

**FRIDAY, APRIL 11 &
SATURDAY, APRIL 12**



2025 KICK-OFF PARTY & SOCCER EXHIBITION WEEKEND



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LETTER FROM THE EVENT CHAIRS

Welcome to the kick-off for Kicks for the Cure (KFAC).

We're honored to be this year's event chairs. Since 2004, KFAC has been a driving force in raising funds and awareness for local cancer research at Creighton University's Lynch Comprehensive Cancer Research Center and the Fred and Pamela Buffett Cancer Center. With a steadfast commitment to supporting groundbreaking research initiatives, KFAC has proudly contributed \$4.8 million toward advancing the fight against cancer right here in Omaha.

But our mission goes beyond fundraising; we also champion active, healthy lifestyles as essential components in the battle against this disease. Join us as we lace up our best kicks, come together as a community, and make a difference. Through your continued support for local research initiatives, together, we can make a difference—one kick at a time.

Thank you for joining us, we appreciate your support.

Lauren Kestel + Emily Jewell



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2025 • KICK-OFF PARTY

Let It Fly – 1080 Capitol Ave., Omaha, NE 68102

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Auction, DJ, open bar and tailgate-style food.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2025 • SOCCER EXHIBITION

All games will be played at Creighton's Morrison Stadium

1804 California St., Omaha, NE 68102

10:00AM

SKUTT CATHOLIC VS. DUCHESNE (GIRLS)

12:30PM

GRETNA VS. MOUNT MICHAEL (BOYS)

3:00PM

CREIGHTON VS. IOWA WESTERN (WOMEN)

5:30PM

CREIGHTON VS. UNO (MEN)

AUCTION SNEAK PEEK



Okoboji Adventure

Enjoy a few days at Lake Okoboji with Arnold's Park passes, a boat ride on the Queen and all the other summer fun of lake life.



Personal Chef

Invite 10 guests into your home for a catered dinner for you and your friends prepared by Heirloom Fine Foods.

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KICKS FOR A CURE HISTORY

Many (soccer!) teams, one goal: kicking cancer through local research, awareness and prevention and inspiring all ages to lead healthy, active lives.

Envisioned in 2004 by Amy & Steve Lindsay and co-founded with Dave Karnes, the first Kicks for a Cure weekend became a reality in 2006. The inaugural event featured women’s high school and college teams with proceeds funding local female cancer research. This soon evolved to include men’s teams and expand research to all cancers, making a more global impact.

Countless, amazing Kicks for a Cure volunteers and supporters make this event happen. Many were inspired by experiences with cancer, both personally and that of loved ones. Dave Karnes’ inspiration was his late wife Liz and her 12-year battle with ovarian cancer. She died in 2003 after a courageous fight. With her generous soul and amazing spirit, Liz touched the lives of many. The Liz’s Legacy fund was founded by Dave and their four daughters to keep her spirit alive and cancer awareness efforts ongoing.

Steve and Amy had a calling to do something in the community; their inspiration is ongoing. Too many times, they have seen first hand the effect cancer has on families.

Thankfully, the Lindsay and Karnes families partnered. The mission of Liz’s Legacy contributed to the creation of Kicks for a Cure. Steve, Amy and Dave’s collective love for soccer and the Omaha community came full circle, bringing us to this weekend’s 19th annual event.

To date, \$4.8 million has been raised for Omaha’s world-renowned facilities, the Fred and Pamela Buffett Cancer Center and the Hereditary Cancer Center at Creighton University. Liz and Dave’s spirit continues. The Liz Karnes Memorial Scholarship for Creighton and UNO Women’s Soccer has been awarded annually and is now an endowed scholarship. And, the Kicks for a Cure Inspiration Award will now be named after Dave Karnes.

WE HONOR OUR PREVIOUS INSPIRATION AWARD WINNERS	
2010	Amy & Steve Lindsay
2011	Bruce Lauritzen Family
2013	Creighton Athletics
2014	Amy Deardorff & Cindy Leiferman
2015	Mike and Lin Simmonds Family
2016	Jennifer Kennedy-Croft
2017	Annie Bird
2018	Bright Pink Nebraska
2019	Dr. Henry Lynch and Dr. Ken Cowan
2021	Steve Durham Family
2022	The Karnes Family



Duchessne Girls Varsity Roster

vs.

Skutt Catholic Girls Varsity Roster



NAME

00	Mila Van Belle
0	Sarah Romero
2	Josie Thalken
3	Josie Quattrocchi
4	Gina Pisasale
5	Lily Sewell
7	Jackie Johnson
8	Claire Miller
9	Zoe Kothenbeutel
10	Abby Kohout
11	Nora Codr
13	Claire Quattrocchi
14	Cate Douglas
15	Anne Cooper
16	Evelyn Jeffreys
17	Caroline DeSantis
18	Ana Norton-Cisneros
19	Samantha Horak
20	Annie Reed

GIRLS' SOCCER COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Lauren Mueller (A'00)

Assistants: Jake Moore, Jessica Torres,
Maggie Verkuilen

Athletic Trainer: Catherine Lewis

Team Managers: Sadie Snyder,
Martha Mullen, Emma Barkmeier

NAME

0	Grace Scheer
00	Penny Currans
1	Jenna Benjamin
2	Taylor Urbanec
3	Lucy Hervet
4	Abby Franco
5	Annick Allen
6	Lily Flores
7	Phia Higgason
8	Kate Carlson
9	Corinne Merkel
10	Hannah McWilliams
11	Addy Olson
12	Tatum Aulner
13	Josie Tobaben
14	Lia Arkfeld
15	Shaeley Reichmuth
16	Presley Douglas
17	Josie Ausman
18	Milayni Cain
19	Maura Ausman
20	Sarah Corey
21	Kamryn Kasner
22	Nia Newland
23	Kelsey Williams
24	Maddie Farmer
25	Evie Mangels

GIRLS' SOCCER COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: John Carlson

Assistant Coaches:

Jenni Smith, Mike Ryan, Shelby
Schlautman, Kalen Keegan, Dan Carlson

Manahawks: Sofia Brown, Julia Libis



Gretna Boys Varsity Roster

vs.

Mount Michael Boys Varsity Roster



#	NAME
1	Cooper Jaros
2	Brody Haynie
3	Ryan Broz
4	Caden Oberg
6	Evan Lafferty
7	Elijah Fulton
8	Noah Jones
9	Noah Fulton
10	Sawyer Hehn
11	Hudson Hehn
12	Wes Burns
13	Owen Stayton
14	Talan Whisler
15	Christopher Waters
17	Ross Rogers
20	Brady Cerone
21	Max Brewer
22	Nathan McKinley
24	Covin Votruba
25	Jadyn Muhleck
28	Farhad Hussaini
70	Holden Opplinger
IR	Ian Burch

BOYS' SOCCER COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Tyler Ortlieb

Assistant Coaches: Cody Ortlieb,
Kade Hollendieck, Chris Elbracht,
John Cover, and Nate Fibich

#	NAME
0	Will Boone
00	Will Storbeck
1	Brady Quinlivan
2	Liam Moline
5	John Sitz
6	Mesac Nkurubujango
7	Leo Dustin
8	Blaize Beller
9	Linden Behny
10	Becket Beller
11	Ethan Moline
12	Alex Pekny
13	Syler Sennet
15	Liam Casey
16	Peter Haas
17	Gabe Noel
18	Josh Morgan
19	Luke Bitner
20	Charlie L'heureux
21	Jack Lookabill

BOYS' SOCCER COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: JT Cronin

Assistant Coaches: George Behney,
Sebastian Esquivel, Jurgen Beller

Managers: Isaac Weeder, Elijah Walters



Creighton Womens Soccer Roster

vs.

Iowa Western Womens Soccer Roster



NAME

0	Caroline Blum
1	Kailey Hall
3	Savanna Solomon
4	Millie Thistleton
5	Ella Offer
7	Azumi Manriki
9	Andrine Westlie
10	Anja Jestrovic
11	Tejia Murray-Powell
12	Samantha Lee
13	Jess Torres
14	Alyssa Judkins
15	Reese Carpenter
17	Kendal Radke
19	Ella Luna
20	Kelis Brown
21	Clara Kulick
22	Allison Williams
23	Abigail Santana
24	Mallory Connealy
25	Tilly Thomas
28	Anna Bragg
30	Alyssa Zalac
33	Ariana Mondiri
	Olivia Duray
	Tori Gillis

WOMENS' SOCCER COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Jimmy Walker

Assistant Coaches: Scott Rissler,
Toby Millward

Grad Assistant: Makena Silber

Staff: Scott Bankers, Maria Lingardo,
Joe Cleary, Dr. David Inda

NAME

00	Madison Ehrens
0	Katy Anderson
1	Saydi Headley
2	Iona Cabre
3	Neus Rosas
4	Izzy McNeal
5	Alana Garcia
6	Kailey Marshall
7	Ellie Brock
8	Honoka Nohara
9	Raquel Batalla
10	Oruha Hayashi
11	Citlali Prado
13	Jolie Breinholt
14	Alaina Steding
15	Maria Gonçalves
16	Laura Rodriguez
17	Hinami Ogushi
18	Jennifer Tenney-Sierra
19	Arianna Harrison
20	Molly Williams
21	Rylie Washington
22	Alexia Medrano
23	Raquel Ramos
24	Mariana Brito
25	Dani Marino
26	Wren Williams
27	Gillian Simmons
29	Berniece Garcia
30	Alice Russell
31	Grace Murphy
32	Lucy Hall
33	G. Ryu
34	Noah Cabre

WOMENS' SOCCER COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Adam Sanchez

Assistants: Gabi McAlpine



Creighton Mens Soccer Roster

vs.

UNO Mens Soccer Roster



#	NAME
3	Brian Edelman
4	Andrija Savic
5	Etienne Ravelli
7	Miguel Arilla
8	Omar Ramadan
9	Amos Boum Niend
11	Bautista Rossi
12	Ryusei Shimonishi
13	Diego Ferruzzi
15	Ben Foulks
16	Nick Cenek
17	Gavrilo Civric
18	Ali Ramadan
20	Brady Bragg
21	Matthew Reed
22	Edward Morales
23	Marco Santana
24	Matthew Hudson
25	Aaron Deppe
26	Owen Nelson
28	Ismael Reyes
33	Pablo Andrade

MENS' SOCCER COACHING STAFF

Men's Head Coach: Johnny Torres

Assistant Coaches: Nico Luque,
Michael Gabb, Mitch Kavanagh

Staff: Scott Bankers, James Benzel,
Dr. Kevin O'Malley

#	NAME
3	Jonah Gasho
4	Sahai Williams
6	Martin Lago
7	Mathis Pilon
8	Stefan Bilinac
9	Italo Jenkins
10	Theo Klein
11	Junior Casillas
12	Oliver Kelly
13	Bradley Takamo
14	Elie Bokota
15	Junior Kone
16	Carson Chochon
17	Will Curtis
18	Naz Astwood
19	Wawa Palga
20	Mikey Stukenholtz
21	Maarten Gravekamp
22	Thore Boehm
23	Abdi Adan
24	Nick Merlo
25	Noah Shook
27	Brett Perkins
29	Maguire Perkins
30	Nathanael Sallah
31	Cole Stewart

MENS' SOCCER COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Donovan Dowling

Assistant Coaches: Josh McReynolds,
Cesar Herrera, Ed Gordon

Staff: Trenton Royse



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