Parade supports past, present

by Joseph Castro
Staff reporter

Hundreds of people gathered downtown Tuesday as veterans and military personnel marched as part of the sixth annual Veterans Day Parade.

Gene Ketzenberg, Vietnam veteran and parade coordinator, said he felt the parade was a great success.

"I thought it was awesome," Ketzenberg said. "I think we have a lot more spectators showing up to show support for the veterans and we have more young people in the service now days who are more patriotic."

While holding the American flag, Ketzenberg mentioned the importance of remembering the soldiers who fought and are still fighting in Iraq.

"We have young men and women over there in uniform dying to keep this flag free," Ketzenberg said.

The sixth annual Veteran's Day Parade went off without a hitch Tuesday. Parade participants, including Central's color guard (top), marched from Pine Street to Pearl Street. Other marchers included veterans of past wars (bottom left), Central's ROTC (center) and members of the Boy Scouts.

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The upcoming holiday season often fosters a feeling of selflessness and giving, so Central Washington University's office of Civic Engagement has come up with a few ways to help others in need.

Any Central community member can get involved with "Thanks-For-Giving," which consists of eight different activities targeted to help specific groups around Ellensburg and Kittitas County.

Lorinda Anderson, director of civic engagement and leadership development, formerly the Service Learning and Volunteer Center, said her office is always looking for people to get involved with holiday programs.

"If someone is interested in doing things throughout the holidays there are always opportunities in the community to support whatever target audience they want," Anderson said. "For example, it can be something as simple as helping seniors raking leaves right now."

The offerings for this season include collecting food for Kittitas County families; anyone can leave donations in a box in the Associated Students of Central Washington University Board of Directors office or make their own box for collections. Also Central's marketing club is looking for help rounding up warm clothing for children, teens and adults.

Course bridges curriculum with real world experience

by Bob Kirkpatrick
Staff reporter

The Construction Management Department graduates of Central Washington University have a 100 percent job placement rate. They can find jobs even during down times in the economy," Assistant Professor Bill Bender said. "Although you may have to be willing to move to California."

Bender teaches construction management (CMGT) at Central and serves as project coordinator for the erection of the new Ellensburg High School. He is helping to monitor the work in progress and also offers input as to how to minimize construction costs to the school district.

Bender views this unique relationship with the Ellensburg school district as an opportunity to enrich the experience of students in the course.

"We travel once a week to the site," he said. See CONSTRUCTION page 4 for more information.
Police Briefs

by Ryan Knee
Asst. News editor

SLOW DOWN
Nov. 10
A mother and her 15-year-old daughter were waiting to cross at the intersection of Manitoba Ave & Main Street. An older car, possible license plate number 515LLM, sped through the intersection and almost hit the girl.

SPACE CHANGE?
Nov. 10
A man was listening outside the Chevron station on Canyon Road. He was told to leave repeatedly because he continued to harass customers and wash their windows.

LOOK BUT DON’T TOUCH
Nov. 10
An apartment manager requested assistance after finding a resident’s apartment on the 88th block of Juniper had been broken into.

JUST CHECKING
Nov. 10
A concerned neighbor was checking on a friend by calling him by Ryan Knee
daughter were waiting to cross at 515LLM, sped through the intersection and almost hit the girl.

Residence Hall Association wins several awards in conference competitions

by Ryan Knee
Asst. News editor

Central Washington University’s Residence Hall Association (RHA) won several awards at the 2003 Pacific Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls (PACURHA) Conference. The conference was held at the University of California-Santa Barbara, in Santa Barbara last weekend.

Central’s RHA competed against RHAs from universities in Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada, Hawaii, British Columbia and Australia. Central sent 11 delegates to the conference. The funding for the student’s travel, accommodations and food was generated from a combination of the RHA and from the attending students.

Central’s Katie Baker, a sophomore music education major and a resident advisor in Alfred-Montgomery Hall placed in the top ten at a competition with a program titled “Alcohol: Say What?” Baker created the program to inform students how to drink responsibly.

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Katie Baker
Alfred-Montgomery RA

My program was on fun ways for residents to know facts about the problems that drinking can have on and off campus,” Baker said. “Everyone knows that people are going to drink at their colleges; it is a choice that they make. If they are going to make that choice, they need to make smart ones.”

Baker also submitted a program titled “Body Image in the Media,” explaining the media’s portrayal of what the “ideal person” should look like. The Wildcat’s other top winner was “Gender Benders,” created by Central’s RHA Adviser Richard Deshields and Jeni Ernstof.

Other notable awards were the Three-Year Service award given to Heather Yenger, Cars Perkins, Jeff Roseberry and Leanne Todd. The Four-Year Service award went to Jessica Pense and Tricia Rebel and the Five-Year Service Award went to Megan Fuhman.

“Part of the deal is you have to bring back programs in Central and do them in different resident halls,” Baker said.

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Safety tips for heading over Snoqualmie Pass

According the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), 25,000 vehicles travel over Snoqualmie Pass each day. Some important driving tips from the WSDOT include completely clearing snow and ice from headlights and windows before taking to the road and to leave room for stopping. Driver should also be aware of road condition and should try not pump anti-lock breaks. Also, for drivers in 4x4 vehicles, the WSDOT warns against being too over-confident of the vehicle’s capabilities. It is extremely important for drivers to remember that trucks do not stop as quickly as cars do, and drivers should avoid cutting in front of them too quickly.

The WSDOT outlines winter safety driving tips on their Web site www.wsdot.wa.gov/winter.
GIVING: Tree will help underprivileged children

Anderson said students are needed to help coordinate a collection project to gather household supplies, such as soaps and cleaners, for Kittitas County families.

"Community Dinner. Anderson said, for Animals, organizations that advocate humane treatment of animals, will seek donations of supplies or food for the animal shelter.

For people interested in a more personal approach to helping out those less fortunate than themselves, Thanksgiving have a chance to help make this event happen, Anderson said. Two Central groups, Roots and Shoots and Action for Animals, have been helping local area residents at the Ellensburg Community Dinner. Anderson said the dinner is a large project that needs lots of support, such as picking up supplies from local sources and bringing them to the event.

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"This is a very simple activity that will hopefully lead to interest or intrigue by students, to take what they learn at Central to look at the deeper issues of why families are in need in the United States," Anderson said.

Callie Jones, freshman elementary education major, said she has loved helping out in her community since high school where she had to do 60 hours of community service to graduate. Jones is heading up the "Giving Tree" project at Central this year. She received 200 requests and suggestions of presents for less fortunate middle and elementary-school children.

"Everyone can pick up one of the gift tags, which has the age, gender and a "wish" item on it in the Samuelson Union Building (SUB). The gifts need to be wrapped and returned to the Civic Engagement office in SUB 211 by Dec. 4.

"I do it out of the goodness of my heart and to make a difference in people’s lives," Jones said. "The college is such a big part of Ellensburg. Central owes them a lot and should give back to those who have given it so much."

Jones said the "Giving Tree" is the first project she has worked on in the office of Civic Engagement. Jones has spent about 15 hours a week volunteering over the past two months for this project. "Seeing people happy, knowing that we are providing something as little as a toothbrush is going to help people make a smile to these kids faces," Jones said. "It makes the project worthwhile."

For specific details on each program visit the new Web site of the Civic Engagement office at http://dvcenter.cwu.edu, or contact Lorinda Anderson at 963-1643 in SUB 211.

Artifacts returned to Iraqi museum

More than 800 artifacts were returned to Iraq's National Museum on Tuesday. The items, which include a 4,300-year-old copper statue, were stolen shortly after the fall of Baghdad.

Many of the items were recovered with the help of the FBI. Thousands of other artifacts are still missing.

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Al Qaeda attacks ordinary Muslims

Al Qaeda has claimed responsibility for a series of terrorist attacks.

WTO declares steel tariffs illegal

The World Trade Organization has declared President Bush's steel tariffs illegal. If the U.S. does not end its protectionist policies it faces retaliatory tariffs from the EU and countries such as Russia.

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**CONSTRUCTION: Students learning how to manage work sites**

**continued from 1 site,** Bender said. "This gives the students a hands-on feeling of what will be expected of them in the real working environment."

Those enrolled in the construction management program learn contract law, international building codes, job costing, safety regulations and blue print interpretations. They also attend negotiating workshops which instructs student on how to communicate change orders to architects and engineers. The course will prepare students for any type of construction in the residential, commercial industry as well as working for the highway department in heavy construction like bridge building and road improvements.

"We learn how to completely manage a job site," Scott Smith, a senior in the construction management course, said. "That includes interfacing with architects and engineers when changes are implemented on the project."

Every Friday Bender allows his students the opportunity to experience on-the-job training.

"There are many phases of construction on a $22 million project like Ellensburg High School," Brian Sugg, senior construction management major, said. "Some of our responsibilities as project managers include site preparation, demolition of existing structures and coordinating the schedules of subcontractors."

The construction management students are also involved in a national competition that takes place annually in Reno, Nev. Forming a team of seven members, they compete against 10 schools from Washington, Oregon and California. Their objective is to accurately estimate a multi-million dollar project and to deal with any problems that may surface, such as change orders randomly introduced by the instructor. The task is to stay at or under a targeted budget. They have 18 hours in which to complete the project.

The construction management teams that have represented Central in this competition over the years have gained a reputation for producing competent individuals that employers are seeking.

"Contractors who come to the national competition often ask me to put together a list of applicants for recommendation," Bender said. "In fact one of the top contractors in the state, who happened to get the contract to repair the damages to the Pentagon after 9-11 came here to Central and talked directly with those of us in the department."

For more information, contact Bender at the Department of Industrial and Engineering Technology in the Hogue Hall, room 202.
If you could ask President McIntyre one thing, what would it be?

"I would ask her why there isn't a form of local transportation for students, like buses or transits to get around campus or the city."

—Dustin Mixon, senior math major

"It would definitely be about parking and why there are so many lots closed and that there should be more access for students without parking passes so that they can visit students on campus."

—Megan Dunn, sophomore psychology major

"I would want to know when all of the construction around campus will be over because it is such an obstacle to get around campus."

—Candice Baldwin, freshman pre-medicine major

"Why are parking tickets so abundant? And why do all of the parking lots that have time limits end at 4:30 p.m., why wait until so late?"

—Robert Larkin, senior computer science major

President, cabinet held captive for questioning

by Jennifer Allen
Staff reporter

President Jerilyn McIntyre and other university administrators will be a captive audience for students’ questions during this quarter’s Fireside Chat. Students wishing to query administrators about issues at Central may either attend the chat at 8 p.m. on Nov. 17 at McIntyre’s residence, 211 E. 10th Avenue, or call 88.1.1, the ‘Burg, at 963-2311. The ‘Burg will broadcast the chat live for those students unable to attend the chat in person.

President McIntyre said the event is meant to facilitate discussion that might not normally occur between the administration and the general student body.

"The goal is to really give students a chance to get to know the administration and ask questions," McIntyre said.

McIntyre and David Soltz, Central’s provost and senior vice president for academic affairs, said they try not to place any type of boundaries or guidelines upon the questions students may ask.

"Students can ask anything within the broad spectrum that influences academic policy," Soltz said.

McIntyre said students have asked about topic repeatedly in previous chats.

"Parking seems to come up every time," McIntyre said. McIntyre also said that construction might also be a large focus of the discussion.

Ian Jaffe, public affairs coordinator for the ‘Burg and host for this quarter’s Fireside Chat, said she hopes people bring up other issues such as construction and parking.

"There’s a lot more going on around campus," Jaffe said.

The Fireside Chat will include administrators from the President’s Cabinet, including Vice President for Business and Financial Affairs Rich Connors, Vice President for University Relations Paul Baker; Vice President for Student Affairs Charlotte Tallos, Soltz and McIntyre.

All students are welcome to attend the chat, which lasts about an hour. McIntyre and Soltz said they recommend that students sign up at either the ‘Burg office or at the Associated Students of Central of Washington.

If people have criticism, they are free to present it. We just ask that people be civil about it.

—Chris Hull
General Manager of the ‘Burg

University Board of Directors (ASCWU/BOD) office in the Samuelson Union Building (SUB) room 116.

"Although students are not required to register for the event, Soltz said that it helps them provide adequate seating and refreshments for the audience. Soltz also said attendance has varied widely in the past, ranging from about sixty to thirty students."

Chris Hall, general manager of the ‘Burg, said an average of five students call the ‘Burg to ask a question during the chat.

McIntyre modeled the Fireside Chats, which began fall 2001, after a similar process at the University of Utah where she served as interim president. McIntyre said the named Central’s chats after Franklin D. Roosevelt’s Depression era radio broadcasts. Roosevelt broadcasted his Fireside Chats over national radio and used the chats to help inform Americans and make them feel closer to him as an individual.

Hall said the chat, which is not open to the public, is meant to be a comfortable place for both administration and students to exchange ideas.

"We try to stress that Dr. McIntyre has opened her home to students for this event and that she and the vice presidents are taking time to come to campus or the city."

Hull said, "If people have criticism, they are free to present it. We just ask that people be civil about it. In fact, people have been very complimentary of the administration in the past."

Hull said the ‘Burg and other coordinators have tried to create a welcoming environment for students.

"We’re trying to create a more personable setting in which students can feel comfortable to address the president and vice presidents with their concerns," Hull said.

Soltz said he feels the chats have brought the administration and students closer together.

"I think this was a very good idea on President McIntyre’s part to help facilitate discussion between the students and the administration," Soltz said.

Jaffe hopes students will take advantage of the opportunity to address their questions directly to the president and vice presidents.

"Everybody’s invited to come," Jaffe said. "They will be there to answer your questions. Show up or tune in."

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Round the University

Renaming of library set for Saturday

The Central Washington University library will be officially renamed for James E. Brooks, former student, faculty and president of Central. The ceremony will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 15 at the library.

Retired staff member dies

On Monday, Nov. 3, Will Garnich III died at Royal Vista Care Center in Ellensburg. He was 74. From 1971 to 1994, Garnich was the systems analyst/programmer in the computer support services. Per Garnich’s wishes, there will be no public services held for him.

Social Justice Series moved to today

The Social Justice Series, regularly held on Tuesday, will be held today at noon in the Samuelson Union Building Pit. The series, which was moved due to Veterans’ Day, will discuss poverty with a panel of experts from Kittitas County Action Council and Comprehensive Mental Health.

You’ve got issues...

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Sign up early for the next FIRESIDE CHAT at the President’s home.
Discuss CWU issues in an open forum with the President and Vice Presidents.
Sign up at The ‘Burg or in the ASCWU BOD Office, SUB 116.

FIRESIDE CHAT Nov. 17 8-9 PM

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Around the University

nutrition, health, fitness, beauty & beyond

Thursday, November 20, 2003
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Samuelson Union Building
Central Washington University

Come relax with various day spas and salons from the Ellensburg community. Visit various health and nutrition booths, test out the free yoga class at noon and the free pilates class at 12:45 p.m.
Win prizes, giveaways, door busters, and gift/gifts! There will also be fajitas, Caesar, honey, hip hop and swing demonstrations at noon!

Fla shots and Menisperal Menopausal Vaccine will be offered during Spa Day this year.

Sponsored by the Wellness Center, Health and Counseling Center, Corwin, Sambuca Bronze, The School of Karate, Salon Designers, O’Val, Zichy’s, Daybreak Natural Foods, Under Chiropractic Center, Sola Arte, Touch Furniture, The Riverside Shops, P1, CWA Dining Services, Great American Smoke Out, Swing Club, Health Club, Hip Hop Club
November Sweeps -- when television makes everyone want to tune in to check out broadcasting's latest attempt to snare viewers. This last Sunday, made-for-TV Jessica Lynch was seen by 15.7 million viewers. Not only has the media cashed in on Private Lynch's story with television interviews, talk shows and movies, her book hit shelves a few days ago. Beyond that Larry Flynt claims to have made nude photos of her. She is definitely not lacking for media coverage.

Only that's not the kind of coverage I'm looking for. When I see story after story turning POP Lynch into a celebrity, with people disputing the facts of her rescue and treatment (which she can't even remember) it disturbs me. Of all the troops who came home changed or did things they did didn't know they were capable of, why did we make an icon of Lynch? And really, the timing seems a tad insensitive as more troops are called to duty.

Perhaps insensitive is the wrong word, advantageous to exploitive might be a better choice. The media has found a bland child to act as the military's poster girl. The carefully packaged Lynch glamorizes the reality of the war. It glossey over the members of her group who died in the attack or the fact that she couldn't protect herself with her weapon.

Jessica Lynch -- the hero, POW, sweet American -- has given us a safe way to view the war. We still receive daily updates of the casualties in Iraq, but it's all repetitive and treads with a big hock: Lynch. The other details are merely numbers we can pass off with a nod. Maybe we've finally become accustomed to and unaffected by U.S. deaths.

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424 reasons I hate my car

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No, this is not some cheesy car commercial. This is a page from my life. A page that I would prefer to have ripped into strips and sacrificial­ly burned. However, that which does not kill us makes us stronger, and they truly believe they are doing the right thing. Love is the foundation, not judgment and con­demnation. Sincerely,

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Not a question of originality, but taste

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Love in the age of divorce

by Aaron Miller Staff reporter

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My reality, like many that of the young adults and kids in this country, is divorce. I am a product of divorce and that must mean I am destined to repeat history and fail in my pursuit of true love and genuine friendship.

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Art council furthers student involvement

by Laura Haworth
Staff reporter

Students who are curious about art or interested in the major might want to know how the art council applies to them. This year the Student Art Council's (SAC) goal is to be visible in the community, while furthering the development of their fellow students' awareness of art.

"The enthusiasm and momentum of this year's officers is impressive," Joan Cawley-Crane, adjunct instructor and SAC adviser, said. "Whatever happens they keep the ball rolling."

President Paul Guerrero, junior studio art sculpture major, has many goals for this year's art council. The council began collecting donations on Nov. 6 from faculty, students and community members. Half of the proceeds will go to the art council, while the other half will go to the person who donated the items. The artist will have the option of donating the full amount to the council. The event will have live music, hors d'oeuvres, and is open to the public. Proceeds will help send members to New York, fund field trips to art museums and bring professional artists to the school to speak.

"Not only is it crucial to us for fundraising but it is such an outstanding opportunity for locals, students, faculty, just everybody to be exposed to a lot of excellent work," Cawley-Crane said.

The SAC is a free club and is open to any students interested in art. Full-fledged members however are encouraged to be part of the art major.

Guerrero said average attendance at the meetings is around 20 members. The council hopes to help develop the student as an artist.

"As artists, we feed off each other," Guerrero said.

Students who need any kind of help, whether it is looking for contacts or just where to get started are encouraged to visit the art council. Meetings are held once a week, at 4 p.m. on Wednesdays in Randall Hall, room 231.

"We wouldn't be where we are without the support of the faculty and strong support from the students," Guerrero said.

Death Cab for Cutie saves rock from mediocrity

Despite what you may have heard, Death Cab for Cutie is the savior of rock and roll. Amidst a music scene inundated with critics claiming every new garage rock band will save us from the clutches of mediocrity, Death Cab for Cutie is doing something intelligent, original and catchy. And they have been doing it for six years.

Death Cab for Cutie began in Bellingham, Wash. as the solo project of Ben Gibbard but quickly evolved into a full band after the underground success of Gibbard's debut cassette recordings, "You Can Play These Songs With Chords." The band released their debut LP, "Something About Airplanes," in 1999 to critical acclaim.

Since their inception, Death Cab for Cutie has relocated to Seattle and enjoyed success in the indie and college rock music scenes. The band has released four full-length records, two EPs and re-released "You Can Play These Songs With Chords" on CD, all on independent Seattle label Barsuk Records. The label is also home to groups The Long Winters, Nada Surf and The Prom.

Death Cab for Cutie's fourth full-length release, "Transatlanticism," was released on Oct. 7, 2003, and can best be described as having the stripped-down rock sound elements of 2000's "We Have The Facts and We're Voting Yes," mixed with the melodic and dynamic nature of 2001's "The Photo Album" and combined with a few piano ballads.

"Transatlanticism" starts off with the line, "So this is the New Year, and I don't feel any different." This sets the mood for the rest of the record, which is filled
**REVIEW: Band smart, original**

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with lyrics about love, lust, longing, disappointment, heartbreak, and regret over missed opportunities.

"Transatlanticism" is a record that needs to be listened to and thought of in the context of the whole work. Where "The Photo Album" was full of abstract snapshots of vocalist and guitarist Ben Gibbard's personal life and musings, "Transatlanticism" is a much more vulnerable look into his failed relationships.

In the lead-off track, "The New Year," Gibbard states he has no resolutions and then paint the scene of a New Year's party in which the attendees put on their best clothes and pretend they are wealthy for a night. He goes on to imply he wants a relationship that's honest and real, without the complications that often plague him.

"The New Year" starts the record with an upbeat tempo and the record progresses and Gibbard becomes more vulnerable in his writing, the musical tone of the record goes up and down, based on subject matter.

In "Lightness" the tempo emphasizes Gibbard's despair and highlights his soft, yearning vocals as he breaks through the barriers separating him from his distant lover. He sings, "Your heart is a river that flows from your chest to the ocean that I can't reach the core."

The couple's love completely fades out in the third song and by the fifth song, "The Sound of Settling," the tempo picks up as Gibbard sings of looking forward to the day he is released from the complexities of love. "Our youth is fleeting. Old age is just around the bend, and I can't wait to go gray. And I'll sit and wonder of every love that could have been. I'll only be thinking of something charming to say."

"The Sound of Settling" is a standout track that is upbeat and catchy. Gibbard sounds genuinely excited about growing old and escaping the heartache of lost love.

"We Looked Like Giants," is a dark and gorgeous song that opens with a piano intro that bursts into a wall of guitar, bass and drums. It provides the appropriate setting for Gibbard's mourning over a relationship marred by lust and lack of self-control. "...I'll dance the black night with all its foul temptations; I'll become what I always hated when I was with you.

Previous Death Cab for Cutie releases have garnered comparisons to noted indie rock acts like Elliott Smith, Built to Spill and Pedro the Lion. "Transatlanticism" retains those similarities, but track eight, "Passenger Seat," possesses an undeniable similarity to piano, lyrical and vocal styles of Chris Martin from Coldplay. In the album closer, "A Lack of Color," Gibbard softly laments over his loneliness with an acoustic guitar and scattered keys. "And all the girls in every girlie magazine can't make me feel any less alone."

He considers calling his ex-girlfriend and begging her to come back, but realizes it's too late because he didn't give her a reason to say.

In "Transatlanticism," Death Cab for Cutie doesn't hide behind the complications that often plague them there) for Andrew Bird's cool) and co-headlined Washington's Monsters of Metal. All members of 2 Headed Chang are competent musicians and it shows in their new album, "Dead City Rodeo." This is by almost all measures a solid album, but I do have a few complaints.

The vocals were good but not particularly original. They were not helped by lyrics that seemed more repetitive. But Death Cab for Cutie's songwriting, the musical tone of the record goes up and down, based on subject matter.

**Band's presence is good for local metal fans**
Central responds to RIAA demands

by Joanna Horowitz
Staff reporter

Pressure from the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) and the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA) is forcing Central Washington University to crack down on illegal movie and music file sharing.

The university is responding to the corporations' demands by limiting file-sharing bandwidth (the data transmission rate), educating students about the consequences of illegal activity and enforcing punishment for those who do not comply.

"The music and motion picture industries have sneaky ways of finding out what's going on," Carmen Rahm, senior director of Information Technology Services (ITS), said.

Last month, representatives from ITS, Residence Living and Student Affairs met to discuss unauthorized peer-to-peer file sharing and review the current system of prevention. The first measure they have in place is the Acceptable Use Policy, an agreement all students sign when they register for RESNET.

The second measure is technical control, which Rahm said the university plans to do by discouraging usage but not preventing it.

"It's not illegal to have the software or to use the software." Rahm said. "It's used all the time for legitimate purposes."

The university does not plan to block peer-to-peer sharing programs like Kazaa and Morpheus. Instead ITS implemented "pocket shaping software" approximately two years ago, which detects what type of usage is occurring and then allocates bandwidth. If someone is downloading a 100 MB movie, for example, he or she will receive a small amount of bandwidth so it will take much longer.

"It protects surfing," David Hart, network engineer, said.

He said if ITS didn't have measures in place one person could consume all of the bandwidth.

"I think it's good with limited bandwidth because (illegal downloading) slows down all the Internet on campus," Matt Spray, junior history education major, said. "It's not my problem if they're sued."

Spray uses a friend's off-campus computer to download music.

The network system where students living on campus auto-

Internet gaming gaining popularity with Central students on campus

by Juliette Palelshus
Staff reporter

Central Washington University is one of a handful of schools allowing online gaming and about 40 students participate in gaming on Central's RESNET network.

A yearly subscription to connect enables the gamers to play X-Box games like Halo. In addition to X-Box games, Central students can play a variety of PC games such as Counterstrike, Unreal Championship and others over the network.

Plugging one's X-Box or computer into the Central's network instantly connects, he or she to other online gamers.

"It's a great way to interact with other people having the same interest," Doug Pulp, senior information technology major, said.

Students living on campus automatically have the connection and can enter the game they want to play, and either play with other players they already know or go to an online game menu.

The gamers can play their character against others on campus or throughout the world.

"I have been doing online gaming for two years now, since I started at Central," Evan Abel, sophomore math education major, said. "I do it to see who's the better player and for personal pride."

Brandon Haywood, junior sports marketing and production major, and Fulp are both dorm RAs. Together the two have connected and set up Halo tournaments for Central gamers.

"The Halo tournament was a great success," Fulp said. "People wanted to get together to meet the people they have been playing."

Abel said when they finally do see the other gamers face to face at the tournaments they only know each other by their online Halo names. Haywood has placed in the top 10 when participating in the tournaments.

"I feel like a computer nerd when ever I talk about online gaming," Haywood said.

Radio station 88.1 The 'Burg is hosting a video game tournament on Nov. 18. All gamers are welcome.

The big prize for the tournament is the winner's choice of a Playstation 2 or a Game Cube. The 'Burg also does game reviews and giveaways weekly.
Jazz Combo Nite, sponsored by the International Association of Jazz Educators (IAJE), is set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, in Hertz Hall.

"It's pretty much a benefit concert for IAJE, which involves students in the club or other students involved in music," Dave Nefos, senior percussion performance major, said.

Jazz Combo Nite will include six different groups, or combos, of jazz musicians.

"Each group performs jazz from all periods of history, from the big band swing era to jazz today," Tony Paustian, senior music business major, said.

"The jazz combos play a similar genre of music, but they vary in their style."

"Jazz consists of different kinds of music in the realm of jazz, from Latin to funk to afro-Cuban," Nefos said.

"The combos also vary in their composition and the instruments they play."

"The jazz will mostly be bebop, groups that perform jazz with a lot of improvisation."

"They have been playing throughout history."

"There will be a lot of jazz standards, instrumental and vocal, so if people want to hear a lot of jazz they probably will want to come," Rochelle Hickman, sophomore music education major, said.

IAJE assembles the Jazz Combo Nite once every quarter, as well as events outside of campus.

"Our whole goal and the focus on campus is to bring a little more jazz education around," Paustian said.

"The more jazz we can put out there for people to see, the more people can realize that there's more out there than what's on the radio."

The IAJE club consists of music students interested in becoming music educators after graduation.

"We explore new routes with ed majors so they have a lot more to work off of," Paustian said. "We fill in the gaps where the major doesn't."

The IAJE meets 4 p.m. every Tuesday in the student lounge in Hertz.

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"It's morally reprehensible," Aaron St. John, senior computer science major, said regarding the RIAA’s decision to sue violators. "They're trying to hold onto an outdated business model.”

"Spray agreed that the RIAA is going about prevention the wrong way."

"I think they’re a little crazy and power hungry, he said."

The RIAA’s lawsuits exist under U.S. Copyright Law (Title 17 U.S.C. Section 101 and Title 18 U.S.C. Section 2339), which protects copyright owners from “unauthorized reproduction, adaptation or distribution of sound recordings, as well as certain digital performances to the public.”

According to the RIAA, the online infringement of copyrighted music can be punished by up to 3 years in prison and $250,000 in fines. Repeat offenders can be imprisoned up to 6 years.

The Web site also estimates that music copyright infringement, especially in the form of bootlegged CDs, costs the music industry more than $300 million a year domestically.

Still, some students remain uncertain as to whether or not actions taken by the RIAA and the university will affect illegal file sharing.

“Students are going to be able to do it no matter what.” Colin Stewart, sophomore business education major, said. “If it’s there and it’s easy to get, they’re going to do it.”

"Erica Momya, senior Theatre Arts major, plays Anita in Central's upcoming production of "West Side Story.""

"I plan to go to New York. I'm going to keep going with the stage."
The Wildcat defense crushes a University of New Haven player (above). Junior running back Emilio Iniguez (right) breaks tackles just before crossing the goal line for a 12-yard touchdown. The Wildcats won by a score of 39-6.

Michael Bennett/Observer

Football wins by a landslide
by Cindy Figueroa

The Central Washington University men's football team never looked back after ending the first half 19-0 and eventually beating the University of New Haven Chargers 39-6 at Tomlinson Stadium last Saturday. "This is the beginning of the end," senior wide receiver Josh Lopez said. "There's still a chance we could go to the playoffs, but for now we just want to highlight the season with this final win against UC-Davis." Things are looking up for Central with a climb to number seven in the regional polls and Great Northwest Athletic Conference Offensive Player of the Week, Jake Roberts, at the top of his game. "Jake is making things happen," senior wide receiver Moses Lewis said. "He not only caught three balls, but he also threw me a 41-yard pass. He's earned and deserves Offensive Player of the Week." Roberts' pass to Lewis set junior running back Emilio Iniguez up for 12 of his 178 career-high yards plus a touchdown. "The momentum we've had for the last couple weeks is carrying us all the way to the end," Iniguez said. "We want to end on a strong note." By the second half the Chargers were in too deep, trailing Central by as many as 32 points. The Wildcat defense held the Chargers from scoring late into the third quarter. Unfortunately for the Wildcats, a series of unlikely events must occur in order to push the team anywhere near the playoffs. First, Central must beat UC-Davis, while Western Oregon beats Western Washington. Following wins by Central Oklahoma, Tarleton State, Adams State and Midwestern State, Central could see a second-straight NCAA Division II playoff berth. This situation would put Central Washington, Western Oregon beating Western Washington, and following wins by Central along with the team anywhere near the playoffs. First, Central must beat UC-Davis, while Western Oregon beats Western Washington. Following wins by Central Oklahoma, Tarleton State, Adams State and Midwestern State, Central could see a second-straight NCAA Division II playoff berth. This situation would put Central Washington, Western Oregon beating Western Washington, and following wins by Central

Volleyball heats up, too hot for Alaska
by P.J. Larson

Staff reporter

Temperatures may have dropped below freezing over the weekend in Alaska, but if someone wanted to stay warm all they had to do was locate the University of Alaska-Anchorage Seawolves for the season series in below freezing over the weekend in five games and sweep the women's. Scott along with co-captain, senior outside hitter Julie Roberts, at the top of his game. "Jake is making things happen," senior wide receiver Moses Lewis said. "He not only caught three balls, but he also threw me a 41-yard pass. He's earned and deserves Offensive Player of the Week." Roberts' pass to Lewis set junior running back Emilio Iniguez up for 12 of his 178 career-high yards plus a touchdown. "The momentum we've had for the last couple weeks is carrying us all the way to the end," Iniguez said. "We want to end on a strong note." By the second half the Chargers were in too deep, trailing Central by as many as 32 points. The Wildcat defense held the Chargers from scoring late into the third quarter. Unfortunately for the Wildcats, a series of unlikely events must occur in order to push the team anywhere near the playoffs. First, Central must beat UC-Davis, while Western Oregon beats Western Washington. Following wins by Central Oklahoma, Tarleton State, Adams State and Midwestern State, Central could see a second-straight NCAA Division II playoff berth. This situation would put Central Washington, Western Oregon beating Western Washington, and following wins by Central...
by Rosie Cardinal
Staff reporter

Title IX benefits questioned

Title IX is confusing, complex and has more twists and turns than a daytime soap opera. For an overview of Title IX, take a law class, but at that fee.

In 1972, six days before his resignation, President Richard Nixon made a landmark decision to enact Title IX. President George W. Bush has expressed his support of Title IX but many feminist groups fear Bush will talk the talk but not walk the walk.

In order for a college to be in compliance with Title IX, they must pass one of three tests. The first is to show proportionality among collegiate athletics creates unfair situations in which women’s teams are added and men’s teams are eliminated.

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Andrew Grinaker
Asst. Sports editor

I am not for the discrimination of women in education or athletics, but creating quotas for the number of female to male athletes is not the way to create equality. The athletic aspect of Title IX must be reviewed and changed.

The athletic element of Title IX will slowly pit men against women, causing more sexual discrimination instead of eliminating it.

A new female athletic team is not to blame when a men’s wrestling team gets the boot to balance out percentages of female to male. However, the men will certainly feel more disgruntled towards the women’s team than the law itself.

Lucy, an equal ratio of male to female athletes is not always necessary, but if they are not, the school must convince the Office of Civil Rights that they are “fully” accommodating the interests and abilities of women athletes on their campus. If the school cannot do so they have one last chance, show a continual history of adding female sports.

Schools can show evidence of increasing female sports but only for so long. After year fifteen, would you like college x to add women’s

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Central golf instructor, student wants to fulfill dream of LPGA

by Aaron Miller
Staff reporter

Tiger Woods started hitting golf balls before he was 3 years old. He has not put down a club since. Sheryl Stewart, senior recreation management major, started at 16. Although she was much older when she began playing, she still shares Woods' passion for golf.

Stewart took private lessons for two years from Cindi McNider, Western Conference President for the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA). She played for Zillah High School, bypassing many other team sports that were available to her.

"I chose golf because I wanted to do an individual sport rather than a team sport," Stewart said. "It's a gentleman's sport because you have to call your own penalties. You're forced to play honestly."

Stewart played at the collegiate level for Spokane Falls Junior College before transferring to Central Washington University. Her personal best score is a 77 and she enjoys playing at the Creek at Qualchan Golf Course in Spokane.

Upon graduating, Stewart plans on trying out for the LPGA teaching division.

"The teaching division is different from the qualifying school," Stewart said. "For the tour you must go through six rounds of qualifying school before you can get your tour card. For the teaching division you must have at least a 10 handicap, shoot an 85 or better on a 6800 yard course, pass a written test of the rules and do three years of course work."

If Stewart fulfills all the requirements, she will become a Class A professional. Stewart started teaching beginner and intermediate level golf classes at Central in June at Reecer Creek Golf Course where she also works part time.

Stewart also helped coach the Ellensburg High School golf team last spring but admits that it was frustrating at times.

"They weren't as dedicated as they should have been," Stewart said. "No one wanted to improve and because of that they didn't get better."

Once Stewart passes teaching school she would like to teach private lessons at a resort.

She would also like to coach at the collegiate level and be involved with student services.

News Bites

Senior defensive back Nick Omatsu was voted October's Student Athlete of the Month on WildcatSports.com for his outstanding defense in the "Battle in Seattle."

Senior wide receiver Jake Roberts was selected as the GNAC Offensive Player of the Week for his career-best three TDs in the Wildcats' 30-0 victory over New Haven.

Seniors Aileen Maier, Jordin Mullen, Jason Porter and Nicole Bandy and sophomores Emily Pinch and Gabe Andrews have been selected for the GNAC All-Academic cross country squad.

Seniors Rachel Casillas, Becca Laliberte, and Val Laily, juniors McKenzie Brongill and Whitney Carson and sophomore Jamie Bankston were selected for the GNAC All-Academic soccer team.

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Robby Rockstick  

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Senior midfielder Rachel Casillas takes a shot during the Wildcats' game last Thursday. The Wildcats won their final game, 3-1, finishing the season with a final record of 5-16.

Senior forward

Cris Christie

Senior midfield, Rachel Casillas, defender Becca Lalive, defender Val Lally and forward Karli Reichert.

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Cross Country season ends at Western Regionals

by Rachel Guillermo
Staff reporter

It’s been a long, bumpy road for the Central Washington University cross country team as they ended their season last Saturday at the NCAA Division II Western Regional Championships in Chino, Calif.

Junior Stephanie Stine was Central’s top runner. Stine finished in 34th place with a time of 23:40, while senior Alicen Maier finished her season in 41st place with a time of 23:53.

“Everyone has been improving and we have a really good pack of runners.”

Lindy Mullen
junior cross country runner

The Central women finished 6th overall. California State University-Chico (CSUC) took first place while University of California San Diego (UCSD) and California State University Stanislaus took second and third place.

The Central men were led once again by senior Jason Porter who finished in 41st place with a time of 34:09. Freshman Sam Scotchmer finished close behind crossing the line in 46th place with a time of 34:17 in the 10k race.

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