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BOD VP, roommate expelled

by Emily Bo11den
News editor

Two Central Washington University students were expelled Tuesday following their arrests in connection to a burglary that occurred on Central's campus last Friday.

Ryan McMichael, a junior computer science major and Associated Students of Central Washington University Board of Directors executive vice president, and Ryan Bon, senior graphic design major, were arrested for second-degree burglary and theft. Bon had seven charges filed against him and McMichael faces one. More charges may be filed.

Property valued in excess of $15,000, including monitors, laptops and televisions were recovered from Bon and McMichael's shared residence over the weekend.

An investigation of the two came after police responded to a break-in on Friday in the Language and Literature Building where officers discovered that two flat screen monitors, valued at $1,200, were taken from the locked McNair Scholars Office, campus police said in a press release.

Officer Cameron Clasen was later monitoring the area and noticed McMichael "acting suspiciously." Clasen found him in possession of a walkie-talkie.

"We know and conclude that they violated the school's judicial code to have taken property from the university without permission," Keith Champagne, associate vice president for student affairs, said.

"Expulsion is one of the disciplinary sanctions that may be imposed by the vice president for student affairs and enrollment management, as stated in the Student Judicial Code. "Expulsion means you no longer have rights and privileges at CWU," Champagne said. "In essence, you're asked to leave the university forever."

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Brick by brick the wall falls

A crowd of roughly 250 students, faculty and staff gathered last Thursday at 4 p.m. at the Samuelson Union Building Amphitheater to pull down the 40 foot wide by 10 foot tall wall that consisted of individually painted bricks.

Each brick represented various forms of oppression and misconceptions that are thought to be prevalent in society.

After the wall came crashing down, 15 members of the pledge class of Alpha Kappa Psi volunteered to clean up most of the rubble. Campus Activities staff and Diversity Education Center staff helped as well.

Going the extra mile

By Emily Duplessis
Staff reporter

When they named the Extra Mile Award, they didn't have Ken Baxter in mind, but maybe they should have.

Baxter, director of housing and conference services at Central Washington University, is one of 11 individuals from across the state to receive this year's Extra Mile Award.

Applicants for the prestigious award are carefully selected by a committee within the Office of the Secretary of State in Olympia and honored with a visit by a state elected official.

Baxter's nomination came after Mary Abo, conference services manager who has been working with Baxter for the past 10 years, received a state wide e-mail explaining the award.

"I emailed faculty members on campus, inviting them to send Ken's praises to Olympia," Abo said. "All the recipients complied immediately."

With each e-mail sent to Olympia, Baxter's ideals, management style and personality traits seemed to outline the specifications for the award.

"His overall honesty, care and concern for his co-workers and his sense of humor are just a few of the reasons I like working for him," Barbara Hinchcliffe, office support supervisor, for on-campus housing, said.

Hinchcliffe has been working for Baxter ever since he became the director of housing three years ago.

Hinchcliffe saw the award notification in early February and said she had a feeling Baxter would win the award because in her 16 years of employment at Central, she couldn't think of anybody on campus more deserving to win than Baxter.

Aside from Baxter being an excellent supervisor, his contributions to the campus and community far exceed his professional requirements.

Baxter coined the term "chimpan- suim" for the Chimpanzee and Human Communication Institute (CHCI) program on campus and speaks to prospective students and their parents about the chimps eight to 10 times a year during the "Central Sampler." Baxter is also involved with United Way, where he serves on the board of directors. He chairs the Combined Fund Drive at Central, which encourages faculty and staff to donate a portion of their paychecks to certain charities every month.

Baxter shares his Central pride with his wife of 30 years, Jody, an administrative assistant to the vice president of university relations. Baxter has two sons, one has graduated from Central, and the youngest is a freshman. His family moved to Ellensburg 12 years ago from California, where he worked as a manager for a major hotel near the Disneyland Resort. Knowing the logistics involved in running a hotel
White ribbons work to prevent violence

by Kelly Marvin
Staff reporter

Attention all males on campus: May is Masculinity Month. The Center for Student Empowerment is hosting a series of events this month to help redefine the concept of masculinity.

The Empowerment Center has participated in the White Ribbon Campaign for four years.

The White Ribbon Campaign is a nationally recognized program initiated in 1991 by a group of Canadian men. The campaign encourages men to speak out against violence against women. Wearing a white ribbon is a personal pledge never to commit, condone or remain silent about violence against women.

In conjunction with the White Ribbon Campaign, the Empowerment Center is bringing Patrick Lemmon, co-founder and co-director of "Men Can Stop Rape," to Central Washington University to discuss masculinity, violence and how they relate to society. His presentation is entitled "Real Men: Creating a New Non-Violent Masculinity." Lemmon's organization presents similar seminars throughout the country.

"It is important to have the opportunity to have a forum to discuss masculinity and the stereotypes that are associated with it," Alyssa Walz, senior history major and lead gender programmer for the Empowerment Center, said. "We need to redefine stereotypes of masculinity and break down the walls."

Each year the Empowerment Center has expanded the event by providing more opportunities for men to be involved with the program. This year, they are another step closer to their goal.

"This is our first year of expansion to more of what our vision is for Masculinity Month," Katrina Whitney, director of the Empowerment Center, said.

The Central Washington University police department has presented the award by State Auditor Brian Sonntag and all faculty, students or other agencies who wish to show their support are welcome.

President Jerilyn Mcintyre, Provost Dorothy Solts and Carlos Martin, OISP executive director of international programs, announced the cancellation of these programs Monday, April 21.

"We did not come to this decision lightly," Martin said. "But based on information gathered from sources in China and the U.S. we believe this is the best course of action, given the circumstances, and decided to cancel our program and tell our students to come back home."

All four students in the program have returned to the United States, three from Peking University and one from Anhui University. The last student returned to Washington two weeks ago. The identity of these students could not be revealed because of federal student privacy laws.

There was some concern because a professor at Peking University contacted SARS from her mother. The professor's mother eventually died. As a precaution, elementary schools around the university closed to keep the disease from spreading.

Central is not the only school concerned with this problem. The University of California at Berkley, which had 40 students in China, pulled their students from the program.

According to the World Health Organization, China had 4,560 probable cases of SARS as of May 7. Hong Kong, Canada, Singapore and Taiwan have the highest number of reported SARS cases, while the United States has had 65 probable cases. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has reported that Washington state has had a least 20 of the 65 suspected SARS cases in the United States. No one has been reported to have died from the disease in the United States.

In general, SARS begins with a fever higher than 100.4°F. Other symptoms may include headaches, body aches and an overall feeling of discomfort. Some people also experience mild respiratory symptoms. After two to seven days, SARS patients may develop a dry cough and have trouble breathing.

SARS has spread mainly among people who have had close contact with an infected person, such as those sharing a household with a SARS patient or healthcare workers who don't use infection control procedures while caring for SARS patients. In the United States, there is no indication of an epidemic at this time, but the CDC continues to monitor the situation closely.

The epidemic in China has not stopped study abroad students from learning and enjoying their experiences.

"I think it's a very good experience in life," Radhika Shimakazi, senior public relations major, said. "If I came here when I was 16 to visit a friend who lives in Yakima. When I got here I could speak any English and that's why I wanted to stay abroad. I wanted to learn to speak English."

For more information about Central's study abroad programs, visit the international center located right across from the language and literature building in the north end of campus.

For more information about SARS, visit the CDC Web site at www.cdc.gov.

Ken Baxter
Director of Housing and Conference Services

BAXTER: Co-workers applaud dedication

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CARBNET
George Hawley
Staff reporter

Each year approximately 200 students go through the Wildcat Wellness Center’s Prime for Life program as a result of court or university sanctions following drug or alcohol related violations.

There is no set punishment for MIP citations, though the maximum sentence is a $500 fine and/or two months imprisonment. The judge considers factors, such as previous violations, before issuing a sentence. A fine and community service are common punishments for an MIP.

"If I had to go to court twice, pay $200 in fines and do 20 hours of community service," Justin Wilson, freshman pharmacology major who was cited for an MIP, said. "I wouldn’t wish an MIP on anyone.

All student alcohol violations, both on and off campus, are reported to Student Affairs. Every Tuesday, representatives from Student Affairs, the Wellness Center, the Empowerment Center and Residence Life meet and examine all student alcohol violations.

All students cited for MIPs, are required to attend Prime for Life, an educational program sponsored by the Wellness Center to promote awareness of the risks involved with drinking machine burglaries.

"Ryan didn’t really know about all of this," Bon said.

In a statement on behalf of the ASCWU-BOD, President Nathan Harris attempted to dissociate McMichael’s action from student government.

"Mr. McMichael has unquestionably severed himself in his alleged actions and represented himself independently from the ASCWU Board of Directors by engaging in activity considered contrary and incongruent to the expectations of our organization," Harris wrote.

Bon said he and McMichael are in the process of looking for legal representation. They will be arraigned May 12.

According to university policy, any student who has been expelled has the right to appeal the sanction before the Campus Judicial Council.

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On the Spot

Q: Do you think Ryan McMichael’s expulsion is fair?

A: I think that anyone that steals that much money from the school should get kicked out. Make an example of him.

- Josh Lopez, senior tourism management major

A: As long as the law runs its course, then that’s just enough. But I don’t think he should represent the school.

- Tessa Staveley, junior public relations major

A: Yeah, you have to recognize the consequences that come about from decisions.

- Mike Girius, senior law major

A: My first thought is no, it seems a little harsh. People make mistakes. If this is the first time, being expelled is a bit much.

- Roger Fisher, senior secondary math education major

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MEETINGS, ETC.

Thursday, May 8

• ASCWU BOD 3 p.m. in SUB pit

• Club Senate 4 p.m. in SUB Yakama Room

Tuesday, May 13

• Equity & Services Council 12 noon in SUB 105

Thursday, May 15

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Wildcat news bites

Compiled by Observer staff

FACULTY SPEAKER SERIES
Phil Backlund of the communication department, will present "Culture, Communication, and Contention: Reflections on a Year in Hong Kong," from 4 to 5:15 p.m. today in the Science Building room 216.

MOTHER'S DAY
Be nice to your Mom on May 11

COFFEE FOR YOUR CAREER
Steve Stellick, program director for KKLE Radio, will be speaking at 11 a.m. on May 13 in the Yakama Room (SUB) about how he became one of Libby Taylor's most recognized radio personalities. Stellick will be giving his inside tips and techniques associated with broadcast media as a career.

EDUCATION CAREER FAIR
Come to the Education Career Fair from noon to 5 p.m. on May 14 in Black Hall. School districts from in and out-of-state will be attending. Students interested in the interviews. Check online for more information at cwu-career.com or call Career Services at 963-1921.

GEOGRAPHY AND LAND STUDIES COLLOQUIUM
Randall Jones will present "Lessons from Award-Winning Fairview Village: Smart Growth or Just Development" at 4 p.m. on May 22 in Lind Hall room 104.

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Get ready to rumble

by Joseph Castro
Staff reporter

Computer software allows cruise missiles to navigate hundreds of miles from a launch site and destroy a target with amazing accuracy. With that idea students will create battle born robots on tanks on their computers using similar software.

Java programmed robot battle tanks will compete at Robocode Rumble, a tournament in which competitors program a cyber battle tank to see whose program is superior.

Bon Swenson, president of the Central chapter of ACM, has been involved in coordinating Robocode Rumble. "It's pretty easy stuff because the tanks are already set up," Swenson said. "All you have to do is program it, tell it what you want it to do."

The tournament, which will be projected on a screen in the Samuelson Union Building (SUB) pit, will include one-on-one competitions and free-for-all battles. The winners will have one-on-one competitions and about ten rounds where everybody's entered," Swenson said. "And based on how people do in those rounds they receive an overall score. The person with the highest score wins the flat screen."

The small battle tanks are programmed by students. According to Swenson said there is a lot more going on behind the scenes than what appears as a video game. "The tanks will react to getting shot, they'll shoot back," Swenson said.

The ACM asked local businesses to sponsor the event by donating prizes. "We approached kvalley.com and told them what we were doing," Swenson said. "They seemed pretty enthusiastic about contributing to everyone learning about programing and they gave it to us (flatscreen monitor) as a prize. We're still trying to get other prizes as well, so it should be pretty exciting."

The winner up will win a $20 gift certificate from Grant's Pizza. Swenson said Robocode Rumble is an excellent opportunity for ACM students involved. "It's giving 110 and 111 (computer science) students a fun way to get involved in an actual program and having fun doing it," Swenson said.

The ACM is a national organization with more than 75,000 members who are interested in learning new computing technologies.

"We try to get students involved with the industry," Swenson said. "Last summer we were up in Microsoft and the human resources department gave us a talk about what we can expect if we worked there, and it was a great learning experience."

"We'll plan on doing that again next year."

The Robocode Rumble is 2:30 June 6, in the SUB pit. Those interested in participating can visit the ACM web site at www.cwu.edu/acm. Participation is free. Students familiar with Java can receive free tutoring 6 p.m. Mondays at Hebel er Hall room 214A.

MIP: Prime for Life classes packed

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alcohol. Students pay $15 for class materials when enrolled, but do not have to pay again for repeat sessions.

Prime for Life is a three day program that totals about 10 hours of class time. Students must pass a test at the end of the course. If they fail they must re-enroll.

"There is no pattern for when we get lots of MIPs," Keith Champagne, associate vice president for Student Affairs, said. "Some quarters students obey the law, some quarters students disregard the law."

Students who receive an alcohol related incident report in their residence hall, even if there is no police involvement, will receive the same sanctions from the university as if they received an MIP citation.

If a student has three violations in a row, they may face suspension from Central.

Students sanctioned on mari­jana charges also participate in the program, though Gail Farmer, Wellness Program coordinator, said the class is not geared toward them.

"I created a class specifically for people that are busted for mar­jana," Farmer said. "It is based on prevention and education."

The drug class has been offered three times this year.
Disabilities week highlights web redesign

Web Accessibility

by Martha Goudey-Price
Staff reporter

Of Central Washington University's 8,000 students, at least 512 have a disability condition. Some of these conditions are learning and vision impairments. Disabled students, like all of Central's students, need to access information on Central's Web site and faculty home pages.

Two of computer science professor Ed Gellenbeck's students, Kelly Crooke, senior computer science major, and Lindsey Appel, junior computer science and accounting major, audited six public universities in Washington, including Central, University of Washington and Washington State University. They discovered that the universities' home pages are not completely accessible to people with vision or learning impairments.

"Section 508 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act says that all federally funded Web sites must be accessible to people of disability," Ian Campbell, adaptive technology services coordinator at Central, said.

"Federal law applies to the university because we get federal grants. Case law hasn't progressed to the point that 508 will be required, but it's coming."

Central's Web site is being rebuilt, and will take 10 to 12 months.

"We are totally committed to becoming 508 compliant," Days said. "With as massive a Web site as we have, it's prudent for us to do it now."

The University is in the process of revamping the entire system to be more user friendly to all students.

"I would very much recommend this event to the faculty," Campbell said. "There are a lot of fancy Web sites, not under the current administration Web site, not accessible to students."

Keith Angotti, chair for A.B.L.E. (Access Belonging Learning Equality) and information technology major, audited six public universities including Franklin D. Roosevelt.

"They (people with disabilities) are not a segregated group," Angotti said. "Everyone has a disability at one time or another."

"We are implementing changes before it's required by law, which shows that Central is in touch with the needs of the students," Angotti said.

Gellenbeck will be the featured speaker for a Web accessibility forum at 4 p.m., Tuesday, May 13 in the Samuelson Union Building Yakama Room.

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Lack of self control cuts glory days short

Similar to SARS, there is another epidemic infecting humans. It is yet to be named, but symptoms may include: holding a position of power and/or prestige, having temptations of lust and/or greed and a tendency to get caught and buckle under pressure.

Basically what I am talking about is an overall lack of judgment. Yeah, we all have a few bounts of this disease (sorry to that girl I called a bitch downtown last weekend), but there have been some extreme examples of late.

In fact, in this issue of the Observer, we have covered two of them.

The first, of course, is the arrest of Associated Students of Central Washington University Executive Vice President Ryan McMichael on charges of burglary and possession of stolen property. Seriously McMichael, what the hell were you thinking? You claim your involvement is less than what it seems, but any involvement at all -- considering the position entrusted to you by your peers -- is too much. Your resignation and apology are a nice gesture but no matter what your role was in the incident, your decision-making was by far the worst. I will sum it up with a direct quote from McMichael's profile on the ASCWU Web site: "I hope to legitimize the ASCWU Board of Directors." Well put, McMichael, well put.

Next, was the firing of Alabama football coach Mike Price, former Warorz coach, after he reportedly spent hundreds of dollars at a strip club and had a woman rack up a cool $500 on his room service bill. Now if I could choose a way to go out that would be it. I think both Price's decision, which put him in the immoral limelight, and the university's decision to fire him were both lacking much sense, good luck next year Bama. Oh yeah, I saw a picture of the girl he allegedly received $200 worth of lap dances from. Let's just say she was even more overpaid than Price. Sorry Mike, you Cougled it.

Two more examples of poor judgment are much more unfortunate, and very sad.

On April 25, Tacoma Police Chief David Brame shot his wife and then himself in a shopping center parking lot in front of the couple's two young children. The incident occurred one day following allegations that he abused her. Both died in the days ensuing the suicide.

It's too bad that people who are elected to or hold a public office and, in turn, the world, are helping to make this campus a terrible place to live? And just how much of a disarray is our education system in?

If "disarray," you mean that we have a lack of teachers, funding, and the like, then you are correct. But I wonder, and excuse me for saying so, what the hell does that have to do with the 'decline' of society? Does the fact that educational professionals are not swarming mean, necessarily, that the students are less than morally sound?

You also discuss the disintegration of good old American values. I hate to be the one to break it to you, sir, but we are in a new day and age, and the world no longer revolves around the ideals of the fifties.

You point out the rise in divorce rates. It was noted, also, that you are involved with "Marriage Savers." Again, I hate to be the bearer of bad news, but some people just don't want or need saving. If someone wants to get a divorce from the person they are with, for whatever reasons they see fit, who are you to judge them, or to put divorce in the same category as the rise of STD rates? Absolutely ridiculous.

I know it must be hard to watch the morals of all those around you slip into oblivion by your standards, but the fact of the matter is that we do not all live by your standards, or the standards of the Christian faith, or the standards of a time when women were objectified in a less apparent way.

It is difficult to say whether or not the students here live by a strict moral code -- as with the rest of America, but I can't fathom how you could feel so smug pointing fingers at those who are certainly not to blame.

Sarah Druin
Freshman
Undecided

RESPONSE TO LETTER

Powell "missed the point" reader says

In response to Mr. Powell's letter to the editor:

While I agree that the "Easter Bunny vs. Pot" piece was ridiculous and downright stupid, I think that you, Mr. Powell, have 'missed the point' on a number of different levels.

Are you implying with your letter, Sir, that because the campus newspaper promotes ideals or actions not condoned by the Christian faith, all students here are helping to make this campus and, in the world, a more terrible place to live? And just how much of a disarray is our education system in?

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I know it must be hard to watch the morals of all those around you slip into oblivion by your standards, but the fact of the matter is that we do not all live by your standards, or the standards of the Christian faith, or the standards of a time when women were objectified in a less apparent way.

It is difficult to say whether or not the students here live by a strict moral code -- as with the rest of America, but I can't fathom how you could feel so smug pointing fingers at those who are certainly not to blame.

Sarah Druin
Freshman
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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The result of apathy
by Susan Bunday
Sports editor

It’s time to get involved. After all, look where apathy has landed us.

Last spring, roughly 10 percent of the Associated Students of Central Washington University voted in the Board of Directors election. The apathy of the rest of us resulted in the appointment of two sub-par candidates: one failed to enroll as a student at Central this year and the other allegedly stole equipment from the facilities of his constituents.

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The Catheters, Loudermilk, Problem with Heroes and Blue Sky Mile took center stage at an all-ages show at the Thunderbird last Saturday. The Catheters lead singer Brian Standeford (above) fell to his knees during an exhausting performance in which he and his band damaged close to three-hundred dollars worth of equipment. Shane Middleton, Loudermilk guitar player (middle and right) shows his prowess on the guitar as the headliner of the night.

**Drunken debauchery disrupts all-ages concert**

“We like the rush of doing foreign things with the sound of our music.”
— Mark Watrous, Loudermilk

**Concert Review**

by Lindsey Jackson  
Asst. Sports editor

There was no use crying over spilt milk last weekend as things came to an early end at No Touching Ground Movement’s (NTGM) indie showcase. Converging at the most unlikely of places, Blue Sky Mile, Problem with Heroes, The Catheters and headliners Loudermilk took on the challenge of turning the Tahoe room of the Thunderbird into a venue well worth a seven buck cover charge and a good Saturday night.

People complain that there is nothing to do in Ellensburg, yet it’s hard to get people out to the shows,” Lars Bergquist, NTGM co-founder said.

Promoting their upcoming albums, Blue Sky Mile and Problem with Heroes were given a chance to be heard while Loudermilk enjoyed sitting back and relaxing at the end of their promotional U.S. tour of “The Red Record.”

Blue Sky Mile took the stage first and played a set that most of today’s mainstream indie fans would be proud of. With vocals and a look much like that of AFI, Blue Sky Mile was probably one of the more musically talented bands present Saturday night.

“In Reno, we played for a guy and his dog.” Jerry Kansky, vocalist for Blue Sky Mile, said.

No matter the size of the venue Kansky still enjoys being able to perform with his band which got together through word of mouth adds in the newspaper. Used to crowds of hundreds, Blue Sky Mile also enjoyed the ambiance set by the smaller crowd of what Kansky called true fans.

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Finally, after a somewhat disappointing drunken Catheter performance, headliners Loudermilk took the stage. The set began with microphone problems and ended four songs later due to liquor laws that required those under 21 to vacate the Tahoe Room after 10 p.m.

Praised for their stage presence Loudermilk put on a show, no matter how short it may have been, that proved they are truly one of the few great live bands.

After a difficult label change and months of delaying their second record, “The Red Record,” Loudermilk has made their mark on the music scene with 20 million copies of the album sold. Ellensburg was the tiring end to a long and drawn out promotional tour.

“Our sound is already changing and it will be nice to sit down again and make the next record this fall,” Isaac Carpenter, drummer, said.
The Pale to perform

Popular Northwest band is set for concert at Club Central

by Katie Kerber
Staff reporter

Prepare for The Pale, a popular Northwest band. This Thursday, May 8, they will be taking over Samuelson Union Building's (SUB) Club Central. Also taking the stage will be rock/punk band Zero to 6 and one of Ellensburg's newest bands, Crustaceans.

The Pale just released their third album, "Gravity Gets Things Done," with songs that are topping charts at Seattle radio station 107.7 "The End."

The Bellingham band, which has been together for six years, plays a combination of punk/pop and indie rock. They played previously with Supergrass and Evanescence and are getting ready to play at the Gorge's Sasquatch Festival, with Grammy award-winning bands Coldplay, the Flaming Lips and Jurassic 5.

"This concert will appeal to a wide variety of music lovers," Joanna Horowitz, music director at The 'Burg, said.

Zero to 6, another Northwest band that is no stranger to Seattle's punk/rock scene, is known for their outstanding performances filled with personality and energy. The Pale member Cameron Nicklaus recently co-produced Zero to 6's debut album.

The Crustaceans, an up-and-coming band from Ellensburg High School, will also make an appearance. Their music is a mature-sounding indie rock with a sound similar to the band, Built to Spill.

"Most people think, 'Oh they're from Ellensburg. They won't be good,'" Horowitz said. "But I am sure that people will be really impressed with their performance."

The show on Thursday night is open to all ages, and tickets are currently being sold at Jerrols, Rodeo Records and the recreation ticket counter in the SUB. Tickets are $4 for students and $5 for general admission. Seats are limited, so be sure to buy tickets in advance. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

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Production uses theatre faculty talent
by Rachel Mills

Daddy Kemp owns a small gas station on an old highway, and he owns his children's future. The Kemp world would die to live, but their father holds the key and he won't die. Once his gone, they'll finally be able to make their dreams come true.

Taking cues from the music department, Concrete Dreams offers a chance to see the actors, technicians, and designers dream about their inheritance. Kemp siblings are dying to live, but their dreams represent work hard enough to push them to failure. Their dreams will never come true.

Hubbard is the author and director of Concrete Dreams and also an actress in the performance. "It's exciting to see the other theatre artists and audience get what you envisioned in your head for so many years," Hubbard said.

Hubbard said she began writing Concrete Dreams in 1985, but it wasn't released until a public reading in November 1996. "The response was gratifying and affirmed for me that the play might actually have a life of its own, outside the drawer of my desk," Hubbard said.

In Concrete Dreams, a new internate has just opened and the small gas station owned by the Kemp family, is approaching extinction. As their tyrannical father approaches death, the Kemp siblings dream about their inheritance. Hubbard explained that throughout the course of the play, events force the siblings to reexamine their dreams and face reality, with some laugh-outs and tears along the way.

Since this years' closing of McConnell Auditorium for renovations, the theatre department has had to use the Tower Theatre for its productions. The department had no time to waste after the closing of Pinocchio to create the set for Concrete Dreams.

"It's been rough," Lucas Holand, technical director for the new Theatre Arts performance major, said. "We've had to keep everything in a small shop with only one wall, which put it up there and put it together."

The crew had two weeks to build the set and one week to set it up on stage. Holland stressed the difficulty of this task by adding that it is the second largest set used this year.

Working close with Holland is lighting designer Boonn Petersen, senior design technology and the principal, who is responsible for all lighting and electrical.

"We used actual house fixtures that are wired into the set to create a realistic set effect," Petersen said.

Before I share my feelings about the Friday night comedy show in Club Central, allow me to flash my comedy review credentials.

I can effectively deduce what is and is not funny due to countless days and nights of my life spent absorbing everything that is TV's Comedy Central. Through this education I now know what appeals to me and what defines effective comedy in my opinion. Also I have a funny side, if I do say myself. A person must have a good sense of humor in order to recognize humor. Now that you're all awed by my expertise, I'll begin the review.

First, I'm going to try and be somewhat fair to the comics because I admire their courage; I would never have the guts to perform in front of an audience. The small turnout for this show alone would be disturbing. Of the people that did attend, most were college students.

I went to the show with the hope that my low expectations would be proven wrong. Unfortunately, this was not accomplished. If I had to categorize the night overall I would say it was amusing rather than laugh-out-loud funny.

The night's last-minute opener, Johnny, was self-deprecating and tried to warm up the crowd with humorous stories. His five-minute set resulted mainly in the rejecting sound of crickets coming from the crowd. I think I remember chuckling once, though this might have been at the thought of how the rest of the show would play out if he were any indication of what was to come.

Next up was Candice Kraft, a blonde 30-something hailing from Los Angeles. Her introduction was okay until she got better as the act progressed. Her style was sardonic, but confident. I found some of her jokes predictable, but she got some laughs. I must applaud her blonde jokes, for some reason they never fail to stump me.

The final comedian of the evening that wouldn't end was Robin Cec, also from California. She started out her set by mocking and engaging the audience about their lack of enthusiasm. I didn't blame her, but thankfully I sat in the back.

At first I thought she was funny and her animated personality a delightful break from the drone-like quality that had plagued the first half of the evening. She displayed dead-on impersonations of well-known celebrities and characters such as Marge Simpson, Eric Cartman from South Park and Dianne Warwick. They were impressive to say the least.

The subject of many of her jokes centered on her size (6'1''), being African-American and how she has had trouble blending in most places she's visited around the world. These were funny, but some ran on and on and on and on.

She did a lot of sound effects, which were both effective and a bit over the top. How can this be, you ask? There was rarely a silent moment the entire hour she was on stage.

She was witty, but when she didn't get a laugh, she assumed it was over the audience's heads because of their collective young age. Frankly, she wasn't consistently funny and age had nothing to do with it.

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Waitresses and strippers have a lot in common: one goes to work to wait on tables while the other goes to work to dance on top of them.

I can only speak from experience about being a waitress. I invite any stripper to let me know if I have misrepresented their duties, but from what I’ve heard, I’m right on the money.

The problem is that waitresses work twice as hard as strippers and get tipped half as much money. Aside from the whole “gettin’ naked” thing, the professions are quite comparable. Both serve up something for money, both are expected to deal with jerk-offs, both are expected to deal with jerk-offs. Unlike strippers, who have the luxury of going to work for a few hours, shacking their money maker, and leaving with a thick wad of cash, waitresses actually socialize with the people who come into their place of business. While a sympathetic ear and charming smile may catch a waitress an extra five-spot, it’s nothing compared to the Benjamin a nice rack will get a stripper.

Waitresses work hard for their money. I can only assume a stripper spends some of her working hours on her back, knees, or some other body part other than her feet, but that is not the story of a waitress. Between refilling drinks, clearing tables and taking orders, waitresses don’t even have time for a bathroom break, let alone twenty minutes in the broom closet with the big tipper. So please, treat your waitress with respect. Don’t be ashamed to leave a few extra bills on the table to show your appreciation for the quality job performed. It’s harder than it looks.

Not every student is a believer in the goat. Some, like Kim Chen, sophomore management and information systems major, are stubbornly skeptical.

“Not’s nonsense,” Chen said. “It’s just a statue. It can’t really do that.”

Chen admitted that he never tried the goat himself, but he insisted that it could not do what some students claim.

The phenomenon of the goat has attracted the attention of professors, some of whom are interested in its cultural significance.

“It’s not unusual for societies to have such relics that bestow good luck,” John Vifian, English professor and historian, said. “It wouldn’t surprise me if some people started claiming the goat can also cure diseases, as some religious relics in Old Europe were thought to do.”

Although Vifian is intrigued by student claims about the goat, he believes that such phenomena should be approached with caution.

**Correction**

In the May 1 edition of the Observer, the article “Neowaph delivers news to more than just Central students” incorrectly identified the channel for KWCU TV. KWCU is actually on channel 14 and KWCU2 is on channel 15.
Track hosts GNAC Championships

by Matt Yoakum
Staff reporter

The Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) Championships rolled into town last Saturday to be greeted by host Central Washington University track and field team and good old-fashioned Ellenburger wind.

Top athletes from around the conference gathered at Tumwater Stadium to compete in the second annual GNAC Track and Field Championships.

Cool and windy weather conditions didn’t seem to bother the Western Oregon University (WOU) team as they swept both the men’s and women’s competitions. The WOU men won their second straight conference title Saturday with a total of 299.5 points, easily beating out second place Western Washington University (WWU) with 266 points and third place Central which ended the day with 147 points. Rounding out the top five in the men’s competition were Humboldt State University (81) and Northwest Nazarene University (64).

The women’s half of the meet was close all day with a battle for first place between WOU and Seattle Pacific University (SPU). The WOU women won the title by just three points with 210.5 points. Third place went to WWU (183) as Central claimed a fourth place finish with 121.5 points and Humboldt State (59) rounded out the top five.

“We did pretty well for not having the depth as other teams, but I think we held our own,” Jody Binder, senior and justice major, said.

In the men’s long jump, Central produced the most dominant single-event results of the day. Sophomore Kurt Weber and junior Joe Smith took first and second place respectively, each with jumps of 23 feet 0 0 5 inches. Central junior Justin Lawrence, Scott Fremond and Jay Thomas took third, fourth and sixth place respectively.

Lawrence dominated the triple jump, winning the event in convincing fashion and qualifying for the national meet with a jump of 49' 02.5", placing him seventh in the nation among NCAA Division II triple jumpers. Fremond followed in second place in the triple jump with a final mark of 44' 15.5".

“It was a little cold but the wind was in our favor,” Justin Lawrence, exercise science major, said. “I think if it was a little warmer I could have maybe went over 50 feet. I’ve been really close lately.”

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photos by Lindsey Jackson/Observer
clockwise from top left
Stephanie Stine takes second in the 3000m steeplechase Saturday. Jonathan Hughes releases the hammer as he takes third place. Starting strong, Ashley Roonee and junior Joe Smith took first and second place respectively, each with jumps of 23 feet 0 0 5 inches. Central junior Justin Lawrence, Scott Fremond and Jay Thomas took third, fourth and sixth place respectively.

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This day in history:
1971
Muhammad Ali is beaten by Joe Frazier at Madison Square Garden.
Success found in karate club

by Andrew Grinaker
Staff reporter

Watch out, Jackie Chan and Jet Li, Central Washington University has one tough-kicking karate club.

The Kyokushinkai karate club was established last fall, under Sensei and biology professor, Ian Quitadamo. Quitadamo has been practicing Kyokushin karate for 18 years, has a third degree black belt, competed in international tournaments and is currently an international coach and counselor.

Central joins Washington State University and Seattle University as the only schools in Washington to offer karate as a club sport. With only three students currently in the club, the karate club is unknown among many students at Central.

Even though the number of students participating is low, success is high. On April 26, at the University of Idaho, Central students Collin Smith, Chris Powell and Hiroshi Masuda competed at the Kyokushinkai Tournament. After the bare knuckle, full contact knockdown tournament was over, the three students came away with awards.

“They trained hard and performed very well,” Quitadamo said.

Masuda, competing in the men’s lightweight division, fought in six grueling rounds, the most by any participant at the tournament. At the end of the tournament, Masuda received the International Sport Award.

Smith, competing in the men’s middleweight division, won the tournament in his weight class and was crowned champion. For his success in the tournament, he will participate in the international competition of full contact karate. Smith looks forward to competing on an international level.

“That will be very interesting,” Smith, senior business education major, said. “There will be some tough competition, but I think I can place in the top ten.”

Powell, competing in the men’s super weight division, also won his class.

“We had quite a bit of success in Idaho,” Powell, senior anthropology and geography major, said. “For only bringing three students and every student receiving an award is great.”

In the future, the karate club will be the first to attest that training and self development come first. The club meets three times a week and trains just as hard as any other sport.

“The training is one of the most difficult things I have ever done,” Powell said. “It includes lots of physical calisthenics and realistic fighting.”

Smith, the club president, has been training in Kyokushin karate for 8 years. He feels training is the best aspect of Kyokushinkai.

“Training makes you much stronger, mentally and physically,” Smith, said.

Sensei Quitadamo will also testify that competitions aren’t entirely what the club is about.

“Competitions aren’t really the focus,” Quitadamo said. “It is about personal development. Only a small percentage of Kyokushinkai students worldwide actually compete.”

As self realization karate, Kyokushin has more to offer than just the confidence of self defense. Through strenuous training of both the body and mind, Kyokushin offers more than meets the eye.

“People come to learn the ultimate truth is inside, not outside and ultimately become better people because of it.” Quitadamo said.

The club is open to anyone of any age, student or member of the campus community and can accommodate students with no experience up to someone wanting to compete at an international level. It meets at Morgan Middle School Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 8 p.m. and Saturdays from 1 to 3 p.m.

WHAT IS KYOKUSHIN KARATE?

This material is courtesy of www.kyokushinkarate.com. Kyokushin Karate is a discipline in which practitioners may find clues to assist them in their spiritual development and self-exploration. It is also a martial art, encompassing philosophical considerations of life and death, struggle and survival. It is a practical form of self-defense, emphasizing kicks, punches, blocks and body movement.

“Price” for pleasure too expensive

by Conor Glassy
Staff reporter

It was over before it even started.

The college football season is about five months away and the University of Alabama Crimson Tide is searching for its second head coach in four months. Instead of writing a press release, UA president, Robert E. Witt, could have saved a lot of time by simply quoting Happy Gilmore.

“The price is wrong, bitches,” seemed to be the general feeling from the You bet. Mike Price, who aban-
doned Washington State University last January, was fired as head football coach for the Crimson Tide last week because of his behavior at a pro-
golf tournament in Florida.

Price was released from his job after spending hundreds of dollars at a topless bar and another thousand dollars on room service that was ordered by a woman from Price’s hotel room.

A new report reveals that Price had already been warned about his behavior.

The new coach apparently tried to pick up a couple co-eds just weeks after his arrival in Alabama, only to discover that the girls of Tuscaloosa weren’t quite as slutty as those back in Pullman.

Does this mean the man can’t coach football? No. Does this mean that he is a bad influence on his student athletes? Quite the contrary. I’m sure some of his players would love some tips on how to pull off a ménage-a-trois; it would save them a fortune on GHB. Give the man a break. If Bill Clinton can effectively run the country thinking with his small head, Price can certainly coach a football team.

If the money he spent was from the university, then take it out of his paycheck and give him a little “slap on the wrist” fine. If you’re his wife, divorce the guy for ordering $1,000 worth of room service with some slut from Florida. But like Price pleaded, make the punishment fit the crime.

This isn’t pee- wee football. If you don’t like his coaching ability, that’s one thing; if you don’t like his personal life, that’s the “Price” you pay.
Baseball takes three from NNU

by Conor Glassy
Staff reporter

With playoff contention in the rearview mirror for about a month and the chance of finishing the season with a winning percentage of .500 spoiled two weeks ago, the Central Washington University baseball team managed to win three out of four games against Northwest Nazarene University (NNU) last weekend.

"I was disappointed we didn't win the first game," Coach Deri Storey said. "We didn't come ready to play. But it was nice to see us rebound and win three out of four, especially because we didn't play well against Saint Martin's."

The Wildcats (20-29), who outscored NNU 28-20 during the series, were led offensively by senior designated hitter Jason Smith. Smith e-s by one run for the season.

"Maybe we can knock Western Oregon out of the playoffs," senior first baseman Brian Viafore said. "We did that last season."

Winning the Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) does not guarantee a spot in the NCAA Division II West Regional Playoffs. The playoffs, which will take place from May 15 to 31, are constructed of 32 teams from 24 conferences across the United States. The NCAA Division II Baseball Committee selects the teams that will compete, and WOU (29-12) is fighting for its chance. WOU is ranked third in the NCAA Western Region Poll. Its fate will be determined this weekend.

"We just want to play hard and maybe win a couple games," Western Oregon's Coach Terry Baumgartner said. "Central's playing really good right now, so it should be a good series. We're hoping to win two games, but no matter what we do this weekend, we're going to be on pins and needles waiting for the call (from the playoff committee) on Sunday night."

In order for Central to succeed against WOU, the Wildcats will need to play as a team. A key element will be keeping WOU's first four batters off the base paths. Senior shortstop Tim Nickerson, who leads the GNAC in batting average, senior outfielder Marc Knight, senior first baseman Bryce Gardinier and junior second baseman Tucker Beck contribute for 50 percent of the Wolves' total runs scored on the season.

For Central to get on the board, Viafore needs to continue to clobber WOU's pitching staff. After consider­ably cutting back on his strikeouts, Viafore is hitting .391 with 16 home­ runs, 49 RBIs, and a .763 slugging percentage for the season. During his two years as a Wildcat, Viafore has punished WOU. Viafore has hit .375 with three doubles and 10 RBIs against the Wolves. He is only one round-tripper shy of breaking the single­season school record.

"I'm not even really thinking about that right now," Viafore said. "It's more important to get some wins this weekend, but it's definitely an honor to come close (to breaking the record)."

Aside from knocking WOU out of playoff contention, there are some other potential accomplishments that could end the season on a good note for Central.

"If we turn two more double plays, we break the school record," Storey said.

Central also has a .360 team field­ ing percentage, another school record that could be broken.

Head to Tomlinson for two games. Friday beginning at 1 p.m. and two more on Saturday starting at noon.

The NCAA Division II National Championships will be held May 22 to 24 in Edwards­ ville, Ill.

"The ultimate goal at the national meet is to win, but I just want to try being in the top eight and be an All- American," Lawrence said.

Lawrence will be competing in the 4x100 meter race.

The Wildcat women's team also compete at this weekend's meet to try and repeat her qualifying mark. The Wildcat women's team also secured a second place finish in the 4x100 relay. "It was filling in for Alicen Maier so I hadn't done that event before," Roundtree said. "I was shocked at how well we had done."

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Softball finale spoiled by Takashi Kojima
Staff reporter

Jonathan Gordon, Central Washington University sports information director, was nervous about announcing the starting lineup for last Thursday’s softball game as well as the senior farewell ceremony. Eight players bid adieu to the Central Softball Field.

“It is sad to be done altogether,” Heather Lennon, senior outfielder, said. “I mean, it’s sad to be leaving this group of girls because they have great potential, and I know they are going to be successful in the years to come because they’re not going to be using their individual talent. It’s sad not to be part of it anymore.”

The Wildcat softball team (17-20) faced Simon Fraser University (SFU), the National Association Intercollegiate Athletics top-ranked team (29-3), for the final two games of the 2003 season.

Gary Frederick, Central softball head coach, said SFU is a very good team partly because SFU has the only softball program in Canada, allowing them to pick up almost any athlete they want.

“Coach Frederick said it was a great first day of the game,” Stephanie Hogan, senior pitcher and 2.53 ERA in 121.8 innings, shut SFU to two runs but the Clan gathered nine runs in the next three innings. SFU pitcher Aubra Sidgordan shut the Wildcats out with three runs for the game, winning 9-0.

In the second game, after allowing 11 runs to SFU in two innings, Haley Schmidt, freshman pitcher and 3.38 ERA in 70.1 innings, shut them out for two innings. In the fifth inning, Natalie Kamieniecki, senior catcher, and Lennon both hit singles advancing runners to scoring position.

An error by SFU’s shortstop allowed Kamieniecki to try to score, but the throw home beat her to the plate. For the seniors, that call marked the end of their softball careers.

“They (SFU) are a very good team,” Frederick said. “They hit the ball real well. We didn’t hit the ball. They’ve got good pitching. They’re a superior team.”

Over the season, Jen Curl, freshman centerfielder, recorded a .330 batting average, fourth-ranked in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC).

Curl was also selected as the Freshman of the Year in the GNAC. Annie Franks, junior third baseman, recorded a .485 slugging percentage, fourth in the GNAC. Hogan’s .11 wins placed her fifth in the GNAC and top-ranked in the Wildcats history for a single season.

Eight players completed their careers as Wildcats. The eight players who are outfielder Jamie Osuka, sophomore Taylor Billingsley, Lennon, Hogan, pitcher Cinja Ochotta, designated hitter Erica Delgado, Kamieniecki and pitcher Jeanne Kellet. Kamieniecki remembered her four-year career at Central.

“It was a lot of work,” Kamieniecki said. “It was a long journey, but it was really worth it. I love the way to be successful of their careers. It means a lot to me and so do all their friends here, and they are graduating too.”

Athletes of the Week
by Susan Bunday
Sports editor

“’I know they are going to be successful in the years to come’”

Heather Lennon
WILDCAT

FOR THE RECORD

MOVING ON: The Wildcats said goodbye to pitcher Jeanne Kellet during Thursday’s finale. Kellet is leaving Central Washington University to join the Clan of Simon Fraser University.

WILDCAT’S MAKE ALL-CONFERENCE: Jen Curl, freshman outfielder, leads Central in all-conference honors by being named to the Great Northwest Athletic Conference First Team. Kristin Powell, sophomore second baseman, was the only baseman on the all-conference team. Stephanie Hogan, senior pitcher, was an honorable mention for her Central record-setting season.

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