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An eclectic mix of break dancing, jazz and ballet comes together in club PAGE 8

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REOME SETS RECORD

Volleyball junior Kate Reome sets Central's all-time assists record PAGE 13



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Party hearty on Wildcat Web site

by Erik Swenningson
Staff reporter

After only three weeks, a new Web site has attracted much attention—some of it unwanted.

Central Washington University students, administrators and the Ellensburg Police are checking out wildcatparties.com.

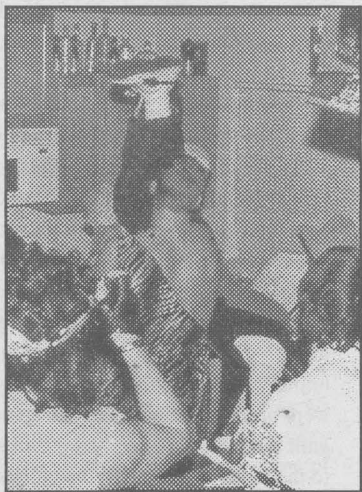
The Web site is hosted by three Central students, who prefer not to disclose their last names: Tommy, Jesse and Justin a.k.a. "The Crew."

"Over the past couple of years we've been taking a lot of pictures," Justin said. "So we figured we have a lot of pictures, so why not make a Web site."

Wildcatparties.com, a free site featuring photos from parties taken by "The Crew," at student housing areas all around Ellensburg, has a featured "wildcat" of the week and a guest book where visitors to the Web site can leave comments for the hosts. On the site's homepage it says it has no affiliation with the university in any way and is for students of Central and the parties they attend.

"Obviously, it's a college town and there are different sides than (just) academics," Jesse said.

In the "guestbook" section of the site, responses have been overwhelm-



Michael Bennett/Observer

Two members of "The Crew," who host the wildcatparties.com Web site, take photos at a party.

ingly positive, Jesse said. A lot of people have written in saying things like "dude this is awesome, good job" and "keep up the good work."

Students who are pictured on the Web site have been polite when asking to have their photo removed, Justin said. The hosts say they are willing to remove the picture of anyone from the site if the person in the

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Cold weather hits



Noah Devlin/Observer

With temperatures dropping to the 'teens, students are bundling up as they take the long walk to early morning classes. Old Man Winter has arrived.

Students, community to come together through Convergence

by Joe Castro
Staff reporter

Central Washington University students and Ellensburg residents have not always seen eye to eye, but some people have a new vision for university/community relations.

Associated Students of Central Washington University Board of Directors President Mark Michael wants to bring students and the community together under a plan titled Convergence.

"I would say Convergence is the utilizing of resources from key entities and players in the community and on campus to converge and create a common good," Michael said. "It's a collaborative effort between the BOD, community mentors, campus advisers, students; it's a huge effort."



Melissa Morrison/Observer

Mark Michael (left) and Mike Julian back the idea of converging the community and the campus.

According to Michael, Central students represent the largest citizen and consumer demographic in Kittitas County.

Michael said, as taxpayers, students should utilize community

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Budget increase for growing ESC council

by Bob Kirkpatrick
Staff reporter

The Equity Service Council (ESC) is sending eight members to a leadership conference in Florida, Nov. 21-23. The \$10,000 cost for the three day event is being paid by Central Washington University students; funding for the trip comes directly from the Service and Activity Fees Committee (S&A). The current ESC's operating budget is \$57,000 for the 2003-2004 academic year.

"This seminar will benefit all students," Cindy Figueroa, Associated Students of Central Washington University Vice President for Equity and Community Service and Chair of the ESC, said. "We will be able to share the information to help all of us deal with diversity issues on cam-

pus and in the real working environment."

The ESC consists of seven minority groups on campus. The Black Students Union (BSU), Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan (MEChA), American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES), Gays and Lesbian Association (GALA), Access Belonging Learning Equality (ABLE), Students for an Assault Free Environment (SAFE), and non-traditional students elect one voting member along with the chairperson to sit on an advisory panel which helps determine the ESC agenda and allocation of funds to the respective organizations.

"The goal of the ESC is to create awareness on campus that may not

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Police Briefs

by Ryan Knee
Asst. News editor

MY KIND OF FISHING

Oct. 27

A 35-year-old man was last contacted Friday camping in the Stevens Pass area. He intended to reach Leavenworth Saturday and take SR-97 to Ellensburg to fish in the Yakima River.

PLAYING TOO MUCH GRAND THEFT AUTO?

Oct. 28

A 1995 Buick Century was backed into by a red Ford pickup in the Super One parking lot. The subject refused to stay at the scene.

OUT ON FOOT AND OUT OF LUCK

Oct. 28

Two male juveniles stole money from the tip jar at Bean Creek Espresso. They were last seen headed towards Safeway.

GO SPIDEY!

Oct. 28

Officers saw a male subject crawl through a window on the second floor of the Palace Cafe. The subject then came back out and reentered the building.

SHOULD'VE ORDERED MORE

Oct. 28

A white male and female fled the Bar 14 restaurant in a maroon Mitsubishi without paying for their \$17 meal.

ONLY IN ELLENSBURG

Nov. 1

Several hundred elk were reported at Vantage Highway and Parke Creek. Several hunters were in the roadway. The Kittitas County Sheriff's Office was called for assistance.

I SMELL A PARTY

Nov. 1

Officers respond to a strong smell of marijuana in the East entrance of Alfred Montgomery Hall.

NO DINNER TONIGHT

Nov. 1

A deer was struck on Canyon Road. No injuries were reported and the deer survived.

MORE PROBLEMS IN ALMONTY

Nov. 2

A resident was found under the influence and had drug paraphernalia in his possession.

Abortion forum sparks heated discussion

by Joe Castro
Staff reporter

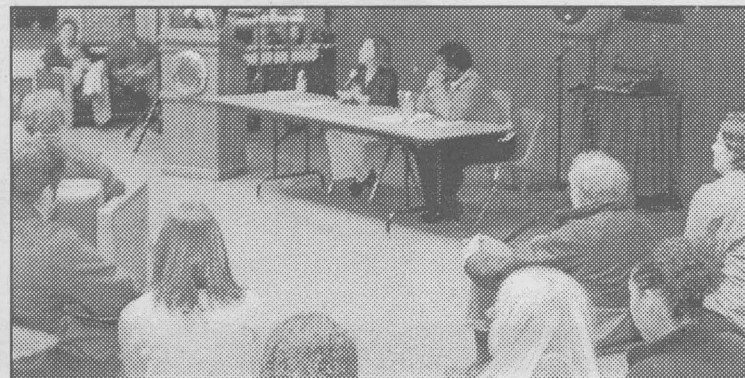
In light of a bill signed by President Bush yesterday to ban certain late-term abortion procedures, the Diversity Center held a forum Tuesday in the Samuelson Union Building (SUB) Pit to discuss abortion.

Sean Soth, Diversity Center program coordinator and senior sociology major, said the point of the Social Justice Series is to look at issues that are pertinent in our society today and to get a perspective from an underrepresented group.

The forum presented two speakers, Dionna Humphrey, director of public policy for Central Washington Planned Parenthood and Judy Phelps, executive director for Care Net Pregnancy Center of Kittitas County.

Humphrey, a pro-choice advocate and Phelps, a pro-life advocate, began by asking questions and presenting statistics to more than 70 students gathered around the SUB Pit. Each speaker presented issues and stories to support their pro-choice/pro-life side of the argument.

"I think it's definitely important for people to make informed decisions and base those decisions on research from the medical community and other organizations that work through research, because having



Maggie McGillivray/Observer

Judy Phelps (left), executive director for Care Net Pregnancy Center of Kittitas County hosted a forum on abortion with Dionna Humphrey, director of public policy for Central Washington Planned Parenthood, on Tuesday, Nov. 4 as a part of the Social Justice Series.

half-truths or misinformation is really what contributes to this huge debate," Humphrey said.

Students were given time to ask questions during an open-mic portion of the forum. Some participants fervently spoke their minds to the audience and at times sparked several audience members to shout remarks.

"It seemed like a circular argument," Dustin McClure, freshman military science major said. "People were arguing the same issues around with no new evidence being brought to the table. It was pretty much based on opinions."

Nick Esparza, senior political sci-

ence major, voiced his concerns during the open-mic session.

"As a political science major, I think it's cool that we have some sort of dialogue that you can hear opposing views," Esparza said. "I'm not one of those hard-core partisan individuals, but I think you can learn from either side."

People on both sides of the abortion issue did agree on one item. Humphrey and Phelps both agreed that the best way to resolve the abortion debate is through education and prevention.

The next Social Justice Series forum on poverty will be held at noon on Nov. 12 in the SUB Pit.

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Around the University

Retired professor dies

Retired Central Washington University professor emeritus of psychology, Dr. Eldon E. "Jake" Jacobsen, died on Oct. 9 at the Royal Vista Care Center in Ellensburg. Jacobsen retired from Central after 35 years of dedicated service. Along with his teaching, Jacobsen served with the state's board of professional examiners spanning four decades. He was 85.

PRSSA President wins national honor

Scott T. Iwata, president of Central Washington University's Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA), won the President's Citation for outstanding members who demonstrate leadership and professional skills. Iwata received the honor last weekend in New Orleans. Central has also been selected to host the PRSSA Regional Activity, which will be held this spring.

Item drive to support ASPEN

The Center for Student Empowerment is hosting an item drive to benefit ASPEN (a battered women's shelter) as part of Domestic Violence Awareness Week. The drive is for staff and faculty to participate in and the Empowerment Center will pick up items between 3 and 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7. For more information contact the Empowerment Center at 963-2127.

Hosting an event? Have an announcement?

Let the Observer know by calling 963-1073, emailing the observer@cwu.edu, or stopping by Bouillon 222.

CONVERGENCE: Ellensburg mayor commends attempts to unify

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resources such as the local television station, radio and other means to inform the community about Central's activities and create better communication between the university and community.

"The goal is to accomplish everything that is set forth in the plan," Michael said. "Everyone tells us that the plan, the experiment, Convergence, is a first; it hasn't been done like this before."

Convergence is drawing leaders from the community, or community

mentors, to unite with student leaders to address the needs and concerns of both students and residents.

Though not a community mentor, Ellensburg Mayor Stan Bassett said it is good that the student government is getting involved with the city government.

"We're starting dialogue at the student level; we've always had it at the administrative level, but not much at the student level," Bassett said. "We've always been looking at each other through a window, and I'm excited that the students have opened the window."

ESC: Budget amount ten times larger than last year

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be addressed if under-represented groups didn't exist," Figueroa said. "Ethnic minorities experience quite a culture shock when they come to Central."

In 2002, the ESC comprised five voting members working with a budget of \$4,969. The funding allocated this year is \$57,000—more than 10 times last year's budget.

"The S&A committee saw group members needing extra dollars for student programming on campus," Jack Baker, assistant to the vice-president for student affairs and enrollment management and adviser to the S&A committee, said. "That's a big jump, but it is also a fixed budget for

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Hopefully all students will benefit from...the ESC.

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Jack Baker
assistant to the VP for
Student Affairs

the next two years and cannot be rescinded.”

Baker offers advice and guidance as to the allocation of funding but is not a voting member on any committee.

"It's up to them once the money is designated as to how they will spend it," Baker said. "Hopefully all students will benefit from the decisions made by the ESC."

S&A recipients must show a proposed budget outlining how money will be spent by the end of November. The breakdown of ESC budget will be made available for review as the budget is a matter of public record.

For information regarding the ESC operating policies and procedures contact Figueroa in the Samuelson Union Building room 116.

Calendar

THURSDAY, NOV. 6

Domestic Violence Awareness Week

Advising Week

Non-Traditional Student Recognition Week

Choir Festival
For more info call 933-1216

FRIDAY, NOV. 7

Uncontested Withdrawal Deadline

First Friday Comedy Night
Samuelson Union Building (SUB)
Club Central
8 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOV. 8

Sarah Bahaiddin: Faculty Oboe Recital
Hertz Hall
2 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOV. 9

Hal Ott: Faculty Flute Recital
Hertz Hall
3 p.m.

Brass Choir
8 p.m.
Hertz Hall

MONDAY, NOV. 10

Thanks-For-Giving Nov. 10-26
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the Service Learning Center at 963-1643.

TUESDAY, NOV. 11

Veterans Day: No School

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 12

Papa Johns Coffeehouse
8 p.m.
SUB Club Central

Geography and Resource Management Colloquium:
Dr. Michael Ervin
4 p.m.
Lind Hall 104

John Pickett and Vijay Singh:
Faculty Recital
8 p.m.
Hertz Hall

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PARTIES: Photo Web site raises concerns within administration for student welfare

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picture asks them through e-mail.

"For the most part everyone is having a good time," Jesse said. "Everyone likes seeing themselves up there, so we don't get too much of that."

"The Crew" says there are some future plans for the site including sponsoring dance events.

"We've just started thinking of other ideas (about the Web site), it's just coming to us," Tommy said. "We have buddies all over, so we might start going to other schools and taking pictures."

These new plans aren't certain yet and "The Crew" said they work on the Web site as a side project in their free time.

"We're still in the 'having fun with it' stage," Jesse said.

None of the photos that appear on the Web site are staged or altered according to the three students. "The Crew" is trying to be tasteful with what they put on the site.

"We try our best to stay out of trouble," Justin said. "We're not going to put any full nudity up there. We'd like to do anything we can to cooperate with the school. We're just trying to chill out while we have a good time."

Central Police Chief Steve Ritterer said he and his officers are aware of the Web site but most of the

parties occur outside of his jurisdiction. Ritterer said he would assume that all the persons in the bar pictures section were 21 years old and had passed an ID check. From a police perspective it would take more than a picture to determine if a criminal act had taken place, such as corroboration to generate the needed probable cause to make the matter criminal, Ritterer said.

The three Web site hosts said they have yet to have any real problems with either local or campus police officers in connection with the site or the parties.

Captain Ross Green of the Ellensburg Police said the city police have started paying attention to the site. Green said the city police would not follow up on any of the bar pictures, since the department would assume the people in those photos were of age.

"There is always a concern when you see, for example, a female student

drinking from a beer-bong," Green said. "You become concerned for people's safety."

Mark Michael, Associated Students of Central Washington University Board of Directors president, called the Web site a simple idea that took off in popularity. Michael

said if people don't want their pictures on the site, they can ask the hosts to remove them. The pictures that are on the site must not be that offensive to the people in them, Michael said.

"It is what some students do," Michael said. "It's one small aspect of the college experience."

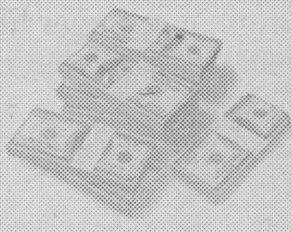
Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Keith Champagne said Central has been aware of the site since it first went on-line.

"We're concerned about how the university is being portrayed by our students to the world including potential students, alumni, donors, potential donors and parents," Champagne said.

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Keith Champagne
VP for Student Affairs

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Word on the Street

What do you think about wildcat parties.com?



"I think it's kind of a stupid idea, but I'll support it because one of the guys is my old roommate."

— Jeff Funk, junior tourism major



"I haven't actually seen it, but I've heard there is some really crude stuff on there."

— Crista Minney, sophomore paramedic major



"I think it's funny and really hysterical. I don't see any problem with it. It's college and parties; what do you expect?"

— Heather Luke, freshman history major



"In a way, I think it's bad for the school only showing one side of Central Washington."

— Mark Blonsky, freshman flight technology major

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Figueroa works to build diversity

by Jennifer Allen
Staff reporter

A proponent for diversity, Cindy Figueroa has experienced challenges ranging from a pregnancy that led her to drop out of college during her sophomore year and the subsequent death of her infant daughter, to facing racial stereotypes and inequalities, but she has always risen to challenge life again.

"The reason I went back to school was because of her (the baby), and now I work to change things because of her as well," Figueroa, senior communications major and vice president for equity and community service, said. "I think that it made me a stronger person. It's part of my life and part of who I am. I don't think anyone should be ashamed of who they are."

Figueroa is serving her first term with the Associated Students of Central Washington University Board of Directors (ASCWU/BOD). Duties of the vice president for equity and community service include working with the seven clubs and organizations on the Equity and Community Service Council and helping the council develop programs to further diversity at Central.

"A lot of my job consists of working with the council, who make up a large part of the minority at Central," Figueroa said.

The seven voting organizations on the Equity and Community Service Council include Movimiento

Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan (MEChA), the Gay and Lesbian Association (GALA), the Black Student Union (BSU), American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES), the Non-Traditional Student club, Students for an Assault Free Environment (SAFE) and Access Belonging Learning Equality (ABLE).

Tylene Carnell, president of GALA and sophomore independent studies major, said she enjoys working with Figueroa.

"We have talked about incorporating the community into Central to tie the two together," Carnell said. "I think she has some good ideas, and she's willing to work with the whole council to get them accomplished."

Figueroa is currently working on two major projects: a convergence diversity career fair and a guide for new minorities to the area, including students at Central. The career fair will help bring companies that actively support workplace diversity to Central to tell students about their programs, while the student guide, Figueroa said, would help acclimate new minority students and migrants to Central Washington.

"The guide will be a helpful piece for the community for those who come into Ellensburg and Central with no idea of how to get around," Figueroa said.

Figueroa said her interest in working with minorities arose out of her own background. She was born in Yakima and grew up in Cowiche, a

small community near Yakima. Both her parents, though, were born in small villages in Mexico and desired to come to America. Figueroa said their journey to Eastern Washington was difficult, perilous and memorable.

"My parents crawled through sewer tunnels on their hands and knees to get to the United States," Figueroa said. "The border patrol was waiting for them the first night and caught them, but they were right at it again the next night, and they made it through."

Figueroa said she feels incredibly lucky to be an American.

"My opportunities are just so much greater than those I would have ever had in Mexico," Figueroa said.

Figueroa quickly made friends at Central and began attending Black Student Union (BSU) meetings.

"They took me into their arms and treated me like I was one of them, regardless of my skin color," Figueroa said. "It was a really good experience."

Friends and mentors within BSU encouraged Figueroa to run for office; she eventually became the organization's first non-black president.

"I love it," Figueroa said. "It's exactly everything I wanted. I love



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Cindy Figueroa

working under pressure, and we all work as a team. It's about bringing people together and helping the community."

ASCWU/BOD President Mark Michael said Figueroa is dedicated to her position.

"Everyday it is evident that Cindy truly believes in the cause for equity and community service," Michael said.

Although Figueroa keeps a balance between work and school, she said she is often at school from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. each night.

Figueroa emphasizes that she is available to discuss issues with all

students.

"I pride myself in being open-minded, so if you ever want to talk to me about any issues please feel free to visit me in the SUB, call me or e-mail me," Figueroa wrote in her online biography. "My door is always open."

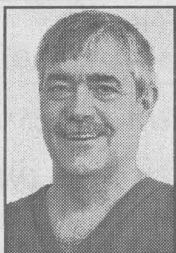
Figueroa's biography is available at the ASCWU/BOD Web site www.cwu.edu/lifecentral/associated-students.html.

Kittitas County election results

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Interpretations fracture faith

"Christianity is Tolerance" read a sign in support of the Episcopal Church U.S.A.'s consecration of an openly gay bishop. The Episcopal Church and many other denominations continue to visit the topic of homosexuality in the church, both among its members and clergy.

If Christianity is tolerance, support should be given to the homosexual community, but tolerance should not allow the discarding of Christian doctrine.

An individual's right to believe however they choose and love however they choose, should be protected. It should be clear, however, that pastoral leaders must be held to higher standards. Whether a person has no belief in God or faithfully subscribes to a religion should have no bearing on the logic behind keeping clergy in line with their teachings. How is a congregation or denomination expected to take their church and faith seriously when fissures exist within the leadership?

Some may argue that diversity and acceptance give a church strength or that a church is held together by something more fundamental than one bishop. However, I argue that one person can inflict awful damage.

I don't see how a Christian denomination can function without practice of the Biblical teachings it is founded on. In popular culture, politics, and society in general, we choose what to take in and what to discard. Those decisions are for our personal growth. A church does not have the luxury of trying on hats or being lukewarm on issues. In a Christian church, it is the word of God that stands. Public opinion has no place in determining doctrine, only God's opinion counts in these circumstances.

When the leaders of a denomination choose to endorse something that acts as a stumbling block to their parishioners, they are toying with the fragility of faith. When they acknowledge that harmful ramifications are inevitable, yet still choose to move in that direction — it leaves little doubt that they should not hold positions that require a strength of moral character they are unable to exercise.

I see this bishop acting selfishly. His desire should be to create a strong, loving and fair church. Instead he is choosing to make an example of himself, and his example is not a mirror of the church's beliefs.

It is possible for many to accept, even embrace homosexuality. I still find it reprehensible that church leaders, our supposed moral compasses, are able to sidestep serious Biblical teachings. I don't see this as an issue of sexual preference, but rather one of spiritual leaders threatening the ideals they are meant to protect and teach.

No one expects infallibility of ministers, but I expect decisiveness, not divisiveness within a church. The faltering and struggling can't continue. Unfortunately the outlook appears bleak — church fathers seem to be losing their religion. A 2001 vote by the Presbyterian Church's General Assembly not only lifted a ban on homosexual clergy it also questioned Jesus Christ's role. The assembly was asked to decide the "unique authority of Jesus Christ as Lord." In a 369 to 163 vote, they found in favor of a true God capable of bestowing salvation.

Thank God, at least three of four ministers believes the message he touts from the pulpit. No wonder they can't back the scripture on homosexuality; they don't even know if it makes a difference.

— Emily Bonden

ARTIST'S EYE



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

ELLENSBURG EXTREME

With love and thanks to the crew

I loved the write-up that was made about our show, Ellensburg Extreme, but I wanted to make sure that everyone who is involved receives proper acknowledgment for their work. Although Kevin Tighe and myself, created and oversee the direction of the show, it would not be possible without the help of everyone on our crew. They deserve the recognition as much as we do. Both Mr. Tighe and I would

like to thank them for their dedication and hard work, and also thank the viewing audience. Without all of you, our dream would not be possible.

Steve Allwine
Executive Producer
Senior
Broadcast journalism

KAMOLA'S LOLA

Alum hopes Lola's spirit lives on

I was afraid the remodeling of Kamola Hall would change the atti-

tude of the building and its residents somehow. Since when is it important if Lola is "real" or not? Lola has always been an important part of Kamola Hall, and I hope, even after reading the article "Students question Lola's existence" that most Kamola residents will keep the tradition of Lola alive.

I lived in Kamola Hall my freshman year, the last year Kamola looked as it did at the time it was built. I loved living in Kamola, and the first thing the RAs told us during our freshmen preview weekend was the story of Lola. This tradition

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was something all Kamola residents were able to share. We loved to freak ourselves out when we heard a mysterious noise, and we had a blast hosting Kamola's haunted house. Yes, weird stuff did happen in Kamola when I lived there. Was it Lola? Who knows for sure. But it sure was fun thinking it was her.

For those students living in Kamola right now: the inside of Kamola looks different, but the attitudes of the residents don't have to be. Enjoy living in Kamola! Have fun, and make sure you keep the story of Lola alive. And don't be so quick to say you "don't believe in ghosts." The school year has just started. You still have plenty of time for Lola to visit you!

Ellicia Thiessen
CWU Alumni

CAMPUS CLIMATE

How to learn to 'agree to disagree'

I am writing in response to the Campus Climate Public Forum that was put on by the Diversity Education Center. In speaking up and trying to promote diversity and tolerance I feel as if though I may have mis-spoken, and would like to clarify my statements. I commented on the idea that we should try to attack ideas rather than people. After personal reflection I realize that there were two problems with this comment.

First, in trying to illustrate my idea I used two people as examples.

I started with George Hawley, saying that all of those people who have responded to him in editorials have personally attacked him. Then I said that Ryan Patrick personally attacked an editorial by Patrick Wicklund. It was not my intention to seem as if though I was personally attacking those who have written in opposition to George Hawley, nor was I personally attacking Ryan Patrick. I simply used their names and situation for examples. I believe that stating opposition to one's actions or beliefs is okay; it is when you add your own little flashy comments to your opposition that makes it personal. For me to say that I don't like what so-and-so said or did would be fine and respectful, however, saying that so-and-so must be out of their mind because they said or did such-and-such is personalizing it just too much. So I apologize if I seemed as though I was personally attacking any individual — that was not my intention.

Second, attacking ideas rather than people is not all that right either. There are a lot of issues that I feel very strong about and find it easy to attack those ideas that are opposite of mine. What I realize is that attacking any idea contrary to yours isn't promoting tolerance, diversity or acceptance. So my suggestion — "Agree to disagree". Don't drive yourself crazy by trying to change individuals' views, promote your own while accepting that there are others.

Thank you,

Tabitha Williams
Senior
Political Science/Social Science
Secondary Ed Major

IN MY VOICE

Got time for true love?

by Kaylene Papenfuss
Asst. copy editor

I am sad about the way relationships between men and women develop in today's society.

It seems that relationships are based more on looks and what can be gotten from them, rather than on what people think or how they act. When a guy says he has a girlfriend, the first question asked by other guys seems to be "Is she hot?" And most of them are interested in just getting it on until someone better comes along. Whatever happened to developing a good solid friendship before looking for romance?

Once there is a physical side to a relationship, emotions grow stronger and people become blind to things that could be problems, such as different opinions on family life or politics or even bigger problems like mental or physical abuse. We have enough problems in life without adding a bad relationship to it.

Why can't more people develop relationships like my brother and his girlfriend? They met while working together at church. By spending time together and giving each other respect, they developed a good friendship. She was at our house for dinner four or five times a month and my sisters and I were always hanging out with her. All of this before they ever realized that maybe

there was something stronger than just friendship between them.

I have two good friends who developed a strong friendship by running together. Running was something they both enjoyed, and through conversation and just being around each other they built respect and developed trust. The only way to describe how they treated each other is to say it was sweet. They watched out for and cared about each other.

I have a question I want you to think about seriously before you answer. If you were in serious trouble do you trust that your current boy or girlfriend would help you with your problem?

It takes a lot of time and understanding, but true love does happen. My grandparents have been married almost 53 years, my parents still act like newlyweds and have been married 26 years. I know people who are married and the respect and genuine caring I see in their marriages has, and will continue, to see them through difficult times.

Love does not come at first sight, though on occasion I have thought otherwise. It is a combination of many virtues and lasting love for someone only comes after you spend time getting to know them. True love is sweet and pure, built from respect, friendship and trust.

THUMBS UP



"Thumbs up to cultural diversity in Hip Hop."

— Jeremie Wallis,
advertising sales rep

"Thumbs up to snow in the mountains and snowboard season starting soon."

— Marcus Tabert,
Staff reporter

"Thumbs up to the smart voters of Kittitas County."

— George Hawley,
Asst. News editor

"Thumbs up to my job, I get to hang with cool people."

— Anthony Diaz,
Asst. professor of chemistry

"Thumbs up to anyone riding a moped in sub-zero temps."

— Natalie Bing,
Asst. Scene editor

"Thumbs up to everything in general. Cental rocks."

— Blaine Serrin,
freshman
pre-dental

THUMBS DOWN



"Thumbs down to Veteran's Day being on Tuesday instead of Monday."

— Haley Weston,
sophomore
business administration

"Thumbs down to Jack Johnson on repeat in Wellington's Lair."

— Emily Bonden,
Editor-in-chief

"Thumbs down to people who write checks for less than 5 dollars."

— Conor Glassey,
Sports editor

"Thumbs down to riding my moped in sub-zero temperatures."

— Ben Wiley,
sophomore
flight technology

"Thumbs down to the movie theatres."

— Alex Skorohod
junior
tourism

"Thunbs down to all the traffic."

— David Ferguson,
sophomore
undecided

Halloween lacked spirit, costumes dull and boring



Noah Devlin
Asst. photo editor

Halloween — one of the greatest holidays in the history of man, where everyone dresses up as either the people they want to be or the people they truly fear. However, this Halloween was hella depressing because the lack of imagination was truly appalling.

I remember back when you would see a different costume on every person. Yes, I'm 21 and able to do the bar tours and hit the great parties, but come on people, how many red she-devils can I see, as well as those dark angels?

Please use your minds people. Not that I'm complaining, the skin tight short shorts were all very alluring. However, tradition calls for people to have a little more

imagination than that. I saw costumes ranging from a devil and a nurse to Tinkerbell and a stood-up prom date. These are great ideas, but only in small doses. I mean how many ways can you make a nurse interesting?

However, I must compliment the men for creating great costumes ranging from Sponge Bob himself and a bear molester to a medieval guard and babe magnet. The sheer imagination that was put into these costumes must have taken a lot out of our overwhelming intellectual capacity.

Even I, with my booze and sex soaked mind, was able to pull off what I think is the greatest costume, Jesus.

If someone clearly as far gone as me can do that please, women, think of something different. Use that space between your ears for something more than fashion ideas or hair styles.

Finally, I have to say that while I may be opposed to this lack of imagination, I wish every day was Halloween so I could see those she-devils again.

The Observer staff encourages readers to share their opinions and ideas through letters to the editor. We welcome any thoughts and if you are tired of hearing ours, send in some of yours.

HEADLINES TO HASH OUT

The following comments concerning recent headlines were overheard by the Observer editorial staff.

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— CBS News

And next... Justin Timberlake Turnpike

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— CNN

Other methods: Roto-Rooter for the colon

Farmers work to restore dignity to beans
— CNN.com

Now if they can only bring social responsibility back to rice.

6 good souls stopped on the highway

— Charlotte Observer

The bad guys always get away

Microsoft to offer bounty on hackers

— MSNBC

Public offers bounty for Bill Gates

Space craft reaches, perhaps passes, solar system edge

— CNN.com

What comes after infinity?

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STYLE BACK TO ELLENSBURG. PAGE 10

NORTHWEST MUSICIAN'S DEATH
SADDENS MANY FANS. PAGE 11



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Shake your groove thing

by Eva Tallmadge
Asst. Scene editor

It's a great way to meet people, sweat off those extra calories and shake yo groove thang. So grab a water bottle, \$15 and some comfortable clothes and head on over to the Samuelson Union Building (SUB) Monday and Wednesday nights for open dance classes with the hip hop club.

"The thing about our club is we're hip-hop, but we include a lot in it," Courtney Dickson, club adviser, graduate student and dancer, said. "We try to include other types (of dance) like jazz to make our ability higher because that's what we do in competitions."

The hip hop club, founded four years ago by Stephanie Senon, senior psychology major and choreographer for the club, began when Orchestis was cancelled.

Several of the dancers/students needed an outlet for exercise and creativity so they decided to begin their own club.

"I missed it (dancing) and started choreographing and started a club and wanted to perform," Senon said. "I was sort of inspired by the Swing Cats because they have their own club."

The club performs an eclectic mix of break dancing, hip-hop, jazz and ballet.

"I've always kind of liked to dance and I heard about a hip hop

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Noah Devlin/Observer

Members of Central's hip hop club perform a mix of dance styles that include break dancing, hip-hop, jazz and ballet.

Gallery One offers student memberships



Patrick Carlson/Observer

by Emily Dobihal
Staff reporter

Gallery One, in downtown Ellensburg, now offers a reduced fee student membership.

Students can lend their support to the arts and receive some benefits by paying \$10 for a 12-month membership.

Mollie Edson, a member of the Board of Trustees Membership Committee, said there are several reasons students should sign up.

"A Central student suggested we introduce a student membership," Edson said. "It's a predictable source of income."

The membership includes a newsletter that helps keep students aware of gallery events. In addition, students are invited to members-only events, may enter the jury show at a reduced rate and pay a reduced fee for classes.

Members receive a 10 percent discount on classes and first chance to reserve a spot.

Mary Frances, gallery director, said the gallery offers everything including drawing, painting, sculpting, jewelry making, stained glass, pottery and calligraphy. Professional artists teach all classes.

The members-only events happen throughout the year. The next one is Fri., Dec. 5, called "Putting on the Glitz."

"It's going to be fun and funky," Edson said.

Members get special treatment and the first opportunity to purchase available art before the public.

"They are usually events the board sponsors to say thank you to the supporter," Frances said.

Sandy Peterson, sales representative at Gallery One, said there are a number of ways to sign up as a member. Students can go to the gallery at 408 N. Pearl Street, pay over the phone with a credit card by calling 925-2670 or send a check in the mail. Peterson said a membership is good for anyone who is interested in the arts.

"There's a lot going on at the gallery," Peterson said. "It's a fun place."

Gallery One, located at 408 N. Pearl Street, offers students a 12-month membership for \$10.

'Story' set to open at McConnell

by Juliete Palenshus
Staff reporter

Central Washington University's production of "West Side Story" will spice up the grand opening of McConnell Auditorium, set to begin Nov. 13.

With a cast of 37 people, Theatre Arts and the music department have been working on "West Side Story" since a week before fall quarter began.

"It's one of the finest musicals ever written," Director Michael J. Smith, associate professor Theatre Arts, said. "The foundation for the story is like Romeo and Juliet, where factions are in war. Here instead of the Capulets and Montagues, it is Puerto Rican immigrants versus European immigrants."

Students and community members have teamed up to create a diverse cast composed of music, dance, and theater majors, graduate students, and non-students.

"We chose this play because we wanted to open people's eyes to the importance of acceptance and tolerance," Smith said. "It's also a darn good play with a classic story, and great music and dancing, giving the campus and community a chance to get involved and show their talent."

The five leads in the musical are played by Rob Rostad as Tony, Annie Jantzer as Maria, Erica Momyer as Anita, Greg Fryhling as Bernardo, and Jon Stenson as Riff. Jantzer and Rostad met playing Maria and Tony in Leavenworth's production of "West Side Story."

They met again during rehearsal for this production, once again playing the two lead roles opposite each other.

"My first experience in theater

was with the Laughing Horse Summer Theater here in Ellensburg when I was fifteen years old," Jantzer, senior Theater Arts/ performance major, said. "Brenda Hubbard, the producing artistic director, hired me. That experience is what made me decide to come to Central."

"West Side Story" takes place in 1957 in New York City. Two rival gangs, the Sharks and the Jets battle for territory on the city streets. In the midst of the story's drama and animosity, Maria and Tony, from opposing sides, fall in love despite their backgrounds. The classic story features dance numbers, show tunes, and stylized fight scenes.

"This is a great show to kick the season off with," Leslee Caul, director of marketing and development, said. "It is always a pleasure to work with the music department, and to see all the hard work come together."

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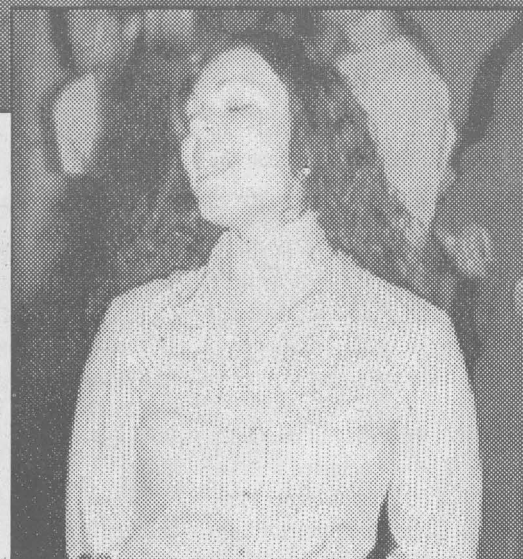
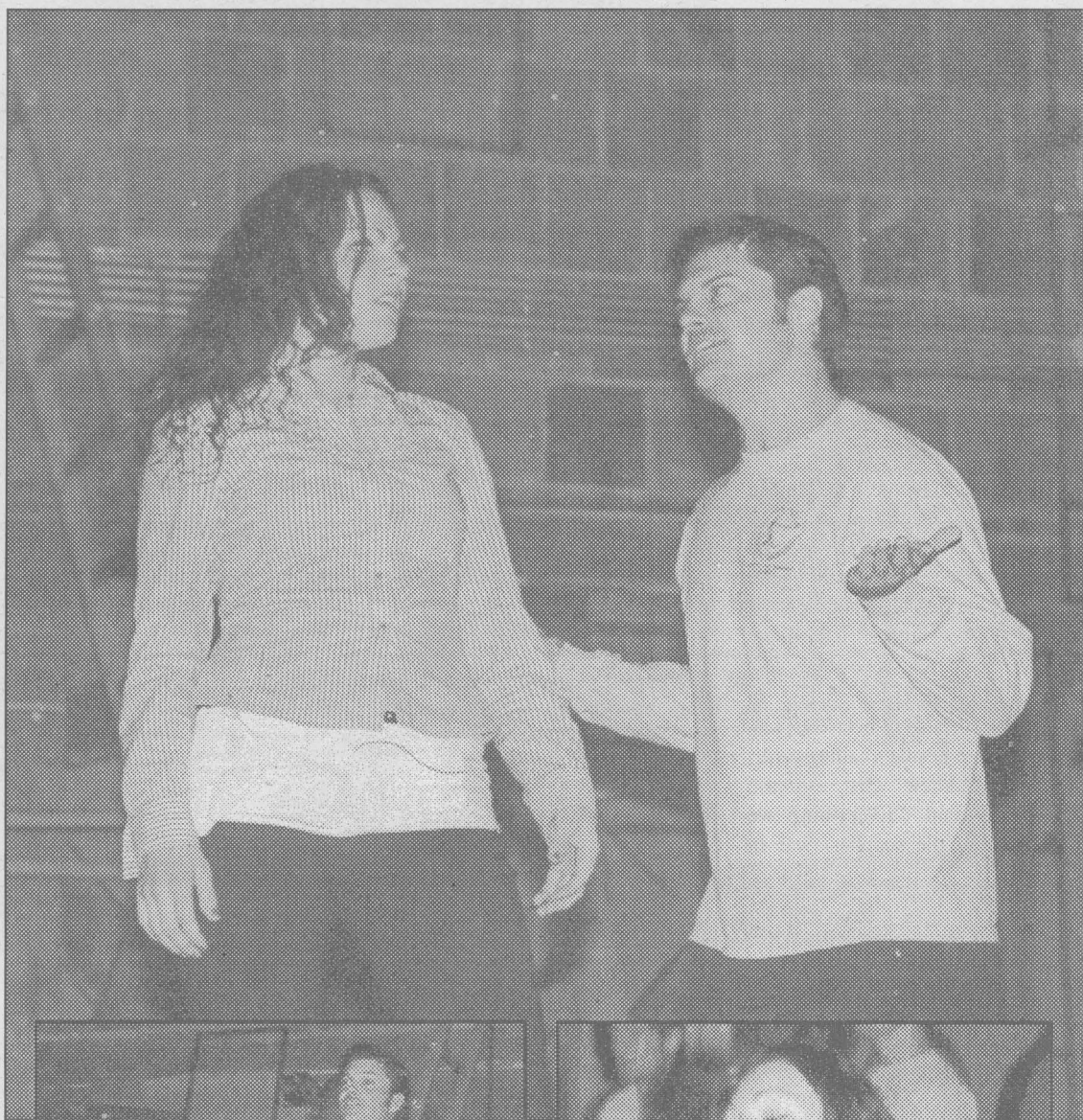
The cast and crew have regular rehearsals sometimes four different times an evening. A week prior to fall quarter they have had daily intensive rehearsals to give the musical a jump-start.

"Although it's my first musical I can still see that it's a cooperative experience," Sallieu Sesay, sophomore Theater Arts major, said. "I believe for it all to come together we just need to work with each other and have patience."

Sesay is not the only member of the cast learning new things in this production.

"I have been doing theater for about 10 years," Fryhling, masters candidate in choral conducting, said.

Show times are Nov. 13 and 20 at 7 p.m., Nov. 14, 15, 21 and 22 at 8 p.m. and Nov. 16 at 2 p.m. Tickets for the show can be purchased at McConnell Auditorium.



photos by Michael Bennett/Observer

(Top) Cast members Erica Momyer and Greg Fryhling perform as Anita and Bernardo. Fryhling (bottom left) and Momyer (bottom right) have been rehearsing for the production since September.

Second-hand fashion

by Observer staff

The Peace Cafe, Progressive Student Union and Fashion Merchandising club are sponsoring a used clothes fashion show at 5 p.m. on Nov. 8 at the Peace Cafe, located at 211 E. 8th. The cost is a \$10 donation, with dinner provided.

"The purpose of the fashion show is to help raise awareness about sweatshops, prison labor and to get people to buy from locally owned businesses," Chriset Palenshus, senior geography major, said.

Clothing used in the fashion show is mostly from local second-hand store Threads and Needles and personal belongings from those involved.

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Restaurant features antique looks, style

by Joanna Horowitz
Staff reporter

Halloween was the perfect time to visit Sisters Restaurant and Tea Co. Located directly under a portion of the now-abandoned and rumored-to-be haunted Hotel Ellensburg at 311 N. Main Street, the newly opened restaurant was at one time the hotel's dining room. Now restored to take diners back to the hotel's glory days in the 1930s, the restaurant looks part antique store, part grandma's kitchen.

Co-owner Minde Dias enters in a 30s-style madam's outfit, complete with black wig and thigh-high stockings. She looks at home on the antique bar stools. She says that when the restaurant obtains its liquor license within the next month she will require the servers to dress up every night.

Dias and her mother Linda Kapoi have been in the food service business since 1988. They first opened an espresso stand in Kent before espresso drinks were Seattle's calling card.

"No one knew what espresso was," Dias said. "Everything we ordered (from the supplier) was in Italian."

Soon after, they opened Sisters Restaurant and Tea Room in North Bend. The name, Dias said, came from the fact that they are more like sisters than mother and daughter. For five years the store was located in a strip mall but they did their best to create a historic atmosphere.

When the two moved to Ellensburg in February to escape the rain, they hoped they could find a restaurant space with more history. After spending \$20,000 in remodeling, they opened the restaurant in a building which housed the local newspaper in the 1800s, a tire store in the 1930s and, most recently, Café Eden.

Dias loves the legacy of the building but she is most fascinated with the stories of the hotel and its owner Mary E. Boyd, who was the proprietor from 1937 until she died in 1962.



Noah Devlin/Observer

Jeff Campbell, freshman pre-law paralegal major, works the register at Sisters Restaurant and Tea Co. located at 311 N. Main Street in downtown Ellensburg.

Dias said she believes Mary may still be hanging around upstairs, and on an evening Halloween tour of the 54-room hotel, it was not difficult to picture lurking spirits. There are doors that go nowhere, wallpaper dripping from the ceilings and strange rattling noises.

"There is an element of energy attached to every place," Dias said, adding that she feels a chill when she

enters Mary's apartment in the back of the hotel.

The restaurant downstairs is far from chilling. There is an entire menu devoted to tea, from the exotic "Bubble Tea," made with tapioca, to cozy flavors like chocolate mint and vanilla.

Scratchy music plays from the stereo and each table looks set for an elegant family dinner with mis-

matched china, white linen and antique chairs.

"We have always created sense of place," Dias said. "We wanted to make it look like it had always been there."

Most of the restaurant's decorations are antique, collected by Dias during three years of estate sale shopping.

No table is newer than 1940 and

the chairs date back to the early 1900s. Vintage clothing pieces and hats adorn the walls.

"Definitely come for the atmosphere and the reasonable prices," Delondra Johnson, senior Theatre Arts major, said during breakfast at Sisters.

The menu also reflects a sense of time past. Some items are named for rooms in the hotel, such as the Piedmont Sandwich. Sisters serves breakfast Monday through Saturday until 11 a.m. and until 2 p.m. on Sunday. Practically everything on the menu is less than \$8 and includes pancakes, French toast, omelets and blintzes.

Lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. There is a variety of soups, salads and sandwiches. As soon as they get their liquor license, they will also serve dinner, which Dias said may have an international flavor.

By reservation, \$16.95 will get you traditional afternoon tea, which includes seven courses of finger foods and beverages.

Most of the restaurant's 16 employees are Central Washington University students. Dias said that she likes teaching the servers how to set a formal table and help them learn about the different teas.

"It's been a great experience," Maryann Gaines, interior design post graduate, said. "It feels like I'm serving at home."

Dias said there has been a high interest level in the restaurant in the three weeks they have been open.

"We've had people come out of nowhere," Dias said.

Ellensburg residents stop by to offer their old tea sets and stories about the restaurant's previous incarnations. Dias said she hopes the interest in the hotel will encourage the owners, who live in Oregon, to consider a full-scale renovation.

"It feels like it's waiting, frozen in time," Dias said.

For now, Sisters is the only visible recollection of the building's history.

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Group creates films

by Natalie Bing
Asst. scene editor

A relatively new club on campus is giving all students a chance to bring their vision to the big screen. The Film and Video Association gives students a hands-on opportunity to work on the production of short films.

"What the club was originally formed to do is basically be a resource pool," J. Landon Salyer, president of the Film and Video Association and senior independent studies film and video studies major, said.

The Film and Video Association works with a cross-disciplinary group of students to create short videos and films.

"It brings together students from all scopes because film is such a collaborative effort," Salyer said.

Many of the members are using this club as an outlet for real world experience.

"A lot of us are going into the film and video industry," Miguel Montoya, independent studies film and video studies major, said. "It's a way for us to learn independently."

The Film and Video Association forms production crews and creates student written short films on either video or 16mm film. Salyer said the script they are currently working on is about a day in the life of Central students.

"It is an ensemble cast and a metaphor about writers block as manifested in more than classic ways."

The future of the Film and Video Association is uncertain, but hopeful.

"We are trying to start a tradition here at Central," Daniel Fergus, senior independent studies film and video studies major, said.

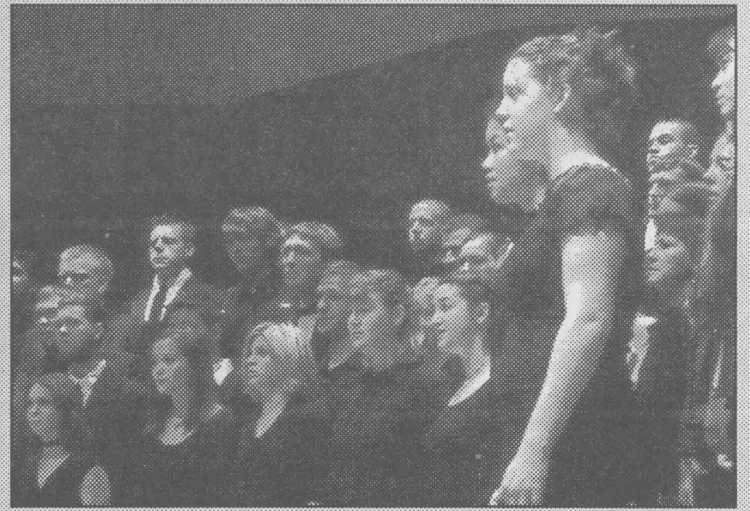
One way of beginning the tradition is to do a film festival every year.

"We are doing two annual film festivals," Salyer said. "Hopefully an independent one in February and then next October we will do an independent and community film festival."

Salyer said they plan to expand the festival and hopefully make it a large event, bringing people in from all over Washington as well as other states.

Those interested in joining can email cwusfva@yahoo.com for more information.

Choir kids come to campus

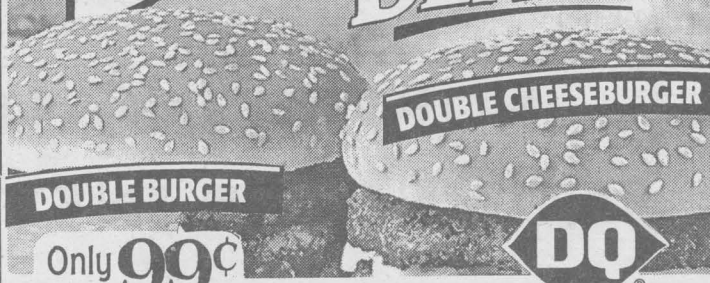


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More than 800 high school choir students from 26 schools are participating in the Central Washington University music department's annual choral festival at Hertz Hall this week. The festival includes a concert by Central's choral groups and adjudication by music professors and Central music students.

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Musician's death leaves void in fans' lives

by Marcus Tabert
Staff reporter

The impact solo artist Elliott Smith had on his fans, fellow musicians and the music industry cannot be weighed by the number of albums he sold or the car he drove; it is determined by the apparent void he has left in the lives of those who knew him personally, or just knew his music.

Smith took his own life Oct. 21, 2003 at the age of 34 in his Los Angeles residence.

"Elliott was a beautiful, gentle soul, generous beyond words and loved so much by all of us," read a statement from Smith's family posted on MTV.com. "We wish to extend our gratitude to the many people who supported him and have been touched by his music."

While Elliott will be deeply missed, his spirit will always be with us."

Smith got his start as a solo artist in Portland, Ore. His first three independent records, "Roman Candle," "Elliott Smith" and "Either/Or," gained him a large local following, but he did not gain a national audience until six of his songs were featured on the "Good Will Hunting" soundtrack, and he received an academy award

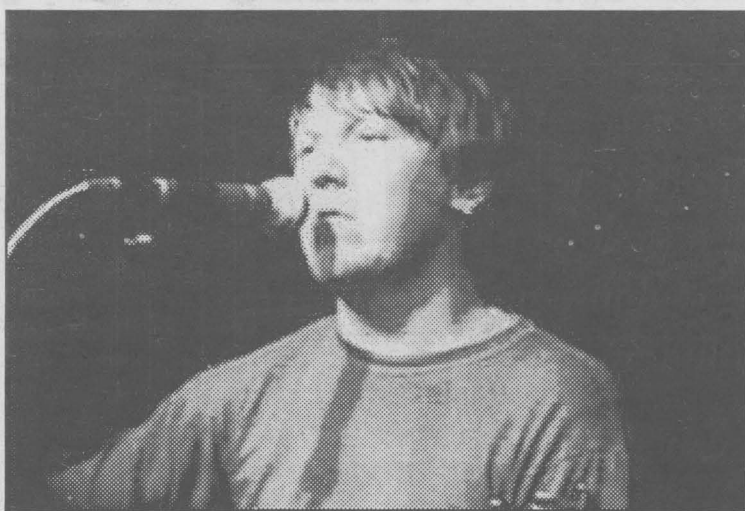


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nomination for one of the contributions, "Miss Misery."

The attention Smith received from the soundtrack attracted Dreamworks records, which released Smith's next two albums.

"My favorite record is a tie between 'XO' and 'Roman Candle,' but if I had to only choose one, it would be 'XO,'" Sally Wright, senior journalism major and four-year Elliott Smith fan, said. "My favorite song is 'Happiness (The Gondola Man)' from his fifth album, 'Figure 8.'"

At the time of his death, Smith was finishing a new album tentatively

called "From the Basement on the Hill," which would be his sixth full-length record and the follow-up to 2000's "Figure 8."

Smith's life was filled with alcohol and drug abuse and unattainable personal expectations. But in March 2003, Smith reported to "Under the Radar" magazine that he was clean and sober.

"I got caught up in (drug use) for almost two years," Smith said in the interview. "Then, I went to this place called the Neurotransmitter Restoration Center. I was coming off of a lot of psych meds and other

things. I was even on an antipsychotic, although I'm not psychotic."

Smith's death came as a surprise to Luke Wood, his A&R representative.

"As someone who's spent time with Elliott in the last few months, who saw him, he was really clean and focused," Wood said in an interview on the syndicated radio program "New Ground" on www.sweetadeline.net. "I really thought that the worst days were behind him, and I felt like his drive to get this record out, you know, was what was keeping him looking forward to the next day."

In spite of his problems, or because of them, Smith managed to touch more people in his 34 years than most people can do in a full lifetime. People took comfort in his soft-spoken songwriting and honest, personal lyrics.

If Smith's depression was beneficial in any way, it was to relate to his fans.

"At times he was able to draw upon his experience as a means of relating to others, and part of his depression enabled him to provide others with a vocabulary for talking about things they themselves didn't understand completely," Garrick Ducker, Smith's close friend and former band mate, said on

www.wweek.com.

But Smith's honesty and vulnerability often did not convey his lighter side.

"A lot of people thought he was sad all the time," Wright said. "But he once said in 'The Stranger,' 'I'm not sad. There has to be a certain amount of darkness in my songs for the happiness to matter.' What he said is true to real life. The happy times wouldn't matter if we didn't have to endure the bad times."

Smith has left behind a nearly completed album and a legacy as one of the greatest musicians of our time.

"Elliott left behind the torch for others to pick up that will inspire the next generation," Mary Lou Lord, Kill Rock Star Records' musician, said on sweetadeline.net. "I think when Kurt Cobain died, Elliott picked up the torch. Not everyone was meant to stick around that long. He left us with a legacy, and he'll become a legend. We're very lucky to have had him."

Pitchforkmedia.com reported that Smith had tracked over 30 songs for the new record, and there is enough material for Smith's family to release the album. His family will decide when the songs come out and on what record label the album will be released.

HIP HOP: Club performs mix

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club so I came to see what it was about," Becky Hoekstra, freshman undecided, said about her reason for joining the club this year.

The club is about more than just mixing beats and dancing.

"We're trying to spread the hip-hop culture throughout the Central campus," Dickson said. "(We want to) spread it in a positive way, not just the negative way you see on TV."

The club hopes to begin compet-

ing at least once a month, starting in January, but for now they will be performing at basketball games, Warefair and today at 8 p.m. in Club Central as a part of the Black Student Union's Show-Time or urban talent show.

"We had rebuilding years, we're still growing," Casey Oreiro, senior family studies major, said. "We're really serious and committed."

DJ Soup is the club dj. Open dance classes are from 6 to 7 p.m. for level I/II dancers and from 7 to 8

p.m. for level III/IV dancers, Monday and Wednesday nights in SUB room 208. The performance group practices from 8 to 10 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Han's Gym.

"We're always open to new dancers and choreographers," Dickson said.

The club especially welcomes male dancers because the female-to-male ratio is tipped heavily in favor of the women Senon said.

For more information contact Jenn at 933-4100.

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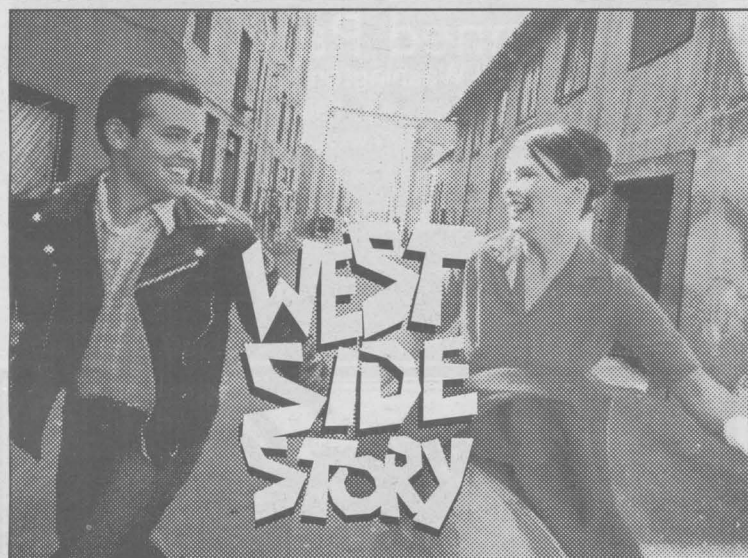
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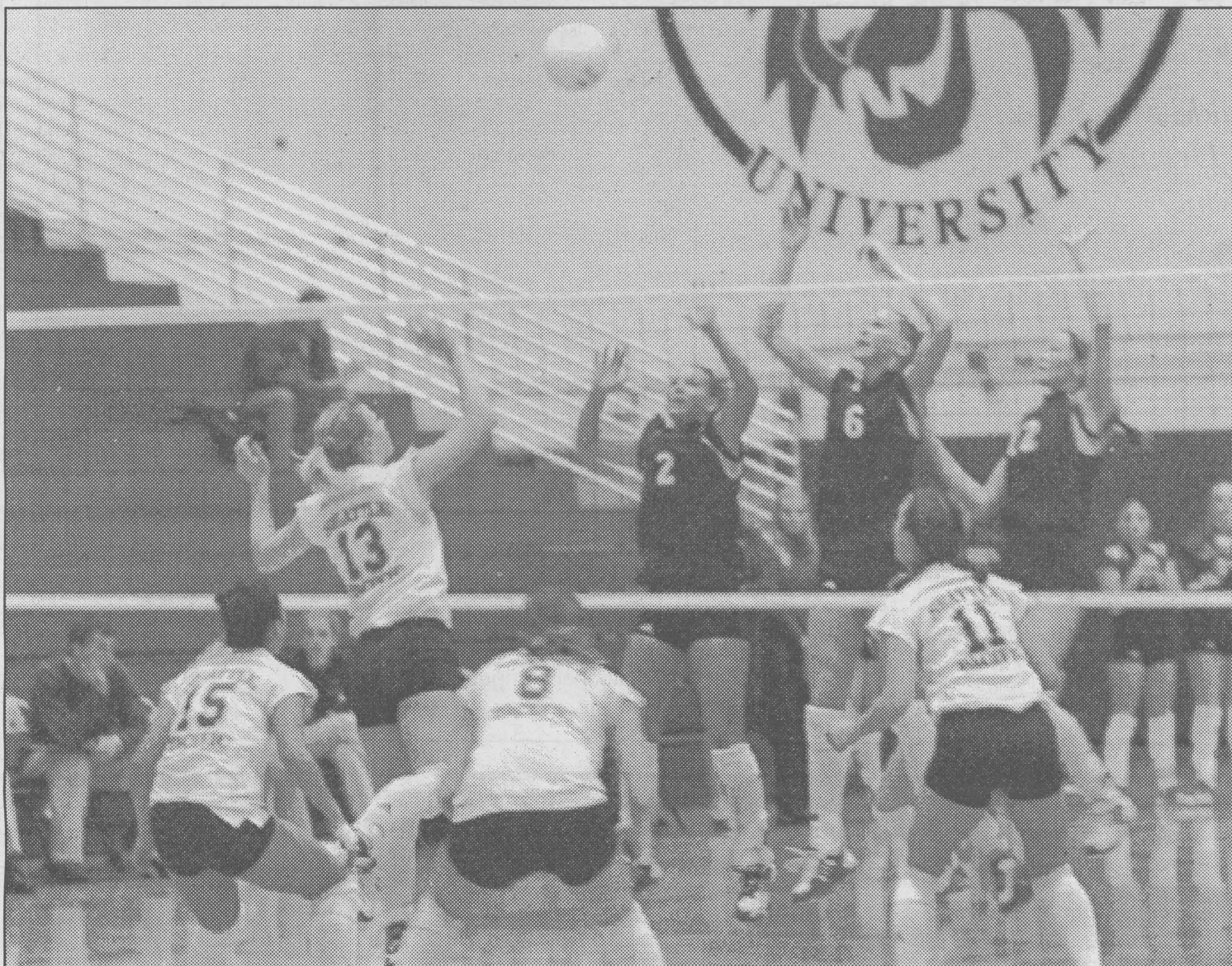
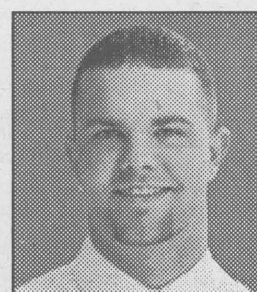
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SPORTS



Lindsey Jackson/Observer

Kate Reome (2), Gita Burke (6) and Crystal Ames (12) await Seattle Pacific University players' attack last Saturday. Central won the match 3-1.

Records break, volleyball splits

by P.J. Larson
Staff reporter

The Central Washington University volleyball team split their weekend series against Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) opponents, while two individuals accomplished milestones.

Western Washington University extended their winning streak to 20 games on Halloween and pushed their GNAC winning streak to 50 games with a sweep of the Wildcats. In spite of the loss, junior setter Kate Reome, with help from her teammates, became the all-time assists leader in school history with 3,248 assists. Reome was glad to finally accomplish the feat and ready to add more assists to her name, as the setter has another year of eligibility.

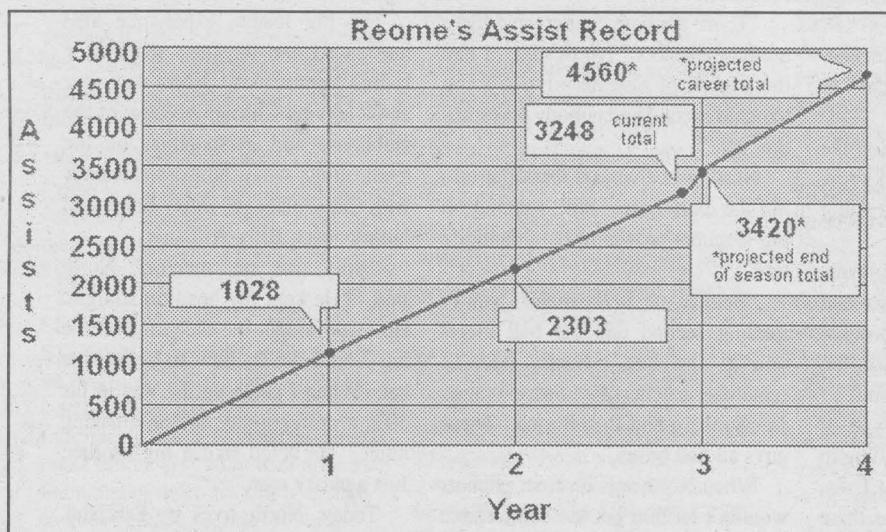
"It's an honor," Reome said. "I want to shatter the record. Make a big enough cushion so I will have it awhile."

Last Saturday, with Reome's name safely engraved in the books, another landmark was reached when Central handed Seattle Pacific

University a 3-1 loss. The women rewarded Coach Mario Andaya with his 100th career victory. Sophomore middle blocker LeAnne McGahuey led a balanced offensive contribution by recording 18

earlier in the year.

"Keep him going with this 100th win," McGahuey said. "We came out for revenge. I'm excited about this win."



kills. Senior defensive specialist/libero Jessica Scott was happy her coach got some recognition.

"(Our) little present to him," Scott said. "He deserves this win. It was nice to do something for him."

McGahuey was also excited for Andaya and about the big win to a team that defeated Central

being assessed. The Wildcats defeated both schools at home earlier in the season and they know the challenge they will face.

"We need a good week of practice," Andaya said. "The games will be tough matches. (The Alaska teams) will be out for revenge. We need to control them."

Along with the 100th win, the coach was pleased by the way the women performed inside Nicholson Pavilion.

"We came out with a game plan," Andaya said. "We held off matches and had a good work ethic."

This weekend the women head for colder climates as they travel north for battles with the University of Alaska-Anchorage and the University of Alaska-Fairbanks. The importance of the road trip is already

Soccer loses to nationally ranked SU and SPU

by Stephanie Hogan
Staff reporter

The Central Washington University women's soccer team dropped two more games against nationally ranked teams. This week Central lost to 25th ranked Seattle University Redhawks (SU) and 10th ranked Seattle Pacific University Falcons (SPU). With only one game left in the season, the future looks grim for Central as they sink to last place in the league.

"I wish we brought the same intensity out every single game, we have been up and down each game," senior goalkeeper Jillyan Boyer said.

Central was only able to get off eight shot attempts on Thursday Oct. 30 against SU, which wasn't enough as the Wildcats fell 3-1 to the Redhawks.

Senior midfielder Rachel Casillas was the lone Wildcat to score a goal, making it her sixth goal for the season. Casillas, who is leading her teammates in scoring this season, scored for the Wildcats on the opening shot in the second half.

Central was out-shot by SU 16-8 in the contest. However Boyer, who has the second highest saves in the league with 69, managed to save nine shots from the net.

Central faltered again against the SPU Falcons 3-0 on Saturday Nov. 1, tallying up their fourth straight loss in Great Northwest Athletic Conference.

Central was out-shot again 28-9 by SPU which hasn't lost a game in 16 outings.

The Wildcats go into their last game against Northwest Nazarene University (NNU) with optimism, hoping to finish their season on a high note. Central will need to increase their shot attempts in the last game in order to pull out a win.

"We struggle each time against them," Boyer said. "It's payback time."

Central will play their final game of the season hosting NNU at 2p.m. today. The outing marks the last colligate game for five Wildcats.

"We have a chance to come back and beat NNU; we could have beaten them last time," Morris said. "We just have to come strong to come out with a win."

Wildcats win wild one

by Cindy Figueroa
Staff reporter

Taking the offensive hill was no problem as conference offensive player of the week senior quarterback Zak Hill completed 23 of 31 passes for 329 yards and a career-high five touchdowns. The 55-44 victory over Western Oregon on Saturday at McArthur Field ends conference play for the Wildcats.

"We started the game with Western Oregon leading 10 to zip," senior wide receiver Moses Lewis said. "We had nothing to lose so we just shook it off like nothing and played how we knew we could. The offense started clicking and we started putting up points."

Lewis completed seven catches for 83 yards and two TDs while sophomore wide receiver Nate Brookreson caught three passes for 82 yards and one TD. Senior wide receiver Jake Roberts set a career high with 12 catches totaling 157 yards and two TDs as well.

"We had a real good week of practice prior to the game," Roberts said. "I think we showed everyone how much damage we could really do."

By the half Central held a 28-17 lead over Western Oregon, scoring 14

points with 3:19 left. The first of these points was a score by junior running back Emilio Iniguez who had a two-yard run. A 24-yard pass to Roberts ended the half on a great note giving the Wildcats a nice cushion to lean on.

"With our O-line in front we could have Pee-Wee Herman receiving," Lewis said. "They make it possible for Zak to take his time in order to find us"

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Moses Lewis
Senior wide receiver

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"I don't think there was as much pressure on the team and as a result we played a little lighter and had more fun," Hill said.

Central concludes the 2003 season with back to back non-conference games against New Haven on Nov. 8 and UC Davis on Nov. 15.

"I hope we come out these next two games with the same attitude," Lewis said. "Everyone plays better when we're having fun."

Swimming season starts with loss, but brings hope for future



Lindsey Jackson/Observer

Senior sprinter Matt Kalkoske races against the Seattle University Redhawks last Saturday. Both the men and the women lost (127-77 and 144-60 respectively), however sophomore James Olson and freshman Robby Stout met provisional NCAA qualifying standards for National competition.

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by Teddy Feinberg
Staff reporter

The name Bill North has lived in relative obscurity on Central's campus for some time now. It's a shame. North played ball as a Wildcat when the program was at its peak. He was the leader of the most successful baseball era in the history of Central Washington University.

"First team all-American," North said. "Ain't nobody done that but me."

And he's right.

"I played baseball for a long time," North said. "Twenty seven straight years until I retired. I've been swinging the bat forever. I loved Mickey Mantle and Hank Aaron. When I grew up and watched those guys, I wanted to do the same thing."

North came to Central in 1966 and played under Coach Gary Frederick. During his stay in Ellensburg, the Wildcats proved to be one of the toughest opponents in the nation.

"We had pitchers," Frederick said. "Butch Hill and Harvey Kochel. These were big, strong men."

He didn't mention North, who was a smooth centerfielder, as well as a difference maker on the base paths.

"I would run like crazy," North said. "No one was faster than me. Basically, when I was on base, the light was always green."

For two straight seasons, Frederick guided Central to the National Tournament in California. In 1968, while the team enjoyed great

success, North's year was nothing short of remarkable. He set Wildcat records for triples and steals while making the all-Conference and all-West Coast teams, attracting scouts from around the nation.

Drafted by the Cubs in 1969, North was sent to the Arizona Instructional League that winter. He made a brief return to Central at the end of the year and then headed off for the minors. When he was called up to the big leagues in 1971, he was euphoric.

"For my first game, they told me to be at the park at eleven," North said. "I got there at eight."

North loved playing in Chicago. When he was traded to Oakland in 1973, emotions ran high.

"I was all about playing for the Cubs," North said. "Little did I know that by going to Oakland, I was going to get some rings."

The '73 Athletics, featured players such as Sal Bando, Gene Tenace and Reggie Jackson. North was brought in to add speed at the top of the order, while trying to fit in best he could.

"Reggie was a different type of leader," North said. "I'm not going to say we were best friends. But I was there to play center and he was there to hit homers. They pay you to play and to win."

The year North was dealt to the bay he led Oakland with 53 steals, scored over 90 runs and batted a rock solid .285 while playing in 146 games. With him penciled in as the every day leadoff man, the A's beat the New York Mets in the World

Series. The 1974 season marked another career year for North. Again Oakland won the title and again the speedy centerfielder was a catalyst.

"In '73, I couldn't play in the World Series because I tore my ankle late in the season at Minnesota," North said. "To come back in 1974 and to be on that stage was incredible. To get to the mountain top...that's why I played the game."

North played four more seasons for the A's and continued to put up numbers. In 1976, he led the majors in stolen bases with 75 and scored 91 runs.

"There are base runners and there are base stealers," North said. "I had the attitude of a stealer. I was going to get to second and nobody was stoppin' me."

North was always a master at taking the extra base. Still, running on big leaguers proved to be a daunting test.

"Believe me, in the majors, you're stealing second and the ball meets you at the bag," North said. "I remember catchers like Steve Yeager, Jim Sunberg and Bob Boone. These guys all had hoses."

When North was on first, pitchers wouldn't let him get too comfortable either. They were forced to keep an eye on him. Otherwise, he was off.

"With a pitcher, it's all about his first motion to the plate," North said. "Juan Marichal and Steve Carlton were the best around at keepin' the runner close."

North was traded to the L.A. Dodgers 24 games into the 1978 sea-

son. He finished his career with the San Francisco Giants before retiring after the 1981 campaign. Baseball taught him lifelong lessons and allowed him to develop friendships that went beyond the field.

"Gary Frederick and Dean Nicholson were two coaches at Central that were instrumental to me as a ballplayer and as a man," North said. "They brought out a lot of character and shaped me into the person that I am today."

North had the chance to play with some great players of the past, including Ernie Banks and Catfish Hunter.

His big league experience also introduced him to others who made lasting impressions. North was sour about leaving Chicago because of the clubhouse and personalities on the team. Even today, he is good friends with Cubs' manager Dusty Baker and hitting coach Billy Williams.

"Billy was my mentor," North said. "He kept my head on straight. He really taught me the game on the big league level, how to swing the bat. When I came up, he was in his 30's, a professional, and an amazing hitter. He acted like a big brother. Just a classy man."

Today, North lives in Kirkland. He's been a financial planner for twenty-one years and still keeps up with baseball.

"I watched the World Series this year," said North. "The Yanks were not used to facing a team like Florida. Too much speed."

Classic North. A base stealer at heart.

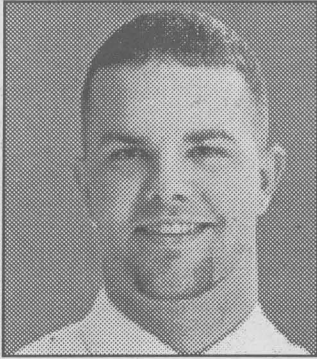


Wildcat of the week

by Roxie Cardinal
Staff reporter

Senior quarterback and co-captain of the football team, Zak Hill, is this week's "Wildcat of the Week." Hill unloaded last Saturday against the Western Oregon University Wolves (WOU), completing a season-high 74% of his passes for 329 yards and five touchdowns. Hill also ran for a tuchdown as the Wildcats beat WOU 55-44. Central is 5-3 for the season with two games remaining.

Who knows him better: his girlfriend or his mom? To find out, we asked Zak to answer some questions for us. We asked the women in his life, his girlfriend and his mother, to guess what he answered. From dumb and dumber quotes, run-ins with pizzas, to his favorite NFL quarterback, Hill opened up to show us the lighter side of Central's star quarterback.



Zak Hill
Wildcat of the Week



Melissa Turner
Zak's girlfriend



Ann Hill
Zak's mom

Role model?	Doug Flutie	Joe Montana	His dad
Favorite saying?	"Big Gulps huh?"	"Big Gulps" from Dumb and Dumber	"Yeah" - everytime we ask him something, that is his answer
Something people don't know about you?	I like to read a lot	He likes to read a lot	He likes to play the stalking game with cats - you know, when you're down on all fours
Biggest moment in football?	The North Dakota game last year	Probably the game last weekend	The North Dakota game last year
Most embarrassing moment?	When I was carrying a pizza up the stairs and I tripped on the last stair and fell face first into the pizza	When we went into the mountains and his car got stuck in the snow. It took 10 people three hours to get his car out	When he was drinking a milkshake and it wasn't coming out, so he put the cup above his face, it all came out

Ski club hosts talk

by Conor Glassey
Sports Editor

Martin Volken, a noted ski mountaineer and the author of "Backcountry Skiing, Snoqualmie Pass" will be speaking about his experiences ski mountaineering around the world, at 5:30 p.m. at Grant's Pizza on Tuesday, Nov. 11.

"Ski mountaineering is a combination of ski touring, mountain climbing and downhill skiing," president of the cross-country ski club, Glenn Bandy said.

Volken, who was born and raised in Switzerland, moved to the Seattle area in the late 1980s. He owns the Pro Ski Service and Pro Guiding Service, and is also a certified guide for the American Mountaineering Guides Association.

"I hope we have a good group of people that are interested in his program," publicity chairman for the cross-country ski club, Beth Habib, said.

The meeting at Grant's Pizza will begin at 5:30 p.m., where for \$7 there will be all-you-can-eat pizza. Volken's presentation will begin at 7 p.m.

Regular cross-country ski club meetings are held every second Tuesday of the month, from November to March at Morgan Middle School in room 83. Club membership is \$5, which includes a monthly newsletter during the ski season with news about current skiing conditions, places to ski and the latest ski equipment developments.

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Hill recalls memories, reveals goals



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Senior quarterback and co-captain Zak Hill (10) eludes a Western Washington University defender at the "Battle in Seattle" at Seahawks Stadium.

by Aaron Miller
Staff reporter

Some people think of football as only a game, but to Central Washington University quarterback, Zak Hill, football has helped define his college experience.

Hill, senior health and fitness major, started playing football when he was 12 years old. He has always been a quarterback and he has always worn number 10. Growing up he idolized quarterback Joe Montana and

Hill thinks his skills are similar to Montana's.

"Montana is really smart," Hill said. "He is more of a pocket passer, he has good accuracy and makes good decisions."

Another player that Hill looks up to is Doug Flutie.

"I like Flutie because he is short like me," Hill said. "He had to take the long route through the Canadian Football League before he could prove himself in the National Football League (NFL)."

Coach John Zamberlin has been at Central for Hill's entire college career and has been able to watch him grow as a player and a leader.

"He has always had outstanding leadership qualities," Zamberlin said. "He is recognized by his peers as a leader."

Hill has been voted a team captain the last four years. Zamberlin also admires his resiliency and his field awareness.

"Zak has faced a lot of adversity going through two shoulder surgeries

and a knee surgery," Zamberlin said. "He has become a student of the game who can read coverages and run an offense efficiently."

Hill admits that his college experience would have been different if he had not played football. He might not have come to Central. Hill credits football for giving him some of the friendships he has gained and the memories he will take with him. One memory he recalled involved a lot of school spirit.

"Some of my friends and I asked the basketball coach if we could get some old jerseys," Hill said. "Then we got some wigs and we would run to the basketball games from my house and then back to my house after the games. We just wanted to support the basketball team like they supported us."

Hill's best memory is the undefeated regular season the football team had last year. He says that it has been difficult to top that experience this season.

"This year has been a challenge because I have struggled," Hill said. "There is more pressure because it's my senior year and I want to play well because I may not get another shot."

Hill has a positive impact on young players and hopes he has been a good example of someone who works hard, plays hard and keeps a positive attitude.

"He's just a great guy on and off the field," Tyson Gamblin, freshman linebacker, said. "He's a team player and a leader who makes young guys feel welcome. We definitely look up to him."

Hill believes that the biggest misconception of him is that he is cocky and outspoken.

"I am actually pretty quiet and I

like to keep to myself," Hill said. "I am just a normal guy that plays football."

Hill wants to play football in the NFL and is planning his future. He has talked to agents and hopes to get tryouts with professional teams. He would also like to be a college coach, or a high school teacher and coach.

Zak Hill — by the — Numbers

2
Offensive series
Hill has missed
at CWU

73
Career
touchdowns

8527
Career
passing yards

Upcoming CWU sports events

- Football: Nov. 8 vs. New Haven- Noon
- Soccer: Nov. 6 vs. NW Nazarene- 2 p.m
- Volleyball: Nov. 7 @ Alaska-Anchorage
Nov. 8 @ Alaska-Fairbanks
- Swimming: Nov. 8 @ Simon Fraser- 1p.m
- Cross Country: Nov. 8 @ Chico, Calif.

Ridnour visits Ellensburg



Andrew Grinaker/Observer

Sonics point guard, Luke Ridnour, signs autographs after speaking Monday night.

by Andrew Grinaker
Asst. Sports editor

Luke Ridnour, point guard for the Seattle Sonics and former Pac-10 player of the year at the University of Oregon, came to Ellensburg Monday night to speak to students and community members on behalf of the Fellowship for Christian Athletes. The talk took place at the Christian and Missionary Alliance (CMA) off 14th street. Ridnour spoke about basketball and how he has devoted his life to Christ. He also signed some autographs and took some time to answer a few questions from the sports section.

What was your favorite part of college, outside of basketball?

I just had really good people around me - good roommates, just hanging out with my friends.

How is college basketball different from the NBA?

Everyone is so good, no one is weak anymore.

Is there a player on the Sonics that has taken you under their wing?

Everyone has been really good, but since I got drafted, Brent Barry has been the most helpful I would say.

Do you have any expectations or goals for yourself this season?

Just to help the team win, that's it.

Has the team set goals for itself this season?

We want to make the playoffs. The West is loaded, but that's our goal.

Ellensburg and Blaine both have small populations. What did you like about living in a small town?

The guys I have grown up with since I was born. Just to have that relationship and go through that with them. That was the best part for me.



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