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Expanding education

Central's newest center in Wenatchee will accommodate place-bound students

by Korben Cook
Staff reporter

The latest Central Washington University center will hold its grand opening Tuesday, October 17 at the Wenatchee Valley College campus. Central has had a branch at WVC since 1994, but finally built a permanent facility on the WVC campus.

The new center at Central Wenatchee has been up and running since summer and has opened doors for many students who might not have the opportunity to come to Ellensburg.

University centers are affiliate schools, operated by Central, at various community college campuses around the state. They provide outreach opportunities for students looking to earn a masters or baccalaureate degree. Central has six university centers in Lynnwood, Des Moines, Pierce County, Moses Lake, Yakima and Wenatchee.

"Central is the leader in the state [for university centers]," said Margaret Badgley, assistant to the provost for university centers and community college relations. "We are a model for [university centers] all over the state."

Lynnwood was the first of the six to be built in the late 1990s. Plans to build university centers have been on going for about 30 years. Central Wenatchee is the newest addition to existing university centers.

"It's great to be here [where] people can just walk in now [and find out more about university centers]," Wenatchee Site Manager Paula Dietrich said.

The goal for all six centers is to make up roughly one-fifth of Central's main campus population.

With the amount of students attending university centers, Central's goal is to accommodate their academic needs.

Approximately 99 percent of students that attend a university center have transferred from a community college, after earning their associate degree. There are no freshmen enrolled at the centers.

Each center does not just choose what programs to offer, but works intensively with surrounding community college campuses to find out what programs are the most popular.

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Photos by Michael Bennett/Observer

The Wenatchee center's new building has just one hallway with two classrooms which are distance education capable and hold 30 students each. This hallway has opened doors to students from Wenatchee and the surrounding area who cannot travel to the main campus in Ellensburg.



Central opens new building in Wenatchee

by Megan Hansen
News editor

After 12 years of running the Central Washington University-Wenatchee center (CWU-Wenatchee) out of an old armory and library basement, the staff finally has a building on campus to call their own.

On Oct. 17 faculty will celebrate the grand opening of the new CWU-Wenatchee building on the Wenatchee Valley College (WVC) campus.

The new building is centrally located on the campus and offers a more visible advertisement for students.

"It's great to be here on the main campus," said Paula Dietrich, site manager for CWU-Wenatchee. "People come in out of curiosity."

Formerly, classes were held in an old Army National Guard building, just down the street from the main campus, as well as in the basement of WVC's library.

Many students weren't even aware Central offered classes at the Wenatchee campus.

"I just recently found out what it [CWU-Wenatchee] was," said Katie Macarthur, a Running Start student working toward her associates degree. "I think it's a good option for other people."

The new building offers two state-of-the-art classrooms that seat 30 students each and are distance education

"We have only just begun to tap the potential this facility has brought to us to better serve our students."

~Lanny Fitch,
adjunct professor,
CWU-Wenatchee

(DE) capable, a conference room and seven offices. The two classrooms in the Army National Guard building are still being used as well as the one in the library.

"The new facility at the CWU-Wenatchee is composed of walls and rooms like other buildings but the technological advancements allows me to 'tear down' the walls that previously limited my teaching style, resources and outreach," said Lanny Fitch, adjunct professor at CWU-Wenatchee. "The



Michael Bennett/Observer

The new CWU-Wenatchee Center features two state-of-the-art classrooms and an additional conference room. The grand opening of CWU-Wenatchee will be on October 17, featuring two Central alumni as speakers.

ability to electronically access resources is limitless as well as the ability to reach out and include other students in classes."

While the grand opening isn't until next Tuesday, staff have been using the building since the summer and enjoying the perks that come with it like air conditioning.

"The technology is much improved, much bigger, and much cleaner," Lee Plourde, education program director said. "The temperature is more con-

ducive to learning."

The branch offers coursework toward accounting and business administration degrees, which are comprised primarily of distance education classes, as well as degrees in elementary education and a master teacher program. The center also offers coursework in organic chemistry. Some degrees require students to take classes on the main campus for specific technology and lab courses.

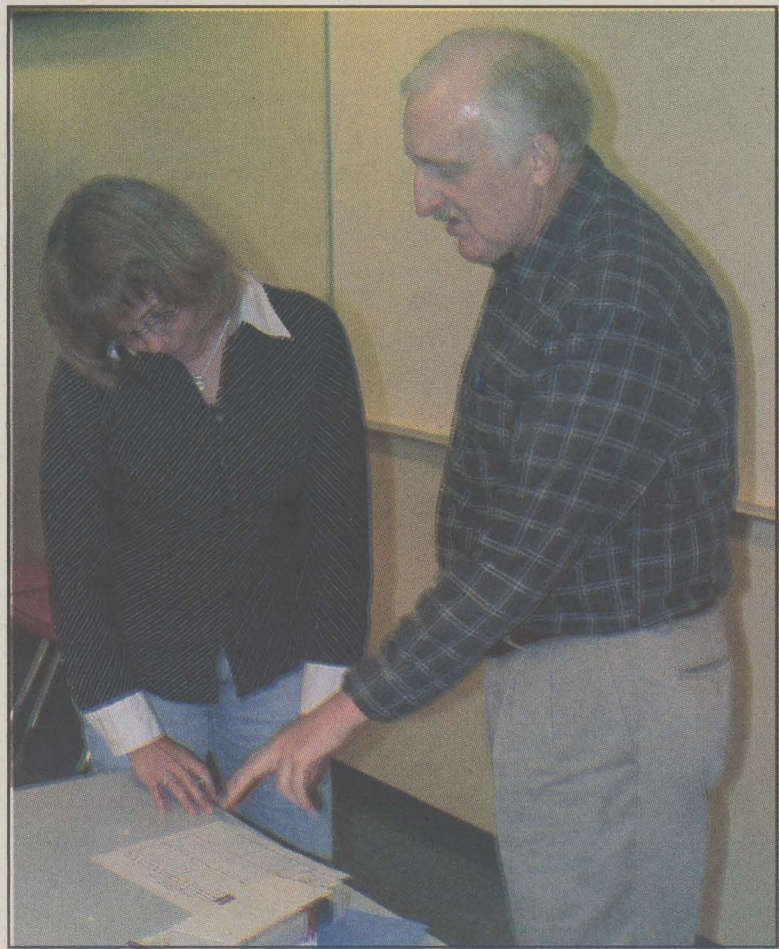
"We have only just begun to tap the

potential this facility has brought to us to better serve our students," Fitch said.

The grand opening is from 1-3 p.m. on Oct. 17 at CWU-Wenatchee and will feature two alumni, Malachi Salcido and Debbie Todd, both of whom started and finished their programs at WVC and CWU-Wenatchee. They will share their stories, said Jennifer Dogle, administrative assistant for university centers.

Cake and refreshments will be provided as well as music and tours.

Distance education unites classrooms statewide



Michael Bennett/Observer

Lanny Fitch helps Melissa Maple, junior elementary education major, with an assignment in one of the two new classrooms available at CWU-Wenatchee.

by J. Aaron Siebol
Staff reporter

With rooms wired with cameras and microphones, students from around the state can link up and learn.

Distance education (DE) at Central Washington University is a program where students from various locations around Washington state (CWU-Lynnwood, CWU-Des Moines, CWU-Pierce County, CWU-Wenatchee, CWU-Moses Lake, and CWU-Yakima) can take courses via video and audio communication in order to complete their major requirements.

This program began in 1994 when DE classes were first transmitted via microwaves; a process that involved microwaves being transferred from transmitter to receiver.

The microwaves run along a clear path and transmit both audio and video signals.

The technology costs nearly \$200,000 for a fully equipped room and requires camera operators and technicians.

"An example would be that of a student in Wenatchee pursuing their teaching degree," said Obie O'Brien, super-

"The bar is raised because you have students from other parts of the state that bring experiences to the table."

~Obie O'Brien
supervisor of distance education and video
conference operations

visor of distance education and video-conference operations. "That student can take distance education classes from Central Washington University while living and staying at the college in Wenatchee."

There are advantage DE has that rival traditional "in the classroom" teaching methods.

"The bar is raised because you have students from other parts of the state that bring unparalleled experiences to the table," O'Brien said. "For instance, an older gentleman might be running his own business in Moses Lake, and because he attends DE classes he is able to bring a real world experience to the class for other students, maybe just out of high school, to learn from."

Another advantage is if a class does

sn't have enough on-campus Central students enrolled in it, DE students may make up the difference and the class can continue.

"It should be understood that students can work toward their degree. Eventually most of the distance education students have to come to Central to complete some part of their degree," said Debbie Boddy, an administrative assistant at the pre-major advising center.

There are limitations to DE. Aside from technological shortcomings such as an excessively loud microphone or voice lag, DE can also prove daunting to unaccustomed professors.


"Some [professors] just don't do well, because they are not used to teaching in such a way," Boddy said.

Lee Plourde, education program director at CWU-Wenatchee, said, "It's hard to have group activities. Sciences you can't because it's hands on."

Central conducts meetings and business through DE that can be international.

"We have transmitted to London, England, Bangkok, Thailand, and Australia among many others," O'Brien said.

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CENTERS: There are six university centers across the state, providing a Central education to students on both sides of the Cascades.

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Students can earn a degree in almost every field at the university centers.

"We respond to what the communities' needs are," Badgley said.

The most popular programs are business, education and law and justice. Last year, Moses Lake added a new flight technology program to its curriculum.

In the beginning of the school year Des Moines and Lynnwood began offering a baccalaureate degree in applied science which is growing into a very popular trend, Dietrich said.

Lynnwood and Des Moines have a combined student population of approximately 700 students - the most of all university centers.

Because of the number of students at Lynnwood and Des Moines, Central has a larger resident faculty at the two centers.

"Our retention is very high. Very few drop out, roughly one or two."

~Margaret Badgley
assistant to the provost
for university
centers and community
college relations

At other university centers, one or two faculty members live in the area; Lynnwood and Des Moines have a combined resident faculty of 15 to 20.

Funding for the centers comes from tuition, the state legislature and fees.

University center fees are different than fees on the main campus.

Students who attend university centers do not pay fees for athletics, the Student Union and Recreation building or health services since those services are not offered.

"Since our students are different, they do not have to pay those fees," Badgley said.

There is no specific funding for university centers alone, but recently a special funding grant has been approved for high demand and special programs.

The majority of the approximately \$600,000 that comes into university centers goes to the main campus. This money goes to pay for various Ellensburg programs, clubs and other features.

"It goes 360 degrees," Badgley said. "Our money goes to pay for clubs and programs, but Ellensburg money goes to pay for [university centers]."

A big draw for the university centers is not only the convenient location, but student's ability to finish an entire degree, said Badgley.

"Our retention rate is very high," She said. "Very few drop out, roughly one or two."

Although university centers offer state of the art technology, such as distance education, they may not be for everyone.

Interaction between multiple campuses is difficult for students and teachers, Education Program Director for Wenatchee university center Lee Plourde said.

Advising availability for students is not always easy either. Since the student is not at the main campus it can be difficult to find out what courses they need, said Dietrich.

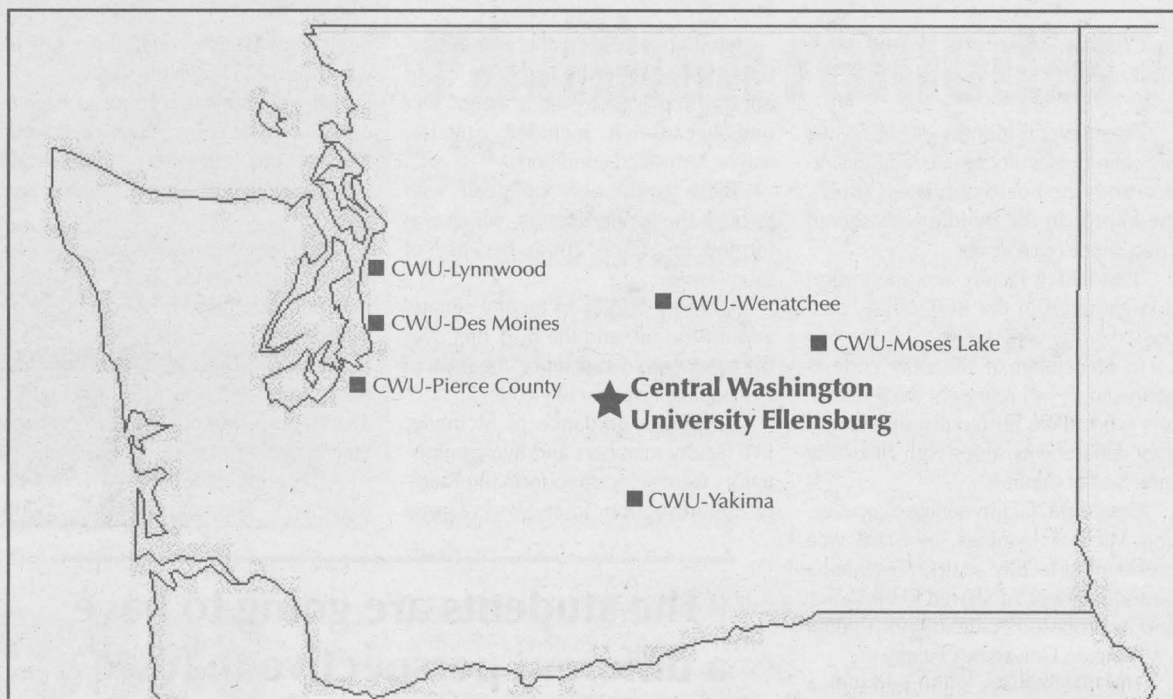
Students do feel they have an advantage and a better chance of attending a university with the help of a university center.

"They're a great idea especially for those without any big college experience," freshman interior design major Verity Rogers said.

University centers are a new way Central is reaching out to many communities and providing them with education.

"You won't find anyone more passionate than students who are proud and pleased that Central is responding to their needs," Badgley said. "It's incredibly rewarding."

If interested in any of the six locations, anyone can go to Central's Web site; www.cwu.edu/centers, or call the campus centers.



The map shows the locations of the six University Centers throughout Washington. Students are able to receive a complete Central Washington University education while having an experience unique to their location. The Centers have their own clubs aside from those offered at the Ellensburg campus, including the Society of Student Accountants and the Association of Operations Management. Tuition remains the same, but students do not pay fees exclusive to the Ellensburg campus, such as the Student Union and Recreation Center fee.

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Shared governance

Faculty, administration and BOT draft a new code

by Chelsea Evans
Staff reporter

After several months of tug-of-war between the faculty senate, administration and the board of trustees (BOT), the knot is in the middle with shared governance once again.

Last Friday, faculty and administration gathered in the BOT office as a unified group once again.

In December, if the new code is approved, it will represent the 41 senators who make up faculty senate and their departments, along with all faculty members of Central.

Greg Cant, faculty senate executive, and Michael Jennings, assistant vice president of faculty affairs, presented a new document of shared governance and its proposed guidelines for Central Washington University's faculty.

The meeting was adjourned with a positive outlook of shared governance's definition and terms.

In spring 2006, the same individuals were in a long and heated debate about the very existence of shared governance and the rights of faculty at Central.

In a meeting that was telecast to Barge Hall in spring quarter last year, Cant remembers his surprise when the BOT did not approve the new faculty code draft, including President Jerilyn McIntyre's draft, only to issue their own.

"They didn't consult with us at all before they [BOT] made their changes," Cant said.

The entire faculty code that determined the rights and shared governance of faculty at Central was thrown out and replaced with an interim code. That action took away powers for [faculty senate] to be informed before changes were made to the new code.

"The BOT can do whatever they want; I think in this process we have to be very cooperative," Jennings said. "We probably could have done it better, but hindsight is always 20/20."

The old code was stricken because 90 percent of it was being renegotiated, Jennings said.

Jennings also said the administration's lawyer said the old code could not stay in place for even a "nano" second because it included policies, wages, terms and conditions.

These could only be dealt with through the faculty's union, which was formed in March 2004, because of salary issues.

All three bodies of faculty senate, administration, and the BOT met over the summer to decide upon the issue of developing a new faculty code.

Under the guidance of McIntyre, five faculty members and five administrators were selected to form the Faculty-Administration Joint Work Group

students' involvement and their say in what goes on, Dippmann said.

"The students are going to have a different perspective that we do not foresee; they [the students] are just as much involved as we are," Dippmann said.

As of now, the final faculty code has not been set in stone. The document is still in its draft stage being reviewed by the BOT.

In the meantime, Dippmann has been organizing forums for faculty members to be knowledgeable about their code.

"The committee worked very well together," Dippmann said, "with

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~Jeff Dippmann
chair-elect for Faculty Senate

2006 to formulate a new code.

The definition, responsibilities and regulations of shared governance have now been clearly written up in a current draft of the new faculty code.

Jeff Dippmann, chair-elect for faculty senate, explained shared governance is now defined clearly so that faculty can protect their rights in a solid way and have say in what they believe.

"Shared governance defines the certain areas which faculty and administration control, which is the areas of their expertise and then in the end, all of those voices at least have a chance to be heard," Dippmann said.

Within the new terms of shared governance, faculties are in charge of curriculum and other responsibilities of the university, while the BOT deals with budgeting and financial issues.

Shared governance is about the stu-

extreme goodwill and respect. There are some changes that need to be made, but otherwise it is very good."

The proposal for ratifying the new faculty code in December was accepted by the trustees last Friday. Now it is just a matter of informing faculty and fine-tuning the details.

"There were actions and reactions to the process that were overdone but with more education, communication with all three parties, I think everything is going to improve because relationships are better," Jennings said.

"When you live in a community you have to believe in it," Cant said. "Through this document we have accepted certain responsibilities and have agreed to participate [in this community]."

"We went through a dark time, but in the end we got good results."



Mary Ebenal/Observer

Courson and Muzzall are vacant this year with plans for demolition. The cost for the project is unknown since bidding has not occurred

Courson, Muzzall plans for demolition

by Carleigh Lorenz
Staff reporter

Courson and Muzzall, both nine stories tall, have proven too expensive to update and therefore will be torn down.

Richard DeShields, interim housing director, said that Courson and Muzzall were the residence halls least requested by students.

"Students indicated they didn't want rooms like this," DeShields said. "[The halls] also weren't very wheelchair friendly."

Bill Yarwood, facility management capital projects manager, said the task of removing the buildings will be done by private contractors.

"Their initial task is to develop a project delivery process, which will define the criteria and determine a schedule for the removal of the two buildings," he said. "At that time, we'll be able to determine at what time the buildings will be removed."

Private contractors will bid on the project and it will go to the lowest bidder. This process has not happened yet, so the cost is not known.

The project will also have a pro-

fessional consultant.

The project management team has chosen an architect, consultant team and structural engineer, Yarwood said.

"Students indicated they didn't want rooms like this"

~Richard DeShields
interim housing director

Once the project committee and consultant determine what issues might exist with removing the buildings, the various alternatives will be considered.

"Because of the cost involved in the upkeep that would be needed for Courson and Muzzall, they are not in the university's long-range housing master plan," he said. "They no longer adequately meet students' residential needs."

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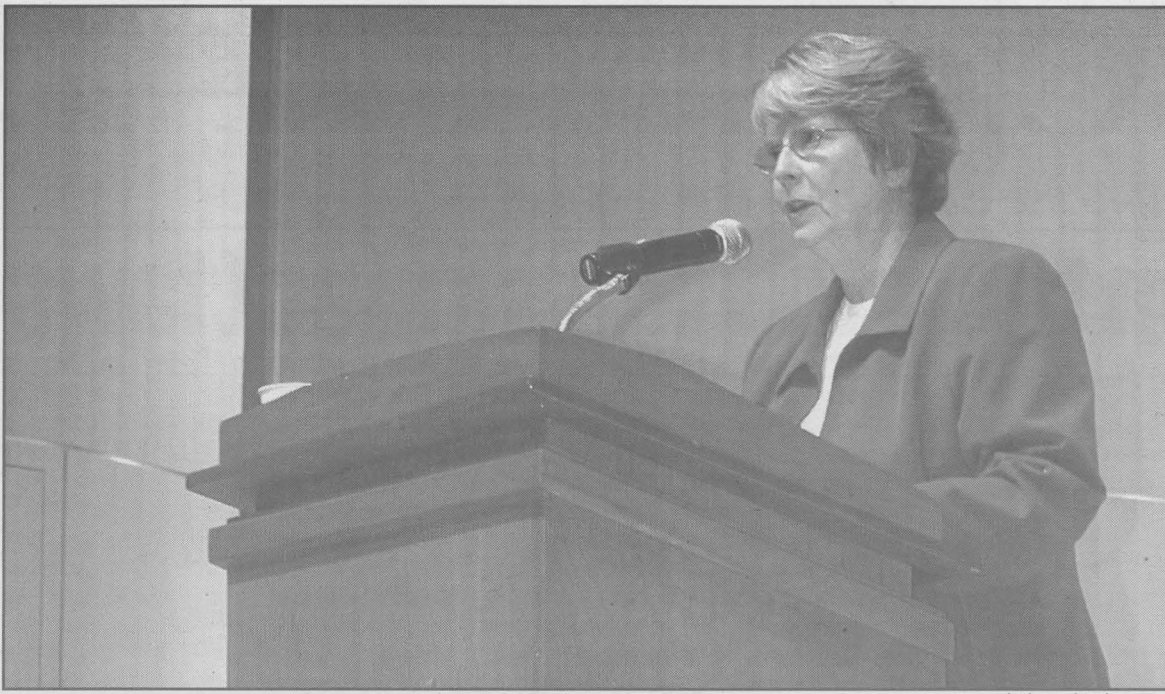
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In Jerilyn McIntyre's annual State of the University address the president spoke on issues such as international studies program, student enrollment and positive growth the university has had in the last few years.

McIntyre addresses university audience

by Britt Huston
Staff reporter

Students and faculty gathered last Thursday to hear Central Washington University President, Jerilyn McIntyre's State of the University address.

Listeners filled about half the seats in the music building's concert hall.

The stage was completely bare, save for one podium and one very confident-sounding McIntyre.

The audience kept their full attention on McIntyre throughout the speech and enjoyed a few laughs along the way. McIntyre joked that she knew the audience would be disappointed at the lack of a PowerPoint presentation dur-

ing her address, as they are a crowd favorite.

One agenda issue discussed was the international studies program McIntyre hopes to initiate at Central. An understanding and appreciation of international culture, diversity and language is important for student and personal development, she said.

She reminisced about her own study-abroad trip to Italy and said the trip changed her in many positive ways.

She also joked that although she studied Latin, she was having a hard time finding ancient Romans to talk to.

McIntyre gave several statistics about faculty publications and student awards, then spoke about the positive

growth Central has had over the last five years. The last two years have been record years for high enrollment, with about 9,500 full-time students in Ellensburg and extension locations, McIntyre said.

The average SAT and GPA numbers for incoming students are climbing, McIntyre said.

The administration is very proud to see the student body potential improving each year, she said.

A short Q & A session followed the President's presentation as she called on several members of the administration to give specified information about enrollment, International Studies, and tuition concerns.

Athletes make use of Nicholson Pavillion remodel

by Donna Buse
Staff reporter

This summer, the sound of balls bouncing and athletes pumping iron in Nicholson Pavilion were replaced with the sound of hammers pounding and saws buzzing.

"The summer's the time when a lot of that gets done," said Bill Yarwood, facilities management major capital projects manager said.

In Nicholson Pavilion, workers installed air conditioning in both gymnasiums.

They remodeled the front lobby for a weight room expansion and remodeled the men's locker room.

"I appreciate the weight room being redone," said senior Julius McMillion, a forward/center on the men's basketball team. "It opened up more space. The training room is more accessible to everyone."

Before new locker rooms were put in, they would have to share them.

"We had lockers but during football season, football team had priority and basketball season and baseball during baseball season," Tyce Nasinec, assistant men's basketball coach said.

Now each team has their own section.

"Athletics is a year round program. It's nice to be able to have a place to store your gear," Nasinec said.

Before then students would have to

bring their own gym bags, take it home everyday and do a little laundry Nasinec said.

"We're not stumbling over each other," McMillion, senior psychology major said.

The projected budget for construction on Nicholson Pavilion is \$3.8 million.

Construction began in March 2006 and will be completed during the fall.

"The Pavilion's been a phase project," Yarwood said.

The work is done in phases so the building can still be used while renovations are made.

Nicholson Pavilion was built in the early 1960's.

"In the early 60's, it was common practice not to air condition PE buildings," said Bill Vertrees, assistant vice president for facilities.

The football, soccer and track teams practice outside.

However, the basketball and volleyball teams practice in the gym for two to three hours during the regular season and off season.

There were dehydration concerns without the air conditioning.

"[The athletes] just get used to it I guess," said Nasinec. "Can't change workouts."

Now facilities management is in the planning process for the 2007-2009 biannual budget.

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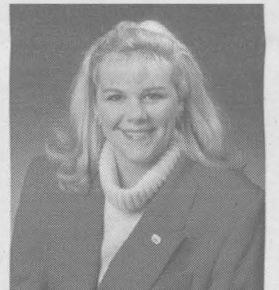
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Common wisdom holds that



Susan Savage, RDH, BSDH

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E-burg's new top cop talks top ten student laws

EPD Chief Miller says traffic laws, drinking, top list of criminal acts

by Katie Murdoch
Staff reporter

The Ellensburg Police Department isn't enforcing laws because they enjoy catching students who violate them—rather, they want students to police themselves. That's the attitude of new Ellensburg Police Chief Dale Miller, who began work in early August. "We really want the students to enjoy their time here in their college experience and do it civilly and respectfully for everyone here," Miller said.

Prior to moving his family to Ellensburg, Miller worked as chief of police in Chehalis. He resigned a month shy of working 19 years on that police force and now brings his extensive experience to the city of Ellensburg.

Before entering law enforcement, Miller served in the U.S. Army at Fort Riley in Kansas.

Though he's only been on the job in Ellensburg since August 7, Miller has been hard at work patrolling the streets and identifying some of the laws that most affect local residents and Central Washington University students.

1. Underage drinking

During the first weekend of the school year, 51 Minor in Possession (MIPs) citations were issued to Central students.

"Drinking leads to disorderly conduct, noise complaints, fist fights, urinating in public and throwing empty bottles in neighbors' yards," Miller said.

Central students along with local high school and middle school students contribute to the problem, Miller said.

"It's a minority population that causes the majority of the problem," he said. "We spend 90 percent of our time on 10 percent of our problem."

Miller said the police department wants students to have fun and participate in the community, but to also keep "that benchmark of 'what would my parents think of what I'm doing right now?'" in the back of their minds.

2. Bicycling without a helmet

Bicyclists 16 and under are required to wear helmets. A \$25 fine is the penalty for not wearing one.

3. Excessive Noise

The noise ordinance in Ellensburg requires people to keep noise down from 10 p.m.-7 a.m. The penalty for violating the city noise ordinance, defined by noise that can be heard from 50 feet away, is a \$250 fine.

Last year the police department responded to 1,000 noise complaints.

"It's a strain on resources when you consider the police who respond to the call can't be out doing active patrol," Miller said. "We're using resources where we could use them in other areas to fight crime."

The purpose of the ordinance is to protect the quality of life for everyone.

"You have to understand the population in this community is mixed. It creates a tense neighborhood relationship," Miller said.

4. Residential parking zone violations

With limited parking on campus, students may be tempted to park in nearby neighborhoods. Miller said this is problematic for the people who need to park in those neighborhoods—local residents.

"Your family of four can't find a place to park in front of their own house," Miller said.

Students who park in restricted residential areas should expect a fine if they're caught.

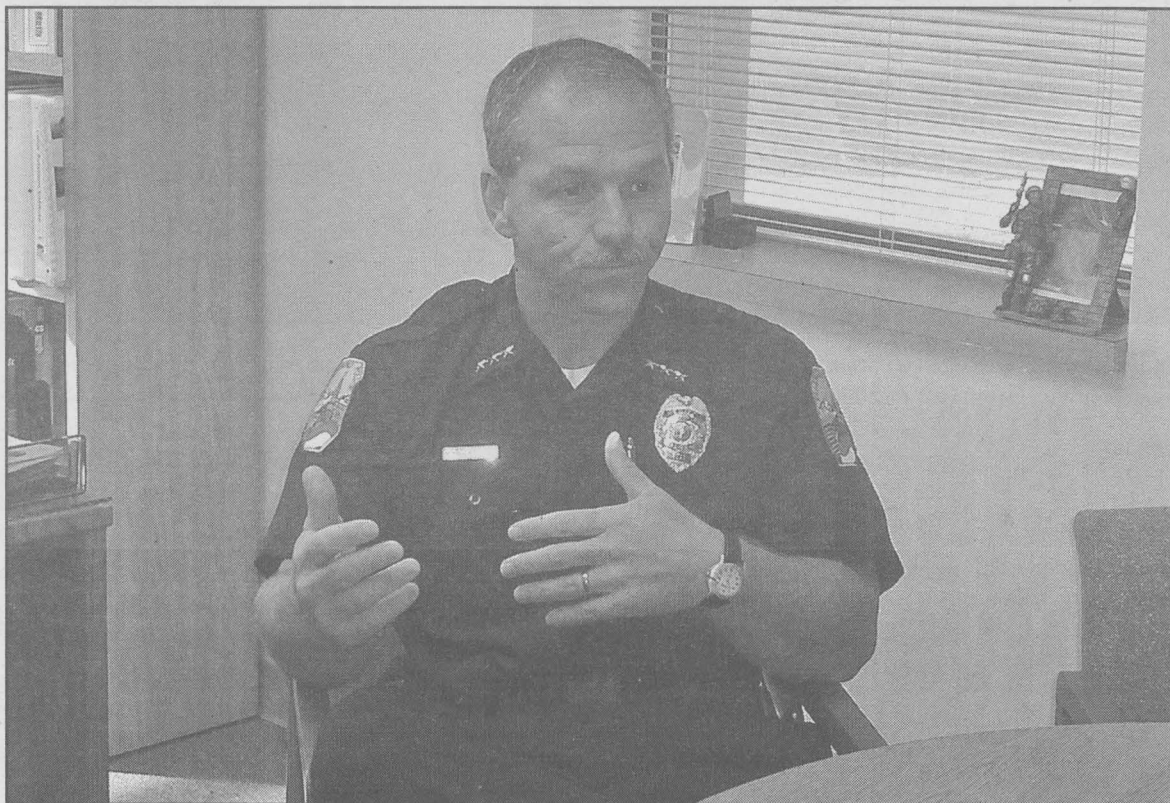
5. Speeding

Sixteen thousand cars drive along University Way daily, according to traffic analysis collected by the Ellensburg Public Works Department.

"The students are at least equal to everyone else [who speeds]," Miller said.

University Way represents 12 percent of traffic collisions in Ellensburg because there are 23 crosswalks within the 1.2 mile stretch of road.

The combination of speeding and confusion of right-of-way at four-way stops leads to traffic collisions, Miller



Tiffany Stark/Observer

Ellensburg Police Chief Dale Miller began work late this summer. Earlier in the year, the department was led by interim police chief and current captain, Ross Green. Miller has nearly 20 years of experience as a police chief.

said.

Speeding in one of Ellensburg's six school zones is punishable by a \$250 fine for going 10 mph over the 20 mph limit. Students can't negotiate to lower such fines because judges aren't allowed to reduce them.

6. Urinating in public

Urinating in public is a sub-category of disorderly conduct. Violators can expect to pay a fine of \$250.

Miller said he ticketed a woman who left a bar and urinated behind a dumpster in an alley while on foot patrol his first weekend here.

"I thought to myself, 'How would you like to call your parents...and tell them you got a ticket for peeing behind a dumpster in an alley in Ellensburg'" he said.

7. Disorderly Conduct

Disorderly conduct includes shoving and fist-fighting.

"We want everyone to enjoy their time in Ellensburg, but do it with con-

sideration and respect for everyone in the community and neighborhood," Miller said.

There is a zero-tolerance policy for disorderly conduct, meaning people are no longer free to leave a scene once the police break up a fight. Under the policy, being issued a criminal citation is the minimum penalty, which goes on record even if nobody presses assault charges.

8. Domestic violence

The police department receives a domestic violence call every weekend. Domestic violence includes assaulting your significant other even if you're not living together.

9. Date rape

"It's in a category of its own because it's very hard to prove," Miller said.

Date rape differs from rape.

"This isn't your typical predatory rape where there's aggression and violence and control," Miller said. "A date rape is where there's manipulation,

alcohol or drugs involved."

Miller said victims wake up and know something went on, but they don't remember what happened.

"Ask a victim 'Do you know when you put the brakes on and did you say no,' and they can't tell you if they did because they don't remember," he said.

Miller suggests women should go out in groups and make a pact to stay together.

"You can tell by their trauma the next morning they're a victim, but if they can't remember anything, how can they be a witness," Miller said.

10. Other general offenses

Miller said students can expect to do "an over-nighter" in jail "when their conduct reaches such a point that it would alarm a common person."

For example, the police will book students who drive while intoxicated.

If someone is drunk in public, police may take that person to lock-up as a precaution.

"We have to book people just for their safety," Miller said.

D&M Coffee takes part in National Solar Tour



Maggie Schmidt/Observer

A series of eight solar panels (top right) at D&M Coffee's 301 N. Pine Street location collect sunlight to generate energy for the building.

by Beth McCuffin
Staff reporter

In an effort to promote solar energy in the Kittitas Valley, D&M Coffee Co. hosted the first stop for the National Solar Tour.

The National Solar Tour kicked off its celebrations in Kittitas County at 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 7. The presentation at D&M Coffee was a part of a project headed by Gary Nystedt, Ellensburg Resource Manager.

The National Solar Tour promotes the use of solar energy and provides education and support to those who would like to use solar powered energy.

The tour was open to all who were interested.

D&M Coffee was just one of the five locations where attendees were

able to view solar power in action during the Solar Tour. The other locations included homes of local residents of Kittitas County.

During the tour and presentation, D&M Coffee gave discounts for their drink, Solar Mocha, to those who attended.

"D&M Coffee was thrilled to be a part of the tour," D&M Coffee manager Ingrid Lutz said.

Currently the company has eight solar panels, located on the roof at 301 North Pine, which generate 560 watts of energy per hour. If the solar panels generate more energy than what is used, the meter will run backward, generating a power credit.

"The sun is an amazing resource," said Lutz. "It makes sense to utilize renewable earth friendly power."

Lutz was pleased to see a good

turnout for the National Solar Tour at D&M Coffee. She hopes to see more homes and business going solar.

"The attendance was excellent," said Chris Lyons, volunteer tour coordinator for Solar Washington. "More than 75 people signed up for the tour and we have received many positive comments from both participants and hosts."

Lyons anticipates the solar tour that took place Saturday will give acknowledgement to the existing homes and businesses that already have solar technology in Kittitas County. This will help encourage more solar growth she said.

During the presentation, brochures and information were given out. Lyons wanted to make everyone aware of the importance for people to look at other energy resources.

Ellensburg planners grapple with rising costs of materials

by Ford Harris
Staff reporter

Central Washington University students living off campus may find themselves dodging potholes and automobile traffic in the next year thanks to rising costs for the Ellensburg public works department.

"Cost has increased dramatically over the last 12 months," said Ellensburg Public Works Director John Akers, speaking to the Ellensburg City Council at a preliminary 2007 budget hearing on Monday.

With the expansion of businesses and housing units in the area, new roads, sidewalks and signs are going up. And while new materials are mostly paid for by builders, the city has to foot the bill for maintenance and general upkeep.

Repairs to public streets require the most financial planning for the public works department and the costs of those repairs continue to rise, Akers said.

The cost of paint has risen from \$5.60 per gallon in 2005, to a projected \$9.60 per gallon in 2007. Asphalt has gone from \$26.50 a ton to \$46.75 a ton in the same time period. This increase in costs has forced the city to halt construction on 15th Avenue and put a stop to other projects planned for 2006.

"One of the obvious problems that we are going to experience in the future is we keep building new roadways and at some point we are going to have to begin to bring those into the fold for maintenance," Akers said.

City Council member Nancy

Lilliquist said some of the rising costs have been attributed to national and international building booms in the past year.

"The more things cost, the less we can do," Lilliquist said. "It's something that's outside our control."

The city will spend more than \$1 million on streets alone in 2006, and expects to spend the allotted amount of \$1.3 million in 2007.

There was also discussion on planned construction, what needs the city has and how they can improve the community.

As if expansion concerns weren't enough to keep the meeting buzzing, Akers expressed concern over Ellensburg's historic district. Many of the older buildings in Ellensburg require much more care and maintenance than newer

structures and thus call for greater appropriations.

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—John Akers

Ellensburg Public Works director

Also discussed was the cost of sign replacements, specifically the cross-walk signs in the middle of University Way. Akers said the signs cost roughly \$500 each to replace.

Water and sewer improvements will also be expensive.

Ellensburg city officials will continue to lay out plans for the 2007 budget over the next two months and hope to finalize the budget by Dec. 4. The next meeting is set for Oct. 18, when the fire and police budgets will be discussed.

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Intruder climbs tree to hit the hay

A Central Washington University student awoke in her 18th Street apartment early Sunday morning to find a male intruder in her bed.

The man had climbed up a tree to an unlocked second story window and proceeded to get into bed with the female victim.

At about 4:30 a.m., the victim woke up to find the intruder in her bed. She yelled and the intruder ran away. When she called police Monday, she said that she recognized the intruder.

Police found the 21-year-old suspect and booked him for burglary and indecent liberties.

Captain Ross Green stressed his

desire for victims of crimes to call police as soon as a crime happens.

"We wish they (victims) would call us as soon as an incident occurs," Green said.

Green said residents should lock all doors and windows.

Do not confront an intruder. Instead, Green said to grab a phone, find a place to lock yourself in and call 9-1-1.

"Ellensburg is not immune to crime that happens elsewhere," Green said.

The suspect hasn't been formally charged yet, but appeared in court last Tuesday and has an order for pretrial release on Monday.

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OPINION



Kathryn Lake
Editor-in-Chief

“Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or the press; or right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.”

This is the First Amendment to the Constitution and though most of us do not know the words by heart, we take advantage of the rights it gives us each and every day:

As a student journalist, freedom of the press is a part of my day-to-day life. In high school my First Amendment rights were limited because the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling about *Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlmeier* in 1988 allows school administrators the right to censor school-sponsored student publications. Until last year, the *Hazelwood* ruling applied only to elementary, middle school and high school publications. On June 20, 2005, the Seventh U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decided that this censorship could also apply to college and university campus publications in *Hosty v. Carter*.

The *Hosty* ruling and the U.S. Supreme Court's refusal to grant an appeal in the case sent waves of concern around the country about the safety of student journalists' press rights. This ruling only affects colleges and universities within the Seventh Circuit; in the states of Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin, at least for now.

A member of the administration on

any campus around the country could decide they do not agree with what is printed in a student publication and demand prior review. If the case was brought to court, the administration could win and censor the publication because precedent has been set with the *Hosty* decision.

An important function of a college newspaper is to teach student journal-

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My First Amendment rights mean the world to me

ists how to work in a newsroom, interview and report so we will be prepared to work in professional publications when we graduate.

Student journalists learn the trade by asking tough questions: when students or faculty feel the administration has done something wrong, when a department on campus is seriously in debt or when a candidate running for student government office has a colorful past. It is our job now, and when we graduate, to report the news fairly and accurately, which cannot be done when news is

censored by the administration.

Fortunately, the Observer will not have to deal with this problem, as it is a public forum. This means we, as students, have been given the authority to make content decisions and, consequently, bear the responsibility for the decisions we make.

Most people in the U.S. believe in our right to free speech, but at the same time they debate whether or not it should cover flag-burning, hate speech, school-sponsored prayer, and now, student journalists' right to free press.

So what does the First Amendment mean to you, the everyday college student, faculty member, administrator or Ellensburg local?

As hundreds of you marched in protest of the proposed immigration bill last spring, you exercised your First Amendment rights. When Brother Jed came to campus last spring, stood outside Black Hall and preached as students walked by, he was exercising his rights. How are you going to exercise your rights during this year-long First Amendment Festival? I suggest that you attend the various events and learn about your rights, participate in discussions and make your voice known. Your rights are yours only when you fight for them.

Funding committee emphasizes two words to students: get involved!



Frank Stanley
Asst. News editor

With every school year getting more and more expensive, I always hear people ask, “where is all of our money going?” and even more I hear “why am I paying for something I don't use?”

Well, I have a wonderful idea for all of those wondering where that money goes or what they're paying for: find out!

Each year, a portion of what you pay in tuition goes into a Services and Activities fee. That money, in turn, goes into the S&A budget, which a committee allocates to the clubs and organizations across campus.

Want to see your money in action? Go to the S&A meetings. They're at 5 p.m., every Wednesday in the Student Union and Recreation Center conference room on the third floor, and they're open to all students. Don't want to attend? I'll sum up each meeting and what is going on in a column every week. Don't care? Not my problem, though I strongly encourage that you attend at least one meeting.

Instead of crying foul and complain-

ing about why you shouldn't pay to fund a club you won't attend, how about you turn that statement around and try out what Central Washington University has to offer. I cannot stress this enough: get involved!

As a Resident Assistant, it always pains me to run around the residence halls and tell everyone about something going on in the Student Union Recreation Center theatre, but all they can reply is “no thanks.” When I ask why, they simply reply with “I don't feel like it” or “I've got better things to do.” Most of the time, I find out that those “better things” are sitting around and watching TV or in front of a computer reading the same comments on MySpace that have been around for three months.

What's worse is when students say they don't want to do something because they're too good for it: the whole “I'm above this stuff” attitude. Well, you're in college, it's time to wipe the slate clean and start anew. Your life will most likely change more in college than it has anywhere or anytime else. Do you want to be known as the person that sat around a room all day, did an okay job in classes and did nothing else? Or do you want to be known as the person that made an impact, no matter how big or small, in the history of Central.

For an idea of how important the S&A fee committee is to students, let's imagine Central never had the committee to begin with. With no one responsible to properly allocate funding, one group could attempt to grab take as much of that budget that they wanted. You can stand there and watch in horror as Central's Nit-picking Club takes the lion's share of a \$4 million budget.

Furthermore, the committee is responsible for funding some of the most important groups on campus. Each year, groups such as the Center for Excellence in Leadership, the Center for Student Empowerment, the Associated Students of Central Washington University Board of Directors, and yes, even the Observer receives funding from the S&A committee. So we are the end-points to where your money goes.

Okay, so Central has no Nit-picking Club, what I want to say is the S&A Fee committee funds countless groups on campus, something that can appeal to anyone - swing dancing, philosophy, video games, pre-med, fencing, even Dungeons and Dragons.

Statistics prove that students who participate in at least one extracurricular activity tend to do better in their academics; if it links with one's major, such activity has been shown to increase your GPA by one tenth of a point. Think about that when you're stuck at a 2.9. Even if it has no relevant impact on your field of study, what's wrong with meeting new people? Who knows, you might even meet your best friend for life or, dare I say, your significant other.

If you feel you aren't represented and can't find a club of interest? Make one! All it takes is four other people and someone to serve as advisor.

If there's nothing here that appeals to you, I guess I can't help you, and that's too bad. But before you start raising issues about how your money is being spent, at least check out the S&A committee meetings.

You could even join the committee if you want next year. At least you will have a say in where the cash goes. And, if nothing else, it's a way of getting involved.

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Professor's research reveals school's humble beginning and tumultuous past

by Caitlin Kuhlmann
Asst. Scene editor

Books and tuition were free when Washington State Normal School first opened in 1891; the first official building of the campus was built three years after the school opened and Kamola Hall was the first residence hall to be constructed twenty years later.

These are just a few of the facts Karen Blair, history department chair, revealed in the opening lecture of the college of arts and humanities lecture series.

"I guess I wanted to take a hard examination of our past," Blair said concerning her topic selection. "I've spent two years reading old documents ... it's a big story, our school goes back to 1891."

This year, professors in the college of arts and humanities are scheduled to give monthly presentations concerning research on which they have worked. It is a great way for professors to learn what others in the college have been studying, Blair said.

"I decided to pick a few topics that were a surprise to me," said Blair, whose speech ranged from how the school was first formed to how specific individuals contributed to Central's legacy.

Over the course of her research, Blair examined memoirs, presidential speeches, student newspapers and old photographs in addition to interviewing alumni, professors and staff members.

"She's done a great job; it's a fascinating story," Ken Munsell, senior lecturer of history, said.

Blair earned her M.A. and Ph.D. in history and has been teaching at Central since 1987.

The normal school was created not long after Washington became a state in 1889. At that time only four high schools existed in the state and the legislature decided it was important to train and provide teachers to create new schools. Central was originally a state "normal" school – a German term meaning secular or not religious – and

was used entirely for training teachers.

Twenty-seven students were enrolled in the fall of 1891 when the school opened. The only requirements for admission to the school were for students to be at least 15-years-old and have completed eighth grade.

Classes met in second level of a building where City Hall stands today.

The first graduating class had a total of 19 students and was comprised of 17 girls and only two boys. Blair said the school was incredibly female dominated in both the student body and faculty until the late 1930s. In fact, for the first several decades of the school, education seemed to focus on teaching young women how to behave just as much as

training them to teach. For many years, the female students had curfews, were taught how to pour tea and host company, and, until 1968, were expected to wear dresses to class unless it was 14 degrees or colder outside. A number of campus buildings have been named to honor

influential women in Central's history, such as Davies, Kamola and the Sarah Spurgeon Gallery.

In 1894, Barge Hall was constructed on land donated by a farmer. The building was essentially the entire campus, used for classrooms, dances, socials, offices, art galleries and much more.

Admittance rules changed in 1917 when the school required students have a high school diploma.

A dip in enrollment came when World War I began, but the school came back by forming a football team and hiring a coach. By 1920 the school had reached a high of 65 male students in addition to women. The Great Depression and World War II also brought considerable dips in enrollment, but time and time again the college expanded programs to attract more students.

When President James Brooks took over direction of the university, Central reached a period which Blair referred to as "the golden years" of Central's history which lasted from about 1961 to 1971. During a time when the legisla-



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Barge Hall houses the president's office, student employment and the cashiers office. More than 100 years ago it was the entire campus.

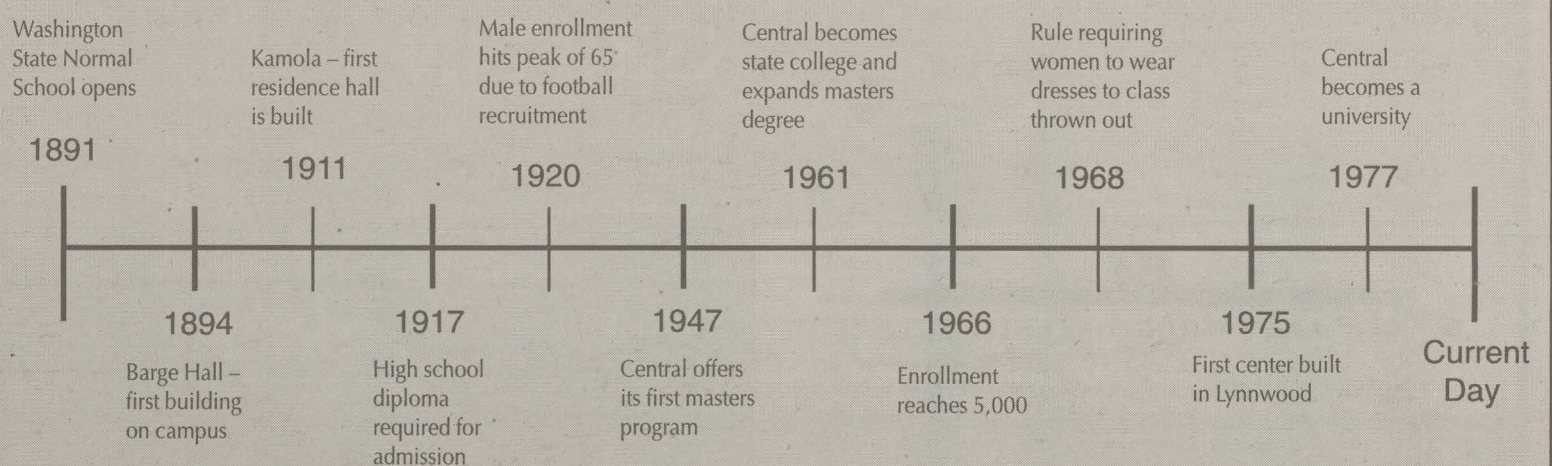
ture in Olympia seemed to be particularly generous, fourteen new buildings were constructed on campus. In only a few years, the campus had doubled in size after the university acquired the land which is now north campus. In 2003, the campus library was named in Brooks' honor.

Brooks hoped to promote an intimate learning atmosphere by requiring that many of the buildings constructed during that era have small classrooms.

Central has a rich history of dedicated faculty. Blair said Sarah Spurgeon used her backyard clothes line to display her students' artwork to the public.

"[Central] has always been in dialog with the social, environmental and political forces around it," Blair said. "I hope [the audience got] an appreciation for the changes that have occurred over time and also see some threads that are continuous."

Central Washington University historical timeline



Film and video major now offered at Central

by Andrea Rust
Staff reporter

"Action" is a word many students thought they would never hear at Central Washington University, as they worked their way toward a major some thought would never become official.

The new interdisciplinary film and video studies major is finally legitimate and will begin winter quarter.

"I expect the program to be a substantial draw," said Michael Ogden, associate professor of communication. "There is no undergraduate program like this in the state because we are interdisciplinary and unique."

The program will lead students to a Bachelor of Arts in film and video studies where the students either choose to specialize in critical studies (for those who love to study and understand the history of film) or production (for those who have "something to say" and want to tell stories). Minors are available in visual literacy and critical studies. There is also a minor in development for documentary studies.

"Students will finally be presented with another option," Ogden said.

Many students expected that the major would be official much sooner than this. As a result, most of them started their own individual studies program

in film and video, or concentrated on broadcast.

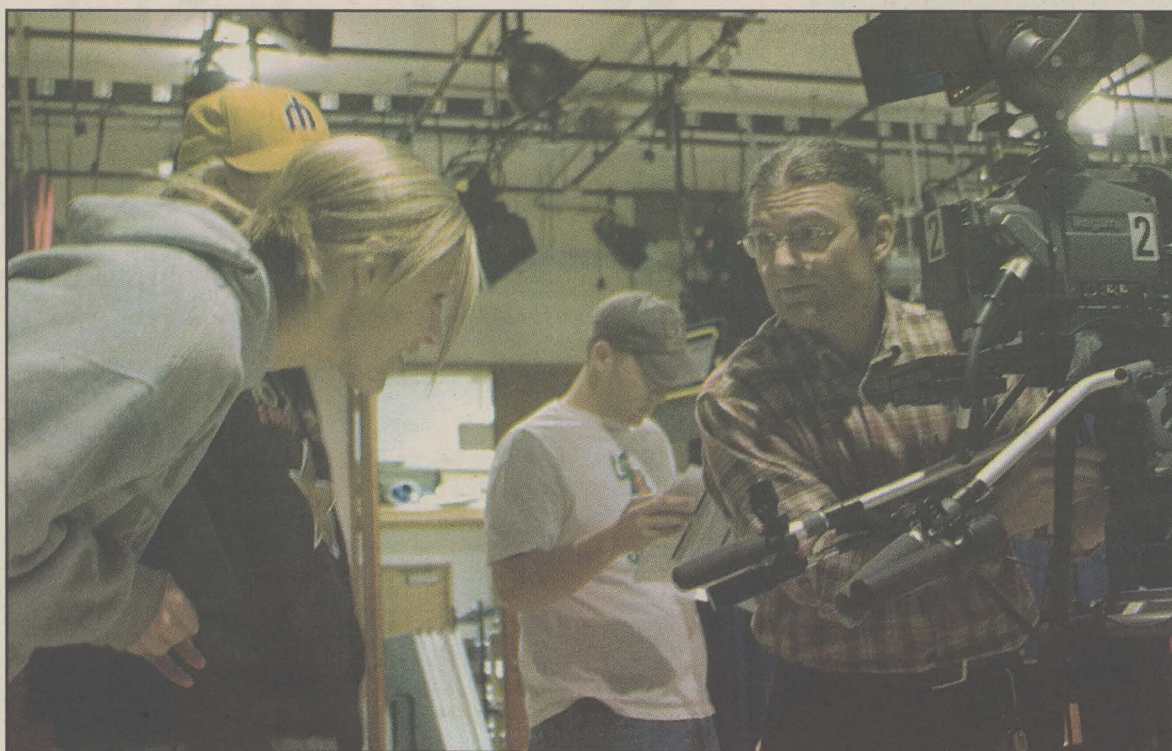
"When I started they kept saying it was in process and I kept thinking it would happen," said Kelsey Lawrence, senior individual studies film and video major. "I'm almost done, but lots of students have waited and many have just gone broadcast because they didn't want to wait."

Getting the major "official" at Central was a long process. The individual studies program grew rapidly, and the communication department decided it was time for it to be an approved major. However, the curriculum committee at Faculty Senate was reluctant, at which point the "formal pursuit languished," Ogden said. After that, the department was informed the individual studies for film and video would no longer be considered.

"One of the reasons I came [to Central] was to get the program going, and that was six years ago," Ogden said.

Starting over from scratch, the paperwork was re-done and the new major was compared to other institutions in the state of Washington. Finally, there was no objection to the program and the state's Higher Education Curriculum Board approved it in September.

"I think the major will draw more



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Students interested in the FVS major are welcome to attend an open lab with Michael Ogden (left) in the Bouillon TV studio every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to noon to learn about the techniques related to film.

students to the school and the department," Lawrence said. "People have been waiting for film and video studies for a long time."

Unlike other institutions in Washington, Central doesn't charge its students a "head tax" for the program.

"We do not charge additional fees to be in the major, other than for lab courses," Ogden said. "Ideally, I would like to see us with two or three more faculty members as the program grows."

The major is a good choice for stu-

dents interested in working in the film industry or going to film school. While broadcast students share many of the same classes and skill sets, broadcast gears students more towards television and reporting.

"It's a lot of fun; there are a lot of things you can do with it," Lawrence said. "If you like movies and television, there's a lot of directions it can take you."

Ten people will be switching from an independent studies major to a film and video studies major and about 24

students are interested in starting. Employment is possible right out of college and the industry is growing quickly.

"Film and video studies 250 is an intro class, and it's in the basic and breadth," Ogden said. "Take it to see if you like it."

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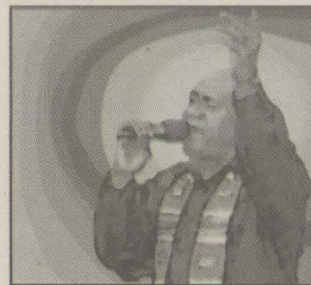
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Mary Ebanal/Observer

Bill Kaperak, junior broadcast major (left) and Zach Hammond, senior public relations major, enjoy new equipment while working at 88.1 "The Burg" in its new location on the first floor of the SURC building.

by Taishi Kanamaru
Staff reporter

Central Washington University's radio station is now live at their new studio.

The radio station, 88.1 "The 'Burg," has served as the college radio station for more than a decade. Its history goes all the way back to 1958, when the small facility started broadcasting, according to its Web site.

Christian Mecham, program assistant at the station, said The Burg plays non-mainstream music so the students can be exposed to lesser known artists, not just the big-time artists.

The station has moved to the new Student Union and Recreation Center and is taking a new step forward.

Chris Hull, the station's general manager, said the station was playing pre-recorded music, voice works and promotional announcements during their move to the new SURC. "House Special," aired last Friday was the first live show in seven months.

Friday's DJ, Jesse Simon, known as "DJDSoup," is a senior jewelry and metal smithing major and promotions director for the station. His job is to keep the Web site updated and to promote events on campus.

Although Simon said the first show was a little "sketchy" on mixing, he enjoyed it because the new equipment worked fine and he got a lot of calls from listeners.

In addition to the current staff, the station is recruiting new volunteers. The volunteers don't need to come from the radio broadcasting field.

"Prior experience helps, but it's not required," Hull said.

Students must first fill out an application. After screening, the top 10

applicants will be selected and trained.

The intensive training program is in two parts—a one-hour solo on-air audition and a written exam that covers policies and procedures from the radio station operator's handbook. Applicants must score 85 percent or better on both in order to pass.

Evaluation of the solo on-air audition includes several elements, such as the handling of CDs, music-to-music transitions and the entertainment value of the show.

"I want them to go on nuts (at audition)," Randy Beckstead, operations and program director, said. "I want to hear their personality because anybody can push the buttons."

Not all the volunteers need to be DJs because some of them get "scared to death" when talking on air. They can

work as promoters, roadies or in other off-air positions Beckstead said.

Although the radio station plays a lot of music, Beckstead thinks music is only a small part of the station.

The station airs weekly reviews of movies from the Liberty Theater, public service announcements and also organizes events such as bowling tournaments.

"We're multimedia basically," Beckstead said.

Beckstead encourages all clubs to take advantage of the radio station for public service announcements.

"We have the obligation to the listeners," Beckstead said.

For more information go to www.881theburg.com or visit the studio at SURC Room 120.

CLASSIC FILM OF THE WEEK: "HOWL'S MOVING CASTLE"

by Heather Elliott
Staff reporter

For those who enjoyed Harry Potter, "Howl's Moving Castle" is absolutely mesmerizing. This movie, part of the Classic Film Series, is about a young girl named Sophie and a handsome wizard named Howl, both of whom are swept into a magical moving castle and a war in a spiritual realm. Viewers will be impressed with Sophie's great determination and loyalty amidst a world of strange and magical inhabitants.

"Howl's Moving Castle" is an animated movie and runs approximately two hours. The movie was filmed and produced in Japan and has a PG rating for frightening images and inappropriate language. Central Washington University's campus life activities staff helped bring this film to Ellensburg for students' enjoyment. Scott Drummond, Associate Director of Campus Life, feels that films such as this one will benefit students and provide for community involvement.

This film has already won numerous awards, such as the L.A. Film Critics Association Award, The New York Film Critics Circle Award and The San Diego Film Critics Association Award.

An animated fantasy at first glance, this picture contains underlying pro-environment and anti-war sentiments. Gender equality is promoted in this feature through the use of strong female characters. The movie's animation and fairy-tale style provide thrilling entertainment.

Tickets for this and other movies in the fall 2006 Classic Film Series can be purchased at the student union theatre box office. Tickets are \$3.00 per person, and bargain passes, good for five films, are available for \$12.00 each. The ticket booth and theatre open at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday and the movie starts at 7 p.m.

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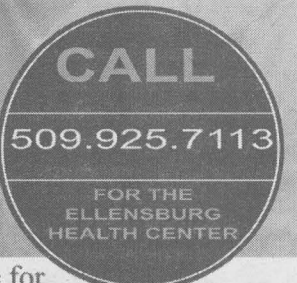
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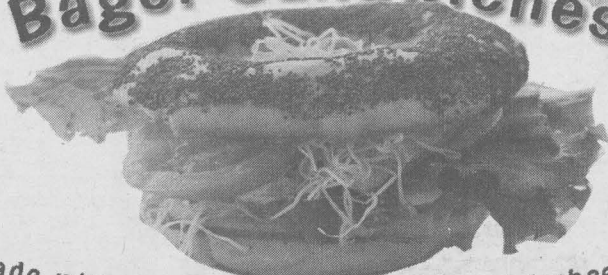
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Second 'Burg film festival surpasses original

by Robbie Miller
Staff reporter

The Ellensburg Film Festival lit up screens all over town last weekend with 60 films squeezed into three days.

The festival opened to a packed house on Friday as some had to be turned away from the opening film, "Quinceanera." The Dakota Café hosted the opening gala and awards ceremony after the screening, in which the winners from the festival were announced.

More than 1600 people attended the festival compared to 1100 last year, and several screenings were sold out.

"I think it went absolutely great," festival coordinator Djordje Popovic said. "In one year, to increase the attendance like that is absolutely amazing. I couldn't be more happy about that."

Popovic said that the audience was very diverse and movie-goers of all kinds had something to appreciate.

"I enjoyed the variety of subjects that have been covered in the movies I've seen," said Jennifer Anderson, who purchased a six-film pass for the festival. "Some were funky, some were quirky, some were moody."

Festival board member Sarah Scott said a few technical difficulties caused by DVDs slowed things down a little,

but audiences were patient and the festival hopes to move away from DVDs next year.

The screening of "F*CK" had to be stopped in the middle of the film when a projector overheated and shut down. After some frantic problem-solving and help from audience members, the film was back up and running. First Amendment expert David Skover helped pass the time with a speech he had prepared for after the film. Very few people left the theater during the ordeal, which Popovic said is a credit to the quality of the film.

The festival jury selected the best films in five categories: Best of Fest, Best Feature, Best Documentary, Best Short and Best Central Washington film.

Five of the eleven festival board members are on the jury, including Popovic and board president Liahna Armstrong. Steve Horowitz is the only jury member not on the board. He is the director of Central Washington University's English as a second language program, and Popovic said he brings an international perspective to the jury.

The Best of Fest award went to the short film "The Empty Building," with the Brazilian "29 Polegadas" earning an honorable mention. "Blind Love" won Best Feature, "Argentina: Hope in Hard Times" took home Best Documentary



Ross Walette/Observer

The second annual Ellensburg Film Festival was an even greater success than last year with an increase in attendance of close to 500. The festival combined locally and nationally recognized films in 29 separate showings.

and Best Short Subject went to "Binta y la Gran Idea." "The Delivery" and "Scales of Morality" split the award for Best Central Washington Film.

The board generally agreed that "The Empty Building" and "Blind Love" were the two best films shown, Popovic said.

Popovic told the audience at the closing film, "Iraq for Sale," that the turnout was great and the festival will return next year.

"I was happy with how many people showed up," Popovic said. "Considering the scope of the event, I think we pulled it off pretty well."

5 minutes with...Joey Thornton



photo by Tiffany Stark/Observer

by Caitlin Kuhlmann
Asst. Scene editor

Joey Thornton, a post-baccalaureate student in music education and social studies, is one of the few students at Central Washington University who can remember a time when an all men's choir group was represented on campus. After five years without such a choir. Gary Weidenaar, the new director of choral studies, has formed one. Thornton has been practicing in the choir for the past three weeks since the group's initial meeting was held on Sept. 25. The choir

meets from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday nights in room 153 in the music building.

Q: Why did you join the choir?

A: Because I wasn't in a choir this quarter and I have been every other quarter over the past decade [...] so I took men's choir because it was being offered again and it's usually more fun than mixed choir.

Q: What is your musical background?

A: I have a Bachelors of Music degree in vocal performance-pedagogy, I play piano competently and have taken lessons on and off. I also have taken three or four years of music theory.

Q: What kind of music does the choir sing?

A: Right now we're singing some folk song arrangements. Mainly American music.

Q: How many people are in the choir?

A: I think, depending on the day, we push thirty.

Q: How can others get involved?

A: Show up. Mondays at seven in the choir room.

Q: Why did the choir form?

A: Because [Weidenaar] is interested in that kind of thing. [The choir] has been formed a couple times by Dr. Singh, but it's never been an ongoing thing.

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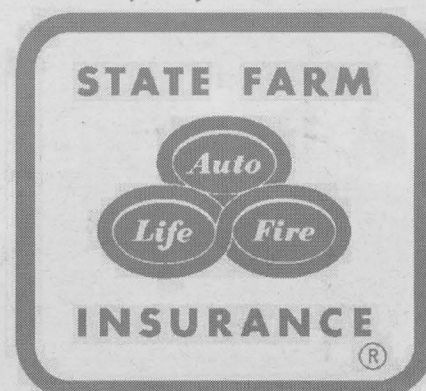
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SPORTS

Central Lacrosse plays host to five teams in Rodeo Town Tourney.
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Spevak, Mitchell double up as two sport Central athletes
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Volleyball gets back to its winning ways
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Women's soccer working overtime once again



David Woodford / Observer

Junior midfielder Andrea Archer goes for the ball against Western Oregon defender Chelsea Glavin in Central's last home match, Sept. 20. The game ended in 0-0 tie, the first of three ties Central has had this season.

by Tyler Lobe
Staff reporter

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Wildcats have since played a match but due to the Observer's deadline, the Central Washington/Cal State-East Bay game played last night will be featured in next week's edition.

On Monday evening, the Central Washington University women's soccer team battled to a scoreless, double-overtime tie with host Notre Dame de Namur Argonaut in NCAA Division II play in San Jose, Calif.

Monday's match marked the second consecutive game in which Central Washington, who owns a 4-6-3 record overall, played to a double-overtime draw. The Wildcats forced the 11th-ranked Seattle University Redhawks into a 1-1 stalemate last Saturday afternoon.

Central's offensive struggles continued Monday as they are now averaging one goal per game in their 13 matches this season.

"We didn't play with much pace in the first half," head Coach Michael Farrand said of Monday's match against the Argonaut. "After that, we had a hard time getting on track."

Notre Dame de Namur led the offensive attack in the game, out shooting the visiting Wildcats 11-4.

Senior forward, Arica Slawson, led the Wildcats with two shot attempts in the contest and freshman Amber Easterbrook posted her second collegiate shutout in the tie, making seven saves.

Last Saturday, sophomore Lynde Clarke scored in minute 71 while the Wildcats held 11th-ranked Seattle University to a 1-1 double-overtime tie in Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) play at Championship Field in Seattle.

Clarke fired a shot on the run from the left side of the field, which careened off the right goal post and rolled into the net, after taking the pass from sophomore Lisa Overbo for the Wildcats tying

score. It was Clarke's second goal of the season and Overbo's first assist.

"The girls showed a great team effort," Farrand said. "I was very happy for them."

Easterbrook made the play of the match, making a fingertip save with three seconds left in regulation to force overtime.

She also made four saves helping to preserve the tie after replacing junior Erin Barr at the halftime break. Barr also made four stops.

The Redhawks scored just two minutes and 29 seconds into the match taking the early 1-0 lead when Seattle forward Leah Wymer found the back of the net after Barr swatted at the ball, hitting the back of Wymer's head and crossing the goal line for her sixth goal of the season.

The Redhawks out shot the Wildcats, 24-5, as Wymer single-handedly accounted for eight of the Redhawks' attempts.

"(Seattle's game) was the best game I have seen since I have been here," Farrand said.

Central returns home tomorrow for their final non-conference match of the 2006 season, facing off with Simon Fraser at 2 p.m.

Simon Fraser University, a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) from Burnaby, B.C., comes into the match with a 6-6-0 record on the year.

The Clan is coming off a 1-0 loss to Rocky Mountain College on Sunday in a neutral-site match held here in Ellensburg.

Simon Fraser has participated in post-season play in each of the last 15 seasons and took home the NAIA Championship in 1996 and 2000.

The Wildcats looks to get back on the winning track as they sport a 4-0-0 record this season against NAIA opponents, taking victories over Evergreen State College, Northwest University, Albertson College of Idaho and Eastern Oregon University.

Wildcats stunned by last second touchdown

by Mick Para
Staff reporter

With less than two minutes left on the timer, everything fell apart for Central Washington University as South Dakota University pulled out an 87-yard touchdown drive to beat the Wildcats 10-7.

The Wildcats were able to maintain a lead throughout the game holding the 14th ranked Coyotes to only a field goal in the third quarter. The Wildcats offense had a tough time gaining yards netting a total 169 total offensive yards with zero rushing yards.

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Central's seniors lead with experience

by Ernie Vorhof
Staff reporter

Back in 2003, Central Washington University seniors Lindsey Dollente, Julie Henderson and Kristin Pasley were just starting what would eventually become stellar careers playing volleyball for the Wildcats. Now, three-quarters of the way through their final season playing for Central, the senior leaders reflect on what started out as a bumpy run.

The Wildcats started that season off with seven straight losses, stumbling their way to a 13-13 record.

"We were more of an offensive team back then and we didn't have much ball control," senior libero, Julie Henderson said.

Since then the team has amassed a record of 77-23, by far the best four-year stretch in school history. During the Wildcats' amazing run, the three senior standouts have totaled several top-ten single-season and career records.

Outside hitter, Kristen Pasley has earned eight all-time top-ten school records for Central, including games played (4th), digs (5th) and block assists

(5th). Lindsey Dollente holds 5th place all-time in assists (2,103) and third place in assists per game at 11.01.

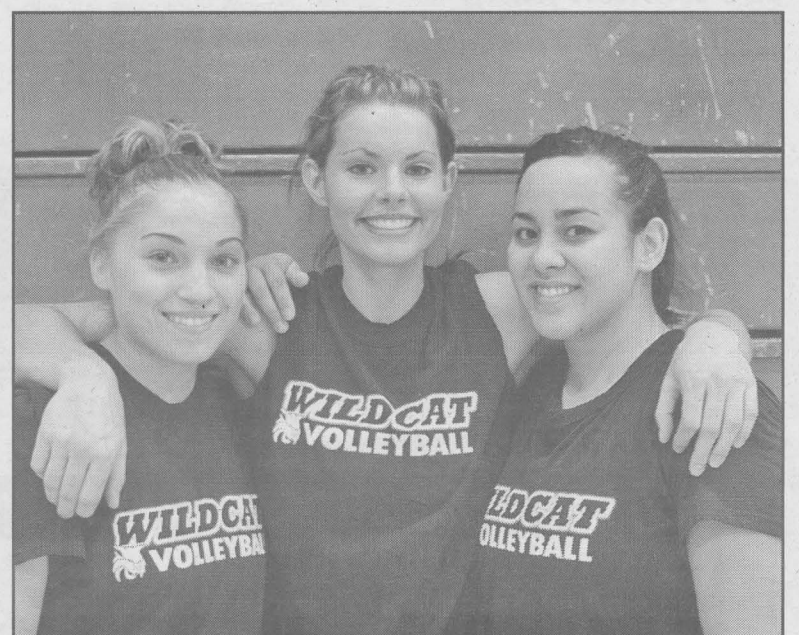
Much of the Wildcats success as a team can be attributed to the leadership of the three senior players, both on and off the floor.

"Their role as leaders for the underclassmen is to uphold the standards that we have for our team, our practices and our program overall," head Coach Mario Andaya said.

Although each player clearly demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities over the years, the individual ways in which they contribute leadership, advice and experience is what has made a difference for the team.

"Lindsey has set a good example of being a model redshirt, having played behind a great player [2004 All-American setter Kate Reome] for a couple of years," Andaya said. "Pasley gives good leadership through what she does on the court and is very lighthearted off the court too. Julie has shown perseverance throughout her career, in which she played nearly three years as a back-up. Now she's one of the best servers on our team."

Currently the Wildcats are 15-4, sit-



Stephen John Ellis / Observer

Left to right: Libero Julie Henderson, outside hitter Kristen Pasley and setter Lindsay Dollente make up this season's senior volleyball players.

ting at the top of the Great Northwest Athletic Conference. On Saturday, Oct. 14th, the team will travel west to Lacey to match up against Saints Martin's.

This begins the final stretch of the regular season and the three seniors' careers heading into the post-season.

"It will be sad when it's all over," said Pasley. "But we've had a lot of fun."

Central lacrosse comes away with second place in first annual Rodeo Town Lacrosse Tournament

by Brooke Saul
Staff reporter

Last weekend the Central Washington University's Men's Lacrosse Club hosted the first annual Rodeo Town Lacrosse Tournament.

The Wildcats played host to several teams throughout the northwest including, Gonzaga University, Willamette University, Pacific Lutheran University, Linfield College, and the University of Montana.

Central's first game of the tournament, and of the season, took place on Saturday against the Gonzaga Bulldogs. Gonzaga defeated the Wildcats 7-3.

This game was not just a loss, but a test of how the season will be played out.

There are a lot of freshman on this team, and their inexperience showed in this game.

Central's second game against Willamette was filled with ferocious hits and strong fundamentals.

The start of Sunday's action marked a new style of play by Central. The Wildcats were well prepared as they worked the ball around the field crushing Linfield 14-3.

Central had a different strategy during this contest, running Linfield all over the field.

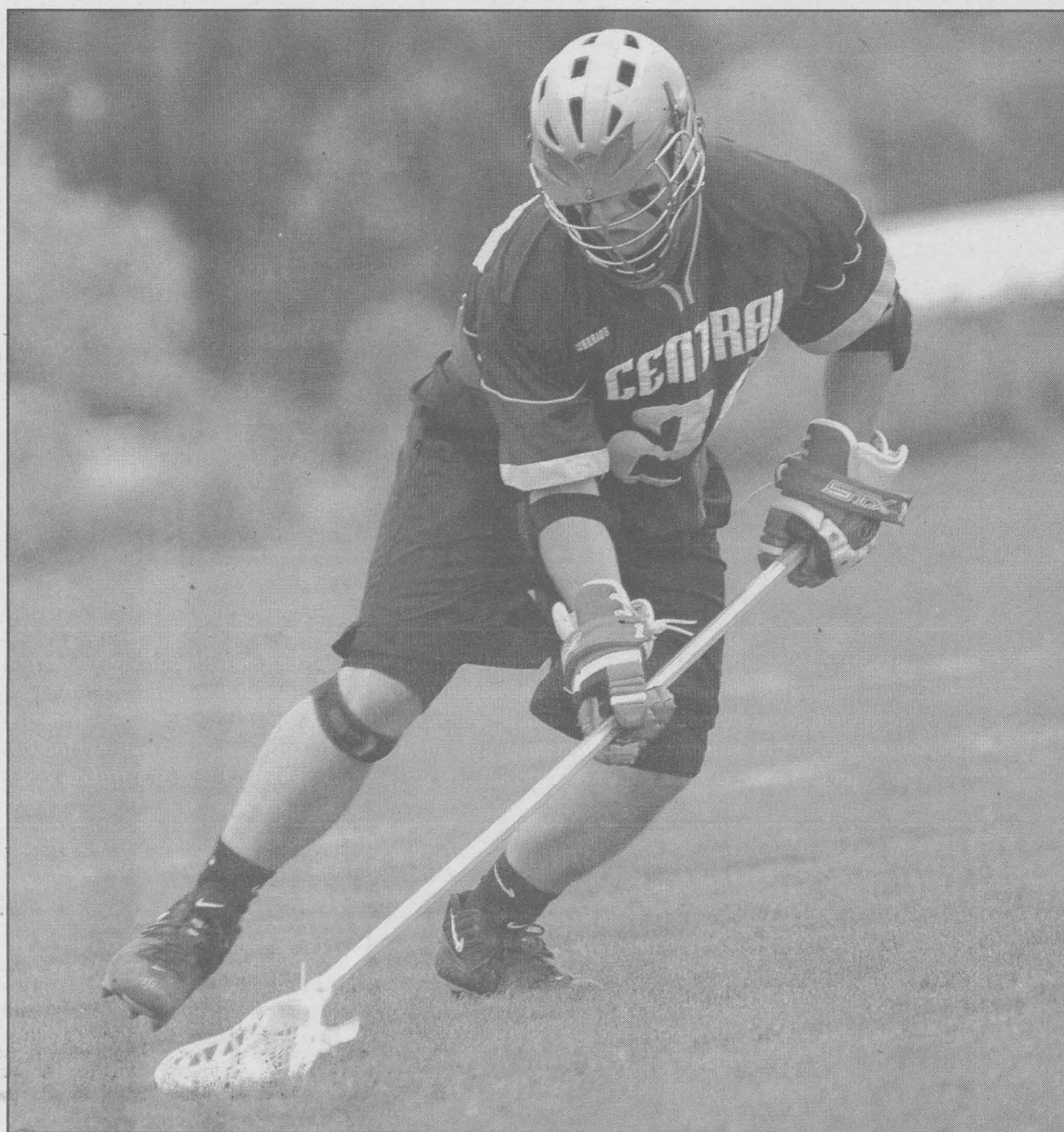
"They played great ball and it was very similar to eastern lacrosse," head coach JC deRaoulx said.

[Western style is a more physical style of play, as opposed to eastern style which display s more of a finesse, smooth style.]

Joe Hodge, an attack/midfielder said that he felt pretty good and that the chemistry was coming together for Central.

"We're a young team and we're trying to get everyone to click," he said.

In the Wildcats next game they squared off against the University of Montana. Montana finished the 2005



David Woodford / Observer

Junior defender Kellen Gallacher, scoops up the ball in Saturdays action against Gonzaga University. Central was defeated by the Bulldogs 7-3 in the opening game and then again in the Championship on Sunday 7-4.

season ranked ninth nationally and had yet to lose a Lacrosse match to the Wildcats in history of these two teams.

Central's squad came together and played a solid game against the Grizzlies.

They showed Montana that they were a team that had better control, an outstanding goalie and superior com-

"We gave everything that we had. We were spent and did the best we could and it's nothing to be ashamed of"

~Alan Colombo
senior attacker

munication. The Wildcats came out victorious 5-4.

"It was nice to get a 'W' over them," tournament head and attacker Alan Colombo said. "It was huge for us as a program to beat them at home."

After two key wins on Sunday, the Wildcats earned their way into the Championship game. They would, once again face Gonzaga.

The Bulldogs proved to be more superior than the Wildcats for the second time in this tournament, taking the championship game 7-4.

"We gave everything that we had," Colombo said. "We were spent and did the best we could and it's nothing to be ashamed of."

Central's lacrosse team is starting a booster club and hopes to become one of the top programs in the university said deRaoulx.

Those who are interested in joining Central's men's lacrosse team should go online to www.cwu.edu/~rec.

The team will start playing games again during the regular season, which is at the end of the winter quarter.

Cross country improves with third place finish

Men's X-country gain 13 places after last week at Willamette, while the women jump from tenth to sixth place overall

by Melanie Lockhart
Staff reporter

Sam Scotchmer took seventh place in the men's 10-kilometer cross-country race at the Western Washington University Invitational on Saturday, leading his team to a third-place finish.

The women's team came out with a sixth place finish at WWU.

Senior Rachel Bailey led the team, placing 14th. Junior Sarah Benson fin-

ished 25th in the 6k race.

Now in his fourth season running for Central Washington University, Scotchmer has high hopes for the rest of the year.

"My ultimate goal this season is to do well at regionals and hopefully qualify for nationals," Scotchmer, junior, said.

Joining him in the top 50 at Saturday's meet were: junior Kevin Blount (29th), freshman Eric Ardissono (35th),

junior Trevor Kulvi (40th), freshman Jonathan Rank (43rd) and senior Brian Rockenbach (47th).

"Our [men's] team is the strongest team we've had since I've been running at Central," Scotchmer said. "The transfer students and freshmen that have come in this year have added a lot of strength and depth to the team."

This was a resting week for those runners who needed it, said head coach Kevin Adkisson.

Junior Katie Hummel, top runner for the women's team, took the week off. Hummel has only raced in two meets so far this season due to a minor injury.

In spite of her injury, Hummel's finishes have earned her the title of Great Northwest Athletic Conference Female Athlete of the Week twice since her first race in September.

"I was surprised," Hummel said. "It was an honor because there are some really talented runners in the GNAC."

Like Scotchmer, Hummel also has high hopes for the remainder of the season.

"Most important for me is to stay healthy for the rest of the fall and have strong races at conference, regionals and hopefully nationals," Hummel said. "Hopefully [the team] will be able to show all our hard work and improvement at the conference race and nationals."

Headed into the last stretch of the season, the men's team has high expectations.

"I think we are able to get top three

"Our [men's] team is the strongest team we've had since I've been running at Central."

~Sam Scotchmer
junior runner

in conference as a team," Scotchmer said.

The Wildcats women are also confident going into the conference meet, which will be on Oct. 21 in Lacey, Wash.

"We should have a very solid race at conference," Hummel said. "And be one of the top placing teams."

Following the GNAC Championship, the cross country team will participate in the Bellevue Open at Lake Sammamish Park in Bellevue on Oct. 28. No time has been determined for the meet.

The following weekend the NCAA Division II West Regional meet will be held in Chico, California on Nov. 4.

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Students tackle school and sports at rapid pace

by Nolan Teasley
Staff reporter

Student-athlete is the term given to those at Central Washington University who engage in academics and athletics.

For the few who play two sports, perhaps a different pairing of the words is in order, athlete-student may be more appropriate.

Johnny Spevak and Lindsey Mitchell are two of the multi-sport athletes here at Central. Spevak is one of the starting wide receivers for the Wildcat football team and doubles as a guard for the basketball team in the winter.

Mitchell is a junior forward on the women's soccer team during the fall and participates as a sprinter for the track and field team during the spring.

Spevak was a red-shirt during football season last year, but was impressive while playing for the Wildcats basketball team on the hardwood as a true freshman. This year he's not only starting for the football team, he's the leading receiver with 35 receptions for the 400 yards and four touchdowns.

The football team is currently in the middle of their grueling season, but basketball is quickly approaching. It would seem like it would be difficult to stay focused on just one sport, but Spevak brings the right attitude into each season.

"During one sport you have to pay all your attention to that," Spevak said.

Mitchell is off to a good start in soc-

cer this season, starting all twelve games the team has played.

She has the same approach as Spevak when it comes to focusing on the sport that is in season.

"Depending on the season, that's where I turn my focus," said Mitchell.

One former student-athlete that knows exactly what these two are going through is Jacob Galloway, currently a

thous schedule down quite easily.

"Late nights, early mornings and not much of a social life," said Galloway.

Galloway, although still busy with his education, is enjoying more free time than he is used to. He offers this advice to both current and future multi-sport athletes:

"It is a challenge, but it shows you how much you can accomplish," Galloway said. "It may seem hard at the beginning, but it's worth it in the end."

College athletics are a year-around commitment, taking up much more time than a full time job, and yet college athletes are not allowed to be paid.

So what exactly makes all the hard work worth it? Spevak has an easy answer to that question.

"I love playing with the guys on each team; I love the camaraderie," said Spevak.

Mitchell agrees with the team approach, even preferring to play soccer more than running track because of the team aspect.

"I like team sports more because there's less pressure," Mitchell said. "In track I have to push myself more, it's all up to me."

In the end, what does it all come down to? Why does anyone play any sport, let alone two?

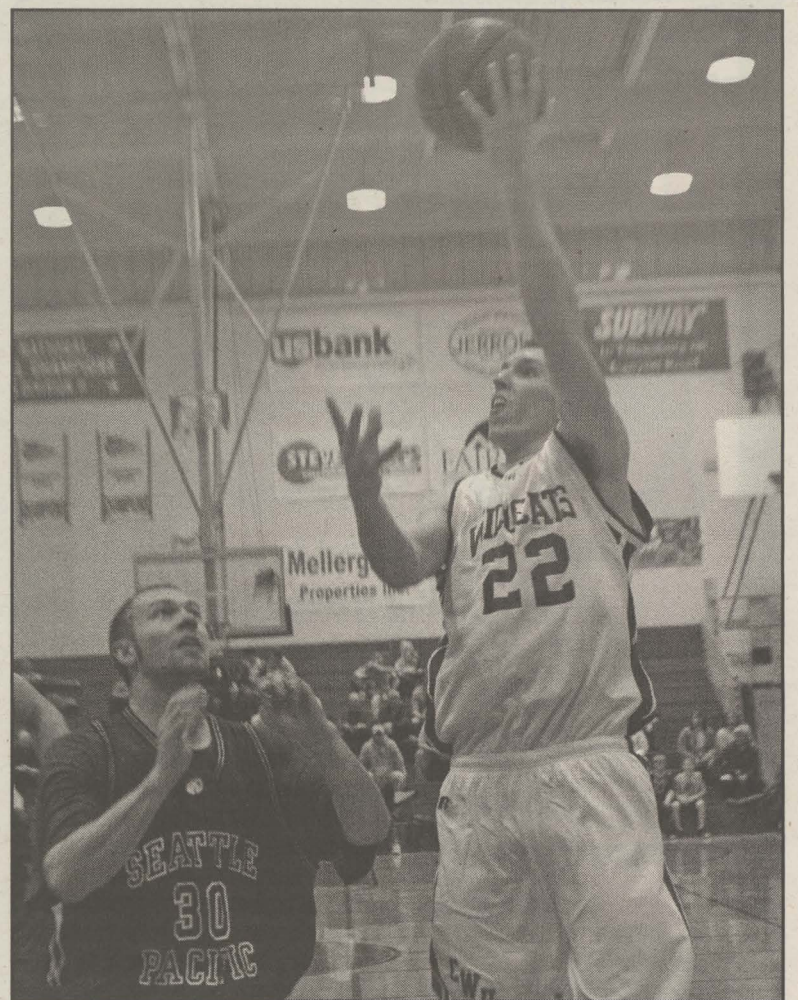
"I just like winning," Mitchell said.

A simple statement, but after watching Spevak and Mitchell in action, it's a statement that just makes sense.

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~Lindsey Mitchell
junior forward

graduate student in the exercise science program, and a former three sport athlete for the Wildcats. Galloway competed in football, basketball and track, and he was able to break his tumult-



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Sophomore Johnny Spevak cuts to the hoop against Seattle Pacific last season. Spevak plays as a guard in basketball and a receiver in football.

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"They knew we wanted to run the ball, when you know what's coming it's not that difficult to stop," said junior wide-receiver Brandon Robertson.

The Wildcats gained the upper hand in the second quarter when senior wide-receiver Josh Boonstra caught a 33 yard touchdown pass from sophomore quarterback Mike Reilly. The Coyotes with a field goal in the third quarter, with Central ahead 7-3.

Robertson finished the game with five catches for 50 yards. Reilly threw for 169 yards including one touchdown and one interception. Boonstra finished with two catches for 43 yards.

In the end the South Dakota defense was too dominant, keeping the Wildcats from gaining any solid yards. Central finished the game with their fewest offensive yards since September 2, 2002, when South Dakota held them to only 85 in a 52-7 loss.

"We knew their defense was fast and athletic, but we thought that we

would match up pretty good against it," Boonstra said. "Our O-line is pretty banged up; it was important that we establish the running game but we just couldn't get it going."

Central had a short week of practice, leaving for Vermillion on Thursday. Some thought the Wildcats would need more time to prepare against such a high-ranking opponent.

"We felt good coming into the game, obviously we were a little tired from the trip, but the coaches did a good job of preparing us," Robertson said. "South Dakota played it perfectly, they're the number-one ranked defense for a reason."

Central will next face off against Western Oregon University at home this Saturday. Coming off such a tough loss, the players seem enthusiastic about starting a new week and getting last week's game out of their system.

"It will be nice to be at home; we're going to go out and have a lot of good practices this week and explode on Saturday," Boonstra said.

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Volleyball falls to Western

by Nathan Young
Staff reporter

The Central Washington University Wildcats volleyball team started strong against rival Western Washington University Vikings winning the first two sets only to end up losing the match 3-2.

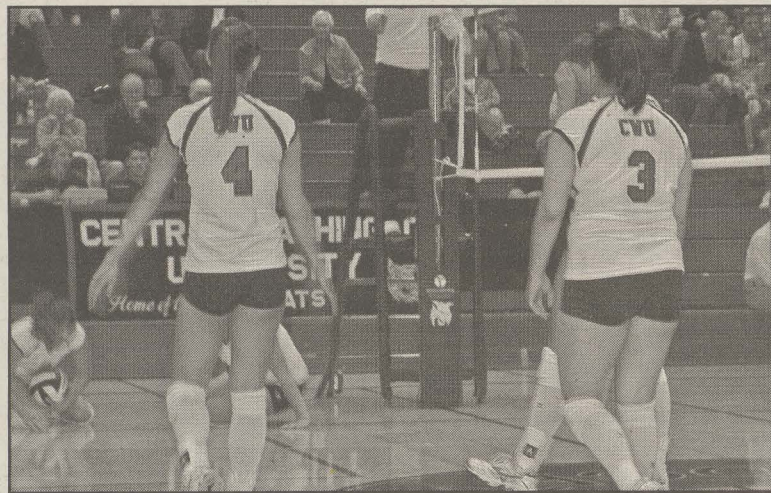
Central dominated the first set, winning 30-22. The Wildcats won the second game 33-31 fighting through 17 ties and seven lead changes. Junior outside hitter Emily Veenker kept Central alive with a career high 17 kills, 11 higher than her previous best.

"This was one of my first times at the outside hitter position," Veenker said. "I have more time to set up under the ball and get my shot."

The Wildcats came out flat in the third game, quickly falling behind as the Vikings took advantage of Wildcat errors. Western won the third game despite late comeback charges led by senior outside hitter Kristin Pasley and senior setter Lindsey Dollente. Dollente served to give the Wildcats their first lead of the game, and added a season high of 61 assists in the match. Wildcat momentum was halted by a Viking timeout; this led to a resurgence by the Vikings to close out the game 31-29.

"We beat up on ourselves-s," Pasley said. "We wanted to win this game and it kind of bit us a little, we're a young team."

Mistakes plagued the Wildcats in the fourth game as they lost 30-22, with



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Senior outside hitter Kristen Pasley and senior setter Lindsay Dollente head to the sidelines during the Central/Western game last Saturday.

the Wildcats never in the lead.

The Vikings took the fifth game, sending the Wildcats into their first three match skid since starting the 2003 season 0-7. Central hadn't experienced back-to-back losses at home since Nov. 2002.

"We need to hit it hard in practice," Dollente said. "We need to learn to grow up and quit making errors."

On Oct. 7 the Wildcats played to their full potential, putting up their second best offensive game of the season. The Wildcats dominated Northwest Nazarene 30-21, 30-25, 30-27 in a three game sweep.

Junior outside hitter Stephanie Pow-

ell led the Wildcats with 17 kills and was second on the team with 12 digs behind junior outside hitter Erika Stevens with 19.

The Wildcats won nearly every statistical category, but still committed more errors than their opponents. Central had an attack an efficiency of .321, bettered only when they hit a .422 efficiency against Millersville (Pa.) on Sept. 1.

Central now looks to face GNAC conference leader Seattle Pacific.

The Wildcats' next three matches are away and they return to Nicholson Pavilion Oct. 26 to host GNAC foe Alaska Anchorage.

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