State to remove reliance on lottery system

BY AARON KUNKLER
Staff Reporter

Retail marijuana businesses are opening all across the state, as some cities lift their moratoriums.

With this comes concerns and potential decisions which all businesses must face. While marijuana is projected to be highly profitable, inevitably, some business owners may want to get out of retail at some point.

According to Mikael Carpenter, a representative of the Washington State Liquor Control Board, the state will allow business owners to do just that.

“They could sell their business, [but] they can’t sell their license,” Carpenter said.

According to Carpenter, if an owner wants to sell their business, they may sell it to anyone, regardless of whether or not the buyer was involved in the license lottery held earlier this year.

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O’Brien said that the law does allow some flexibility.

“My understanding is that the liquor control board will allow applicants to change addresses,” O’Brien said.

While there are already applicants in line from Roslyn, if they are unable to start up their businesses, applicants from other areas in Kittitas County could potentially change their address and attempt to set up there.

The implementation of I-502 is still being worked out, and likely will take much more time for the regulations to fall into place entirely.

“This whole thing is in flux,” O’Brien said.

As the state works through the legalization process, no doubt Washington’s experience will help serve as a template for future legalization.

Both Alaska and Oregon are set to vote on legalizing and taxing recreational marijuana in upcoming elections, with Washington D.C. proposing decriminalization measures.
Ebola: symptoms, stats, safety

The 2014 ebola virus disease (EVD) epidemic has been reported in seven countries since its outbreak.

The virus has reportedly infected 20,000 individuals and killed more than 9,000, according to a recent update from the World Health Organization (WHO).

The virus has now been identified in Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone and the United States.

Dr. Celia Johnson, a registered nurse with Central’s Student Health, Counseling & Wellness Center, said that there have been no reports of EVD in the Pacific Northwest.

As reported by CNN, WHO recently announced to news outlets that if the EVD epidemic is not contained, it could reach anywhere from 5,000 to 10,000 new cases per week by the end of 2014.

Central biology professor Holly Pinkart focuses on microbiology, looking at bacteria and viruses and their interactions with each other and the environment.

Pinkart will be giving a talk about EVD this Friday. She said that while EVD replicates similarly to the influenza virus, it can infect a wider range of cells.

“All viruses need to bind to a receptor on a cell, and then that triggers their update,” Pinkart said. “The receptors that EVD uses are present on lots of different cells, and it appears that they actually have two different entry strategies.”

The American Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has reported that three cases have been confirmed in the United States.

The first patient with EVD to be confirmed in the United States was diagnosed on Sept. 30 and died on Oct. 8.

According to a recent CDC press release, the patient traveled by air from Liberia the day before he first reported symptoms.

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The CD...
The financial truth of partying

BY RASHAY READING
Staff Reporter

It is difficult to walk near the Central campus on a weekend and not hear the sounds of students throwing parties.

And although two-thirds of Central students choose to take part in festivities, it is less frequent than people think.

Doug Fulp, health educator at the Wellness Center, said that Central has a 1 to 2 percent higher rate of students who choose not to drink, compared to the national average.

About 80 percent of Central students receive financial aid every year to help pay for their education, and some of that money is dispersed to students every quarter for personal use.

For those two-thirds of students who choose to be a part of the party scene, that leftover financial aid money is fair game to be used to buy alcohol or other substances.

Chris De Villeneuve, the executive director of the Student Medical and Counseling Clinic, said that students who spend a lot of their time using drugs and alcohol need to get their priorities straight.

“Most college students are limited on money, I think the thing is to look at the long-term impact. It’s the idea of setting a long-term budget and understanding. Figure it out well ahead of time, and set limits,” Fulp said.

Although dropping large amounts of money on drugs and alcohol can become a serious problem, there are many resources here at Central for anyone who chooses to change or gain more control of their habits.

The Student Medical and Counseling Clinic, which is located in front of the Bassetries, allows anyone to talk to counselors, or get medical help.

There is also the Wellness Center in the SURC, where students can talk to someone, get advice, help with issues and information.

An adviser is also a good resource for getting help and advice, especially if alcohol or drug abuse gets in the way of academics.
No late night bus
Drunk bus will not make a return

BY COOPER WORTLEY
Staff Reporter

A few years ago, Central ran a late night transit bus downtown to pick students up from the bars. This was done to discourage drunk driving, as well as to protect homeowners from any destructive people walking through the residential streets late at night.

Ellensburg residents have been asking to bring back the program due to the increase in vandalism and noise complaints.

“I just wanna be able to sleep again,” an anonymous homeowner and Central alumni who has had first hand experience with intoxicated students said. “I loved the drunk bus, it gave me a safe way to get home, and got kids off the street.”

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The anonymous homeowner urges students to remember that “a little courtesy goes a long way.”

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Costuming on a budget

BY MARIA MARA \ ASSISTANT SCENE EDITOR

There are so many things you would love to dress up as this Halloween, but how do you choose? How do you afford it? How do you put it all together?

Important questions, all of them, but don’t burst a blood vessel trying to decide. Take a seat, we’re going to figure this out together.

Deciding on the costume you’re going to make isn’t just about what you want to be. There’s your budget to consider, as well as the amount of time you’re willing to invest in costume creation.

First, evaluate your costume budget. If it’s ineasurably small, you’re going to need more time to be creative and search for cheap solutions. Higher budgets will give you more leeway, but don’t break the bank. You can have dinner tonight and still make a fun costume, trust me.

For the sake of none of us skipping a meal, I’m going to assume the budget is around $10.

Make a list of uncomplicated costume ideas. Don’t limit your imagination to people alone. Think anything humanoid, like aliens and monsters, along with anthropomorphs from animated films and TV, like talking furniture or animals. Some of the趣味 and most creative costumes out there are abstract concepts and ideas.

Go ahead and make a long list. The more possibilities on your list, the easier it will be to find one that will work out inexpensively.

With your list complete, go through it and identify the most recognizable, important parts of the costume.

For example, think of the character Django from the 2012 film, “Django Unchained.” The round sunglasses, beard, green jacket, scarf and cowboy hat he wears on the film’s posters stand out the most. Wearing items similar to those would tip people off to your costume choice. The closer you can get to the original, the better.

Just please, no blackface.

Next, raid your closet with your costume list in mind. Update your list to reflect what items you’ve already got covered, from the identifiable parts to the plain ones, like pants and underclothes. Focus on the costumes you have more pieces for from now on.

Before you head to the thrift shop to complete your outfit, let your friends in on your plans. Not only can they look through their own closet for pieces you can borrow, but they may even decide they want to join you.

Once you’ve exhausted all your free resources, it’s time to go shopping. If you can’t leave Ellensburg, don’t get your hopes up for a lot of thrill store variety. Goodwill is very limited, and while Vintage Shop on N. Pine Street has more, it’s also a little more expensive.

Don’t despair if you can’t find everything. Cheap clothes from Goodwill can be modified. A few stitches here and there, patches or some well placed dabs of hot glue can work wonders.

If you don’t have sewing equipment or a hot glue gun, ask your crafty friends if you can use theirs. Just don’t expect them to provide supplies like thread or glue sticks. They’re also likely making a Haloween costume.

Whatever you do, don’t ask them to make the costume for you for free. That gets old really fast.

Make sure you don’t neglect recognizable aspects of a costume in favor of small details. Keep it simple, keep it cheap. With green jacket, scarf and cowboy hat you already have on-hand... Still joking guys, fake blood only.

Add coffee grounds to fake blood for gory texture, as it’s a chunk of brains or flesh. Mix the black and red food dye and swish it in your mouth to stain your teeth and mouth dark red. Or use pure black to give it a nasty, aged look. The food dye may stain your mouth for a day or two afterwards.

Most fake blood will stain fabric; keep it away from anything you don’t want to stain. Make sure when you’re splashing blood on your clothes you also get the skin near the splash zones. There’s nothing stranger than seeing a blood stained T-shirt and completely clean arms. Don’t limit yourself to just white shirts and dresses either. Any light colored clothes will make the splatters stand out.

For extra effect, carry some gooey looking body parts or pair up with someone dressed as a zombie apocalypse survivor.

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The scariest costume of all

BY FORREST HOLLINGSWORTH \ ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Last week, I went to the temporary Halloween store downtown and I bought a Big Bad Wolf costume. It’s harmless to anyone who isn’t allergic to latex and it’s scary enough for me.

While I was there, I noticed even bigger, badder and scarier costumes: “Voodoo Priestess,” “Native Ameri- can” and even worse, “Indian Headdress.”

The scariest Halloween costume of all, is cultural racism.

It’s bad enough that the “Indian Headdress” costume was the stereotypical feathered band that nearly all Indigenous people population was killed during European colonization of Northern America. History may belong to the victors, but do the shame of what they did to win. There is no good, ap-propriate way to dress up as the crucified Jesus. There is no good way to dress up as someone else’s costumes. There is no good way to dress up as someone else’s costumes. There is no good way to dress up as someone else’s culture that doesn’t belong to you; it’s a costume wrapping? White, grinning and wearing blackface and shimmery cape, even if your hair is black and your dress is the wrong shade of blue. It’s not worth worrying about people not understanding your costume if you’re having fun in it.

If you don’t have the time or the money to make your own, consider asking around for costumes you can borrow. Some people save their costumes from previous Halloiwens and parties. If it fits, I wear! Or something Internet cat meme like that... Worst case scenario, you can fall back on the classic, ooey-gooey, entrails-dragging zombie.

There are many detailed tutorials online that use cheap materials to create creepy special effects.

Get black and red food dye, toilet paper or cotton balls, non-tonic white school glue, makeup and clothes you don’t care about to be an economical, yet sophisti-cated, zombie. Toilet paper and cotton balls with school glue can be used on the face, neck, shoulders or arms to create gory effects like bite marks, ripped skin, gashes or burns. Blend the edges into your skin then cover with makeup and blood.

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For the annual Halloween Pops Concert, the Central Symphony Orchestra is celebrating the musical talents of Oscar-winning composer, John Williams.

John Williams is a famous composer known for producing memorable scores for films such as “Indiana Jones,” “Schindler’s List,” “Star Wars” and “Scent of a Woman.”

“John Williams’ music is the reason why the movies are so successful,” Nikolas Caiole, director of Orchestral Activities, said.

The 80-person symphony will be playing pieces from many of John Williams’ famous scores.

For the first time, a trio of Central orchestral graduate students will be the only conductors of the concert, breaking Central music department history. In all of the previous concerts, there has been a professor conducting.

John Williams’ compositions have won him five Academy Awards, 17 Grammys, three Golden Globes and two Emmys.

More of his original works include blockbusters like “Jaws” and “E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial.” He has composed music for nearly 80 other films.

Williams’ musical talent is not just focused on movies. He has also composed music for the NBC News and four Olympic Games.

“Of the greatest composers and conductors of our time,” Sam Booth, a graduate student in orchestral conducting, said about Williams.

Booth will be leading the orchestra through two of the five “Star Wars” movements.

Caiole said the trumpet section will have a very key part in the performance because they often carry the melody in the pieces. He said it will be very “loud and satisfying” and often times “bombastic.”

One piece featured in the performance will be a violin solo from “Schindler’s List.” Denise Dillenbeck, Central violin instructor, will be performing the solo, which has been described as haunting and beautiful.

“The music is captivating, engaging and exciting,” Caiole said.

Williams’ movie scores have inspired many musical minds over the years and in particular, Caiole’s.

Caiole was inspired by a program performed by the Oregon Symphony, which also performed Williams’ music. The Seattle Symphony also did a similar program called “Maestro of the Music.”

On top of performing the Oscar-winning music for the concert, the musicians will also be dressing in formal attire, as if they are attending The Oscars.

The orchestra is plans on dressing up in order to respect the music of Williams.

“We thought elegant would be better,” Caiole said.

Audience members are also encouraged to dress in their best Oscar attire.

Booth said he loves being up on stage, conducting the orchestra filled with so many talented students. Booth is very proud of the orchestra and says that they are a really good symphony, probably one of the best he has seen in the last four years.

The Pops Concert is also a fundraiser for the Central Symphony Orchestra.

“I hope [that students] come and enjoy our ‘Night at the Oscars’ just as much as we’ve enjoyed preparing it,” Alisyn Christensen, graduate conductor who will be conducting three pieces, said.
Biology Club slithers to Boo Central

By Kala Tye

Biology Club President Sabah Shrinzada and Vice President Andrew Mason are trying to bring something different to the children attending Boo Central this year: an interest in biology.

Boo Central is a Halloween event, where clubs set up booths with activities and pass out candy to the children that attend. “It’s a fun way for students and family to trick-or-treat on a college campus,” Jennifer Nelson, senior early education major and event planner for Boo Central, said. “It’s a safe and warm environment, and it’s nice for parents to just be able to come here and not worry.”

Every year, The Biology Club has displayed several reptiles and allowed children to handle them. This year, the club added a corn snake, red-tailed boa and a ball python to their collection.

In addition to the reptiles, Shrinzada and Mason plan on handing out plants called brassica, or “fast plants,” to the trick-or-treaters. Brassica plants are small, long-stemmed plants that produce yellow flowers and have a short growth cycle.

“They’re small plants, easy to take care of,” Mason, senior biology major, said. “They’re not the longest-surviving plants, but they live long enough for you to see them flower, bloom, and kids get a little experience taking care of their own plant.”

According to Mason, the club’s goal is to get more kids interested in science. The Biology Club also wants to fight the stigma that snakes are dangerous and show children that not all reptiles are threatening.

“Some of those kids get really excited. They just run up to us,” Shrinzada, senior biology major, said, “But there’s still those who are shy or scared of them, and those are the kids we wanna tell ‘hey, these aren’t just scary animals, you can pet them.”

Mason and Shrinzada believe that an early interest in science is important for children because science is an ever-growing field, yet schools may be lacking in science courses that hold children’s interest.

Mason had no interest in science until he came to Central and took Bio 181 and Chem 181, which had labs that required hands-on work.

“It really opened up new doors, and that’s one thing,” Mason said. “Looking back in high school, it’s a huge shame that they didn’t just push that.”

Shrinzada didn’t have a strong science background before Central either, due to the fact he lived in New York City, where nature wasn’t readily available in the densely populated area.

“It wasn’t until he moved to Washington that science became interesting for him.” Shrinzada said.

The Biology Club occasionally gets emails from parents thanking them for letting the children hold snakes.

“We once got an email that said, ‘My kid came to your event and he wants to grow up and do biology now,’” Shrinzada said. “Those kinds of things make you feel good, like you did a good job.”

The Biology Club is also currently pushing for higher membership so that they can help out the local community with volunteer projects that include going to schools and giving lessons about the reptiles.

“When people think Biology Club, they think only bio majors,” Mason said. “You don’t have to be an actual major; you just have to have an interest.”

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**Gamers gather for championship**

**BY MARIA HARR**

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The lights go down and there’s a palpable change in the air as the video stream comes up. Sound begins to play and cheers go up from the crowd of watchers. Excitement begins to build as the commentators describe the two teams about to face off in the 2014 League of Legends World Championship series.

On Oct. 18 Korean team, Samsung White (SSW), took home a $1 million prize and bragging rights for life after beating opposing Chinese team, Star Horn Royal Club (SHR), in a best-of-five series.

The World Championship was played in Seoul, South Korea, but hundreds of thousands of fans from all over the world, including Central’s club, CWU LoL (League of Legends), watched live from streaming services such as Twitch.

CWU LoL decided to host a free on-campus event in Black Hall on Saturday at 11:30 p.m. to watch the championship live from Korea.

“It’s basically like a big sporting event, but for people who enjoy these games,” Jacqueline Hendrickson, junior law and justice major and the CWU LoL president said. “It’s kind of like the Superbowl for e-Sports.”

E-Sports are organized video game competitions, sometimes on an extremely large scale, like the LoL World Championship. Hendrickson said that unlike the limited range of the NFL’s Superbowl, e-Sports reach across borders.

“Instead of it just being America […] it goes beyond that and it includes the entire world,” Hendrickson said.

League of Legends is currently one of the most popular video games in the world, with an estimated 27 million people playing it every day.

The announcer for the championship started his opening speech in Korean, but finished off sounding like a wrestling announcer. “Are you ready to dig in?” he said, to shouts of “Yes!” from CWU LoL.

The viewers’ cheers and laughter mingled with the roar of the 40,000 fans attending the live event in Seoul as the first game of the night started.

“Korea, 4-0, just like last year,” Jon Garza, senior studio art major, said. “Skill wise, they’re more experienced.”

Mike Millard, senior math major, thought SSW would win, but predicted SHR would win at least one game in the series first.

“SSW dominated the first game, despite SHR making the first kill only one minute and 20 seconds into the game. Fans of SSW in the room shouted the team on as they pushed into SHR’s base and destroyed their nexus 24 minutes in.”

The second game started slower, but soon the energy ramped up as an SHR player attacked SSW, preempting a team fight that ended in almost every player being taken out. A collective yell erupted from the crowd as champion after champion fell. SSW won the second game in under 30 minutes.

SSW’s utter domination of SHR in the prior games seemed to secure their win until SHR made a hard push and, with an explosion of noise from the crowd, took out SSW’s nexus.

The fourth match seemed decided, however, when SHR made an ill-advised move against SSW. The energy level spiked (0 minutes into the game) with SSW strong-arming their way into SHR’s base for a decisive victory.

The CWU LoL gave SSW a standing ovation, clapping and cheering as SSW clinched the series 3-1 and won $1 million.

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Getting in touch with A New You
Central alumna and Ellensburg nurse opens alternative health business

BY CASSIDY WARNESS
Staff Reporter

Having struggled with chronic pain and anxiety for years, Jaquelyn Ruth understands the negative physical effects that stress has on the body.

Ruth has now found a place of peace and comfort after the recent opening of A New You, a holistic center in downtown Ellensburg, owned by Central alumna Cathy Caraway.

A New You practices low-impact exercise and massage therapy to reduce the stress, aches and pain of everyday life.

“When people think when they hear holistic centers that it’s just hocus pocus, but it’s really not,” Ruth, the receptionist at A New You, said. “It’s all physiological. It’s all tangible. It gives you the chance to step out of the normal world and just relax.”

Caraway works as a nurse in Ellensburg and graduated from Central with a bachelor’s in public health. Seeking to find a better quality of life and healthy alternative to stress reduction for local residents, Caraway opened A New You.

“When I was in school, I realized a lot more could help people than pharmaceuticals,” Caraway said. “So many people are on medication. It’s time to find different alternatives to find happiness.”

After suffering from a serious back injury, Caraway realized the difficulty and pain of physical therapy. Looking to find a way to relieve her pain, Caraway stumbled upon toning tables, a passive range of motion machine that stimulates circulation and moves the body.

Dedicated to the stress-free, sweat-free exercise circuit, A New You is the only business in Central Washington that offers toning tables.

“People have lost inches by using these tables,” Ruth said. “It’s not just relaxing for the time in here, the effects and results stay with you.”

The machines naturally contract the body to stretch muscles without pain, improving flexibility and blood circulation while detoxifying the body. Caraway says these alternative exercises relieve pain from health concerns such as arthritis, fibromyalgia, osteoporosis and diabetes without increasing heart rate or blood pressure.

Combined with the principles of physical exercise and flexibility, these toning tables increase body tone without adding muscle strain and fatigue.

Caraway is a passionate advocate for therapeutic oils, which she uses during her sessions. Caraway and associate, Wendi Hembree, offer free weekly educational classes for alternative health care with medicinal essential oils.

The oil scents include citrus and peppermint, and Caraway says they are used for different medicinal purposes to increase the immune system and prevent stress.

“Diffusing these oils for 20 to 25 minutes daily helps the body fight the flu and bacteria,” Caraway said. “These oils can be digested into the body by inhalation, swallowing or absorbing through the skin. For college students, if you put the peppermint oil on your temples before a huge exam, the oils help circulate oxygen in your brain. It’s very beneficial.”

A New You also offers red light therapy treatment that reduces skin conditions like eczema, pigmentation spots and wrinkles.

By mistake, Caraway purchased a red-light therapy skin treatment bed thinking it was a tanning bed. Much to Caraway’s surprise, the red-light therapy bed uses light with no harmful UV rays.

According to Caraway, the infrared light promotes skin cell and collagen production to improve overall skin tone. The staff has seen significant results in only 1-2 sessions with clients suffering from extreme eczema.

“Everyone [who] has been in has loved the options,” Caraway said, “but business in Ellensburg is a process to get a new business going.”

The staff of A New You is excited about the increasing flow of clients exploring holistic practice. Caraway, Ruth and Hembree are passionate about educating Ellensburg on the benefits the practice.

“It’s time for people to get on the right track,” Caraway said. “Breathe in life, exhale stress.”

A New You is a new holistic health center that offers alternative forms of therapy through low-impact exercises, massage therapy and therapeutic oils.

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Migration theme inspires poetry

By Brittani Allen
Staff Reporter

Last Thursday, when the Museum of Culture and Environment in Dean Hall celebrated their fifth anniversary and opened their “Migration, Now” exhibit to the public, they also gave students a new source of inspiration for students of the professional and creative writing program.

The most recent project for Central English professor Xavier Cavazos and his ENG 365 poetry writing class has been focused on the artwork of the “Migration, Now” exhibit.

The assignment that Cavazos created requires students to pick a piece from the display and write a poem in the voice of that piece.

“From a pedagogical perspective, it’s really important that poetry students start to speak in voices that aren’t their own,” Katharine Whitcomb, poetry curator of the museum and English professor, said.

“To get out into the world and find the things and imagine themselves in different contexts besides the ones they find themselves in every day.”

The assignment got somewhat mixed reviews from students of Cavazos’ class. Some students have appreciated the challenge, while others found it difficult to personalize the assignment.

“I thought it was a good first exercise for our poetry class,” Jaelin Dunokovich, senior and creative writing major, said.

“Some students though they didn’t have a connection to the exhibit, he had no agenda with the assignment.”

Cavazos says the assignment was more about teaching the students to speak in a voice other than their own.

“We’ve lost our way as poets as well,” Cavazos said. “We’re too wrapped up in academia. We’re not in touch with our own communities anymore or even our own feelings and injustices and being the voice in that.”

Besides allowing the students to speak in a different perspective as the voice of their chosen art piece, some students took the opportunity of being in the space to explore their feelings on the issue presented.

For her assignment, Dunokovic wrote a poem based on the piece called “Alto a las Deportaciones” by Santiago Armeni-god.

“Even though it’s art, it’s also a political statement,” Dunokovic said in an email. “This piece made me think about where I stand on this matter, and I have the stance where I believe people should be able to travel from country to country without the fear of being hurt, insulted or sent back.”

Other students, like senior professional and creative writing major Kathryn Landoe, had a rather different opinion of the assignment.

“It was challenging because the exhibit is on migration, and I am white so I have little understanding of how people are actually affected by migration laws and deportation,” Landoe said in an email. “It was interesting to me that half of the exhibit was on animal migration, and I have no interest in nature.”

Landoe is writing a poem on the piece “Welcome Human/ Aliens,” by César Monzón.

“Cavazos saw the assignment as an opportunity to diversify his curriculum. He also voiced that although he does have a slightly deeper personal connection to the exhibit, he had no agenda with the assignment.”

Cavazos says the assignment was more about teaching the students to speak in a voice other than their own.

“Because the nature of the exhibits are often to do with crises in the natural world or elements that explore human interaction with the natural world, poetry is very effective in bringing the visitors of the exhibit in to talk about the things they see and to have an experience through someone’s words,” Whitcomb said.

Gaming writer finds path to CWU

Central’s newest ballroom dance teacher is a Pathfinder writer

BY KALA TYE
Staff Reporter

Adam Meyers, a new ballroom dance instructor at Central, is also a writer for a popular tabletop game Pathfinder, a game that was based on Dungeons and Dragons.

Meyers is the founder of the company Drop Dead Games which writes third party gaming work for Pathfinder.

Meyers has taught dance before; however, this is his first time teaching college dance classes. He taught private lessons when he lived in New York, and he taught the academy of Ballet in Utah.

Rebecca Johnson, Meyers’ dance instruction partner of eight years, co-directed several performances with Meyers.

“He taught group dances and choreography they weren’t familiar with,” Johnson said. “He’s a hard partner to replace.”

Meyers didn’t start ballroom dancing until college, but his mother ran an Irish dance school, and she was the person who first introduced him to ballroom dance.

At Brigham Young University, Meyers was part of the backup team and took as many different dance classes as he could.

“Dungeons and Dragons was a part of Meyers’s life. His dad used 2nd Ed. Dungeons and Dragons to teach Meyers lessons and to tell him stories. Meyers also gets inspiration from Tracy Hickman, a best-selling fantasy author.”

Meyers finds inspirations from Hickman’s philosophy on the power of the mind. Meyers believes to be a useful tool for education because it encourages empathy and growing in the mind. Meyers believes that by writing role playing games, he is giving users a new perspective by letting them become different characters, giving people tools to grow.

“When I was 16 years old, I wanted to be an archeologist, but in hindsight, I don’t think I’d be happy doing anything different,” Meyers said. “There’s always that need and I think I always knew I needed to be in the professional creative field.”

Meyers moved to Ellenburg because he found there are not many opportunities for ballroom dance in the big city.

Meyers wanted to use his skills in a place where he felt he could raise his children, have a steady job as a dance instructor and be close to Seattle, where many gaming businesses are located.

“Both careers require building up, so it’s time consuming, but it’s worth it,” Meyers said. “I don’t see them conflicting.”

Right now, Meyers is setting up a class at Central for ballroom dancing during winter quarter and is talking to local elementary schools about reviving programs to teach ballroom dance to fifth graders.

He also recently ran a successful Kickstarter campaign for “Spheres of Power,” a new system within the Pathfinder setting that gives players a new way to create magic-based characters.

Meyers defines the challenges for writing and dancing. For writing, one of the requirements is to be self-driven because it is a self-taught career, while dancing is the desire to continue the art, which forces the need to practice and learn.

Both, however, require a drive to keep going after failure, which can be difficult.

“I think that these professions play off of each other because Adam is a very creative person and he uses dancing and writing to express his creativity,” Daniel Masterson, a friend of Meyers, said.

Meyers doesn’t believe that setting and dancing are mutually exclusive, either.

Meyers does not directly write about dance or about dancing but believes each is a exercise of the creative muscle.

“Ideally, every artistic pursuit is part of a creative whole,” Meyers said. “There needs to be an emphasis that you can actually focus too much on one of your abilities and become single-minded. You need to experience more in life so you don’t become limited.”

Meyers also had advice for those who want to become professionals in a creative field.

“It is completely possible to make a good living doing what you love. It all comes down to how much work you’re going out to put into it,” Meyers said. “The great dividing line are those who are willing to fail and do it anyway. You can’t claim you want to create if you’re not creating. Talent can help you make a big splash but hard work will teach you how to swim.”

Poetry is not a new medium to the museum. In the past, the museum has hosted work from multiple poets, including Port Laureate of the time, Kathleen Flanigan, whose work was displayed as part of the “Particles on the Wall” exhibit in 2012. This exhibit addressed the effects of the Washington-based nuclear site Hanford.

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Kayla Lipston’s Father
Robert Lipston

“...as an athlete, as a person, a daughter, has grown to be an amazing young lady.”

For goatie and senior accounting major Kayla Lipston, playing for Central’s women’s soccer team the last three years has been a blessing. Recruited out of Decatur high school in Federal Way by head coach Michael Farrand, Lipston has enjoyed the starting goalie position since her sophomore year.

In her first year starting, Lipston had 85 saves, saving 79 percent of the shots-on-goal.

Farrand said, “I was just more worried about how I was going to get back and be at the pressure and weight of each game. I like having all of the pressure and weight of each game on my shoulders.”

Last year, however, Lipston suffered a partially torn MCL in her leg that forced her to sit out for four games. Despite playing through the injury when it initially happened, after Lipston was checked out, the door was opened up a lot of opportunities.

Regardless of the teams’ success, Lipston will be graduating this spring and plans to work somewhere in the accounting world. She is unsure whether or not soccer will be in her future, but she’d like to continue to play.

Robert Lipston said Kayla originally planned on becoming an ESPN announcer after high school. He says her willpower has opened up a lot of opportunities. Whatever Lipston does in her future, she will leave a legacy at Central that few others could ever match.

Kayla Lipston’s Father

“She’s grown so much as an athlete, as a person, and has grown to be an amazing young lady.”

For Kayla’s father, Robert, it was never a matter of if Kayla would recover and get back out onto the field, but when. For him, there’s nothing that Kayla can’t do if she puts her mind to it:

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2011
- Played in nine games, started in six
- Made 33 saves
- Blocked 82.5 percent of shots-on-goal
- Allowed just over one goal-per-game

2012
- Started all 18 games
- Made 85 saves
- Saved 79 percent of shots-on-goal
- Academic All-GNAC squad

2013
- Started 14 games
- Career high saving 84.6 percent of shots-on-goal
- Career high allowance of .88 goals-per-game
- Academic All-GNAC team and NSCAA All-West Region team with a 3.41 GPA
- GNAC All-Conference second team
Homecoming: Wildcat Victory

BY CHANCE WEEKS-WILLIAMS
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Assistant Sports Editor

The Wildcats exacted their revenge over the Western Oregon Wolves in the nail-biting Homecoming game last Saturday. Central had previously fallen to the Wolves earlier this season.

With 4,827 fans in the stands, the Wildcats would lead most of the game, until a late push by the Wolves tied the game at 17 points. Mid-way through the fourth quarter sophomore quarterback Jake Nelson connected with sophomore wide receiver Jesse Zalk to give the Wildcats a 24-17 lead. Three minutes later the Wolves would respond with a 39 yard field goal.

The Wolves were unable to score again and the Wildcats bested Western Oregon by a score of 24-20.
Wildcats look to fell Lumberjacks

BY JEFFREY MACMILLAN
Staff Reporter

Fresh off their homecoming win over the Wolves of Western Oregon, the Wildcats football team now set their sights on a trip to northern California to face the 5-1 Humboldt State Lumberjacks.

The Wildcats boast the nation’s 4th rated pass rush, led by junior Tovar Sanchez who currently is ranked 5th in the nation in sacks.

While Sanchez will cause problems for Humboldt’s passing attack, the Wildcats hope to put extra men in the box to slow down Humboldt’s running game.

“As much as Humboldt runs the ball, we will need to get an extra man in the box to counter it,” Mike Dunlevy, coach of linebackers and safeties said. “So that we can protect Haynes, so that he get over the top on these linemen and make plays.”

Central will have to rely on sophomore linebacker Kevin Haynes to contend with the two-headed backfield monster of Ja’Quan Gardner and Nick Ricciardulli which Humboldt will employ versus the Wildcats’ 116th ranked rush defense.

Haynes leads the team in tackles and is currently 22nd in the nation in solo tackles. Central should expect to see the ball in the hands of Humboldt’s running backs a lot.

Central fans should expect Haynes to find his way to the ball all game long as he moves behind the Wildcat’s defensive line.

“The defensive line will get the job done up front,” Haynes said. “The game plan we have will help me find my way to the ball.”

Central currently has seven blocks in the kicking game with five field goals blocked and two punts in seven games this season.

Central’s sophomore quarterback Jake Nelson is expected to make his presence felt. Nelson who played tough versus Western Oregon, took a lot of hits but still kept on distributing the ball to multiple targets all game long.

Nelson is currently 21st in the nation in passing yardage and is only one of seven under classmen in the top 25 in that category.

Wildcat fans should expect no less, as Nelson should be able to get the ball deep to wide receivers sophomore Kent McKinnery Jr. and senior Greg Logan all game long.

On the other side of the field, Humboldt State has a lot to contend with as they are still recovering after suffering their first loss of the season; a 21-55 loss to Azusa Pacific. The Lumberjacks hope to rebound against Central but to do that they will need to find a way to use their explosive running backs more effectively than they did against Azusa.

The Lumberjacks split carries between senior running back Nick Ricciardulli and true freshman running back Ja’Quan Gardner. Ricciardulli touches the ball on 26 percent of the plays from scrimmage. He has suffered a few injuries recently.

The other half of the running back duo is true freshman Ja’Quan Gardner. He who averages 8.2 yards per carry.

The Wildcats hope to stop Humboldt State’s explosive rushing attack, which is putting up over 200 yards a game, by relying on sound tackling and attention to details.

“You’re not going to stop Humboldt’s offense with any one given defense or player,” Central’s Defensive Coordinator, Payam Saadat said. “We need to understand that if we aren’t working in unison that we will be exposed by Humboldt’s offense.”

Gardner was unable to play versus Azusa Pacific as the Lumberjacks found themselves relying more on the passing game, which is ranked 90th in the nation. In games where Gardner touches the ball seven or more times, the Lumberjacks are unbeaten, outscoring opponents 194 to 43 this season.

On the defensive side of the ball, the Lumberjacks boast the nations 2nd best pass rush (4.33 sacks/per game) led by senior defensive linemen, Alex Markarian, and Silas Sarvinski. They each have 6.5 sacks this season and have combined for 13.5 tackles for loss.

In the special teams game, the punt return unit of senior Gianni Olivas and sophomore Chase Krivashei currently combine to average 19.93 yards per return. Both have a return for at least 60 yards this season.

Central looks to extend their two game win streak and climb up in the GNAC rankings.
No distance too far for Eggleston

BY DONNIE SANTOS
Staff Reporter

Being a competitive distance runner at the collegiate level requires not only self-motivation, but determination to be faster each day.

Central’s Dani Eggleston is becoming a familiar name throughout the GNAC in women’s cross-country and track. She already has three top 3 finishes in races this fall. In a sport that most people view as an individual event, Eggleston gives most of her success to her team. “My teammates have been the key to all the success I have had at CWU,” Eggleston said. “They are always pushing me and we never let each other settle.”

Eggleston grew up in Longview, WA, and attended R.A. Long High School. Eggleston did not start racing competitively until her sophomore year of high school. As a well-rounded athlete, she played multiple other sports including soccer, her first love and basketball.

An unfortunate incident on the soccer field is one of the major factors that affected Eggleston’s commitment to CWU. During her junior year, she tore her ACL. “I was talking to a few different schools until I tore my ACL,” Eggleston said. “Coach Adkisson never stopped believing in me unlike most other coaches and that’s why I chose Central.”

Four months after an intense ACL repair surgery, Eggleston was not only back on her feet, but had returned to running. Typically it takes an athlete closer to six months to be back running. Distance running has such a big mental aspect. Strategic running is just as important as the physical portion. She has a great deal of toughness,” Head coach Kevin Adkisson said. “She is always ready to push herself through hard workouts and is going to give it all while leading by example. She has done an incredible amount of work. It really shows how dedicated she is. She always wants to do everything it takes to better herself. It’s funny, because her first year we actually had to scale her workload back a little, but over the course of her career that has accumulated. Her fitness has taken her further than I could ever imagine.”

Individually, Eggleston has faster times this year than her freshman and sophomore year. She has improved by about two minutes in 4K, 5K and 6K meter events this year. As a whole, the Wildcats distance runners have been pushing themselves which is leading to better times as a team.

“I used to burn out too early in my high school races,” Eggleston said. “I now know that I would rather start slow and end fast. I focus more on my running now instead of the opposing runners around me.”

“When it comes to preparation, Eggleston said she’s been sticking to more routines this year. As a whole, the Wildcats have been pushing themselves which is leading to better times as a team.”

“Between track and cross country, I have to say cross country is definitely my favorite,” Eggleston said. “In track you run where everyone can see you at all times, but in cross country you are hidden from everyone and you get to run on all different types of courses. I really enjoy that.”
Senior libero Kaely Kight became Central’s all-time leader with 1,786 digs Saturday night, when the Wildcats beat Saint Martins University 3-0.

With the win, the Central volleyball team improved on the season to 14-5 overall, and 7-4 in the GNAC.

Since joining the team as a freshman, Kight has lead the team in digs every year she has played, becoming one of the most consistent players in Central’s volleyball history.

Kight recorded 539 digs during her sophomore season. During her junior year she notched another 548 total digs. It was then that the possibility of breaking the school record became a reality.

Kight went into last Saturday’s game with 1,764 career digs. “[Breaking the record] was a goal of mine and to do it at home in front of all the fans was really exciting,” Kight said.

Needing only 11 total digs to break the record, Kight worked quickly and secured the record-breaking dig midway through the second set. Kight would go on to total 22 digs by the end of the match. The previous record was 1,775 digs.

The Wildcats swept the Saints in sets of 25-18, 25-0 and 25-11, making it the team’s fourth consecutive win. Central beat Montana State University Billings, Seattle Pacific University and Western Oregon University earlier this month.

Junior outside hitter Linden Firethorne got the Wildcats out to a quick lead with multiple kills in the first set and finished with 11 total for the match, along with two blocks.

The Wildcats also got help from red-shirt junior middle blocker Kaitlin Quirk who added seven kills of her own, along with three blocks and an ace. Sophomore outside hitter Jordan Deming had six kills, along with 18 digs, second only to Kight in the match.

With the momentum of their wins carrying them into this week, the Wildcats will go north to play Alaska Anchorage University on Oct. 23, and the University of Alaska on Oct. 25. “It will be a good challenge for us late in the season to see where we stand,” Kight said.

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-Kaely Kight
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