeton because the first is Dia de los Muertos"**

**-Nikki Ruiz**  
Sophomore, College of Arts and Sciences

Some students are already getting more into the holiday season with their music, a shift in taste from Bluejay Life's indie-focused Tik Tok.

"As we reach closer to November first, I am listening to more Tejano and reggaeton because the first is Dia de los Muertos" said Nikki Ruiz, a sophomore in the College of Arts Sciences.

The 1975, Demi Lovato and Noah Kahan have all recently released new albums titled "Being Funny in a Foreign Language," "HOLY FVCK" and "Stick Season", respectively. Taylor Swift, Meghan Trainor and Carly Rae Jepsen also have new releases coming soon. Bluejay Life may soon see some of these songs in continuations of their Tik Tok music series.

# Game on

## Davis Square drew a crowd to their football watch party

**JACIE LEIBFRIED**  
Scene Reporter

Week four of the NFL season hit Creighton screens in Davis Square at a viewing party put on by senior RA Daniel Wood in the College of Arts and Sciences.

The Bills versus the Ravens was the intended game to view; however, with limited network capabilities in the space, NFL Red Zone was the channel at play. Red Zone gives live updates on all games and flips back and forth between games to show their highlights.

"When we did roommate agreements with the guys on my floor, they thought a watch party before midterms would be relaxing," said Wood as to why he chose this program. He added that he is "new into fantasy football, so now I've become someone who roots for individual players more than teams so that my fantasy team does better."

According to Statista and Forbes magazine, fantasy football generates several billion dollars per year, so the interest in individual players has increased with this.

Some typical tailgating food made an appearance, including sliders and pretzel bites with cheese provided by Sodexo. There were

also homemade cookies provided by junior in the College of Arts and Sciences Jenni Omann.

"I'm here for interactions with people, said Omann." I think it's fun to see the guys come and bond with each other."

The Bills versus Ravens game, the game that was originally intended to be the center of the watch party, ended up twenty-three -- twenty, Bills.

Some in attendance didn't care about football scores at all, though. "I have no interest in or knowledge of football at all," said Yuki Hughes, a sophomore in the College of Arts and Sciences. "I've never understood football; some of the players are attractive but they're all married. For me it just feels repetitive, like a Sims game. I'm here for moral support for Daniel."

Regardless of their reason for attendance, it seems that football-watch parties bring all sorts of people together on Sunday afternoons.

Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00 a.m. Dance Marathon	7:00 p.m. PNM Q&A	12:00 p.m. DIVE Tricky Treats	6:00 p.m. VIP Kahoot Night	5:30 p.m. Queer Christianity	6:00 p.m. Students Union Election Debate	4:30 p.m. Queer Pop Culture
Come watch the Dance Mathon to raise funds and awareness for the Omaha Children's Hospital.	Join the Panhellenic Council for a Q&A panel for those interested in recruitment.	A fundraiser selling Halloween-themed Asain desserts.	Teams will face off and answer questions about violence prevention strategies.	Join CU Gender and Sexuality Alliance for a talk on Intersecting LGBTQ and Faith Identities.	The debate is in preperation for the Creighton Students Union elections on Nov. 1.	Join the CIC to discuss what types of music people are consuming in their free time.

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# Opinion

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## Censoring children is a hypocritical idea

MAXWELL SCHUTZE  
Opinion Editor

When I was in middle school, I watched “The Walking Dead” with my older siblings and dad.

For those who don’t know, the show is about the zombie apocalypse, and appropriately so, many of the characters repeated curse words in all types of moments.

In one scene, there was a particularly large amount of curse words being flung around, and my dad turned to me and said, “You can only say those words if you’re also in the zombie apocalypse.”

Now, I won’t sit here and say that I haven’t repeated some of those curse words since then because that would be a lie.

If anything, I have become consciously aware that my sailor mouth can sometimes run a bit too wild at times.

Plus, seeing as how I currently do not live in a zombie apocalypse, I have clearly let my father down, and for that, dad, I’m sorry.

This being said, I’m not sorry because I think curse words can be used effectively in loads of scenarios, primarily as a way to accentuate a joke.

For example, in a scenario where something completely buck wild happens and is followed up with an awkward silence, breaking that silence with a nice and clean f-bomb can be the simplistic, tone-shifting word needed to make it all work.

However, while the consequences of me doing so now are minimal in the right context, second grade me would not be able to get away this.

In fact, when my brother taught me all the curse words he knew and told me to not say them, I was just happy that I learned something new.

So, when I spelled them out to my friends the next day at lunch –a noticeable distinction because I never actually said the words– I was tattled on by a classmate and got in trouble.

But why?

Obviously, language is complex. There are certain words that over time have garnered a meaning so significant that simply uttering them is considered taboo in most if not all contexts, yet the words that I spelled out in second grade aren’t ones that could be categorized as hate speech.

I’m thinking of your curse words that often have toned down younger cousins like frick, crap, butt, and words used to refer to one’s genitals. It’s the older cousins that are censored at a young age in households like mine.

I clarify the household aspect because these words are more commonplace in other households, which, in my experience, are traditionally lower-class families whose children I’ve met through the service opportunities I’ve volunteered at in high school and college.

It’s these children, whose ages range from pre-school to second grade, that have a unique perspective because although they recognize at some level that they are taboo they are still willing to use them.

Most of the words are buried in their mind, coming out during moments of frustration or desperation.

This makes sense because the contexts in which children these ages would have used those words correspond to the scenarios that the children were introduced to those words.

In turn, the usage of curse words by children is often a matter of monkey-see, monkey-do. They aren’t flippantly spouting the words in every other sentence because they don’t know how to use them in every context, only the ones they have been exposed to.

If anything, saying words they know are taboo is a matter of curiosity.

In a story that a friend recalled to me about one of the kids he was playing with during a service opportunity, he said that one of children came up to him and asked if he used a curse word.

Although the curse word was one of the more racially charged words in the English

lexicon, it was nevertheless an example of a child being curious about language and censorship.

It is here that we arrive at one of the more perplexing examples of hypocrisy I’ve seen.

Children are naturally censored from saying curse words, and to a degree, some kids are isolated from them; however, what good does it do to censor a child about something they will inevitably find out about?

If anything, wouldn’t you want to control the manner in which they learn about curse words?

Returning to my dad’s quote, did he seriously think that his words would stop me from saying curse words, especially considering how much he also uses those words now that his children are older?

Given how much people care about preserving their first amendment right to free speech in all contexts, I think it’s ironic that children are censored to such an intense degree over something that is, in my mind, ultimately inconsequential.

Furthermore, I’d argue that censoring and isolating curse words from children’s vocabularies altogether only compounds issues of misuse.

As stated earlier, the use of curse words for comedic timing or candidly as a type of twistedly amiable greeting can only be described as proper, albeit in an informal context. As a result, curse words have an important place in our vocabulary.

On the other hand, the reason to hide children from curse words is that they could develop bad habits like using them in inappropriate situations or relying on them as a conversational and comedic crux.

This idea of being labeled as crude or potty mouthed is not interesting because it is ultimately insignificant.

Like most things in life related to social interaction, bad habits are often phased out with the desires of the communities one interacts with and their low tolerance for deviators.

As a result, those with a foul mouth are

incentivized not to be that way because they are ostracized otherwise, but this infatuation with ensuring people talk properly leads us to another interesting element.

The concept of talking properly is an outdated concept in most areas of life.

Of course, in contexts like that of an interview, presentation, or any other formal event, the usage of curse words isn’t acceptable.

Why? Well, because society centuries ago said so and it has perpetuated through the years without challenge.

As a result, it is considered taboo to utter curse words, something that is drilled into us at a young age as inappropriate.

In this scenario though, “us” refers mostly to middle to upper class families like my own.

Before I continue, I don’t want to make it sound like lower class families don’t filter language around children nor is it a damning fact that they don’t.

In conservative, well-off, religious up-bringsings like my own, such practices of censorship are commonplace.

Despite this, it is often a similar demographic that complains about censorship. They see examples of media or internet personalities being de-platformed as an affront to first amendment rights, yet they criticize their children for saying butt instead of bottom.

Children need to be allowed the space and time to learn how to use curse words in an appropriate manner as they grow up so that those bad habits don’t become cemented later in life when they are obstinate towards change.

In turn, it’s hypocritical to think we still need to have bleeps for kid’s sake and then say it’s unfair for others to be silenced for using vulgar language. Practice what you preach, and right now, it’s that vulgarity is a no go.

## These are the top three spots to study on campus

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Opinion Columnist

While people may give a variety of answers when asked why they are going to college, the primary answer of many students is that they are looking to further their education.

Alongside the quest for more knowledge is studying.

The average student probably spends at the very least three hours a day studying, which means a decent chunk of their time spent outside of class is buried in the spine of a book or writing out formulas for their calculus test.

With so much time spent reviewing, or rather, cramming, the places that we choose to study at are of the utmost importance. I posit three locations for some of the best places to study on campus.

The obvious answer is Harper, the pride and joy of Creighton.

With its sleek floors and wooden accents, Harper seems to be a draw for every student, not just business kids.

Part of this comes from the numerous amenities, from the huddle rooms, open classrooms, and even our own Starbucks.

The huddle rooms are fantastic, albeit a little hard to come by. Providing personal space in a naturally crowded part of campus, these rooms allow for great isolated study or



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**The Philip M. Klutznick Law Library, regarded as one of the quieter spots on campus to study.**

small group sessions.

Additionally, the in-house Starbucks allows for sugary drinks to keep you awake long into the night.

My next suggestion is the law library.

This brutalist box of concrete holds a fantastic study spot surrounded by just enough dusty books to romanticize your academic life.

The heavily enforced quiet mandate helps

you to focus and remain productive.

Also, there are plenty of spacious desks, comfortable chairs and rarely used classrooms for you to study in, ensuring that you have a spot to sit –something you might find a rarity in Harper.

While the other library has all of these things, the law library has a more temperate climate, avoiding the sauna-like humidity of the Reinert library.

My final suggestions, and what may come as a surprise, is the Old Gym.

This building is part of what feels like the forgotten section of Creighton, only holding the occasional computer science or EMT class.

If you need silence, complete silence, the Old Gym allows you to go an entire day without seeing another human face.

With large open classrooms and desks tucked away in small nooks and crannies, it combines the solitude of the law library with the personal space of Harper.

While these may be my favorites and recommendations, everyone’s tastes and needs differ, which means your favorite study spot might be an entirely different location.

And that’s fine: wherever you can get some homework done is a good study spot.



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## Cross country hosts Platte River Rumble at Mahoney State Park



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TOP: Junior Marcos Gonzalez leads the pack at the Platte River Rumble.

BOTTOM: Junior Morgan Koca holds off a South Dakota runner as she approaches the finish line at Mahoney State Park.



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The Creighton men's and women's cross-country teams hosted the first Platte River Rumble, taking 4th and 6th, respectively, at Mahoney State Park on October 14.

The men were paced by junior Tommy Ward, whose time of 24:32.4 set a new school record in 8k races. Ward finished in 11th.

"We went out pretty fast," Ward said. "That first group was kicking it, but I wanted to go out hard today, I think that was part of the plan, and it was a good one."

Junior Marcos Gonzalez, who previously held the record, led the race early, but lost ground as the race progressed, finishing in 21st.

"We did lose ground, there were some fast guys out there, but I think that's good," Ward said. The Nebraska-Kearney won the men's race with 42 points, beating out Augustana's 47. Northwest Missouri State came in third with 93, beating out Creighton's 115.

Simpson University's Spencer Moon won the meet individually with a time of 20:26.313.

The women were led by the duo of junior Morgan Koca and freshman Caroline Rupper, who finished 11th and 13th in the women's 5k race.

"I think [being familiar with the course] really played to our advantage," Koca said. "We knew exactly where we needed to put everything really in gear."

The women's race was also won by UNK

with 50 points, beating out Northwest Missouri State's 60. South Dakota's 86 was enough for third, edging out the University of Nebraska-Omaha, who totaled 88. Creighton finished 6th with 127 points.

"We ran well," Creighton coach Chris Gannon said. "There were a lot of fast times, we knew it was going to be a fast course. Good indicator for where we are headed into Big East."

The meet was co-hosted by Creighton and the UNO. It was the first time the teams co-hosted a meet.

Creighton's next meet will be the Big East Championships on October 29 in Highland Park, Massachusetts.

## Lackluster results for men's soccer

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The Creighton men's Soccer Bluejays fell to 1-2-3 in the Big East Conference after two away matches against Xavier and Seton Hall showed mixed results.

On October 12, the Bluejays arrived in Ohio to take on undefeated Xavier, hoping to get their second win in the Big East conference.

In the 19th minute, after the Musketeers were charged with a hand ball in the box, junior forward Duncan McGuire converted on his 5th penalty kick of the season, giving the Bluejays a 1-0 lead early in the first half.

As the second half began, while the momentum didn't seem to shift, a quick goal from Xavier in the 57th minute evened the match 1-1.

In the 61st minute, the Musketeers scored a second goal, giving Xavier a 2-1 lead.

However, lightning struck in the 66th minute and the match did not resume until 50 minutes later, forcing both teams to mentally refocus for the remainder of the match.

Although Creighton sequences down the stretch looked promising, the Bluejays could not convert. In the 90th minute, when Kruse vacated the net to retrieve a loose ball, the Musketeers regained control with a wide-open shot, and extended their lead to 3-1 over the Bluejays.

"Set pieces can hurt you and unfortunately for us, two long throw-ins were the difference-maker for Xavier" head coach Johnny Torres reflected.

Three days later, Creighton returned to the pitch in New Jersey to take on the 6-1-5 Seton Hall Pirates, hoping to end the week with a road win.

From the start, the play seemed equal, both teams' defense playing strong and limiting the number of shots on goal.

Yellow cards proved consequential for Creighton, as penalties stacked up for the Bluejays throughout the match.

In the 26th minute, after co-captain Mark O'Neil was issued his fifth yellow card of the season (which would put him out for the entirety of the Butler match), Coach Torres was issued a yellow card himself in the 28th minute following a disagreement about a call.

Then, in the 32nd minute, senior midfielder Callum Watson was issued his fifth yellow card, leaving the Bluejays lacking two starting players for the Butler match.

After fifth-year senior forward Alfie Pope subbed in in the 71st minute, a well-executed sequence with assists from sophomore defender Miguel Ventura followed by senior forward Diago Dulith gave Pope the opportunity to score, putting Creighton up 1-0.

"We felt like we've been deserving of a win and needed a spark to start a win streak," stated McGuire. "When Alfie and Diego connected for that goal, it was definitely huge."

However, just when a win seemed in their grasp, sophomore defender Miguel Ventura was charged with a foul in the box following a Seton Hall corner kick in the 90th minute, a call that caused a cry of outrage from the Creighton bench.

Kruse was the only thing standing between Xavier tying the match on a penalty kick, but Kruse couldn't stop the Musketeers from scoring, and the score evened to 1-1.

The end of the match brought annoyance for Torres, as he felt that the win was unfairly taken from the Bluejays by the referees at the end of the match.

"[It was] right there to get us rolling again and unfortunately for us, it was taken away from us in the last couple of seconds of the match," Torres reflected.



Volleyball stuns Marquette, survives DePaul in back-to back five-setters  
Block finally arrives to save the Jays



Sophomore setter Kendra Wait (left) and senior middle blocker Kiana Schmitt (right) rise up for a block against Marquette. Schmitt got 5 blocks and 11 kills against the Golden Eagles before getting a double-double against DePaul with 13 blocks and 16 kills.

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“I feel like we just started playing together a little more,” senior middle blocker Kiana Schmitt said. “The beginning just felt a little chaotic, like we were six people playing on the court. About the third set we started playing as one big team.”

The fourth set was a repeat of the third, with Martin getting five kills as Creighton forced a fifth set, winning the fourth 25-16.

The fifth set was all Creighton, the Jays nearly doubling Marquette’s score in the fifth set as they won the last set 15-8. Marquette was unable to find any form of an efficient attack, hitting .000 in the fifth.

The win marked the second time Creighton won a match on the season after being behind 2-0. Creighton tied their season high in kills and set new season highs in assists and blocks as a team.

“As expected, it was a great match against an awesome team,” head coach Kristen Booth

said. “We really challenged our blockers to go get touches on the ball and take some risks, because if they’re in system they go so fast they’re going to be one-on-one.”

Two days later the Jays saw a new school record set: 22 blocks against DePaul

Creighton started out strong, beating the Blue Demons 25-15 in the first as Creighton outthit DePaul .414 to .097.

The second set began very similarly to the first, with Creighton extending their lead to as much as 14-9, but the Jays failed to convert on three straight set points, allowing DePaul to come back and take the set, 27-25.

The third set saw the Jays lose another early lead, as they forced DePaul to take a timeout after jumping out to a 10-8 Blue-jay lead, but DePaul took the third set 25-22, taking a 2-1 lead.

“I don’t usually feel this team gets rattled, but I thought in game three, our faces had the look of ‘what is happening right now?’” Booth said.

The fourth set saw the Jays dominate DePaul, landing 6 team blocks and out-hitting the Blue Demons .346 to -.026, winning the set 25-12. The Jays’ attack was led by sophomore outside hitter Norah Sis, who got 5 kills in 7 attempts in the fourth. after hitting only .143 in the first three sets.

“I think I got a little bit mad, so I started hitting harder,” Sis said. “We were all just really firing each other up.”

The Jays took control of the fifth set after falling behind early, hitting .308 in addition to three more blocks as the Jays won the final set, 15-11. Sis hit .750 in the final set and finished .306 on the match. Creighton was led by Schmitt, who got a double-double with 13 of the Jays’ 22 blocks to pair with 16 kills.

The victories pulled Creighton to a No. 18 ranking in the most recent AVCA Coaches’ poll as they took the lead in the conference, holding sole control of first place in the Big East.



Sophomore outside hitter Norah Sis attacks a ball at the net against Marquette. Sis led the team with 21 kills.

The Bluejay Buzz

Why can’t the men get a win?

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The Creighton men’s soccer Bluejays fall 1-2-3 (4-3-5 overall) in the Big East Conference, a feat that seems unimaginable considering how dominant they have looked in almost every single one of their matches.

Over the past six weeks, the Bluejays have played the likes of Georgetown, Xavier, and Seton Hall, but they have not been able to capitalize on their sustained momentum to pull away from their opponents. Creighton has constantly shown themselves to be disciplined and ready to get big wins. So why doesn’t the final score seem to show it?

On paper, the Bluejays are extremely strong, the talent of the team causing Big East Preseason Poll voters to predict them to be ranked 4th in the Big East. As the season kicked off, not only did the Bluejays look like they were going to have a real shot at being #1, but they scored 12 goals in their first two matches alone.

And as of their last match against Seton Hall, junior forward Duncan McGuire alone has scored nine goals on the season, and sophomore midfielders Jackson Castro and Owen O’Malley each have six goals. 5th year senior goalkeeper Paul Kruse has consistently demonstrated why he was named Big East Preseason goalie of the year.

The talent is there, but their record of only one win against Villanova in the Big East suggests a different story.

As the regular season approaches its end, Creighton is ranked 8th in the Big East, sitting in the lower half of the standings between #7 Villanova and #9 St. Johns.

The Creighton faithful have watched the Bluejays progress throughout the season and it’s fair to say that the Bluejays have the talent and potential to be a serious contender for the NCAA tournament, or at least the ability to climb the Big East standings. Not only do they have players with immense scoring talent, but the dynamic between the group and the leadership of Mark O’Neil and Paul Kruse demonstrate that they are a threat on the turf, whether or not the results indicate as much.

The challenge is that in every match that seems to be shifting in Creighton’s favor, which happens to be most matches, they haven’t converted at key moments. It’s not for a lack of opportunities that the Bluejays have come up short, but a wall, metaphorically speaking, that has prevented them from capitalizing on opportunities.

The anticipation and hope are high for the Bluejays this season to bring back wins in their last four Big East matches to potentially reach five wins in the conference. Fans saw an incredible end-of-season run last year and are crossing their fingers that this year’s team can do the same thing.

I believe they can do it. Every match has shown what kind of team the Bluejays are. The repress has shown promise in most of their matches, their ability to get in position to create opportunities hasn’t faltered, and the talent on the roster is enough to give fans hope.

But at the end of the day, being 1-2-3 in the Big East is not the record that a team of this caliber should be satisfied with. And with four Big East matches remaining to round out the regular season, will the Bluejays be able to convert?

I think I can speak for Creighton students, alumni, and fans when I say we are all rooting for the Bluejays to make something happen, proving what we know to be true: that they are a winning team.