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## WU COACHING STAFF

Desi Storey/Head Coach (Nine Years, 176-201-1)

Desi Storey, who is nearing the end of his first decade as head coach, is the second winningest coach in Central Washington University baseball history.

In four of his nine seasons, the Wildcats have won 20 or more games. Including three consecutive years (1997-99). Only twice previously in their school history (1968-70 and 1974-77) had the Wildcats put together at least three consecutive 20-win seasons.

In nine seasons as head coach, Storey, despite playing schedules which perennially are among the toughest in the nation, has led CWU to a record of 176-201-1. Only Gary Frederick, who won 234 games in 11 seasons between 1968 and 1978, has more victories.

Frederick and Storey are the only coaches to lead the Wildcats to 30-victory seasons. CWU won a school-record 32 games in 1970 on the way to a berth in the NAIA World Series. CWU won 30 regular-season games for the first time in their school history in 1997 under Storey's leadership.

Storey led the Wildcats into the NAIA District 1 playoffs in 1993. CWU finished second in the district that year with a 10-5 record.

Storey, 41, was an assistant coach between 1986 and 1989 at CWU, and was instrumental in leading the Wildcats to their last NAIA World Series berth in 1988. In 1991, he was the head coach at Kittitas High School, leading the Coyotes to a 16-4 record. Kittitas reached the Washington State Class B regional finals, losing in extra innings in the championship game.

A native of Orofino, Idaho, Storey is a 1977 graduate of Issaquah High School where he earned one letter in football and three in baseball. He earned second team all-league honors in baseball in his senior season.

He then played two seasons at Centralia Community College in 1978 and 1979 before joining the Wildcat program. At Centralia, he led the Southern Region in hitting with a .370 average during his sophomore season.

Storey also played two seasons at CWU. He played the outfield in his junior season before becoming one of the mainstays of the Wildcat pitching staff in his senior season.

In 1982, he posted a record of 7-1, including a complete-game victory over Washington State, two complete-game wins over NCAA Division 1 Eastern Washington and a win in relief over Lewis-Clark State.

Misc.: Homered against Eastern Oregon on Apr. 18, 1981 as CWU equaled school mark with three home runs in an inning. . . Born 1-25-59 at Orofino. Has two sons, Dustin, 14, and Brendan, 10.

### Storey's Coaching Record

Year	W	L	T
1992	14	16	0
1993	15	20	0
1994	18	24	0

1995	21	20	0
1996	19	27	0
1997	30	17	0
1998	21	25	1
1999	24	18	0
2000	14	34	0
Tot. (9yrs)	176	201	1

#### Steve Sherrill/Assistant Head Coach (7 years)

Steve Sherrill, who is in charge of the pitching staff, recently completed his seventh season with the Wildcats. He was appointed the assistant head coach in the spring of 1995. He also directs the baseball team's fundraising efforts.

Prior to joining the CWU coaching staff, Sherrill coached at Cle Elum High School. In 1993, he led the Warriors to their first-ever conference baseball title. Sherrill, who also serves as athletic director at Cle Elum High School, coached the Warriors for two years and compiled a 21-20 overall record. Prior to joining the Cle Elum staff, he also coached at Franklin High School in Portland; Bowling Green High School in Bowling Green, Mo., and at Campbell County High School in Gillette, Wyo.

He also spent eight years at Shape American High School in Belgium between 1981 and 1988.

In 15 seasons as a basketball head coach, he compiled a 296-105 won-loss record. In football, he posted a 51-20-1 head coaching record in nine seasons and he compiled a 58-46 record in baseball. He won 13 conference titles - six in basketball, four in football and three in baseball.

Sherrill is a 1973 graduate of Pacific University where he played football and baseball. In baseball, he was a three-time all-conference catcher and earned first team NAIA All-American honors in his senior season. He played two seasons in the St. Louis Cardinal organization.

He also earned all-league honors in football and baseball at Jefferson High School in Portland, graduating in 1969. He was inducted into the Pacific University Athletic Hall-of-Fame In Oct., 1995.

Three years ago, Sherrill was recognized by the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association as a certified athletic administrator. He was one of 1,050 interscholastic athletic directors nationwide to receive that honor.

Misc: Born 1-26-51 at Vancouver, Wash, Married. Wife's name is Gwendolyn. They have three children, Scott, Shannan and Colby. Shannan played basketball at CWU. Colby is a three-year letter winner for the Wildcat baseball team. . .Earned a Master of Science degree in athletic administration from CWU.

#### Pete Mirkovich/Assistant Coach (Second Year)

Pete Mirkovich, 24, moved from the diamond to the dugout last spring joining CWU's coaching staff after completing an outstanding two-year playing career with the Wildcats.

A native of Olympia, Pete played third base for the Wildcats and was CWU's 1998 honorary team captain. He was also a Pacific Northwest Sectional all-star last year when he batted .347. He ranked second on the team in batting and RBI (30) and ranked third in doubles (10).

Mirkovich, who played two seasons at Centralia CC prior to transferring to CWU, batted .276 during his junior season when he drove in 29 runs.

Mirkovich is a 1993 graduate of Timberline High School in Lacey where he earned three letters in baseball and four in tennis. He was Timberline's MVP and was a first team all-league pitcher and second team all-league utility player.

Misc.: Born 11-12-75 at Olympia. Physical education major. Has coached Lacey's American Legion baseball team. Has four brothers.

Geoff Parrish/Assistant Coach (Second Year)

Geoff Parrish, who pitched for Washington State during the 1993 and 1994 seasons, began his second season this spring as Central Washington University's assistant pitching coach.

Parrish, 28, is a 1995 graduate of Washington State. He earned a master's degree from WSU in athletic administration in 1997.

Prior to enrolling at WSU where he filled the role of the closer, he played two seasons at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton. He won BMCC's team pitching award during his sophomore season.

Parrish is a 1990 graduate of Colfax High School. He earned two letters in basketball and four in baseball for the Bulldogs. Twice he earned all-conference honors in baseball.

He served as the pitching coach at Colfax High School between 1994 and 1998 and was also the pitching coach for the Pullman American Legion team between 1995 and 1998.

Misc: Born 4-1-72 at Pendleton.