Construction creates brighter future

The temperatures may be dropping, but that doesn't stop the hard-working construction workers. For more information on ongoing campus construction, see page 5.

Army ROTC will compete to defend Ranger Challenge title

by Stuart McCurdy

The Central Washington University Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) cadets will pursue a third consecutive victory at this weekend's annual Ranger Challenge competition. The contest kicks off Saturday morning at Fort Lewis, Wash.

Ranger Challenge is the "varsity sport" of Army ROTC. Each year, teams from more than 250 universities nationwide compete in a series of challenging events. Central's cadets will compete against teams from Eastern Washington University, Pacific Lutheran University, and Seattle University in the two-day event.

"Ranger Challenge is a great experience, especially for underclassmen who have had little exposure to Army ROTC," Scott Martin, senior exercise science major, said.

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Tristan Manning, senior exercise science major, hopes to build on Central's strong performance at this summer's ROTC National Advanced Leadership Camp.

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The teams balance a five-day-a-week training program with their college and military studies. In the end, the camaraderie and military knowledge developed during training help prepare cadets for the rigors of an Army officer's career.

"The lessons learned in this competition will serve these students well when they become lieutenants and lead their platoons in combat zones in Iraq, Afghanistan, the Balkans or Africa," Major Christopher Smith, the team's coach, said.

Dan Michael fosters school spirit through rallies

by Erik Swenningson

The responsibilities of the Associated Students of Central Washington University Board of Directors (ASCWU/BOD) officers don't stop with the end of an academic year.

Dan Michael, executive vice president of the ASCWU/BOD at Central, said six of the seven BOD members were at Central during the summer months. Michael said the officers didn't have to be at Central, but wanted to become familiar with their positions, to get to know one another better and be ready when students returned. As a result, Michael said the BOD had a smooth transition at the beginning of the school year.

"We didn't want to hit a brick wall when classes started or have all the burden fall on our shoulders at once," Michael said.

As the executive vice president of the BOD, Michael's job is to appoint members to the Services and Activities Funding Committee (S&A) as well as 32 other ASCWU committees. Michael said next week the BOD will start an active recruiting plan to find students to become members of the committees.

"We want to find the perfect students for each committee. By November 1 the goal is to have all positions filled. This hasn't been done by a BOD in the last five or six years," Michael said.

President of the BOD Mark Michael, Dan Michael's brother, said the job of the executive vice president also includes serving in the president's place if necessary, keeping track of the BOD budget on a daily basis and presenting a monthly summary of the budget at a BOD meeting. Monitoring the clubs budget...
Wells Fargo provides money to athletic programs

by George Hawley
Asst. News editor

Central Washington University’s athletics facilities will receive a $100,000 donation over the next decade from Wells Fargo. The donation will provide new equipment for Tomlinson Stadium and Nicholson Pavilion.

“The big new displays really make it easier to stay on top of the action at Wildcats events,” Jack Bishop, athletic director, said in a prepared statement.

New light emitting diode (LED) displays, sound systems and scoreboards will provide improved player lineups, half-time and post-game statistics. The improved audio and video will make it easier to follow sporting events. Large-screen video will enhance presentation.

“Amenities like this give us a recruiting edge, too,” Bishop said.

The Wells Fargo sponsorship will last through 2012 and will support 16 intercollegiate sports at Central.

Douglas Honors College to host lecture

by Bob Kirkpatrick
Staff reporter

The Douglas Honors College appointed a new director, Dr. Sura Rath. Rath, an English professor and former regent’s professor of India Studies at Louisiana State University, will coordinate the teaching of all classes and activities such as holding conferences and bringing cultural activities to the campus.

The first scheduled event on Oct. 21 in the Grupe Center is a lecture given by Rath entitled “Sights and Sounds of the South,” a reading of Flannery O’Connor’s interpretation of Southern literature and culture, examining the evolution of the South from a psychological, geographical and historical perspective.

The faculty and students at the Douglas Honors College will participate in the study of the world’s civilizations through the avenue of literature.

“Our goal at the Douglas Honors College is to build responsible citizens with ethical values,” Rath said.

“Hopefully by the end of four years students will be prepared to go into any circumstance or job in the world and have an edge.”

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Garden renovations will improve security and appeal

by Jennifer Allen
Staff reporter

Seeds of change are beginning to sprout in Central Washington University's Donald L. Garrity Japanese Garden. These changes include the installation of security lights and a security system to deter vandalism and the replacement of a vandalized lantern.

"There were some security issues with the Japanese Garden and every once in a while people would break in and vandalize the lanterns," President Jerilyn McIntyre said. "One time in the last year, too, someone broke in and wrote graffiti all over the wall. I was really disturbed at that because it's meant to be a place of meditation and reflection. For someone to vandalize it was troubling."

Another enhancement will allow the garden's stream to flow once more after a two year dry spell. Concern about water conservation originally halted the stream because water drained from a well on campus and ran only once through the garden without being recycled. Following installation of a new underground pump, the stream's water will recirculate and allow it to be self-contained.

"We put in the plumbing and the electrical conduit," Jeff Mumma of Facilities Management said. "We will put in the pump this winter and hopefully the stream will be running again this spring."

Mumma said the early work was done to tie in the electrical and water line upgrades with the ongoing Walnut Mall Utility Upgrade project. He said it was important for Facilities Management to do the garden's major utility work while the main utility lines were already open, to avoid inconveniencing students with a new groundbreaking process solely for the garden.

"I enjoy it because you can get away into more of a natural setting," Tim Verkist, senior anthropology major, said. "It's better than a park because it's so secluded and right in the center of campus."

Verkist expressed some reservations about the stream by pointing out that while a water feature is a central element in a Japanese garden, it seems out of place in the local desert climate.

The garden may be closed for one week between winter and spring quarter to complete the project.

Although a dry river runs through the Japanese Garden, that feature is soon to change. New plumbing will have the stream running again by spring.
MICHAEL: Striving for student involvement

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Q: What did you do before you were president at Central?
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Q: Do you originate from the Northwest?
A: I was born in Nebraska but grew up in California and spent most of my years up to PhD studies in California. I grew up in Pasco and then I went on to school at Stanford.

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Construction sites around campus

RANDALL AND MICHAELSEN RENOVATIONS

Both halls will reopen with enhancements to ventilation, lighting, and the electrical and fire alarm systems.

Duration: June 2003-Oct. 2003

STUDENT VILLAGE PARKING

Construction will increase the capacity of the parking lot.

Duration: June 2003-fall quarter 2003

WALNUT MALL UTILITY UPGRADE

The project is improving major utilities, including water, electricity, and telecommunications.

Duration: summer quarter 2003-beginning winter quarter 2004

JAPANESE GARDEN

Modifications will improve the garden's security and aesthetics.

Duration: One week between winter and spring quarters.

For more information on campus construction, visit http://www.cwu.edu/~facility/
ConstructionsNews

Click it or Ticket declared a success

by Ryan Kroo
Asst. News editor

A recent survey by the Washington state Traffic Safety Commission shows that Washington State drivers buckle up more than anyone in the nation at 95%. The only other place in the world that can compete with this statistic is Australia which also has a 95% seat belt usage rate. When the seat belt use survey began in 1986, seat belt use in Washington State was at 37%.

Q: Where is your favorite place on campus?
A: There are a lot of places but I think I would have to say the Japanese Garden.

Q: What is one thing that students probably wouldn't know about you?
A: They might not know that I teach or what my teaching field is. They probably don't know that I'm writing a mystery novel on the side.

Q: What is your typical day like?
A: There is no typical day.

Q: Could you give me an example of just one day then?
A: My calendar is often full of appointments...Monday, I had two meetings in the morning, drove to Seattle, and visited Highline Community College to see how our building project is going. In the afternoon, I was in a meeting of presidents and trustees.

Q: I have heard students say they are surprised the university is suffering economically but can still build new facilities. What would you like to say to them?
A: They're not the same pools of money. You get one kind of money, so-called on-going money, for salaries and so forth. Then you get one-time capital-bonded projects to build buildings. They're two entirely different parts of the budget. One-time capital-bonded money means they give it to you, you spend it, and it's gone. On-going money is something that they build in the budget and they have to give it to you every biennium.

The state legislature is also paying us at a level much smaller than the enrollment we actually have. They just haven't had the tax money because of the problems with the economy to say, "We'll give you money for 600 more students." The only thing that's supporting those 600 more students that we have, is the tuition revenue from 600 more students.

Q: What is your vision for Central's future?
A: The vision for Central's future is to help it become as good as it can be, and I think it's on an upward trajectory. I want us to become the best regional comprehensive university in the country."

Q: What do you find most rewarding about being president of Central?
A: I enjoy working with people. I want to emphasize I have a terrific cabinet, and we have a lot of good people at the administration level. They're good people, and they're capable people. When the vision that we all create for what we can do actually begins to come true as quickly as it has, that's rewarding and very satisfying.
Solutions are plentiful, when we decide to think

The theory is university life and study lay the foundation for critical thought and problem solving. Students learn to question and not to accept standard answers. If this is true, why do I run into individuals who are unwilling to think outside the few programmed solutions they’re given? I have a friend who developed some film at a local photo shop. When she got her pictures back, there in the middle of the photos of her husband, mother-in-law, and guinea pig were photos of someone on a tropical beach, playing with dolphins. She didn’t know the bikinis clad vacationer. She thought it strange and decided to take the pictures back to the photo shop.

The person at the counter explained that those must be her photos, because they don’t miss people’s pictures up. Well, my friend knew that neither she nor her camera had been to any tropical climate, and she told the photo person so. But the photo attendant suggested that perhaps someone had borrowed her camera. Hmm.

Now if I were to follow through with that thought, it might include that person borrowing the disposable camera, traveling to the Bahamas, taking a picture of a machine couldn’t provide, the ability to think, is missing. People are not out my friend’s knowledge.

Where is the accountability or responsibility to a job? We don’t even need to talk to someone else, you’re in the wrong department, ‘I’m sorry those are the only two options, or those are the only two programmed responses I can give. I’m only asking that we work to make the whole system. We are being trained to think critically, when apparentes I can give.

Conservatives have the advantage

You poor, poor conservatives. It’s bad enough that we live under such a clearly left-wing regime in this country, and that the town of Ellensburg is such a berth of socially progressive ideas. Now I hear that you are continually suffering at the hands of this radical, leftist educational institution. Besieged by constant propaganda from whatever political agenda you dislike this week. I see your point, completely. When I walk into the SUB and right smack into five different religious groups, I, too, feel that we have been infiltrated by the liberal culture that has so seeped into this nation.

Now here’s a wake up call, Mr. Hawley: You’re dead wrong. Either you your government-issue blinders have rose-colored lenses or you’re simply using this university’s paper to spread your own rhetoric and propaganda. I suspect it’s more of the latter. Have you somehow forgotten where you are? This is Ellensburg, not Seattle; Central, not the UW. To call this campus at all left-wing is an out and out lie, and you know it. First and foremost the population of this university is very apathetic. Under that, you find a very conservative undercurrent.

Allow me to give you an example: During the Tyler and Pete campaign, the campus was saturated with flyers and t-shirts, even a banner across Eighth. The whole thing was from one of the most conservative groups around! However, last February, just before Fred Phelps’ group visited, “Condemn Hate” campaign flyers and sandwich boards were destroyed within a matter of hours. Apparently, condemning hatred is a bad thing to do around here; and leftist, too. So, at which point were you getting the shaft?

Conservatives have the power in our system and you cannot successfully argue otherwise. Politically and in terms of access to and profiting from economic resources, conservatives have a virtual stronghold on this nation. Of course you shy away from the truth and call it “trosuo- nous ideology.” At first I assumed that was a malapropism simply because it’s so humorous. Then I remembered that conservatives just enjoy calling anything remote- ly critical of the American system leftist, especially if the criticism happens to be totally legitimate. You want to talk about propa- ganda, do you? I think that managing to placate your citizenry with false justifications for preemptive war while attempting to camou-
FLAG the real reasons behind it (remember that no-bid $700 billion contract for Cheney’s Oil?) is some pretty fine propaganda. I recently read an article by George Hawley Asst. News editor: "Where are the right-wing activists?" The article is ridiculous and paranoid. Hawley’s fundamentalist remarks and charge of treason against our faculty make him look unstable. I do agree with him on one thing, though. I’m sure his “comrade” conservatives are dissatisfied about being called spineless cowards and idiots. George claims conventional wisdom mandates Republican students earn D’s and F’s. I disagree; show me this right-wing dogma George is referencing. On behalf of the football team at Central and the community that represents the entire team. We thank you for your readers.

Our hope for this letter is to show the entire team. We thank you for your readers. Our hope for this letter is to show the American public hates the United States and our troops. George’s “enemies” thus constitute the majority of Americans. He claims liberals are anti-American, but he seems to have a very serious problem with the American people. As a result he claims he wants to “subvert” the “radical status quo” and “overthrow or cause the downfall of” our governmental establishment. Our generation needs to overcome this new underscores of hatred, supported by scary people like George Hawley who want to redefine patriotism. We realize we have missed it in the schedule. We do not take lightly the impression we give off. The team thought the “Wildcat Walk” was a positive way to build school spirit and for us to appreciate a cause that comes to us as a team. Our for hope this letter is to show Central and the community that comments of two people do not represent the entire team. We thank you for your ongoing support and hope you see all at the homecoming game against Humboldt State this Saturday.

Zak Hill
Brian Poterek
Levi Teasley
Blake Walker
Central football team captains

Back to school
Former Wildcat gives advice

Welcome new Wildcats! Have you been to a home football game yet? Gotten the hang of the dining hall schedule and budgeting your meal plan? (If not, I’m sure you know who delivers the biggest pizza.)

The next four (okay, for some of you, forty years) hold a wealth of both knowledge and academia, as well as personal experiences and friendships that many of you will value for a lifetime. My best guess is that 2/3 of everything you will learn here at CWU will take place outside of the classroom. Your dedicated professors and Central’s faculty and support staff will help shape each of you academically; while you master your skills in resource management (time, money), interpersonal relationships and Ultimate Frisbee.

Congratulations! You are now officially a “Starring College Student.” Along with the additional responsibility and accountability comes limitations opportunity and potential. Leap into things! Join a club, visit the Service Learning and Management (time, money) outside of the classroom. Your dedicated professors and Central’s faculty and support staff will help shape each of you academically; while you master your skills in resource management (time, money), interpersonal relationships and Ultimate Frisbee.

Shawn Palmer
Business owner, Bellevue CWU Alumni, 2001

Parking isn’t so traumatic

by Martha Goeder-Price
Cops Editor

Parking problems—everyone seems to have one. Students drive in circles in parking lots like sharks circling their prey. If they can’t find the perfect spot, they circle faster, thinking the 2,000 citizens in Ellensburg: “(1) it felt it would be a good idea to add a question on the survey regarding the treatment of students, because they make up a large portion of the demographic,” Rice said in a recent Daily Record article.

Although the effort is noted, the guide is less than convincing. The Guide starts with how Central students’ behavior has gotten worse over the past few years. The next paragraph shifts tone and notes improvement within last year. I’m confused, are we improving or regressing in our behavior? My favorite part is the first step to avoid a noise violation, “don’t be the loudest one out of the group.” Obviously, the police have not thrown a college party before.

Recentely, my 21-year-old roommate was cited for a consumption/open container violation while walking home from the bars in Ellensburg and received a $95 fine. Through the fates and ignorance of my roommate, he was given the same fine last week while partying at the University of Washington. That fine was $25. How does it make sense that the same citations mean a larger fine in Ellensburg?

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Kazuyosh Takui and Cynthia Vasquez were crowned Mr. and Ms. Central Tuesday night at Club Central. Takui won the Mr. Central crown with an electric guitar performance of "The Star-Spangled Banner" while Vasquez captured the Ms. Central title with a traditional Mexican dance.

by Eva Tallmadge
Asst. Scene editor

Lights! Camera! Wildcats!
Another year, another homecoming and another Mr. and Ms. Central are crowned with spangle covered baseball caps.
Mr. Beck, Kazuyosh Takui, an AUAP law major and Central Washington University's 2003-2004 Mr. Central, was awarded a bronzed GI Joe and Ms. Kamola, Cynthia Vasquez, a junior biology major and the new Ms. Central, was awarded a bronzed Barbie doll.

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Takui played our national anthem on the electric guitar. He received a standing ovation.
"I love (it) here," Takui said. "I wanted to play for the audience. It's my best experience in my life."

The Mr. and Ms. Central competition took place Tuesday evening at Club Central in the Samuelson Union Building. Almost two hundred people crowded together to watch 29 performers from around campus showcase their talent. The annual event was judged by a panel of five judges taken from University Housing, Campus Activities, Residence Hall Advisory, ASCWU/BOD and Kennedy Hall.

"I'm very excited," Associate Director of University Housing Richard DeShields said. "It's a very diverse group, showcasing student's talents. It think it's a great tradition."

The runners-up for Mr. and Ms. Central were tied. Both Mr. Hitchcock, Joe Bevagi, and Mr. Sparks, Matt Morgan, played their guitars and sang the songs they wrote. Bevagi performed his composition "Day and Night," which included excerpts from Vanilla Ice and Jason Mraz. Morgan entertained with his piece about a girl named Jenny. Ms. Alford-Montgomery, Jessie Lee Davis, played the piano and sang a song she wrote called "Everything," and Ms. Hitchcock, Christine Payne, performed a Tahitian dance.

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Taking Ellensburg to the extreme
by Marcus Tabor
Staff reporter

When one thinks of comedy, some stars that naturally come to mind are John Stewart, Will Ferrell, Kevin Tighe and Steve Allwine. At least that is what Kevin Tighe and Steve Allwine, hosts and producers of Ellensburg Extreme, would like to think.

"(Ellensburg Extreme) is a mix between The Daily Show and SNL (Saturday Night Live)," Ryan Loetscher, senior film and video studies major and Ellensburg Extreme cast member, said.

Tighe and Allwine developed Ellensburg Extreme in spring 2002, and it took about a year of getting people together and fulfilling administration requirements before the show went to air.

"What we wanted to do was get it to be part of the communication curriculum, while not the same as Newswatch," Tighe said. "Newswatch is run by the book. We didn't want Extreme to be like that; we wanted it to be more run by and for the students, so you can see the heart and soul that students put into it."

Last year, the cast and crew of Ellensburg Extreme could not get academic credit for working on the show, but now the show has been incorporated into a class. The change has not affected the artistic freedom held by the student creators; it merely creates more structure for the program. This year, there are associate producers working on the show, and the cast and crew have regular meetings, which was not previously the case.

Tighe said the new class format provides good promotion for the show. When Tighe and Allwine graduate in the spring, they are hoping the show will be established enough to thrive without them.

Michael Ogden, professor of film, video and multimedia communication, appreciates the enthusiasm the creators have for the show, and hopes Ellensburg Extreme will continue to evolve after Tighe and Allwine's departure.

Ogden oversees production and acts as a liaison between the show and the administration of Central Washington University. He said the administrators have not fully embraced Ellensburg Extreme because it's an edgy show.

On the schedule this season are new and recurring skits, including Secret Asian Man, Fashion Militia, Campus Cribs, comedy acts, interviews, cartoons and a live band every episode.

In addition to regular programming, the crew is planning a special Halloween episode that will air Oct. 31 and a possible "Insomniac" themed show.

Ellensburg Extreme is filmed in the Bouillon Hall television studio from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. every other Friday, and the episodes air at 7 p.m. every Friday and at 7:30 p.m. throughout the week on ECTV, channel 2.

Students who would like to be in the audience of Ellensburg Extreme can e-mail the show at webmaster@ellensburgextreme.com to reserve a spot.


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Announcer Jay "The Reverend" Pique goes through warm-ups before the first taping of Ellensburg Extreme last Friday. The first show airs at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17 on channel 2 and will feature musical guests The Animist and Fluent.

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Observer — Scene — October 16, 2003
Old venue serves new talent

by Joanna Harowitz
Staff reporter

For the past 25 years musicians have found a weekly, intimate venue to perform on campus and students have received a night’s worth of uncharted music and coffee-free charge.

This year continues the tradition of Papa John’s Coffee House, about an hour of music starting at 8 p.m. every Wednesday night in Club Central.

“Wednesday night is a good night to have music,” Tahnee Brown, Papa John’s coordinator and junior public relations major, said. “It’s a good substitute for the bars and bump night facilities.”

The draw for many students is the lack of price tag. Scott Drummond, Campus Life assistant director, said people will come every Wednesday whether or not they know the performer.

Though Papa John’s features artists from all over the country, the biggest crowds are usually for local performers and Brown seeks out students to play whenever possible.

Drummond remembers a performance last year by Central Washington University freshman Sarah Jones.

“She was really phenomenal,” Drummond said. “(Papa John’s) offers a safe place for new performers to try to find out if they even want to be a performer. Expectations aren’t as high as a paid, ticketed event.”

Ian Barnes, guitarist and senior art major, shared the bill with Johnson and was struck by the attentiveness of the audience.

“They actually came, sat there and were relatively quiet,” Barnes said.

He also said the coffee house is a good place to try out new material.

“I played two songs I wrote that week,” Barnes said.

Many Papa John’s performers are singers/songwriters, but Drummond said the coffee house features music from a wide variety of genres — from slam poetry to Christian rock to punk.

Brown said that her musical tastes don’t influence her selection because she likes many types of music.

“Indie rock’s big in Seattle,” Brown said. “But that doesn’t mean we’ll bring in all indie artists.”

The first Wednesday night concert of the school year on Oct. 1 showcased local rock band Alder Road.

The next gig Brown has lined up will be a noon-time performance in Oct. 29 by Michigan guitarist Jimmy Ato. Sometimes Papa John’s artists will play in the Samuelson Union Building Pit before their show, or some like Ato, will just stop by in the afternoon on their way to another tour date.

Also on the calendar is an 8 p.m. Nov. 19 concert by Magdalen Hsu-Li, a Chinese-American singer, painter and speaker from Seattle. The event is co-sponsored by Campus Life, the Diversity Education Center, and GALA-L.O.B.T.S.A.

Interested musicians can fill out an application on the Campus Life Website.
Bands rock Student Village

by Juliette Palensthus Staff reporter

Remedy and Eleventhour entered a small but enthusiastic audience under the fluorescent lamplight of Student Village last Saturday night.

The crowd pumped up when Eleventhour covered "Man in a Box" by Alice in Chains, adding some of their own sound. "These guys are really good," Cole Kanyer, a Wenatchee Valley College sophomore, said. "I wish more people would have come out to see them. The lead singer has a lot of energy."

When the show started, about 30 people were around to watch, and despite light showers, the crowd doubled to about 60 by the end of the night.

The audience heard about the show through flyers around Student Village and word of mouth. "It’s a good chance to get to know people," Suin Park, exchange student accounting major, who was in the crowd, said.

Eleventhour just finished touring with the band Great White and released their second album last month. Eleventhour has performed in Las Vegas and they plan to be in Rhode Island with Great White at the end of December.

Lead singer and guitarist of Eleventhour, Chris Forry, said he has been playing music since the second grade.

He said that even through each band member has a different taste in music, they all idolize the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Matchbox 20, Jeff Buckley and Alice in Chains.

Members of both bands said they enjoyed their time in Ellensburg and hope to return later in the year to big crowds.

The first band got the gig under the name Coven, but decided to change their name to Remedy on the drive over to Ellensburg. The band members are all from the Seattle area. Two of them have known each other since their junior high school days. They met the lead singer while waiting in line for tickets to a Tool concert.

Remedy has been together for about four months, and play half full covers and half originals. The band is planning to come out with a four-song demo in the future.

The bands were invited to Central by promoter Jeremy Ball, junior philosophy and music education major. "I wish more people would have come out to see them. The lead singer has a lot of energy."

Although Hertz Hall has created a cozy home-like atmosphere for music majors for more than 50 years, come fall 2004, the music department will have a new building to accommodate their needs.

"I’m glad it’s finally happening," Amy Stedl, senior choral music education major, said. "The music department is so deserving and growing, so they need it." Hertz Hall was designed to hold 150 students and 18 faculty members. Enrollment in the music department has steadily increased since the 90s, causing the staff to utilize the building to its fullest. This year the department has 260 students, and 20 full-time and 13 part-time faculty members. Many practice rooms are overbooked, as well as the recital hall.

"Our one recital hall is scheduled about 37 hours a week plus evening concerts and recitals — over 220 a year," Peter Gries, chair of the music department, said. "Twenty-two scheduled hours a week is regarded as full utilization by state policy."

The new facility, located at 14th and Alder, is intended to provide learning space for 325 students. It will include a concert hall seating 600 people as well as a recital hall for 125.

"We will have concerts in more appropriate spaces," Gries said. "The 150-seat recital hall will be perfect for student recitals, and the large hall will fit the Jazz Nights, the large ensemble concerts and the many students who come for high school festivals. Thousands of high school students come as part of the choral, band, orchestra and jazz festivals during the year."

"The new building comes with an equipment budget, which will allow the department to purchase needed instruments, pianos and equipment."

The building will include recording facilities in two recital halls, and rehearsal rooms for band/orchestra, choral or jazz. It will have a separate percussion area, five classrooms, a piano/computer lab and a composition lab. Most of the students are pleased about the coming changes.

"It’s not difficult to get excited about it because everyone is so happy," Zack Smithingell, junior vocal performance major, said.

Complex details have been added to the facility to ensure the best sound structure possible. One feature specifically sought out by Gries is that each practice room has natural lighting.

"Our present practice rooms are windowless little cells," Gries said. "With students spending that much time in a practice room, we insisted that as many of the new building’s rooms as possible would include natural light for a better atmosphere."

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Lydig Construction of Spokane is in the process of building phase one of the new site, which began in October 2002. The target completion date is March 2004. Phase two is scheduled to begin soon and end next fall. Lydig Construction was also the lowest bidder for phase two of the project.

The project was divided into two phases so it would be approved by the state legislature since previous attempts did not work. The halls were constructed in the first, more expensive phase, and teaching facilities and allotted money for new equipment were included in the second phase.

"The idea of funding the project in two phases was proposed by President McIntyre," Gries said. "She felt it would not be taken as such a big hit if it was built in two phases. Her strategy has proved to be correct, as both phases have been approved in successive legislative sessions."

For more information check out the music department’s Web site at http://www.cwu.edu/~music. The site includes drawings of the new building and status of construction, "If you build it, they will come," Gries said.

"The Tooth of the Matter"

Susan Savage, RDH

NEW ANESTHESIA TECHNIQUES

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Two paths converge and lead to one goal

Kate Reome comes from a small town, Crystal Ames has traveled across an ocean to get here.

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"I talked to Mario (volleyball coach Mario Andaya)," Ames said. "I called him, and he sounded really welcoming. I came to a practice and all the girls were so awesome, so warm. Once I came here and met everybody, it was like, 'This is where I should go.'"

Her new teammates were pleased that a talented and experienced player came to their program.

"When she came in the spring, Mario was telling me about her, what kind of player she was, and I was just excited because everything he said sounded like she has the same attitude, same mentor that I had," junior setter Reome said.

This year, Ames is the offensive leader, averaging 3.47 kills per game, and she was awarded Great Northwest Athletic Conference athlete of the week the week of September 8-14.

"She is a great all around player," Andaya said. "She's really talented as far as attacking. She can hit a lot of different shots. Plus, defensively she sees the court really well and picks up a lot of tips."

The coaches and players, including Ames, are pleased she chose Central.

"There's a long road, but she finally made it here and she got here," Andaya said. "She did great job for us."

Reome has been sports oriented since she was in Nine Mile Falls, Washington. After looking at schools carefully, she found the Central.

"I think it was at the beginning of my junior year I really started to realize that volleyball is something that I wanted to take after high school," Reome said.

After looking at schools in Chicago and Kansas, Reome decided to join the Wildcats.

"I figured that Central would be a good place for me, because it's small," Reome said. "The atmosphere was good."

Reome has kept her setter position for three years since she took the position from some seasoned players when she was freshman.

"I am really thankful that I was given the opportunity to go in when I did and show what I can do," Reome said. "I have always had high expectations of myself. I've just been blessed with the teammates and the coaching staff and just being in the position where I can do what I love and have fun at the same time."

Assistant Coach Oliver Moore said Reome knows her job. It comes naturally to her and she's put in a lot of hard work. She makes it look easy because she has such great anticipation, the game slows down for her.

Because of her continuous work, Reome is about to break the university's assist record. Reome is currently second on the all-time assist list with 3,011.

"It's an honor," Reome said. "If and when I break that, that'll be cool. It'll be something I can look back at.

Two experienced players have come to Central through the different ways, but their goal is the same: for the team.

Just to improve on my game and make the team as good as it can, or help them themselves better," Reome said. "I really want to encourage other people, give what I've done in the past, and have that inspire them. My goal is that we can make it to at least the national tournament.

Reome echoed Ames' goal, playing for the team and showing what she can for the younger players.

"My goal is to be a good example out there, and let young kids see what it's like," Reome said.

Michel Holden/Observer

NFL TARGETS CENTRAL

by Cindy Figueroa

Staff reporter

A perfect recipe for athletic success consists of a National Football League contract, a multi-million dollar home, a luxury car and enough bling-bling to outshine the sun. For some Central Washington University football players, reaching this point may soon be a reality.

With scouts from just about every NFL team visiting CWU football practices and games; seniors like punter Joe Smith, and wide receivers Jake Roberts and Moses Lewis are not just performing for the team and fans, but are hoping to be recognized as elite players ready for the NFL. Bonuses include having your own Chunky Soup commercial and being a featured player in popular video games like Madden.

"I didn't find out I was being scouted until last spring," senior wide receiver Roberts said. "A scout from the Chargers came out and took down our names we some 40s for him. After that he gives you a grade and lets you know where you stand and how to improve your game."

Roberts, Lewis and Smith have to make the grades in school, but now they are pushing to make the grade to get to the NFL. Doing that isn't as easy as running some 40s.

One year select players are invited to perform at the NFL Scouting Combine where players have the opportunity to perform in front of the owners, general managers, directors of player personnel, and coaches from all NFL teams. At the Combine players are tested on their vertical jump, broad jump, bench press, 40, 20, and 10-yard dashes, position specific drills, even psychological testing and that's just part of the test. The Combine acts as a three-day interview with the NFL.

Two months of a second can make the difference in being drafted or not.

"The scout that came out last spring told me I should work on my speed," Roberts said. "I just worked hard this summer to improve in that area and now I'm just concentrating on the season."

One former Central Washington defensive end who made the grade is Lance Gibson, who is now signed to a one-year free agent contract with the New York Jets.

"I kept in touch with Lance while he was at training camp," Roberts said.
said. "He loved getting paid to prac­
tice. If I make it to the NFL, I hope to be close to home." But Gibson isn’t the first of Central’s Coach John Zamberlin’s players to reach the pinnacle of ath­letic greatness; former Wildcat Dun Murphy made it past training camp. Sean Barber of the Kansas City Chiefs was also coached by Zamberlin.

"I made it to the NFL, my dream team would be the San Francisco 49ers," Lewis said. "And if I could pick a quarterback to play with, it would be close to home.

"If I could pick a quarterback to play with, it would be Joe Montana." Zamberlin uses NFL scouting vis­its as a tool to recruit more and better players to Central. "When talking about our program it adds strength and confidence to the team when the players know that scouts are in here all the time," Zamberlin said.

After numerous scouting visits during practices, scrim­mages and games, Roberts, Lewis and Smith are managing to keep their feet grounded and their heads on straight. Their dream is to one day see them­selves on ESPN.

"We have a personal commitment to play our best game every time we step on the field," Lundvall said. "I’m kind of curious to see how Central is. This game will be an eye-opening.

Coach Farrand said the team needs a win and expects the women to be aggressive. "NNU is a must-win game for us, they have had some good scores and beat Western for their first conference win in 21 straight conference games," Farrand said. "I am sure they are looking at us ready to take it to us. We need to go out and get them from the beginning and get a win.

At noon on Saturday Central will battle cross-state rival Western who is 4-9-1 (4-4 GNAC). This is a big game for the Wildcats and both Carr­on and Farrand said they know how important it is and expect some fans out there rooting for them.

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Lindsey Jackson / Observer

Soccer seeks win, students’ support

by P.J. Larson Staff reporter

The Wildcats had the luxury of going to Seattle and punishing state rival Western Washington University a few weeks ago in football. Hopefully we can experience that feeling at home when the women’s soccer team battles Western this Saturday.

"Come cheer us on, so we can win," junior forward Whitney Caron said.

Last Saturday, Oct. 11, another game for the Central Washington University women’s soccer team ended in a disappointing 2-0 loss in a non-conference match against Carroll College bringing the Wildcats record to 2-11-1: 0-5 Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC). The Wildcats held a 17-6 shot advantage, but the ball never found the net. Perhaps the Wildcats’ best attempt came late in the second half when Carson fired back-to-back shots at Carroll’s net­minder only to see both of them denied. Coach Michael Farrand said he feels the stress of being shutout for the eighth straight game.

"The girls have continued to work hard in practice but we need to finish games," Farrand said. "Right now we have not scored in eight games and the longer it goes on, the harder it becomes. We are a very good techni­cal team that needs to step up emo­tionally and physically to the demands of college soccer. The girls have worked hard for each other and especially for our seniors.

"Despite the struggles Caron said the women still have a positive out­look on each other.

"We want to do good for another," Caron said. "Everyone’s improved (throughout the year) but we’re unlucky of the outcome.

Tonight Central faces Northwest Nazarene University in a match-up of the two lowest ranked teams in the conference. NNU is in their second year of the GNAC while previous years being associated with the National Association Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). They post a 7-7 overall record (1-4 GNAC). NNU Coach Jamie Landvall said the women have a focus point they emphasize every match and is anxious to play the Wildcats.

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NFL: Scouts come to campus

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Having scouts at practices and games can be a distraction for some players, but these guys have made it clear that the team and the season are their focus right now.

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Cross Country outruns Western

Central prevails, Western fails, in Western Washington Invitational

by Rachel Guillermo Staff reporter

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Women's volleyball sweeps into second place

by Stephanie Hogan
Staff reporter

For the Central Washington University Women's Volleyball team, three games was all they needed to sweep regionally-ranked Alaska Fairbanks, 30-20, 31-29, 30-27 Friday night at Nicholson Pavilion.

"As a team we went in with great chemistry and everyone was taking care of their role. Our goal as a team was to win and that is what we did. We are all credit to our talent," said Assistant coach Lynne Price.

The Wildcats' senior libero (defensive specialist) Kate Reome was on fire with 21 digs, and freshman outside hitter Lindsey Jackson added 14 in the victory.

The Wildcats improved to 6-3 in the GNAC and 8-3 overall, while Alaska Fairbanks dipped to 4-4 in the conference and 13-11 overall.

The match was highlighted by four key factors, according to Price:

1. The team's strong defense, led by Reome and Jackson.
2. The team's ability to dig the ball and get back up to the net.
3. The team's ability to put away the ball and maintain the lead.
4. The team's ability to play as a unit and work together.

"The team's performance was outstanding," said Price. "They played a great game."
Senior libero Jessica Scott is this week’s “Wildcat of the Week.” Her outstanding D helped beat the University of Alaska-Anchorage Seawolves last Friday, and the University of Alaska Fairbanks Nanooks last Saturday. The two victories put Central tied for second place in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference.

Jessica Scott
Wildcat of the Week

Dale Chase
Jessica’s boyfriend

Mario Andaya
Jessica’s coach

Who knows this defensive specialist better: her boyfriend or her coach? To find out, we ‘dug up’ some information from the Wildcats’ second best dig leader herself. Then we asked her boyfriend and her head coach to guess what she answered. Did they guess all her dirt, or just dig themselves a hole?

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It's the 1969-70 Central Wildcats basketball season. This was a team that was built of scrap and iron, one that prided itself on defense and getting on the floor for loose balls. A team that was enshrined in Central Washington University's Hall of Fame, and a coach, Dean Nicholson, whose name and legend will live on forever.

"Coach Nicholson, now that was the best coach in the history of Washington State," starting center George Bender said. "We had great athletes and what they bring to the table. Van Exel hitting a three ball as time expires to beat Phoenix at the buzzer. Van Exel hitting a three ball as time expires to beat Phoenix at the buzzer. Van Exel hitting a three ball as time expires to beat Phoenix at the buzzer. Van Exel hitting a three ball as time expires to beat Phoenix at the buzzer. Van Exel hitting a three ball as time expires to beat Phoenix at the buzzer.

It was to go do the dirty work, and put numbers under the win column.

"Yeah, I worked in the trenches," Bender said. "I was also fortunate to play with four All-Americans."

Dave Allen was the point, and was responsible for finding ways to get the ball to the team’s top scorers. Shooting guard Joe LaDuca was a streak shooter, but when things got going, he was lights out.

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"Joe could put points up in bunches," Allen said. "So could the Adams brothers. Paul could get off quickly."

Paul and his brother Mitch joined.

Bender to form the Central front line. While Paul put the ball in the bucket from all angles of the court, Mitch relied on a steady short-range jumper. The team only went seven deep, which meant that the starting five were forced to carry much of the load.

"We would play all game long," Bender said. "We loved to play. We were a very mature group."

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With Nicholson molding his team into a winner, the program reached new heights. The Wildcats ripped through a 25 game winning streak, and found themselves at the national tournament in Kansas City, Missouri.

"We were facing teams that played up-tempo basketball," Allen said. "That wasn’t our style."

No one in the Kansas City area gave the Wildcats a chance. They saw the lack of height, the Ellensburg tag, and simply brushed them off.

"We were a team built on defense and hustle," Allen said. "We knew our game, and people found out that we could play."

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Leading throughout most of the contest, Central seemed poised to create a monster upset. Bender, facing a terrible mismatch in the middle against the enormous Smith, still found a way to bang underneath, cleaning the glass and tracking down loose balls. With Allen running the offense along with LaDuca and the Adams brothers supplying the scoring, Central found themselves still in the ballgame with less than ten minutes remaining.

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With time running out and the game in the balance, Central couldn’t find the hole. Falling 79-71, they ended a season, which left the team proud of what it had accomplished.

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