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Volunteers gut flooded homes in New Orleans

by Megan Hansen
News editor

While many students spent their Memorial Day weekend out in the sun or on vacation, Central Washington University's Law and Justice Club was gutting toxic-flood damaged homes in New Orleans.

The Plan

After attending the Academy of Criminal Justice conference last year, the club, whose mission is social justice and service, felt it was important to focus on a bigger service project. "We felt we could benefit more by going down and experiencing the devastation first hand," said Cody Cook, senior law and justice major and club senator. "We wanted to feel like we were giving back to something."

The club organized car washes, raffles and garage sales, and with the help of the student Senate and the Services and Activities Fees Committee, the club was able to fund the $11,000 trip.

Sixteen people from Central's Ellensburg and Lynnwood branches, including two faculty members, left last Wednesday and spent five days helping the organization Hands On New Orleans.

"What surprises me is it's faded from the news," said Ryan Privett, senior law and justice major and club vice president. "There's still so much to do."

Privett said when the club was fundraising people often asked, "Aren't they done down there?"

"People think things are better," said Breanna Eshghi, senior law and justice major and club president. "There are still houses that haven't been touched."

The Work

In New Orleans, the group stayed in a church, which was sponsored by Hands On New Orleans. Most of the 100 volunteers were college students from Central and two schools in Minnesota and Pennsylvania. Accommodations consisted of bunk beds, three showers and one bathroom.

There were three different projects volunteers could participate in as well. On the first day, volunteers gutted a house that hadn't been touched since the flooding. Since most people hadn't taken their belongings when they evacuated their homes, volunteers sorted through personal items. Then tore down houses that had been gutted. They also volunteered at animal shelters and food banks.

There was concern about finding weapons in the houses. If any were found, volunteers were required to have the police come pick them up and search the house for any other hazards. At one point volunteers found a box of bullets and the crew had to stop working and wait for the police.

Eshghi said after the bullet incident, she saw the barrel of a gun in a pile of rubble, which she initially thought was a pipe and had to call the police again.

"Any weapons in the house can slow down the work," Cook said.

No matter the condition of the houses, volunteers were required to wear protective suits called Tyvek suits, a respirator and goggles.

"You were sweating as soon as you put that suit on," Arlondo Dudley, senior law and justice major, said.

At one point, the group worked on a home where a family still lived because they had nowhere else to go.

"The worst part is when you went past white houses all fixed up with people living in them," Eshghi said.

While the group was there, they were able to participate in other educational experiences as well. In the evenings, the group met with speakers in the law and justice field to discuss crime rates and changes New Orleans has gone through during the devastation. The group also went on a bus tour of the destruction area and learned about the levees and how the flooding occurred.

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Above: Homes were spray painted with the letters TFW to warn group members of toxic flood waters in the buildings they were working in. Below: Equipped with hammers and crowbars, volunteers tore down walls covered in mold while wading through knee-deep water. Spiders rained down workers removing ceilings and debris. Group leaders entered the demolished homes first to ensure the structure was safe enough to walk into.
"Feast on the first" finalizes festival

The smell of burgers and free speech wafted through the air on the east patio of the Student Union and Recreation Center Wednesday. The First Amendment Festival's big finale yesterday, offered more than just free food. Above: Reverend Billy Talen showed up to the festival early to preach and promote his performance scheduled for later in the evening.

Right: Former Nirvana Bassist Krist Novoselic spoke on the east patio on the importance of free speech and electoral reform.

Left: People gathered on the east patio where burger and soft drink stations were set up to feed the hunger of those attending the all day event.

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New Orleans: volunteers reflect on a job well done, while realizing there is still work to do, homes to rebuild and community history to preserve

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The stagnant flood water was found in tubs and areas throughout abandoned houses. "I ripped down a cabinet and got tagged in the face by water," Cook said.

Reflection

While some of the group members were satisfied with the trip and happy with the work they did, some weren't.

"I felt like what we were doing wasn't much because houses were so damaged," Cook said. "I climbed up a ladder and my hand went through a support beam.

Cook felt that the houses were such a hazard that it seemed cheaper to just tear the buildings down and rebuild. New law and justice major Natasha Shahajay thought the houses were beautiful and need to be preserved for their history and character.

During the gutting process there were safety hazards such as rotten floors where workers could fall through. "I wish we could have been rebuilding," Cook said. "It seemed like a lost cause."

However, Esplin was pleased with her time in New Orleans and the work she accomplished. "I thought it was really rewarding," Esplin said. "I did the hardest work I could have possibly done for someone else.

While this may be a one time experience for the many volunteers who went down to New Orleans, some are interested in going back. "I would like to go back," Privett said. "I could take a five year break and there still would be more work to do."
Blue Ribbon ties loose ends

Program seeks way to resolve accumulated deficit of $314k

by Patrick Lewis
Sports editor

The Central Washington University athletics department is having trouble financially treading water. In 2005, the department had accumulated a deficit of more than $170,000. Instead of working to eliminate the deficit, athletics increased the total deficit to $314,422 in the last two years.

"Right now we're shipping away at the deficit," Jack Bishop, Central's athletic director, said. "We're trying to negotiate that balance of operating within [student] means but increasing programs."

The majority of the deficit increase comes from the football team's move to the North Central Conference, which Bishop estimated cost the department an additional $90,000 a year in travel.

Tom North, assistant athletic director for business affairs, said that the travel increase and the losses incurred from the "Showdown in the Sound" comprise the majority of the deficit.

Another factor in the deficit is that the department is paying half of newly hired assistant athletic director for development, Mark Anderson's, salary which comes to $40,000.

"The plan is to work toward the goal of reducing the accumulated deficit the best we can over time, possibly five to 10 years, while not adding to it," North said. "We are really trying to approach our budget matters with a very conservative approach."

In 2004, Central President Jerilyn McIntyre established the Blue Ribbon Commission on Athletics.

The 20-member committee looked at varsity sports, clubs and intramurals in an attempt to gauge the status of athletics on campus and find solutions to problems, like accumulated debt.

The commission came up with nine overall recommendations for the athletics department in categories of operations, funding and financial concerns, and facilities.

Central spends approximately $350,000 in operating expenses for the entire athletics department each year, excluding salaries.

The Office of Postsecondary Education compiles all of this data for every institution in the United States. Central's budget is comparable to universities on the west coast, all of which compete in the National Colle­giate Athletics Association division two in both North and South. Those schools average operating expenses are at $1.1 million.

Central compares favorably with D-II schools who field a football team at $411,000. These schools all have fewer than 4,000 attending students, whereas Central has close to 9,000.

"My only answer to that is the university puts in an amount of money that they can to us and we spend it," Bishop said. "The rest falls on our department and fundraising."

Travel

The biggest expense for the athletics department is travel. In 2006, the football team moved out of the Greater Northwest Athletic Conference and into the North Central Conference (NCC) a move that Bishop estimated cost the department an additional $90,000 in travel expenses.

The NCC will dissolve following the 2007-2008 season and the football team is moving into NCAA D-1A.

"Financially, this was a move that saved us $90,000," Bishop said. "But it might not have been the best move for the team."

--Jack Bishop
athletic director

Summer season empties Ellensburg, offers fun

by Jess Hall
Staff reporter

With an average of 6,500 people leaving Central Washington University during the summer months, the city of Ellensburg is greatly affected by the population decline.

Records from the office of Central's Institutional Research conclude that for the 2005-06 school year, there were 10,075 students enrolled at the university during the academic year. Summer quarter had only 3,630 students enrolled in classes.

"Ellensburg during the summer is the best time of my life," Andrew Duckworth, senior business administration major, said. "Floating down the river, going to the pond, playing frisbee and hiking are things I live for."

The Visitors' Guide to Ellensburg, which can be found at the Chamber of Commerce, has lists of activities and events for summer. A few examples include hiking Manastash Ridge, which looks over Kittitas Valley, and fly-fishing in the Yakima River.

Outdoor Pursuits and Rentals, located off the Student Union and Recreation Center, offers outdoor materials including rafts, tents, camping gear and basic outdoor gear.

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More options for Eburg employees

by Brian Rowe
Staff reporter

Job growth in Ellensburg is on the rise. The unemployment rate in Kittitas County fell from 5.3 percent in 2006 to 4.4 percent in 2007. Since many students must work their way through school to pay for tuition, jobs are not always easy to come by.

Junior economics major Josh Finleyson recalls the difficulty he had trying to get a job. "When I first came to Ellensburg, I tried to find a place to work," Finleyson said. "I turned in some applications, but never got any calls back and I ended up very frustrated."

Ellensburg holds more employment options than just the local fast food joints or retail establishments.

Working on-campus is an option for many students, although turnover seems to be in the red. High turnover could be due to the fact that many on-campus job opportunities are in the food sector.

Junior music major Brennan White knows first-hand about working bad jobs. "I worked on campus for a while, but my job made me unhappy," White said. "It would be nice to find some place to work that I could actually enjoy."

Not all students want to work on campus. Some make long drives to find jobs that pay more, such as waiting tables at the Cle Elum resort Suncadia.

Sophomore finance major Cameron Kroupa said he thinks that with the overall growth of Kittitas County, jobs will soon be plentiful.

"Now that more and more people are coming to this area, I expect to see more job opportunities," Kroupa said. "Hopefully, this will translate into a job for me next year."

For more information go to YakimaHouses.com and search "Eburg Jobs." Also check out the Career Services link on the Central Web site at www.cwu.edu.

Yakima real estate gets boost

Breck Torres
Special to the Observer

The hum of big machinery, rap of hammers and mound of freshly moved earth signal to anyone passing by that something big is happening in Yakima.

Currently, land is being developed into housing projects and commercial business parks to accommodate the large influx of business, families and the growing retirement community moving to Yakima.

"I've always known that Yakima was going to be part of big explosion of housing and people, I just wasn't sure when it would get here," said Ted Marquis, Jr., manager of Creekside Realty.

According to the Yakima Visitor's Bureau, the city receives more than 300 days of sunshine per year and is just 65 miles east of White and Chinook Passes, which contain camping grounds, heating venues, ski lodges and river-front cabins for year-round fun.

"Yakima has a great position; with the mountains so close by and the sunshine, it makes for prime real estate," Marquis said.

Besides nearby mountain retreats, Yakima offers a wide variety of homes as new developments continue to spring up.

"We saw a need for higher-end housing in Yakima," said Tim Monahan, co-owner of Bella Vita Estates, a new development in Yakima. "People coming over from Seattle were feeling out as catered to when they came to Yakima, so we are hoping to fill that need for them through Bella Vita."

Not only is Bella Vita breaking ground on the west end of Yakima, but Monahan also hinted that the eastern downtown area of Yakima will get a residential face lift via old shops being converted into new lofts for the younger home buyer.

Chris Waddle, sales associate of Creekside Commercial, believes the reinvention of the eastern downtown area is a part of the growth and revitalization of Yakima.

"We're growing in steps, as most cities do. The classic structure of urban sprawl means that as businesses move to the new construction in the outer layer areas, such as the west side of Yakima; it leaves behind the older office building that become vacant," Waddle said. "As downtown Yakima slowly revitalizes through renovation, this will change and we will start seeing a lot more progress in the downtown area."

Waddle knows of two developments in Yakima that cater to national chain stores that might be willing to share space with local businesses.

"I am glad that Yakima is growing and will continue to grow," Marquis said. "I've seen this town move from small town ethics to embracing the journey towards something bigger and better for our city. It's going to be amazing to see it all unfold."
Fans ‘Stokked’ beyond belief

I learned the hard way how personal information can spread after I was stalked for about a month.

One of my friends had written my rating and my phone number on a dollar bill and cashed it. A few weeks later, I got a call from a girl who said she had found my number.

If I had known how crazy this girl would become, I never would have picked up the phone in the first place. Within minutes of her first call, she was asking me for legal advice on how to prosecute her brother who had attacked her after she hit him with a broomstick.

Her phone calls only got worse. She’d call late and try to convince me to meet up with her in Atlanta.

Eventually, she even answered the phone and said I had moved. I wasn’t so scared as I was annoyed, but a recent story about a California woman made me realize how much worse the situation could have become.

The Washington Post broke the story of Allison Stokke on their Web site on May 29. Stokke is an 18-year-old high school senior who has a complete absence of personal information on her phone in the first place. Within minutes of her first call, she was asking me for legal advice on how to prosecute her brother who had attacked her after she hit him with a broomstick.

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In the story, Stokke—a 5 foot, 7 inch, 100-pound woman—was sexually harassed on the Internet. For the millions of young women who post their photos on social networking sites like Facebook and MySpace, Stokke’s is a cautionary tale.

The woman is living in fear of a photo of her that was taken while she stood at a track meet. Meanwhile, college coaches willingly post half-naked pictures of themselves for the entire world to see. For the rest of us, Stokke’s story may be the point at which we start considering greater restrictions on Internet content.

Stokke may be some random Californian girl now, but tomorrow she could be your girlfriend, younger sister or you.

The Artist’s Eye

“College years in a nutshell.”

Doctors, counselors or other health-care professionals are viewed as people we can trust. According to a 2006 special report conducted by The Seattle Times, however, health may be the last thing some of these individuals are thinking about.

The Washington Department of Health dismissed 461 sexual misconduct complaints filed against health-care professionals in the past decade, according to the Times. This was one-third of the total number of complaints received.

These “professionals” were not investigated or never questioned. They continued their practices, leaving behind a trail of victims yet to be discovered. Despite the number of unknown victims, the 461 who spoke up were shot down by the Health Department.

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The program is to be eliminated, trusting that a state House bill will be passed to tighten down the required credentials to become a counselor.

In case we find ourselves in this situation again, we need to be aware and learn from the past. We must take it upon ourselves to make sure that our families and friends are safe.

Just because people have received a higher education and have the credentials to practice medicine does not mean that they are ethically sound. They have the ability to save or change lives, and those who do are greatly appreciated. It’s the ones who have the ability to save lives and prefer to tamper with that need to be watched.
ATHLETICS: Facilities and aid continue to be financial challenges

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A move away from vanilla-based travel, which smaller teams like baseball and softball utilized, has been made as well. "There were a lot of safety factors involved," North said. "It costs about three times as much to bus the teams, however."

Facilities

Nicholson Pavilion and Tumholm Stadium have seen relatively unchanged since their original construction. In the case of Nicholson, the building hasn’t received significant remodels since the late 60s when it was erected.

Now there is a three-phase remodel plan in place to refit the building and give it a more "collegiate sports" atmosphere.

"To maintain the same level of tuition waivers, we have to add $40,000 to financial aid just to keep even," Forrest said. "A full scholarship next year will be $13,900 because of increases."

Central has petitioned to lower the overall scholarship cap for athletics, to allow for better parity between schools. "Attention to scholarships has been and continues to be our number one priority," Bishop said. "It is also our biggest frustration, since it costs us $250,000 per year that simply cannot be budgeted."

Central's facilities have been a point of contention for the past five years. Phase I involves revamping seating and concessions, a new scoreboard and field lights. Phase II involves adding weight lifting area. Phase III involves remodeling the weight lifting area and the athletic training area and the weight lifting area.

SUMMER: an abundance of events are marketed for students who stay in Ellensburg during the summer

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"Business really picks up here in the summer," Ryan Hopkins, University Recreation coordinator, said. "Due to lower rent prices and students having fewer classes, there are many events in Ellensburg to grab the attention of summer quarter students. On the first Friday of every month the First Friday Art Walk is held downtown. The local art galleries host live bands, music and hors d'oeurves," said Roll Williams, manager of Jeno's Book and Supply store.

During the absence of student residents, Ellensburg greatly relies on tourists during the summer. Events such as jazz in the Valley, Kittitas County Fair and the annual Ellensburg Rodeo draw tourists in to the city during the summer months.

"There is a definite lessening in traffic throughout town, and from a business perspective there is a great deal of retail service loss," said Leslie Berry, executive assistant at the Chamber of Commerce.
Student Appreciation Day shines with fireworks & concert by The Long Winters

by Tim Kukes
Staff reporter

Central Washington University students chose food and shelter over live music last Thursday evening at the Student Appreciation Barbecue. Several hundred students gathered for the barbecue, but only about 30 of them chose to sit in front of the stage to hear The Long Winters perform.

The Long Winters is an indie rock band from Seattle, though lead vocalist and self-proclaimed chief operating officer John Roderick hails from Anchorage, Alaska. He was excited to be playing at Central and said that the band played in Yakima two weeks ago, and said that not much Seattle music makes it east of the Cascades.

This was the band’s first show in Ellensburg.

“East coast bands have it so easy,” Roderick said. “They can do a month-long tour and be 10 hours from home. We owe it to our western brethren to get out there.”

The Long Winters played at Sasquatch Festival last weekend and gave Central a preview of that show.

“Central [students] are going to get a $70 show for free,” Roderick said.

Campus Activities was responsible for bringing The Long Winters to Central, through funding from Associated Students Central Washington University Board of Directors.

Kati Sheldon, senior music business major and programmer for Campus Activities, did not have any problems booking The Long Winter’s saying that she thought they were excited to play in a different venue. The Long Winters was invited to play at Central because of their Pacific Northwest roots.

“One of our main focuses this year was to get regional sounds,” Sheldon said.

“Plus they’re from Seattle and an awesome, awesome band.”

Even though The Long Winters started out strong, with bass guitarist Eric Corson doing a running slide into his mic and belting out a sound similar to REM with a hard edge, they couldn’t draw people to their side of the field.

As it became apparent the crowd wasn’t going to grow much beyond 30 people, Roderick began taking requests from fans and cracking jokes.

Audience members were disappointed with both the location of the stage and the turnout for the performance.

“I love The Long Winters,” Tim Maltop, a nutrition program graduate student, said. “I think the public relations could have used more forethought.”

Lessons were learned though. Sheldon already has thoughts for what to do to improve next year’s performance.

“I think the turnout was good for the way things were set up,” Sheldon said. “Next year we will set the food closer to the stage and it will be a bacchanal times better.”
Students offer a taste of Japanese culture

Japanese Gardens host Tea Ceremony
by Tim Kukes
Staff reporter

A stroll through Central Washington University's Japanese Gardens last Thursday afternoon would have provided a bit more Japanese culture than just the landscaping.

The garden was filled with young Japanese women dressed in yukata, through the steps of preparing the tea on the west side of the garden, while these women mingled with club members and walked along the north side, near the Zen Garden. Even a few non-Japanese students dressed in kimonos for the event.

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The Dave Rawlinson Band: (left to right) bassist Caspar van Haalen, percussionist Dave McMahan, guitarist and vocalist Dave Rawlinson, drummer David Lupton and guitarist Bob Pieters. The band will represent Central Washington University at the Corporate Battle of the Bands in Los Angeles.

by Paige Baglien
Staff reporter

The Dave Rawlinson Band, which has been together for more than two years, plays all original music that they call "boomer rock": rock and roll for the baby boomer generation.

Music has always played an important part in their lives; collectively, they've been in close to 100 bands.

"I've never had a bad time playing music," Pieters said. "It keeps you going at work; it keeps you young."

In July, the band will pack up and fly down to Los Angeles to participate in one of four regional qualifying competitions. If they win, they will go on to participate in the finals at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in October.

The contest, which is a fundraiser for music education, has more than 40 entries that represent corporate America from CEOs to administrative managers. The Dave Rawlinson Band is the only entry from a university.

The group members are all strong believers in the positive effects of music. They feel that whether someone has a regular nine-to-five job or someone is still a student, music can be motivational, encouraging and a great stress reliever.

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"Music brings people together," Lupton said.

To learn more about the band and to watch their journey through the contest, visit their Web site at www.rawlinsonband.com.

The band qualified for the contest by sending in a three-song CD. "We are blessed to represent Central," Lupton said.

The hand can be heard at festivals, private parties and weddings in the Ellensburg area. The men work hard to find a balance between work, family and music.

"We have our priorities, but at night, we play rock and roll," Rawlinson said.

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For other students, this event is the culmination and celebration of their entire educational experience at Central Washington University.

Nathan Walzer, a graduating senior, composed his own piece of music which he will conduct, entitled "Suite for the Trombone Choir." There will also be three other student conductors throughout the night.

"What's interesting about this performance is variety," Jeffrey Snedeker, professor of music, said.

There will be a wide range of music styles from jazz to classical. The variety doesn't stop with style of music; there will also be many different types of instruments, combinations of instruments and arrangements.
Summer brings music events of all styles

By Bryant Phillips
Asst. Scene editor

This summer is shaping up to be a musical blowout, with more bands performing in more festivals than one could possibly attend.

Spencer Kneifel, senior public relations major, said he wants to see Ozzfest, the Warped Tour, the Download Festival, Les Claypool and Willie Nelson, to name just a few of the festivals and concerts happening this summer. Kneifel attended the Sasquatch Music Festival at the Gorge Amphitheater last weekend.

"I saw Interpol at the Sasquatch Festival, and it was some of the most boring music ever heard," Kneifel said. "I might camp at The Gorge for the Dave Matthews Band, but just for the camping, not for the show."

Other upcoming concerts at the Gorge include Willie Nelson and John Mayer.

"I'm pissed because Ben Folds is opening for John Mayer," Jason Miller, production director for 88.1 The 'Burg, said. "I really want to see Ben Folds, but not John Mayer."

Concerts on the Westside of the mountains include Justin Timberlake, Gwen Stefani, Kenny Chesney, the Doobie Brothers, Linkin Park and Chicago.

"I always look forward to Bumbershoot, because who's not at Bumbershoot?" Rachelle Dillard, sophomore political science and Spanish major, said.
Visual aesthetics, which contribute to the realm of graphic design, is something that is quietly subtle, yet loudly powerful at the same time. The world community of skilled and unskilled visual skeptics are constantly consuming, categorizing, and debating design and the trends that design brings.

"People know what they like and what they don't," said James King, a freelance graphic designer from Yakima. "You just need to look to the commercial giants to lead the way."

Each decade has experienced trends that convey social movements unique to that time period. There was the 50s art deco era that highlighted box fonts and futuristic bursts. The 60s explored psychedelic flower-power and pastel neon colors.

Design elements can define a generation, while often times are recycled years later to influence the future of the visual industry. "It all seems to be about nostalgia," said Megan Jones, a graphic designer for Papagai in Bellevue, Wash. "Since almost everything has been done, why not revamp yesteryear?"

Layouts have moved from being traditional, to being highly unconventional. For example, starting copy with an icon at the middle of the page in order to offset the design. This unconventional offset tactically invades the consumer's eye so they subconsciously stay engaged and interested. The popularity of this approach has elevated layout planning to the forefront of any designer's mind, but many wonder how long it will stay that way.

"Unique layout planning is all the new craze," said Chris Duren, Lead Web Designer of Davanti Studios. "I think some of the crazy new layouts will stick around, but most of the ID will probably end up forced back into niche markets like indie music and ads targeted to younger audiences."

Not only are visual elements like recycled picture, layout, and color important in design but typography has evolved to become a strong support for any design element, especially in advertising and book design.

"The evolution of design, when you really stop and look at it is rather amazing," said Kevin Soules, a Graphic Designer for Creekside Realty in Yakima. "You go from static, block type from years ago to the more futuristic fonts that we use now."

Not every designer agrees on the trend of futuristic fonts being the new industry standard. Local markets can influence design on a smaller scale, leading to a difference of opinion. "The typography trend that I have seen, and that I like, is the revival of vintage fonts," Duren said. "Around here I'd guess it's influenced by the local wine industry," he added.

The debate of design trends, nationally and in the local market, continues. One thing is for sure, trends are specific to each designer and their market.

What works in one market, may not work in another, but designers continue to work together to further design as an art and define decades.
Murderball slams onto Central courts

by Frank Stanley
Scene Editor

Think of football played on a basketball court with a volleyball, and replace the pads and helmets with an armored wheelchair.

Then, replace the sound of colliding athletes with the crunch of metal against metal as those wheelchairs smash head-on into each other.

The result is known as quad rugby, or by the internationally known title, murderball. Quad rugby, a full-contact sport for quadriplegics, is played in more than 20 countries around the world.

Last Friday, in honor of Central Washington University's Disability Awareness Week, students and Ellensburg residents were invited to watch a quad rugby scrimmage between two west coast teams, the Portland Pounders and the Seattle Slam. After the scrimmage, which the Pounders won 10-7, the athletes taught their rugby skills to the crowd, including Central's rugby team.

Approximately 150 attendees watched the scrimmage, something uncommon for an unofficial match. "[Coming to Central] is great; it's fun to get out here and showcase the sport," said Ed Suh, a defender for the Portland Pounders. "Being here for Disability Awareness Week, it feels good to broaden people's horizons."

After the scrimmage, the Wildcat rugby team strapped themselves into the wheelchairs and played two quarters against members of both the Pounders and the Slam in another scrimmage.

The match displayed a wide range of skills, from completely amateur in the Wildcats to seasoned professionals in Suh's 18 years of playing.

Two players, Seattle attacker Luang Kha Deng and Portland attacker Travis Morau, stood out Thursday night.

Both Deng and Morau are members of the Canadian national quad rugby team, currently the third-ranked team in the world after winning a bronze medal at last year's World Championships in Christchurch, New Zealand.

"Playing [at the international level] is a completely different experience," Morau said. "Being able to travel is awesome, but the competition is so much greater."

Central's rugby team found great challenge in playing with limited use of their wheelchairs.

Despite taking their fair share of heavy hits on the rugby pitch, some found themselves winching or recoiling before taking a hit from a Pounder or Slam's wheelchair. Regardless, participants found the game exciting. "It's a real thrill out there [on the court]," Justin "Chile" Sturrock, junior flyball, said. "It takes a lot of speed, a lot of stamina; you need to be aware of the field at all times."

ABOVE: Neil Sperry of Seattle Slam found himself in a tight spot.
BELOW: Seattle Slam stops for a time out against the Portland Pounders.

Swinging out of the best rough around

by Tom Mengelos
Staff reporter

Summer time in Ellensburg ... what could possibly be better than spending a hot leisurely summer day at one of the many golf courses located throughout central Washington?

Ellensburg is home to two public golf courses, both of which offer reasonable rates. Opened in 1997, Reecer Creek Golf and Country Club is just 1/2 mile southwest of downtown Ellensburg, adjacent to I-90.

"It just started playing golf, and Reecer Creek seems to accommodate beginners," Rebecca Thornton, Central alumnus, said. "I'm just getting the hang of things, and it's nice to be able to take my time and not feel rushed."

The cost to play 18 on a weekday is $18 and for nine holes it's just $12. On weekends, the price goes up $2 apiece. Reecer Creek charges $17 a cart for 18 holes and $11 for nine on weekdays. The price increases by $1 for weekend cart rides.

Ellensburg Golf Club is a nine-hole public course located three miles west of town. The 2,989 yard regulation length, public course is just off Thorpe Highway. Nestled alongside the Yakima River, the course is made up of bluegrass fairways and bent grass greens. Additional sets of tee blocks are available allowing people to play 18 holes.

The wind often blows making club selection crucial to posting low scores. The newly developed Prospector public golf course is located near Cle Elum, Wash., in the ever-evolving Suncadia Golf Resort. The course was laid out by golff legend Arnold Palmer's company, the Palmer Course Design Company. The number 10 signature hole looks out over the Cascades and the Cle Elum River valley, and is more than 100 feet above the fairway. Green fees range from $50-100.

"The green fees may seem excessive for a college student's budget, but when you experience the course, it's well worth it," Travis Ingram, Central alumnus, said.

The Rope Rider course, named after coal miners, is under construction and scheduled to open in 2009.

Yakima also offers numerous public golfing destinations. The most widely known is the Apple Tree Golf course with its signature number 17 par three, apple-shaped green. In 1997-98 "Golf Digest" named Apple Tree as the tenth best course in the state.

The Suntides Golf Course is yet another public links course in Yakima. A fairly flat, easy to walk course, Suntide's has sand traps on virtually every hole.

There are numerous nine-hole golf courses in Yakima as well, including Fisher Park Golf Course, Westwood West Golf Course and River Ridge Golf Course.
Pro/Am sports offer summer events for less
by Michael Pettersson
Staff reporter

With summer upon Cen­
tral students, there are a multi­ple opportunities to enjoy watch­ing athletics all over Wash­ington.

The most prominent summer ath­letic team would be the Mariners. We
all know who these guys are and how they’re doing which usu­ally isn’t very well, but do all the students forget about the other baseball teams located in Wash­ington?

Some students forget about the minor league baseball that is the Red Sox organization. Their highest level they can per­

tch is AA to A ball. Most players start out in the A class and work their way up to their highest level they can per­

form and compete at.

If AAA ball doesn’t sound appealing or is too far of a drive, then there is another professional baseball team that is closer to Ellensburg than people think.

That’s right, the Yakima Bear, an A-class ball club for the Red Sox division.

Located in Yakima, seats vary from $5 to $25.

“It’s a great chance to get out and catch a close and cheap baseball game,” Kirby Biddle, freshman Anato­my major, said. “I just love the sound effects too.”

If baseball doesn’t appeal to the eye, or you would rather look to another sport for enjoyment, looking to the ice rink would be the best decision. Yes, I’m talking about hockey.

The Seattle Thunderbirds, commonly known as the T-Birds, are 37-21 so far this year and have also clinched a playoff spot for the 2007-2008 season. The team’s big oppo­

nent would be the Portland Winterhawks, another team not too far away.

Public relations employee Ian Smith said the team has been selling out the Key Arena in the past 16 months. The team is win­ning, they are also first in the standing for the AAAA to AA.

AFL ticket prices offer an affordable event for students to attend throughout the summer months. Tickets run from $6 to $50.

With all of these sporting events going on, students have a myriad of options to choose from, and shouldn’t have any prob­lems getting their sports fix until the Seahawks start up.

Wildcat football springs into autumn preparation for new campaign
by Michael Johnson
Staff reporter

The Central Washington Univer­sity football team has been hard at work this spring, as they head toward the goal of winning a confer­ence championship.

Their 2007 season rapidly approaches for the Wildcats, new head coach Beau Baldwin is excited for the chance to coach in the Great Northwest Atlantic Conference (GNAC).

During spring football, the Wildcats went back to plan, and focused on fundamentals.

“We worked on the basics, but we practiced with the same intensity as we would if it was the fall,” Baldwin said.

The team is also coming into this season with the 2006 AFL championship.

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If it’s action and fast paced sports you’re looking for, maybe the AFL has something to offer. The Spokane Shock are also coming into this season with the 2006 AFL championship.

The AFL isn’t only dominating their expected expectations for the year, but they are also first in the standing for the western conference. They have the best record in their league and are tied for first in the whole league.

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Four Wildcats earn national honors
by Mirsad Zafek
Staff reporter

The Central Washington University track and field team sent nine athletes to nationals last weekend and four came home with All-American honors.

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Junior Wildcat runner Katie Hum­mel broke personal best records one after the other. She set her personal best record at 5:56.24 in the 3,000-meter run, taking fourth place overall in nationals. Hummel was also awarded with All-American honors and was awarded with the Central female athlete of the year earlier this season.

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The other Wildcats just barely missed the advancement marks, but showed impressive performances.

Junior Evan Road placed eighth in the hammer throw, giving him All-American status with a throw of 185 feet.

Road also garnered the Greater Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) athlete of the week.

“We worked on some marks that were longer than my recorded throw,” Ruud said. “I’m still young and in the end I’m happy because my goal was to be top eight, and I was able to get to my goal.”

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In game two, the Cavaliers found themselves in a similar situation. With 24 seconds to go in the fourth quarter, Cleveland had the ball trailing by one point 77-76. Again, the Cavaliers allowed James to get the last shot with the ball in his hands. Once again, James again tried to drive past Hamilton and when the defensive collapsed, he threw up a contested shot that didn't fall.

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Choices flow for anglers

by Patrick Lewis
Sports editor

Summer boredom can lead to a lot of sitting around and it may as well be done in a boat.

Kittitas County has a wealth of fishing, with more than 20 locations listed by the Department of Fish and Wildlife. "This area's good for fishing in both variety of fish and different kinds of areas," said Eric Anderson, fish biologist for Yakima and Kittitas counties for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The Department releases annual reports on the prospects for each county. The website lists all stocked lakes and what fish were placed there. "We've stocked more fish this year than in quite some time," Anderson said. "We're putting out a better product and have been more efficient."

Another part of the increase has come out of the Triple-A Trophy Trout program, which stocks lakes with sterile trout, Anderson said. The fish are 1/2 pound to 1 1/2 pounds when mature. There are also options outside of the county. The Columbia and Snake rivers feed into various ponds and lakes.

Also, Potholes Reservoir and Potholes State Park are popular locations. Fishing licenses can be purchased over the internet through the department or at six county locations. Bi-Mart and Fred Meyer are in Ellensburg. Fishing licenses can be purchased for one to five days, and cost between $7 and $17.

"The Yakima River provides great opportunities to learn how to fly-fish, spin-fish or catch and release," Anderson said. "It's all right in your backyard."

For more information visit http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishcorn.htm

Kittitas County has dozens of popular fishing holes. This map of the county shows 10 of those areas. Fishing in the Yakima River, the second fish from right, is catch and release.

GOLF: Tri-Cities houses variety of tremendous courses
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The Tri-Cities are a golfing mecca, with a variety of different styles of golf courses.

Canyon Lakes Golf Club is rated in the top 200 value golf courses in the United States by "Golf Digest," to the newer course Horn Rapids near Hanford. Canyon Lakes' number nine hole was voted as one of the Northwest's Dream 10 holes.

Also in Kennewick is the Tri-City Country Club. It is a tree-lined golf course that doesn't necessarily play long, but does challenge golfers with strategically placed hazards. Columbia Point Golf Course, owned by the City of Richland, runs alongside the Columbia River. A fairly challenging golf course.

Columbia Point is rich in rolling hills and has four par fours and five par threes.

Across the Columbia River and into the city of Pasco, sits Sun Wolves Golf Course. One of the oldest in the area, this course is lined with mature trees that accompany rolling fairways.

A fairly new course in the area is the Horn Rapids Golf Course located just outside Richland. Finished in 1994, this course offers many challenges.

Golfers that play a slice or a hook, will have to deal with the sagebrush and desert that surrounds the course. It has narrow fairways leading to fast undulating greens. The main hazard in play is the desert and the only water hazard is on hole number 18.

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