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Solutions are sought for campus crime

by Steve Allwine
Staff reporter

Central, ranked against 21 other West Coast state-operated universities for major crime in the past three years, ranked ninth for assaults, seventh for vehicle thefts, third for burglaries, and first for the number of sexual assault reports.

"I can't believe that the university is not saying anything about this," Nicole Witham, sophomore, said. "They don't even admit that there is a problem.

"I feel relatively safe here, but given that I'm a woman, there are times that I'm [more] aware of my safety," Gail Farmer, Director of the Wildcat Wellness Center said. Farmer also said that she is sometimes hesitant walking through dark areas on campus while traveling to or from her office.

"I don't feel safe around here," Campus Police Chief Steve Rittereiser said that the university is not saying anything about this. "I can't believe that the university is not saying anything about this.

"I never feel threatened at all. I think the safety here is pretty good," Katie Minton said. "I am out at all hours of the night and morning, having to walk across campus, and I have never felt unsafe," Gayle Duncan said.

The university feels the same way as the students.

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"I don't feel safe at night, because I've heard that our rape rates are the highest in the state," Emily Passic said. "Last night I was walking home by myself and I was scared," Jen Brocious said. "I don't think it's smart for a girl to walk around alone on this campus."

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"He seemed like a very involved individual," James Schwing, chair of the computer science department, said. "I was quite impressed with Brian and was very saddened to hear of his accident."

Schwing worked with Tormohlen, who was the Chair of the Technology Fee Committee in 1999-2000.

"I found Brian to be a very concerned and active student," Schwing said. "I felt he brought a lot of organization to this committee that prior to the time he was head of the committee was missing."

Tormohlen had been studying in Australia since winter semester of 2001. He was scheduled to complete his studies at Queensland this semester.

KLOTZ: Memories of deceased are offered

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"The spirit of who she was is what I'll really miss," Schmidt said.

Klotz was involved with Central's Circle K organization. While in Circle K, Klotz organized many fundraisers in support of the fight against iodine deficiency disorders.

"Erin was very responsible and goal oriented, but also socially spirited," Savannah Davidson, Circle K president, said.

As part of DHC, Klotz took the sophomore and junior sessions this fall quarter.

"Erin not only doubled the work, but she was excelling," Ken Munsell, instructor in DHC history, said.

Klotz planned to study abroad in England and return to earn her doctorate in musicology.

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Fischer, also a member of Circle K, is doing fine but is not expected to return for the remainder of the quarter, Fischer's roommate said.

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Teacher education program judged as one of nation’s elite

National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education finds Central to be “fully accredited” with “no weaknesses.”

by Greg Dawson
Staff reporter

Nothing missing, nothing broken. The National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) reviewed and gave an A to Central Washington University’s Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL). On November 15, university officials received the NCATE report.

“The institutionally proud of the faculty and students in our professional education preparation programs,” Rebecca Bowers, dean of Central’s College of Education and Professional Studies, said in a university press release, “A very, very small percentage of universities receive 100 percent on their evaluations, from two to six weaknesses are identified. We have come through this rigorous evaluation assessment process without blemish.”

Central’s teacher preparation is now among the elite in the United States. However this was not always the case. Two years ago in January 2000, CTL received notice that their accreditation by NCATE had been put on probation.

Due to the probation, NCATE officials made a follow-up appointment to Central in April 2000. Items under review ranged from all aspects of the university’s teacher education program to the design and delivery of its professional education curriculum. The new report showed that Central met NCATE requirements.

“I’m the preliminary accreditation was a more meticulous assessment of CTL than the typical checklist. Some of the aspects improved on were portfolio development in subject areas, student teacher supervision, a plan of attracting and retaining a diversity of students and documentation of faculty-scholarly activity and teaching loads.

“I’ve been in the program for two years,” Kristy Birge, senior education major said, “and I have always thought that the program was exceptionally well managed.”

Central’s CTL returned to a regular five-year accreditation cycle due to the results of the NCATE evaluation. For the future, Central has already devised a plan for leadership position in the field of education. The next evaluation will not take place until 2006.

Pennies make a difference for local women’s shelter

by Jaimee Custander
Staff reporter

Getting into the holiday spirit, the ASCWU Board of Directors (BOD) organized a “Pennies for Shelters” penny drive that began Nov. 27. The money for the drive will be donated to the battered women’s shelter.

The penny drive is in full swing and includes the residence halls, the International Students Association, the Black Student Union, the Bowling Club, Never Under-Estimate Radical Visionary, Alpha Kapa Phi, and Alpha Psi Omega, as well as the BOD officers.

Pennies for Shelters is the brain-child of Nate Harris, vice president of service and equity. He wanted to have a fundraising activity that included the BOD and the residence halls. The idea quickly evolved into a penny drive.

“This is a great opportunity to get the students involved with the student government,” Harris said.

Each of the BOD officers was assigned to a residence hall and each hall’s goal is to raise money for a specific charity. Once each hall is assigned, the BOD and the different clubs can get together to discuss various ways about collecting pennies.

“It would be nice to raise some money...whether or not we raise money it’s still something,” Alyssa Scarth, vice president of academic affairs, said.

Raising one dollar per person for the shelter is the set goal.

Harris said the concept of this project is a competition between clubs, and organizations. The ASCWU Board of Directors to raise the most money for a battered women’s shelter.

There will be an incentive for the hall that raises the most money, but the BOD hasn’t decided what the prize is going to be. The ending date for this project is the last day of finals.

For those that would like to donate pennies, contact Nate Harris in SUB, room 116 or call 963-1697 for more information.

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Junior BJ Letcher (13) and senior Sam Moore (23) are both suspended from play.

basketball team. He is not allowed inside Fred Meyer

and has an arraignment

scheduled at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 3.

Senior Sam Moore is also suspended from play

because of an unrelated violation of team rules.
**Police Briefs**

**Compiled by Steve Allwine**
Staff reporter

**Locker room bandit**
6:21 p.m. Nov. 13
Six wallets were reported stolen from the men’s locker room at the pool. A CD player was also stolen from the varsity men’s locker room in Nicholson Pavilion. Other items stolen included watches.

A suspect, involved in a high-speed chase, was taken into custody the night before by the State Patrol. The suspect was in possession of all items stolen and Campus police is waiting for a full report.

**Roommate argument**
2:03 p.m. Nov. 15
Two 18-year-old roommates in Davies Hall became involved in a verbal argument over an e-girlfriend.

The argument proceeded to the point that it was going to be a fight.

No threatening statements were made but arrangements were made for the two roommates to live elsewhere.

Scorched ex
2:30 p.m. Nov. 16
An 18-year-old woman from Muzzall Hall had her early '90s Ford Escort keyed on the hood and side with the word “bitch” scratched into the paint.

Both side mirrors were broken off and the estimated damage is over $2000.

The victim suspects that her ex-boyfriend is the culprit. The victim is the ex-girlfriend of a suspect involved in a high-speed chase.

**Bashed Blazer**
8:44 a.m. Nov. 16
Student Parking Enforcement found an ‘87 Chevy Blazer in the X-22 parking lot by student village with a passenger side window broken out. Campus Police estimate damage to be $200 but have been unable to contact the owner.

One too many
10:30 p.m. Nov. 17
Officers responded to a noise complaint and observed an 18-year-old woman putting down a bottle of hard lemonade and walking away. She was questioned, cited and released.

**Medical assist**
1 a.m. Nov. 19
An ambulance responded to a woman in Beck Hall, who was unconscious and suffering periodic convulsions.

Officers and paramedics assisted, and took her to the hospital for care and observation.

**Bathroom barrage**
7:15 a.m. Nov. 19
A Meisner Hall custodian reported that a third floor restroom was damaged. A paper and soap dispenser was damaged along with a toilet stall and the showers had also been vandalized.

Estimated damage is $90.

**Assault by water**
1:25 p.m. Nov. 19
A glass of water was thrown on a Sue Lombard resident during an argument and he was told that he was going to be thrown down the stairs by a Muzzall resident.

The argument was over a woman living in Muzzall.

Officers were contacted and no charges are being filed.

**Domestic knife attack**
12:54 a.m. Nov. 22
A 21-year-old woman threatened a 24-year-old man with a large kitchen knife.

Both were intoxicated.

The woman was arrested for possession of a deadly weapon.

**Red and black balloons floated Tuesday on the lawn north of Black Hall. Each balloon represented 3,000 AIDS patients. Student HIV testing is available at the Health Center.**

**AIDS: Week-long series of events promotes Aids awareness on campus**

By Amber Edgar
Staff reporter

The Associated Students of Central Washington University Board of Directors (BOD) held their weekly meeting on Tuesday Nov. 27 and spent a portion of it debating whether they wanted to have a special economic summit and dinner to discuss the monetary portion of the Quality of Life facility during finals week.

John Drinkwater, director of campus life, wanted to hold the meeting during finals week. Reggie Raney was among a few of the BOD members who didn’t want to have the meeting during that week due to finals.

After much debate between Drinkwater and the members of the BOD the date for the dinner was sent for Dec. 11.

Jessica Sutton reported on the status of the faculty evaluations. Sutton said that students should see the evaluations next week along with the course evaluations, which are filled out at the end of each quarter. The results of the evaluations will eventually be published as a book.

Among the new business of the evening, the BOD reported on a conference which they attended a couple of weeks ago in Boston.

BOD members said they had several opportunities to network with other students and resources and that they also had a chance to participate in several beneficial team-building sessions.

Nate Harris, vice president of equality and community service, announced that the pony drive to help raise money for the local domestic and sexual assault shelter started on Tuesday night.

Harris and other members of the BOD will be teaming up with members of campus clubs and will be visiting several residence halls until the end of finals week to raise money for the shelter.

Among the weekly reports of the BOD members Jessica Sutton, vice president of student life and facilities, spent some time visiting with the Residential Parking Zone (RPZ) officer on the locations of the RPZ and what steps need to be taken to change the parking zone.

She also stated that the homecoming dance pictures can be picked up at the BOD office in the Student Union Building.
Reassessment of general education program underway after evaluation

by Amanda Hickman
Staff reporter

The General Education Committee distributed a survey this fall to the faculty of Central Washington University. The survey attempted to evaluate the general education program, and created quite a stir among professors on campus.

"The (general education) survey was sent out because we were trying to assess the program," Carey Gazis, general education committee chair, and assistant professor of geological science, said. "There's a controversy, though, about if the program should be controlled by a committee and how much freedom each professor has when they teach."

The general education program, also referred to as basic and breadth courses, is designed to provide students with a liberal education and help them in making informed and enlightened decisions. The program asks students to demonstrate high levels of competency in reading, writing, speaking and reasoning.

Courses such as English 101 and 102, Math, Humanities, Social Sciences and Natural Sciences fall into the general education program description.

"The reason for the survey is because we, as a university, don't know what we are accomplishing in the general education program as a whole...the survey is a first step in evaluating the program," Gazis said. "We want to know who's doing what in each class, and whether the outcomes we have defined are appropriate or not."

The general education survey was distributed to all members of the faculty teaching general education courses. It asked faculty to evaluate the importance of incorporating the skills of reading, writing, reasoning and speaking into their courses.

Faculty were asked to evaluate the use and importance of these skills (or learning outcomes) on a scale of one to five, and if and how each skill was used in part of their course offering. Each survey was somewhat tailored to the department receiving it.

"Faculty became frustrated with the survey because of two reasons," Gazis said. "One is because the outcomes on the survey were poorly worded. Secondly, some of the outcomes on the survey were too specific or irrelevant to their particular classes."

The survey listed outcomes in different areas of basic skills, such as reading and writing. The problem that many professors faced when filling out the survey was that few of the outcomes fit their course offerings and many were not appropriate for their classes.

"Faculty were being asked to indicate whether the student learning outcomes were appropriate for a general education program," Robert Jacobs, professor of political science, said. "Unfortunately, the learning outcomes were so badly written that no one knew what they meant. We were also asked whether the outcomes are included in our courses. There was no sensible way of answering yes or no."

Jacobs is not alone in his stance. The entire Political Science department, as well as a portion of the faculty, shares his feelings about the survey.

"The underlying issue is that the survey was poorly prepared. Our department thought that the outcomes were redundant and meaningless," Jacobs said. "And, after we sent a memo to the faculty regarding this survey, 30 to 40 correspondents supported our stance. A couple of rounds of e-mail controversy followed."

Jacobs said he and his fellow political science colleagues are not filling out the survey. Despite that fact, the General Education Committee is still hopeful of a good response rate.

"We've discussed it as a committee, and enough surveys are coming in to gather a good feedback," Gazis said. "We are trying to figure out which outcomes were not addressed at all, and what faculty deems as not important. We want to find holes in the program."
"gay disease," but this isn’t true, and we need to stop considering the many high risk behaviors that people of our age group participate in.

Each red balloon stood for 3,000 people who knew they had AIDS and each black balloon stood for 3,000 people who had AIDS and didn’t know it. It was pretty disturbing that about a third of the balloons were black.

Saturday is World AIDS Day, a day that is specifically focused on bringing hope, support and understanding about AIDS and HIV.

Now, I know the issue of AIDS seems big and far away from our lives. Everyone always thinks it’s not something that will ever affect them. But this is something that college students need to pay attention to considering the many high risk behaviors that people of our age group participate in.

Many people seem to still believe that AIDS is a disease that can touch anyone’s life. The truth is, 50 percent of all the new HIV cases in the U.S. are young people; people 25 or younger. And considering this campus is filled with people who fit that description, I would say it is time to start taking this thing seriously. If any of us were looking for a reason to care, there is it.

We’ve all heard plenty about this disease. We’ve been asking a lot of questions. Let’s stop being stupid and do what we can to protect ourselves.

If you think it will never affect you, think of all those black balloons out there, all the people that have AIDS and don’t know it. They are walking around without knowing they are infected with this disease and very possibly acting in ways that could put others at risk. Even if you yourself aren’t personally affected by this, chances are someone you know will be in some way or another.

Bevin Parrish

Letters

EPD intern talks about relations between police and students

Dear Editor,

Certain groups of Central students and local police haven’t had the best working relationships. The Ellensburg Police Department would have you believe that things are going to change.

In lieu of events that took place last year and an overall feeling that police/student relations were deteriorating, the Ellensburg Police have initiated a campaign to help combat students’ negative perceptions of police and encourage students to take responsibility for their actions.

Captain Ross Green is confident that the key to increasing positive interactions between students and police is just that, increasing positive interactions. He pointed out that students seldom interact with officers unless it is for a “negative,” disciplinary reason.

So far, the campaign has been centered around a few key elements, one of which being University 101 classes. The department identified incoming freshman students as their central focus. Officers have gone to several classes so far with the intention of informing students of local laws and ways to stay out of trouble. Are students listening? “They are receptive to the interaction,” said Sergeant Mike Laver, “Students have been asking a lot of questions.”

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So how long will it take until things change? “Not with one event or one program, not in two, or even a year,” speculates Captain Green. Sergeant Lavera thought that things were actually a bit better now than last year, but admitted it was tough to pin down the reason for it. “Our ultimate goal is for students to get their education and for us to perform our job, all in the same small area... it shouldn’t be adversarial, we work for the students too,” added Green.

The Ellensburg Police Department is encouraging students or faculty to offer their suggestions on how the department can be involved with the campus in the future and has expressed that they will come to more classrooms and programs if requested.

Josh Kerwin, intern for Ellensburg Police Department

Student appreciates “what a good thing we have here at CWU”

Dear Editor,

I am so disappointed that there seem to be several students who don’t appreciate what a good thing we have here at CWU. We are receiving some of the greatest education, for some of the lowest prices in the state! Over the last several weeks, I have read many different complaints about the athletic fee, health fee, as well as many other issues including enrollment. For instance, one student says, “I have never once used the health center or the athletic fee.” I have to ask... why not? It is not the university’s fault you don’t use the services they provide. People can’t honestly tell me they have never used the weight gym or Nicholson Pavilion. Even if you haven’t...most health clubs in town charge at least $25 per quarter for students. As for the clinic, it is a lifesaver...not to mention much cheaper than visiting the local PCP. Isn’t it true that some students don’t like the fees here, maybe they should research some other schools in the state. We have access to some of the best services and professors anywhere. So, to the students who don’t appreciate the wonderful opportunities we are presented with here, maybe you should go to a different university. One where you will never even see the professor who teaches your classes...or know who you are...or even care. You should go to a university where you are treated like a number, not an individual.

Tiffany Henry, Student

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Staff column: Beware the pre-admission requirements

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If you have recently started your college career, and you think you can wait until you start your junior year to start worrying about your major, think again. You could be in for a surprise...that may prolong your stay here at Central.

This traditional model of college, according to the senior members of my family, was quite simple. A student spent the first two years getting the "basics" out of the way, we called those classes the "basics and breadth" requirements. By that time, the student (hopefully) had chosen a major and they spent the last two years of college finishing the specific requirements in that major. That is so no longer the case.

A growing number of academic departments have these vicious little things known as "pre-major sequences" or "pre-admission requirements," and they work like credit card bills: the longer you ignore them, the worse they get.

My major is Business Administration, and the pre-admission requirements are quite nasty indeed. In the current catalog, you must take 35 credits before you will be allowed to enter into the major. Why should you care? Consider this: let’s say you are thinking about majoring in business administration and you still need to fulfill the general education requirement under the “Perspectives on the Cultures and Experiences of the United States” category. You could choose US History, American Politics, or Micro Economics (among others), but if you were aware of the pre-admission requirements in Business and you were considering a major in that department, the best choice would be Economics. That way, you can fulfill a basic requirement and a requirement for your major at the same time. There are similar examples in other majors; I’ve just chosen my major since I am most familiar with its requirement.

I am arguing against these policies? On the contrary...I believe these requirements are the potential to be the most effective tool to help you choose your major, and ultimately your career. How? Let’s continue with the economics example: if you enjoyed that economics class, you might enjoy thinking in that framework, and perhaps a business major is your best bet.

Or, you may decide that you hate economics and a passion, you vow never to return to New Smyrna again, and you may reconsider your major or your specialization. In either case, you came closer to deciding what major you like (or dislike), and you’ve fulfilled your basic requirement in the process.

My advice: choose your basics-and-breadth classes strategically, and start inquiry early about pre-admission requirements. You can save yourself a lot of frustration down the road, and in the process, you might stumble on a major that fits you perfectly.

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Russian club's newsletter: It's a little too ironic, don't you think...

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Meetings

Thursday
-Psychology Club, noon, Psychology building 2nd floor student lounge
-Am. Indian Science & Eng. Society (AISES), 3 p.m., Farrell Hall
-Alph Phi Omega, 5 p.m., SUB 105
-Filipino Ameerican Student Association, 5 p.m., SUB 209
-Black Student Union, 6 p.m., Student Village Multi-Purpose room
-Baptist Student Ministries, 7 p.m., Chestnut Baptist Church

Monday
-Fashion Merchandising Club, 3 p.m., Michaelsen 126
-Am. Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), 5 p.m., Hogue 219
-Swing Cats, 6:45 p.m., SUB Ballroom
-Rodeo Club, 7 p.m., SUB 204

-Adventist Christian Fellowship, 7 p.m., Seventh Day Adventist Church
-Arnold Air Space, 8 p.m., Peterson Hall (ROTC building)

Tuesday
-GALA (GLBTA), 6 p.m., SUB Owl Room
-Association of Construction Mgrs. (ACM), 7 p.m., Hogue 220
-Namekemono Anime Club, 7 p.m., Black 150
-Sail Company, 8 p.m., GMA Church

Wednesday
-Bowling Club, 4 p.m., Rodeo bowl
-Circle K, 5 p.m., SUB 204
-Geology Club, 5 p.m., Lind 102
-Public Relations Student Society of America, 5:15 p.m., SUB 216
The annual Ware Fair began yesterday and runs through Dec 1. Booths are open everyday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday in the Yakama Room, Owhi Room and SUB Pit in the SUB. The festival boasts home-made arts and crafts created by both the community and Central students with contributions from other merchants.

"Visiting the Ware Fair is a great way to get into the Christmas spirit," Central student Ryan Jones said.

There are approximately 45 vendors scheduled to have their crafts on display. Among the many different community booths will be Central clubs and organizations. The Central Trombone Choir, Fashion Merchandising Club, Chinese Student Association and Delta Epsilon Chi will be on scene offering food, beverages, and arts and crafts.
Harry Potter isn't all magical

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Review

Shakira does some service

Rachel Whiteman Scene editor

Kara Pierce Staff reporter

Maybe you’ve seen her belly dancing or crawling through the mud wearing something resembling a cavewoman outfit in her new video "Whichever, Whenever" or possibly in a Pepsi commercial: her name is Shakira Mebarak, but she is better known as just Shakira. She’s 24-years-old and has already won a Grammy and two Latin Grammy awards. "Laundry Service" hit stores on November 13 and has already sold 2 million copies since buying it.

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Jazz Night spices up the music scene

Observer staff

For a mere $3 you can listen to some of the country’s best college vocal and instrumental jazz performances right here at Central campus. Jazz Night takes place in the Hertz Recital Hall. Performances will include original student compositions and selections composed by the late Tom Gause.

Washington University instead of sitting on the couch. This Friday night, Central’s Jazz Bands I, II, and III and Vocal Jazz I, II, and III will be performing at 7 p.m. in Hertz Recital Hall. Performances will include original student compositions and selections composed by the late Tom Gause.

One-Act Play Festival is returning to Central

"It is so exciting to see this movie!" Kara whispers.

"Really?" I ask. "Do you even know what it is about?"

"I think it is about a little boy who is magic," she says as the opening scenes light up the screen.

"Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone" is a story about a boy who was placed on his Aunt and Uncle’s doorstep when he was a baby. Flash-forward a few years to see that Harry is living in a small storage space under the stairs. He is horribly mistreated; his cousin is spoiled rotten while Harry has to do all the chores. One day, Harry gets a mysterious letter inviting him to Hogwarts, a school for wizardry-in-training. Once there, Harry makes fast friends with Ronald Weasley and Hermoine Granger. While at Hogwarts, Harry and his friends learn how to fly on a broom and levitate objects. They also attend classes on how to brew potions and cast spells.

This was all interesting but very drawn out. The main point of this movie was for Harry to figure out who killed his parents and solve the mystery of the sorcerer’s stone. Harry figures out both dilemmas while becoming one of the most popular boys at Hogwarts.

As we were walking out of the theater, stretching our arms and legs, Kara was talking excitedly about the movie. She said she didn’t want the film to end and it was scary and entertaining at the same time. I thought the movie was entertaining, but then again, I think fart noises and "Spaceballs" is entertaining. Go ahead and watch "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone," but only if you are a Harry Potter fan.

Kara’s final thoughts: It was very exciting throughout the whole movie. All together it was a great movie with outstanding actors and actresses. I recommend people of all ages to watch this film.

Rachel’s final thoughts: It was ok, the special effects were impressive and the actors were good. Some parts were actually scary and made me jump out of my seat. This is still a movie for Harry Potter fans only.

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Veronica Jones Staff reporter

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Get your freak on

by Shane Cleveland
Staff reporter

The "It's Already Ugly College Tour" featuring live rap and R&B performers will be heating up Ellensburg at the Elks this Friday. Ages 18 and up are welcome and a full bar will be provided for the 21-and-over crowd.

Composing Chemistry Productions, founded by Central student Richard Penton, is promoting the show. The tour, presented by Way Out Records, has been visiting area colleges with its northwest artist line-up.

The show will feature two performers who were here this past October for the "Playaz Ball," Javelle and DJ Richie V. "The ladies went crazy for Javelle, they loved his soulful voice," Penton said.

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Fall Freak Fest 2001 will be tomorrow night at the Elks Club located at Fifth and Main.
Papa John's delivers holiday favorite to Club Central

by Shane Cleveland
Staff reporter

Central Washington University's Kristin Korb, director of jazz studies, will put on a holiday performance at the next Papa John's Coffeehouse concert on Dec. 5. Music from the holiday favorite, "A Charlie Brown Christmas," will be the spotlight of the show.

The free event will be held at 8 p.m. in the SUB's Club Central. Korb, a critically acclaimed jazz vocalist and bassist, will perform a similar show to the one she will be doing on Dec. 15 in San Diego. Joining Korb at the Papa John's show will be Central music professor Doug Rosener on drums and Central student Brian Dean on piano.

"It will be holiday music done with a jazz approach," Korb said.

Korb, who has just released her second album, "Where You'll Find Me," tours nationally on breaks and weekends to perform and educate. This will be her second Papa John's appearance.


"Toys for Tots" fundraiser brings joy to needy kids

by Rachel Wiersma
Scene editor

The 16th Annual Toys for Tots Christmas Party, put on by the Downer County Bikers and the Elks Lodge, will be Saturday evening, with the doors opening at 4 p.m. and music starting at 6 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, located at Fifth and Main. The event organizers promise a fun filled party with raffle tickets, door prizes and an auction with all proceeds being donated to the Ellensburg Christmas Baskets Program.

"In the past fifteen years we have raised over $75,000," Kevin Devries, a volunteer, said.

After the money is raised, new toys are purchased locally and donated to the Christmas Basket Program. The toys are then distributed to children for Christmas.

Live music will include Slyde, Full Ride, Roosters, Jumpin' Johnny and Shovelhead Fred (& the Oblivians). A $5 donation is suggested at the door and the event is open to the public.

"We are really excited," Devries said. "Every year gets bigger and better and this will be the best year."
Stressed out? Go take a hike!

by Matt Smith
Outdoor editor

Stop thinking that you're going to be stuck inside studying for finals while the snow is falling and the mountains are calling, and start thinking day hikes. Since you live in the Kittitas Valley you are blessed with a bunch of short day hikes that will only take a couple of hours out of your day and still give you ample time to study your copious notes for finals.

The best hikes to go on in the area are on the Manastash Ridge, Canyon Ridge and Umptanum Falls trails.

Manastash Ridge lies southwest of town and takes ten minutes to drive to. Manastash has three routes to choose from ranging in difficulty from moderate to challenging.

The Westberg Trail is the easiest route to the top with its steady 1,200 foot elevation gain along two miles. This one is recommended for those who don't want a big workout.

The Boy Scout Trail twists and switchbacks through the trees for a steep hike. This time of year it is slick and muddy since the trail follows a natural drainage. Make sure you have sturdy boots for this one.

The Prater & Powell route is a steady uphill walk that turns challenging when you attempt the face of the ridge. There are two offshoots to get to the top from this route. Route A goes up a steep grassy slope that may be slick this time of year. Route B winds up the steep rocky face where the footing is more stable. At the top you will not only find a great view of the snow covered hills and valley, but there are memorials to friends and loved ones who all shared a love for the ridge and the valley. Total round-trip mileage is is about four miles for any of the routes. The trailhead is at the end of Cove Road.

Umptanum Falls is a 15-minute drive from town on Umptanum Road. Of all the valley hikes this one is the easiest. The trail is a good mile long and follows a babbling stream until it reaches the roaring falls. To get to the other side of the falls some rock scrambling will be required. Watch your step in the icy weather. This hike only takes two hours and is a great morning or mid-day hike.

The Canyon Ridge is a steep rocky hike above the Yakima River. There are no flat areas in the hike but the views of the river and the valley are worth the workout. To get there follow the Canyon Road 7 miles out of town until you see a turnout on the left side of the road. Use caution on this trail in snowy weather, the rocks may be slick.

Finals are a time of stress, so go take a hike to feel better about yourself and your finals.

The Canyon Ridge pokes its peak through the fog. (right)
The Umptanum Falls are a quick mile hike away. (below)
Great views are seen on the top of Manastash. (bottom right)

Snowshoes are walking out the door fast

by Jesse Pedersen
Staff reporter

No more snowshoes may be the words heard if you arrive at Tent-N-Tube on Friday afternoons. "Snowshoes are sold out every weekend," Tent-N-Tube employee Jeff Bickford said. Snowshoes is very popular on campus this year.

Tent-N-Tube, located in the Samuelson Union Building, rents out snowshoes as well as other outdoor sports equipment. This year the Tent-N-Tube has purchased ten new pairs of MSR snowshoes to add to their inventory of ten pairs of last season's Red Feather snowshoes. The Tent-N-Tube is still having a hard time keeping them on the rack for rent.

"Student have been renting the snowshoes and going up to Blewett Pass," Tent-N-Tube employee Eric Malasatni said. "There are a lot of cross country ski trails that are also used by snowshoers there."

Snowshoeing on cross-country ski trails is not the only reason students have been renting the snowshoes.

"Some people attach skis or snowboards on their pack so they can hike into the backcountry with snowshoes and ski out," Bickford said.

With the increasing cold weather and a forecast for more snow in the upper county, there could be more and more participants snowshoeing in the upcoming weeks.

"Who knows, tomorrow you may have to snowshoe to class," Bickford said.

Snowshoes can be rented on a daily, weekly or weekend basis at Tent-N-Tube and students should come early on Fridays to rent snowshoes before they are gone.

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The Central Washington University women’s basketball team is off to another promising start of another exciting season. The Wildcats started off with a couple of huge victories in the first annual Rodeo Classic tournament that was held at Nicholson Pavilion.

"Obviously you want to go into league play on a positive note," Wildcat head coach Jeff Whitney said. "I feel we have made the strides we need to make going into league play."

The Wildcats then traveled to Nampa Idaho to participate in the Northwest Nazarene women’s basketball classic last weekend. Central started the tournament with a 79-50 trouncing of Cascade College. The Wildcats were led by their 6 foot 2 inch senior center Rose Shaw who scored seventeen points on 6-8 shooting. The Wildcats used excellent shooting and effective rebounding to simply outshine Cascade College.

"I think it helps when you have different threats on the floor, if other players can continue to step it up it is going to make Rose’s job a lot easier in the paint," Whitney said.

The Wildcats faced Point Loma the next day, and continued their recent dominance with a 92-65 victory. The Wildcats came out firing on all cylinders, jumping all over Point Loma with a 46-25 lead at the half. Central was led in scoring by senior guard Dawnita LiaBraaten who finished with 17 points and connected on four of seven from the three point line. Jody Sargent was close behind LiaBraaten with 16 points and Shaw right behind her with 15.

"We always knew she has been capable of shooting," Whitney said of LiaBraaten. "The difference has been on the defensive side of the ball."

The trio of Rose Shaw, Jody Sargent and Dawnita LiaBraaten were all Central would need to dominate the tournament. All three players were named to the All-Tournament team. Junior guard Meegen Kautsky (left) goes around a Northwest College player, while senior Jenny Dixon (right) puts up a shot also against Northwest. The Wildcats won the game 90-59 along with a 88-47 victory over Cascade College. Both games were part of the Rodeo City Wildcat Classic, a tournament which Central hosts each year. After a 4-0 start the Wildcats look to stay on a roll as they open conference play against Northwest Nazarene next Thursday in Nampa, Idaho.

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Joe Whiteside/Observer

Central mops up competition at Chico Invite

by Casey Steiner
Staff reporter

Men’s basketball coach Greg Sparling promised his Central Washington University team would put more points on the board this season. He promised an exciting up-tempo style of play. And he promised his team would compete for the Great Northwest Athletic Conference title.

Though play in the GNAC has yet to begin, Sparling has held true to his word. The Wildcats improved their record to 4-0 after routing Chico State 96-76 in the Chico State Invitational Nov. 24 at Acker Gymnasium. The season is young, but Central has averaged 95.6 points per game.

"We have a lot of weapons," Sparling said. "Our defense is causing our offense and we’re getting a lot of easy baskets." Central has the ability to attack its opponents from all angles this season. The team isn’t especially big, but it is deep and athletic. Five different players have scored in double figures so far and several more have potential for a bust out game. Scoring balance means opponents can’t devote too much attention to shutting down Central’s powerful and explosive power forward Justin Thompson.

"J.T. is definitely our go to guy, but he is complemented well by Terry Thompson and previously by Shane Kernan. Scott Freymond and the rest of the boys have done a great job," Sparling said.

When coaches talk “athleticism,” the word can be translated in the minds of fans to one thing: dunks. No longer are Wildcat fans dependent on Justin Thompson for an awe inspiring 360-degree dunk. This Central squad has “athleticism” up and down its roster to whip the crowd into a frenzy.

"We have a lot of guys that can take it to the rim this year and also guys that can shoot it," Sparling said.

After scoring 36 points, shooting 6-of-7 from the three-point-line, and claiming seven steals in games against Sonoma State and Chico State, junior guard Terry Thompson was voted tournament MVP and later GNAC player of the week. Senior Justin Thompson joined his teammate on the all-tournament team following his 26-point tournament performance.

A key statistic to the success of the Wildcats is its 28.3 average in forced turnovers. In the game against Chico State Central scored 43 points off 27 turnovers. The Wildcat defense has been strong, holding opponents to a 75-point average, enabling a 21.3 scoring margin.

"We took a lot longer teaching our defense this year and our athleticism has made it easier on the players," Sparling said. "Our defense has the ability to take the other team completely out of their offense."

Junior guard Shane Kernan suffered a knee injury midway through the first half of the Sonoma State game and is likely lost for the season with a torn anterior cruciate ligament.

"The good news for Shane is that he won’t lose a year of eligibility because he’ll get a hardship," Sparling said.

Central hosts Warner Pacific at 7 p.m., Sat., Dec. 1 in Nicholson Pavilion. The Knights come to Ellensburg with a six game winning streak and a 6-1 overall record.

"We’re home and we don’t lose at home," Sparling said.

See HOOPS, page 15
The swim team travels to the Husky Invite this weekend.

Swim team splits at Whitworth, women get first win of season
by Susan Bunday
Staff reporter

Individual success, including a meet record, led Central Washington University's swim team to their first meet win of the season on Fri., Nov. 17. The first victory, a 110-95 win, came over Whitworth College.

Junior Vicki Schmaltz and freshman Brianne Kelson led the Wildcat women by winning a pair of events each. Both were also part of a winning relay.

Schmaltz won the 100 (55.30) and 200 (2:01.06) freestyles, as Kelson placed first in the 200 individual medley (2:16.34) and 200 backstroke (2:10.13). Kelson’s time in the 200 backstroke gave her the meet record.

"I heard them announce my name over the PA and that’s how I found out," Kelson said of her record-breaking performance.

Kelson felt that she did not start the race well and was forced to compensate in the last 100 meters. She was disappointed with her time, having swum faster in last week’s meet against Simon Fraser.

"Getting the record made up for having such a bad time," Kelson said.

Schmaltz and Kelson teamed up with junior Anne Miller and freshman Shelbi Settlage to win the 200 medley relay in 1:54.46.

Central’s men did not fair as well in the dual meet. Whitworth ended Central’s three game winning streak, by handing them a 119-86 loss.

Kalkoske won both the 50 (22.41) and 100 (49.55) freestyles.

"Matt did a really good job and his 50 is finally starting to come together," assistant coach Jay Box said. "We are definitely going to see him get a lot faster!"

Central will compete over the weekend at the University of Washington Husky Relays.

Shaw shoots for fun senior season
by Stephanie Tokola
Staff reporter

Fun is the name of the game for Central Washington University’s senior post Rose Shaw. Entering her final collegiate basketball season, Shaw has set her mind to making this season fun and memorable.

"It’s my last year of playing basketball here," Shaw said. "I just want to have fun playing with my teammates and really enjoy basketball again."

Not that she hasn’t been enjoying basketball lately, but Shaw says three years of year-round basketball can really burn a person out. Her main goal for this season is to have fun and remember why she started playing basketball eight years ago.

Shaw started basketball, at the insistence of her mom, her freshman year at Interlake High School in Bellevue. Her mom wanted her to participate in more than one sport, so Shaw chose to play basketball in addition to softball.

Shaw’s choice to play basketball paid off, as she broke Central’s scoring record last season and became the all-time leading scorer for the Wildcats. Last season, Shaw led the team in four categories, including season field goal percentage, rebounds per game, points per game, and total number of points in the season.

Shaw, one of three seniors, started this season on fire, just where she left off last season. For her performance during the Rodeo City Classic on Nov. 16 and 17, Shaw earned Great Northwest Athletic Conference Player of the Week honors. On Nov. 16, in Central’s win over Oregon’s Cascade College, Shaw chipped in with 24 points and five rebounds. She contributed 28 points and 17 rebounds as the Wildcats defeated Northwest College of Kirkland on Nov. 17. Shaw scored 17 points on Nov. 23 as Central beat Cascade in the Northwest Nazarene University Classic.

Shaw hopes to contribute more to the team than just points and rebounds this year. Senior guard Jenny Dixon said in the past Shaw has been quiet and led the team more by example.

"I’m hoping to be more of a vocal leader," Shaw said. "I’m planning on getting in people’s faces if it needs to be done, but that shouldn’t have to happen."

Shaw said this year’s team has a lot more depth than teams in the past, and as a result, the Wildcats will bring an up-tempo game to the court. Shaw named Seattle Pacific University as Central’s number one competition this year. In order in win, she said Central needs to defend the home court and go out on the road and surprise a lot of people this year.

Shaw said the league was parity good and there were five or six teams that could beat Central on any night.

"We have to bring out ‘A’ game every game, whether we are number one or number ten in the league," Shaw said. "I think if we bring out ‘A’ game we have a very good chance of being in the upper echelon of the league."

Basketball has had an incredibly positive effect on Shaw’s life. She said it has taught her many leadership qualities she did not have before she started playing.

Shaw also said she didn’t know if she would be in college if it weren’t for basketball.

Shaw’s most memorable basketball moment came last year when she broke Central’s scoring record. She broke the record on a lay-up and was fouled on the play.

"It was pretty cool because the announcer said something," Shaw said. "I was shooting a free-throw and Jenny (Dixon) came up and gave me a hug, and my teammates congratulated me.""
Duck hunting season opens for men’s rugby

by Matt Orren
Staff reporter

The Central Washington University’s rugby club continued their perfect season with a win over the University of Oregon on Saturday, Nov. 17. Now ranked sixth in the nation, the Wildcats look to be the best team in school history.

Central took to their home field to face Pac-10 power house University of Oregon. Central came with their best as they rolled over the Ducks 47-15. Central proved that they can play with the major schools on the west coast and did it with authority.

Central’s Pat Wilson led the team with two tries which impressed team captain Tony Pacheco.

"Pat played very well for us scoring two tries," Pacheco said. "We all played good enough." The next challenge for the Wildcats will be a match against the University of Washington. Central played the Huskies earlier this season, winning by one point in a tournament at Western Washington.

"We played them earlier this season and won by one," Pacheco said. "This should be a good game." The next game will be at noon this Saturday on Central’s home field.

'_cats to try their luck in Vegas

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Central Washington University’s wrestling team split four duals this past weekend as the Wildcats took a road trip through Oregon. Central dropped the first two meets of the weekend but redeemed themselves with back to back victories later on.

Central played their best on Saturday as they went to the University of Pacific to compete in the Pacific Open.

Central finished the Open with a total of six grapplers that placed, including two champions. "We had a good showing in the late rounds." Cole Dennison, 141 pounds and Ken Salvinin, 149 pounds both went undefeated on Saturday and dominated their respective weight classes.

"I was overall impressed with our performance," coach Jay McGaffin said. "Cole and Ken wrestled very well for us, helping us redeem ourselves."

The Wildcats were not as productive the previous day as they dropped two out of three in a tournament at Oregon State University. Central faced Oregon State, Portland State and Simon Fraser on the Friday triple header.

Central struggled early as they fell to Pac-10 power Oregon State 44-0, and Portland State 26-7. Central was able to take the final dual of the day, beating Simon Fraser 36-0. Simon Fraser is ranked eleventh nationally in the NAIA. The Wildcats won eight of the ten matches with Simon Fraser.

Heavyweight Chris Shipk took two decisions in the winning effort with one of the victories coming by major decision.

Next up for Central is a pair of duals at 4 p.m. on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 in Las Vegas. Central looks to gain a national ranking by facing two top 15 teams in Adams State and the Colorado School of Mines.

HOOPS: Terry Thompson awarded tournament MVP

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On paper Warner Pacific and Central look very similar. The Knights have averaged 89.1 points per game and have outscored their opponents by an average of 21.1 points. Each team shoots the ball well from beyond the three-point arc and both have the ability to punish opponents after offensive rebounds. Warner Pacific even outs a scoring balance to rival the Wildcats. The Knights have four players averaging double digit scoring including forward Andrew Twist, who is averaging 18.9 pts and 7.9 rebounds per game. Twist, who should present an entertaining match-up with Central’s Justin Thompson, is currently fourth in the Cascade Collegiate Conference inblock shot at 9 per game.

"We play a very fun style of basketball," Spahr said. "You never know what is going to happen."

Central opens GNAC play at home Dec. 6 against a Seattle Pacific team ranked 16 nationally. Dec. 8 the Wildcats host Western Washington, ranked second nationally.

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