On the Road

This academic year, CUAs athletic teams will travel more than 20,000 miles to compete in nearly 170 off-campus events. Sure, there’s nothing like “home team advantage,” but hitting the road has its advantages too, says Travis Beauchamp, head coach of the mens soccer team. “We enjoy going on the road because it offers us an opportunity to represent Catholic University at different schools and to experience other athletic facilities,” he says.

Cardinal parents enjoy watching their players on the road, too. Most teams have a dedicated parent group that provides a cheering section and post-game, tailgate-style meals. “Road games take up just about half of our schedule, which makes them a very important piece in building a winning season. Having to travel gives us time to focus on what we need to do individually and as a team in order to get a win. It also brings us closer together,” says senior soccer player Mike Brennan.

On Oct. 10, Beauchamp and his team were on the road again to McDaniel College in Westminster, Md., to take on the Green Terror. University Photographer Ed Pfueller came along for the ride to capture all the elements of the trip.

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