UNL softball team seeks consistency in Creighton tourney

Despite a disappointing seventh-place finish at the University of Texas-Arlington Invitational last weekend, Nebraska softball Coach Nancy Plantz remains optimistic that her team will rebound successfully at the upcoming Creighton Invitational.

"We didn't play well," said Plantz about her teams 2-3 performance at UT-Arlington. "But I think our team morale is fine now. The team is determined to play much better."

Although the Creighton Invitational is not a major one, Plantz said she wants Nebraska to bring home the championship. Creighton, UNO, Northwest Missouri State and the Huskers are the four teams that will compete in the round-robin tournament to be played Friday and Saturday in Omaha.

Plantz said for the Huskers to repeat as Creighton

Invitational Champions (who tied with Creighton last fall). the team must produce good hitting and effective pitching to keep opposing batters off balance.

The major area of concern for Plantz as she prepares her team for the Creighton Invitational is defensive consistency. The Huskers committed six errors against Oklahoma during a 6-0 Cornhuskers loss at the Texas-Arlington Invitational.

"I expect us to be better, but it's still early," Plantz said of the team's 4-3 record. "It doesn't concern me yet (this inconsistency), but if we keep it up it will. We have not even come close to reaching our potential yet. I look for us to get better though."

UNL is scheduled to play UNO Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in the tournament and will face Creighton at 3:30 p.m. that day.

Intramurals

Greek representatives on the 1982-83 Recreation Advisory Council are Steve Corder of Phi Kappa Psi and Bev Schott of Delta Delta Delta. Off-campus representatives are Steve Fisher and Bill Goa, and residence hall representatives are Mike Meier, Abel 11, and Mary Norris, Heppner 2.

Men's, women's and co-recreational golf entries are due at 5 p.m. Monday at the Recreation Office, 1740 Vine St. A greens fee of \$7.50 per person must accompany each entry. The tournament will be Oct. 2 at Mahoney Park.

Faculty/staff co-recreational intramural volleyball league entries are due at 5 p.m. Tuesday at the Recreation Office. A \$15 entry and award fee plus a \$10 forfeit fee must accompany each entry.

Men's flag football and women's volleyball entries are due at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the Recreation Office. Flag football requires a \$35 fee; the volleyball fee is \$25.

Men's and women's dart entries are due at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the Nebraska Union Rec Room.

Neil Hawley of Farmhouse was the men's winner of the cross country run Friday at Oak Lawn Park. Hawley finished the 2.5-mile course in 13:37. Gene Moore of Elite Express was second. Elite Express won the men's team title, while Farmhouse was runner-up.

Suzy Finger was the women's champion with a time of 17:51. Love Hall was the women's team champion. Suzy Finger and Pete Finger combined for the corecreational title.

Kim Grubaugh, Tau Kappa Epsilon, scored 30 points to win the men's title of the place-kicking competition Sunday at Memorial Stadium. Matt Schmert, Alpha Tau Omega, scored 23 points to place second.

Mary Pritchard of the Gators scored seven points to win the women's title while Nancy Hoglund, also of the Gators, scored three points for second place.

Kim Grubaugh and Angie Pitthart combined for 31 points to claim the co-recreational title. The team of Bill Goa and Mary Pritchard scored 21 points for a second-place finish.

The Gators won the women's team competition with 10 points. Alpha Tau Omega won the men's team championship with 84 points.

Huskers move into 2nd place

Nebraska moved up to second place in both the United Press International and Associated Press college football polls this week. The Huskers garnered eight first-place votes in UPI and 12 in the AP poll.

UPI ranked Pittsburgh No. 1 while Washington is AP's top pick. Nebraska is the only Big Eight team ranked in either poll.

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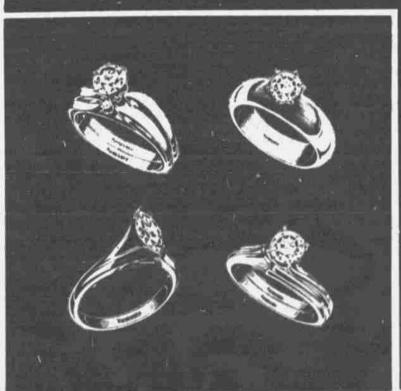
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