People protest power poles

by Kelly Lawing and Aimee Peterson
Staff reporters

The State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA), closed discussion on the Wanapum-Hyak Puget Power lines crossing Central's campus at the end of June 1995. There were only four objections made during the time allotted for public comment in June 1993, none of which dealt with aesthetic concerns. This March, nine months later, the power poles were planted along 14th Street.

The poles were constructed, a large number of local citizens, Central alumni, current staff, faculty and students wanting the poles removed organized a group called Citizens for a Beautiful Community (CBC). They organized a protest rally to march down 14th Street on March 27.

Recreycle your trash
On April 22, the 26th anniversary of Earth Day will be celebrated, so start saving your trash now.

Douglas and Washington Streets in Wenatchee.

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Stolen signs, dummy doper and a trashed truck

Tuesday, March 5, 5:35 p.m.
A 30 minute parking sign was stolen from the N-19 parking lot. The post was broken at the bottom and the damage was estimated at $30.

Wednesday, March 6, 1 p.m.
A 26-year-old man in Short-Getz apartments contacted authorities about harassing phone calls. For about a month the man has been receiving four or five calls a day. Police say there are no voices, just noises and sounds. They have no leads.

Thursday, March 7, 12 p.m.
A 21-year-old woman from Wilson Hall reported the loss of a cellular phone in the E-15 parking lot, she believes the phone fell out of her bag. After reporting the $100 phone missing it was recovered and returned to her the next day.

Friday, March 8, 12:55 a.m.
Officers contacted a 24-year-old man who was driving erratically on North Alder. Officers detected alcohol in the suspect’s blood and arrested him for driving under the influence. For one month the man has been receiving four or five calls a day.

Police report that the scratches were on all sides of the vehicle and the estimated damage was around $1,800 dollars. Their are no suspects at this time in this malicious mischief case.

Friday, March 22, 11:20 p.m.
A CWU employee reported that his 1989 Chevy truck had severe scratch marks on it when he went to leave the 0-5 parking lot after work. A 26-year-old man was stopped at 1:50 a.m. by Kittitas County deputies. The man was cited for driving under the influence.

A woman who lives in Beck Hall reported the loss of a cell phone at 2:10 a.m. on Saturday. She believes the phone fell out of her bag. A CWU employee reported that his 1989 Chevy truck had severe scratch marks on it when he went to leave the 0-5 parking lot after work.

Stolen signs, dummy doper and a trashed truck

A 26-year-old man was stopped on the 1500 block of North D Street for speeding and driving erratically. When stopped the officers noticed the smell of alcohol and the arrested the suspect and processed him for DUI.

Saturday, March 30, 2:10 a.m.
A 19-year-old man from Al-Monty Hall was contacted on the second floor for an MIP. The subject had been drinking and several bottles were found around him. He was cited and released on Sunday, March 31, 12:15 a.m.

A 52-year-old woman was the victim of a hit and run in the C-6 parking lot. The victim’s vehicle, a Ford Taurus, was struck by an unknown vehicle and received $500 in damage to the rear panel. There are no suspects at the time.

Keith Champagne and Deacon Meier of Student Affairs said they were aware of the allegations against Gepner, but have not met to discuss his case yet. They stressed that due process is important in determining Gepner’s innocence or guilt in the matter.

“We do what we depend on what we hear from him,” Champagne said.

Meier said that regardless of the outcome of any potential investigation in Gepner’s case, the results would be kept confidential. This is due to the Family Educational Rights to Privacy Act, which prohibits the release of academic or disciplinary records to the public.

When asked about the status of the investigation found Gepner guilty of these alleged actions, he could face sanctions from both Student Affairs and Computing and Telecommunication Services.

The situation has created some tension on the board, Dolman says, but he asserts that as a whole the BOD is still functioning and will continue to do so until they vacate office in June.

Currently, the Council of Probity is discussing the legality of the board’s actions to ensure they are acting within the parameters of the ASCWU constitution in reinstating Gepner. They are expected to reach a decision on the matter sometime this week.
**Community encouraged to plan Central's future**

by Jason Gordon
Staff reporter

For the first time in Central Washington University's history, a comprehensive master plan is being developed. On Monday, April 8, three meetings are scheduled for students, faculty, and citizens to voice their opinions on the future of the campus. The Master Plan includes the location of parking, landscaping, future buildings, and pedestrian walkways.

"A master plan is the future development of the campus, the physical elements of the buildings," said Duane Sken, assistant to the provost and chairman of the Master Plan Committee. The plan will take a year to complete and will cover a period through 2010. A Master Plan committee was commissioned by President Ivory Nelson in November, and met in December. The master plan is a result of building codes, environmental regulations and the university's Strategic Plan.

"We hired a firm that specializes in master planning," said Sken. N.B.B.J. Consulting was hired to evaluate the current status and the anticipated growth of the university and to make recommendations from their findings. Schools such as the University of Washington, Washington State University, and Western Washington University have either finished their master plans or are in the process of drafting them. In the past there have been master plans for specific parts of the campus, but never a comprehensive one.

On April 8, the first meeting will be held from 10-12 p.m. in Barge Hall room 412. The second will be held in Barge Hall room 412 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The third will be held at the Hall Holmes Community Center at 201 N. Ruby Street in Ellensburg from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Students are invited to attend.

"We do value the ideas and suggestions that students can bring to the sessions. This plan is developed for the students," said Sken. Kory Kirkevold, one of the students on the Master Plan Committee, encouraged students to come to the meetings so they can see what's going to happen to the campus.

"People can state their opinion of what they think about it," said Kirkevold.

The meetings will enable N.B.B.J. to present their findings on the campus climate and student attitudes toward the campus. The evening meeting at Hall Holmes will be televised on Ellensburg cable channel 2, and viewers will be able to call and have questions answered and comments heard. To voice your opinion call 962-7240 and 962-7258.

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**Whooping cough warning issued**

by Uli Martin
Staff reporter

As of a few weeks ago only one individual was confirmed with the whooping cough. The Student Health and Counseling Center sent out an alert on the campus of possible exposure.

Signs of this disease have been reported. The most common symptom is a persistant cough which must be checked by medical personnel. If there are any questions or concerns, please call the Student Health Center at 963-1881 or see your family doctor.

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**POP QUIZ**

1. How many times have you missed this semester?
   a) None.
   b) Fewer than five times.
   c) 1 800 CALL ATT.
   d) Where's Dylan?

2. Someone calls you collect, using 1 800 CALL ATT. What happens?
   a) You accept because you and the person calling are automatically entered to win an internship on Beverly Hills, 90210.
   b) You accept because it always costs less than 1 800 COLLECT.
   c) You accept because he/she might be Dylan.
   d) All the above.

3. What's the best thing to do while watching Beverly Hills, 90210?
   a) Study.
   b) Listen to David's rap song.
   c) Hope for a guest appearance by Dylan.
   d) Call a friend collect using 1 800 CALL ATT. (you might win the Beverly Hills, 90210 internship and listen to David's rap song in person).

4. You have to call your parents for money. Select the most appropriate scenario:
   a) You use 1 800 CALL ATT because you know you'll get more money out of them.
   b) You use 1 800 CALL ATT because that way you'll get another chance to win the Beverly Hills, 90210 internship.
   c) You're doing it to get a bigger TV set.
   d) All the above.
Courtney Jones retires after 25 years of service to Central

by Brian Bartels
Assistant news editor

For 25 years, he has managed an institution with assets in excess of $200 million and a $90 million operating budget. But his company appears in no financial news reports, and he isn’t listed in the Fortune 500, because the business is Central Washington University. When he got his master’s degree from Stanford 34 years ago, Courtney S. Jones, vice president for business and financial affairs, decided to work in higher education instead of a corporation.

“I enjoyed the university environment,” he said. Some have described Jones’ tenure as “difficult”, even, as he says, “turbulent.” The state legislature’s semi-annual budget cuts have always troubled Central.

“At Central, over the years, we’ve had numerous fiscal crises, many budget cuts and that sort of thing,” said Jones. “We’ve tried to mitigate the effects of these cuts. And we’ve done pretty well. We’ve managed to avoid major dislocations like laying off staff.”

However, as Jones passes the torch on, he is “optimistic” about Central’s financial situation. The legislature has passed a supplemental appropriation that Jones believes will allow the university some room to solve problems like the closure of classes. But the appropriation comes at the price of an obligation to allow more students to enroll in the fall.

A search committee has formed to hire Jones’ replacement. “One of the vice president’s most important responsibilities is to interact with the outside world. I mean in particular the state legislature. So what I do is testify at the legislature about Central’s needs. That’s crucially important.”

While the search process goes on, Rich Corona, Central’s business manager, will carry out the vice president’s duties.

Jones, whose retirement date was April 1, plans to spend time with his wife and train. “One thing I do as sort of a hobby is I’m a runner and tri-athlete. So one thing I’m going to do is train and see if I can sneak up on my competition.”

Jones has participated in Ellensburg’s “Whiskey Dick” triathlon every year since its beginning. LaVelle Clerf, Mr. Jones’ administrative secretary for 12 years, said, “It was indeed a valuable learning experience for me. Central has been fortunate too to have had his solid leadership through some difficult times.”

“I’ve enjoyed my career,” said Jones. “Being at Central has been a great experience mainly because there are a lot of very good people at Central. It makes the environment very attractive.”

Faculty departures raise questions

There are currently 15 faculty members and two senior administrators set to retire or go to part-time status before 1996 is over, and it is possible that others will announce their intent to retire to the Board of Trustees.

Many of the retirements were hired by Central in the 1960’s, and are now reaching retirement age. But the Campus Climate report released Feb. 2 included some statements by faculty about the frustrations involved in teaching at Central.

Recently, Rich Corona, Central’s business manager, will carry out the vice president’s duties.

According to the report, some faculty are dissatisfied with the administration, their supervisors, or the competence of their students.

Hugh Spall, chair of the faculty senate, said that he did not know whether age and length of service were the only issues.

“A third to a half of the faculty will be eligible to retire over the next ten years,” Spall said. “Most of those retiring will go regardless of climate. But this year it may in

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Courtney Jones sits at his desk hard at work.
Brien Bartels/Observer
POLES: Protests claim aesthetic beauty of area damaged by ‘ugly’ poles

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science facility, wanted to introduce some facts.

“We are relocating the Puget Power lines that now run along the old railroad right-of-way on the campus,” said Brown. “The existing power line was acquired by Puget Power in 1977, and was a portion of an electric transmission system originally built between 1916 and 1919 for the electrification of railway operations.”

In the early 1980s Central purchased all portions of the Milwaukee Road right-of-way after the tracks had been abandoned.

Brian Lentz, area manager for Puget Power said, “We did not ask to move our lines. CWA wanted us to move them so that they could open the center of campus for the new building construction, including the Science facility and the extension of Black Hall. This line relocation does not upgrade the capacity. It is only a relocation.”

Bob Wiatkowski, director of Community Development for Ellensburg does not agree.

“The poles are large enough to draw a response,” he said. “They are part of a larger development and I can understand the complaints.”

One of the concerns about the power poles was the lack of public knowledge of their placement. But SEP A held open discussions from June 1993 to July 1995, during which time the community had the opportunity to review the plans for the placement and raise any objections.

The proposal was posted at both the Central library and the Ellensburg public library.

Ralph Munro, Secretary of State, raised the question of the power pole effect on the electric media stored in the Bledsoe Archives Building. The other three complaints were by local citizens concerned with the elimination of parking by the new science building, and the effects of the poles on the John Wayne Trail.

Another issue now being raised by many in the community is the health of the citizens living close by the poles. President Nelson addressed this issue in a letter written to Munro, in May 1995.

In the letter he states: “While there are epidemiological studies that indicate an association between EM fields or their surrogates and certain types of cancer, other epidemiological studies do not substantiate this association. There are insufficient data to determine whether or not a cause and effect relationship exists.”

In other words, no evidence of a potential danger has been found.

Steve Jeffries, spokesman for Citizens for a Beautiful Community, disagrees.

“Just because science did not find a risk does not mean one does not exist,” he said.

When asked his comments on the issue Nelson said, “I can recognize and appreciate people have differing opinions on issues.”

Nelson pointed out that he has been on both sides of the protest lines during his life. At this point he is part of the system and not part of the demonstrating.

“Choices have to be made between moving the power poles and building the new science building,” Nelson said.

For the opponents to the power poles there is a consensus on how they appear—ugly, ugly, ugly. Jeff Watson, a City Council member but speaking as an Ellensburg resident, said: “The primary concern is the aesthetics of it all. There are health hazards to students, pedestrians, and chimps.”

“We did not realize how big these poles were going to be,” Watson said. “It took the visual impact. It is flat out ugly and ruining the skyline.”

There are two possible alternatives for the placement of the lines. The first one is to bury them. However, research shows that when the lines are upgraded that the cooling methods needed to keep the lines from overheating would not be any better looking than erecting the 110-foot poles.

Burying them would require an acre of land at either end of the power pole path to accommodate oil reservoirs needed for the oil cooling system.

The second alternative is to route the lines around Ellensburg. This could be accomplished by following the Bonneville Power Administration line which runs west of Ellensburg.

Stringing of the power poles is scheduled for this Saturday. CBC has organized a rally at 8 a.m. on the corner of 14th street and Alder. Concerned students are encouraged to attend. There is a petition in the SUB that students can sign also.
Police warn women of cruel phone hoax

by Sara Bickler and Desi Gaines
Staff reporters

The phone rings and you answer it only to hear the operator on the line. The voice tells you that there’s a collect call from a “friend.” You take the call hearing a friendly voice who says, “Hi, it’s me.” You think you recognize the voice and assume it is that of an old friend or possibly a relative. All of a sudden the conversation takes a bizarre turn.

The woman on the other end says that she is in trouble; that a man is hurting her. With your heart racing, and not fully knowing what is going on, the unthinking happens. A man’s voice takes over and says, “I’ve raped her once, and now I am going to kill her.”

This scenario has become a real life nightmare for women throughout Kittitas County. Based on ten different accounts, nine of which are Central students, police believe that a person, or a group of people are calling with these prank calls from pay phones. Authorities still aren’t sure if the voice is in fact that of a female or if a male is portraying both characters used in the dialogue. They also believe that the person(s) is using an Ellensburg, or campus phone directory, therefore making it easy for them to have direct access to student names, addresses and phone numbers.

“This is a tough case to solve because the caller is using a pay phone. Right now, we are just aiming for prevention,” Mike Laverda, of the Ellensburg Police Department, said.

While the caller may not be found, there are tips to prevent this from happening to you. The most important thing is to get more information before you accept the collect call. Ask for specifics from the operator. This could include not only asking their first name, but also their last.

If you do find yourself on the receiving end of this situation, and a person is giving you a story similar to the one above, call the Ellensburg Police Department at 962-7528 or University Police at 963-1000 as soon as possible.

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Future leaders set goals at Central conference

by Kari Belton
Staff reporter

Fresh fruit, hot coffee and bagels provided a refreshing opening to the sixth annual "Center for Excellence in Leadership" conference last Saturday in the SUB.

Logan Amione, CEL's student coordinator, opened the conference with a video from Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA), congratulating this year's participants on their commitment to their future.

"I admire all of you for your commitment to leadership," she said.

Following Murray's address, Sarah Shumate delivered her keynote speech, "By Teaching We Learn -- The Challenge of Leadership." In her 40 minute presentation, Shumate addressed issues that future leaders will face as well as her hopes for positive changes in government and society.

"Shumate stressed the importance of "gaining ethical and global awareness," adding "diverse opinions will serve you well." She also encouraged audience members to set higher goals for themselves.

"If you want to have an impact look for high results," Shumate said.

For the remaining hours, students attended four 50 minute courses in everything from developing team leadership to the power of a positive attitude in the workplace.

Multi-colored handouts and hypothetical scenarios were given to students as learning tools throughout the day. After each session, students were encouraged to fill out an evaluation form, rating the overall effectiveness and impact of the presentations.

Conference goers reconvened at 3 p.m. in Club Central to receive certificates for their participation in this year's activities.
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No means no, dammit!

What the heck is going on here? The Ellensburg Police Department is reporting that some pervert is calling up women students at Central and sexually harassing them. What kind of faulty wiring does a person have to have to get off on making collect calls to women and scaring the hell out of them?

Then there’s the other case of an elected student government leader who allegedly sent sexually explicit e-mail using a university account, and has a possible history of sexual harassment.

What is going on? Is there a problem at Central? Are these isolated cases, or are they just examples of a wider problem on our campus?

It’s definitely not isolated cases here. If you can remember back a few years, there were two widely publicised cases of sexual harassment — one involving a freshman football player, the other involving a professor and a grad student.

And let’s not overlook the fact that sexual assaults are happening on campus as well. So we ask again, what is the deal? Are people not informed about what actions are morally acceptable and which ones are not?

Don’t these people understand that this kind of behavior is unacceptable? Don’t these people understand that, “No means no”?

Obviously not. So what needs to happen here?

It seems clear there are some individuals out there who need to take some initiative to figure out what’s right and what’s wrong. Don’t expect to be told what to do.

The University has a Women’s Resource Center and an Office of Affirmative Action. Seek them out and find out what is acceptable.

Don’t be of those people who get to find out the hard way from the friendly staff of the University Police department.

LETTERS

Student supports Gepner’s actions in OLA, BOD

To the editor:

An article in last week’s (Feb. 29) Observer attacked Tony Gepner’s management of his office of the Vice President for Political Affairs. However, this article failed to argue with his outstanding performance.

Higher education and CWU have been attacked by federal and state government many times in the past. The taco controversy, state cuts to higher education, and proposed financial aid cuts have shown students how unimportant a college education is to those in not college. Tony Gepner describes what it is like to be a student to legislators, and works hard to make sure that they understand.

Tony Gepner has fulfilled his duty as a liaison between the students and government leaders. Tony successfully brought U.S. Senator Patty Murray and former candidate for Senate Ron Sims to a leadership conference he helped organize. At a Washington Student Lobby meeting last December, Tony brought with him more than 15 students who were interested in improving the quality of relations between the state universities and the legislature, unheard of beforehand. Tony also took a vital role in ensuring student representation on the Governor’s Higher Education Task Force. Through watching Tony’s leadership in dealing with student and governmental leaders it appalls me to see one of the best student leaders that we have undermined. By attacking one of the hands that feeds us, the student who is our link to the government, the student’s power is diminished.

As with any leader, Tony must have the support of the student body. Students need to write and phone their representatives and senators, volunteer time and resources to the OLA and to WSL to show our elected officials we can no longer be ignored.

Education is the future. Without people like Tony striving to make education important in the minds of the government officials, fewer people will have access to colleges in the future.

John Natterstad

Four years and you should be finished

by Sarah Shumate
Special to the Observer

A lot of discussion regarding the funding of higher education has centered on concerns that the legislature and public feel that students are making satisfactory progress toward their degree. Some institutions in the state have come out and said they would award degrees for students who did not finish within four years. That’s a pretty tough order since the national averages indicate that students generally take at least five years to complete their program of study.

Many students arrive on campus without any idea of a major and I realize although Career Development Services offers a career course, not everyone can enroll in that course. But I also know that the primary message that Academic Advising Services tries to impress upon students is to fulfill your general education requirements as quickly as possible, but, that may be hard to do if you still don’t know about a major. Then we have the advising problem where various faculty and staff will only let you take 12 credit hours per quarter, perhaps because that’s all you can handle. Following that advice with looking at the larger picture of, “Am I making satisfactory progress?” can be deadly, especially if you fail to pass one or more of those classes.

And then there is the financial aid twist. With 60 percent of the student population on financial aid, the federal government has put into place some specific requirements about what needs to be done to maintain satisfactory academic progress. Over 900 students are receiving a letter from the financial aid office, letting them know their aid has been suspended. Now begins the hassle of trying to get an appeal to get an extension or modification.

For me it’s a simple mathematical equation. You need to check the catalogue to determine how many credit hours are needed to graduate.

education. Various departments will require from 45 credit hours to 125 credit hours in addition. If students graduate with 180 credit hours, why are so many graduating with an average of 230 credit hours? I believe students don’t read carefully the one critical book of your career here at Central, the college catalogue. The catalogue is pretty specific about guidance provided to help you make satisfactory progress. Check page 27 of the 94-95 university catalogue. The regular load is defined as 15 credit hours credit hours. This recommendation allows students to play the averages. By enrolling in 15 credit hours per quarter, you do have the margin to perhaps not do as well in only one course and still make satisfactory academic progress. If you’re on financial aid, you’ve given yourself an edge so that if things go poorly in one course, you still have 12 or 13 credit hours and thus avoid the financial aid about why you didn’t.
Talkin' 'bout stuff:

What's with those power poles anyway?

Opinion Column by Citizen X and T

All right, it seems everyone's been a bit upset over these 110 foot tall steel monoliths that have taken root up near 14th Street. So what's the deal, anyway?

Well it seems someone has decided that the power lines that were running through the campus needed to be moved somewhere else, why not 110 feet up in the air?

Uhh...well, according to everyone protesting, they're "Ugly. Ugly." And why did Big Brother decide we need them running through campus when those power lines don't even give power to the school, or Ellensburg, for that matter?

But, what they're saying is that they have been there for so long -

Who? The power lines!

What? Oh, you mean those old wooden poles that run through the center of the campus?

Yeah. And this issue has been open for discussion for a couple of years now. So why decide they're ugly now, what did they think big power poles were going to look like?

Well, maybe it wasn't as important when they couldn't 'see' them. I heard someone say at that protest they're upset that the poles block their view of the natural beauty of the scenic hills of Kittitas.

SHUMATE:
Concerned about student academic progress

From page 8

make satisfactory progress.

As our future leaders, we're hoping you'll learn the skills to make this academic experience a pleasant one. The key is finding out what you love and majoring in it. I'm a strong proponent of a liberal arts degree. I've had all kinds of experience with my history undergraduate degree. Certain majors may preclude majoring in a liberal arts area. But the key information to remember is that you only need to take 15 hours per quarter in order to make satisfactory academic progress, and that 15 hours could help you keep your financial aid. There is no substitute for getting to Career Development and getting assistance as soon as possible.

Now clearly on of the challenges we will provide you is how to determine your academic advising. We hope that you will take responsibility in this self-directed learning process called college. We also want you to demonstrate some career decision-making and risk-taking ability to maneuver through the academic hurdles. The State legislature considered whether they wanted to implement a fee for courses taken beyond the graduation level. For Students looking at an $11,000 debt to have to consider paying an additional fee, this would have been devasting. Give yourself a margin for error, sign up for 15 credit hours per quarter.

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To qualify for these positions, applicants must be at least 16 years of age and be able to perform physical labor. An original social security card, driver's license and/or passport is required by law as proof of identity and employability. Applicants also must pass a background investigation.

All interested applicants may apply at Campus Conference Center in the Registration Office, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. Applications must be returned no later than 5:00 p.m., April 12, 1996.

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Parents and Family Weekend

Have your parents come to visit you yet this year? Well, remind them about Parents and Family Weekend coming up May 4-5. Not only do you have the opportunity to mooch off of your parents, you get the chance to spend some time with your family doing some exciting activities.

Some of the great activities planned for this weekend adventure include a river float down the Yakima River, a golf tournament where you can win many prizes, an excellent tour of campus malls, and dining halls. Of course, there will be plenty of candidates out stumping around the SUB, campus malls, and dining halls. Students should take the time to get to know candidates and decide who will best serve student needs in the coming year.

For more information about this event call Student Activities at 963-1691 or come down to SUB 214. A great time is sure to be had by all.

ASCWU Elections: It’s that time of year again!

by Logan Aimone, Election Commission Chair

It’s that time of year again, when the thoughts of students again turn to electing their student leaders for the next academic year. Every student who has accumulated at least 45 credits is eligible to run for one of the seven ASCWU positions.

Students who wish to declare their candidacy must first pick up a packet from the Student Activities office, SUB 214. After reading the packet thoroughly, the potential candidate must collect the signatures of 100 CWU students. A $20 filing fee is required to cover the cost of administering the election; filing closes at 3 p.m. next Wednesday, April 10 in SUB 214. All candidates are strongly encouraged to attend the Kickoff Meeting on Thursday, April 11 at 6 p.m. in SUB 104.

There will be several opportunities to meet and question the candidates.

ASCWU BOD MEETINGS

April 9, 1996 - 6:00 pm in the Yakama Rm
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Glover and Justice re-create Hughes and King at Central

by Amy Abbott
Staff reporter

Last week, many Central students and community members were treated to an Ellenburg event which had originally been scheduled to show in primarily performed at college campuses, in an effort to reach out and bring African-American history to a larger audience.

On Tuesday, March 26, actor Danny Glover and actor/director Justice visited Central to perform "An Evening with Martin and Langston," at McConnell Auditorium. The performance was originally scheduled to show in February for Black History Month.

Justice and Glover created and began performing this show in 1992 in Fairville, North Carolina.

The duo perform at least 12 shows per year, and sometimes as many as 20. Their shows are primarily performed at college campuses, in as to reach out and communicate with students.

Justice and Glover pulled the material for this production from "personal heroes." Justice performs speeches written by King, while Glover reads poems written by Hughes. The works of King and Hughes went together well. They shared many of the same views and dreams. Each of them was affected differently by their relationships with their fathers: King in the shadow of his father, and Hughes being alienated by his.

"Both men believed in a strong sense of who you are," Glover said.

Justice's admiration for King comes from many sources, including the moment in 1960 when he was in the presence of King for the first time and only time, which Justice described as "amazing."

"His power and sense of truth and passion, swept me away," Justice said. "I want to recreate that power for other people who did not have a chance to see [King]."

With a full crowd in the auditorium, Justice took the stage first and began his performance of King's famous speech "The Midnight Hour." When the lights lowered and then came up again, Justice had transformed into Martin Luther King Jr. before the audience.

Glover and Justice relax backstage before their performance.

Felix Justice and Danny Glover portrayed Martin Luther King and Langston Hughes on March 26 in McConnell Auditorium. Garrett Grobler/Observer

Justice described as "amazing." His voice began to rise and become stronger, his hands pounded the podium to create more intensity within the speech. Justice ended his performance by pointing a finger at the audience as he walked off the stage. When he returned to give his final bows he was given a standing ovation for his miraculous performance and recreation of "The Midnight Hour."

Following Justice, Glover read a series of different poems written by Langston Hughes, which he began reading himself when he was in college. Glover felt the poems describe Hughes' experiences in life.

"He is a quintessential poet, thinker, and idealist," Glover said. "His poetry is one that is very accessible, you can smell, touch, and taste it."

Glover read approximately 17 poems by Hughes that had special meaning to him, including such poems as "32nd Street," about a Black trumpet player, and "Ballad of Roosevelt," in response to the New Deal, which Hughes referred to as the "raw deal."

"I Dream a World," which is a title of a wonderful collection of photos of African-American women, was the closing poem. It was one that Hughes himself often closed with.

Glover's choice of poems touched the audience with the reality of life for African-Americans many years ago. Each poem held meaning in different people's lives. Hughes wrote about events and life circumstances that were happening during that time.

Glover's performance was amazing, and was given a standing ovation as well. The whole show was a wonderful presentation and well worth the price of the admission. "The Performance" was warm, wonderful, and the audience was very perceptive to it," said CWU President Ivory Nelson. "This makes Central and Ellensburg really stand out."

At the end of their performance they opened the stage up for questions and comments. Both Justice and Glover were relaxed and comfortable with answering everyone's questions.

This gave students a chance to realize that Glover and Justice were not there just to perform and then hop on the next plane out of town. They really wanted to provide a deeper understanding by answering questions brought up by their performance.

For those that had the opportunity to spend "An Evening with Martin and Langston," it was a once in a lifetime chance to experience the energy of two historic men through these two very passionate performers.

Students get a jump on the 'real world' at Career Quest '96

by Temple Stark
Assistant Copy editor

Ellensburg's fire department wants theater arts majors to scream in agony at the pain they are meant to suffer when they act as dying and injured victims in Career Development to close with.


There has been an effort to draw in many students by featuring opportunities for summer jobs, internships and gaining insights into what employers are looking for.

"It could help underclassmen anticipate their future," Herbert-Hill said.

More than half of the companies participating are offering internships which give students a chance to directly show a company what they are capable of.

Randy Williamson, a career development counselor characterizes Career Quest '96 as "the first initiation into the professional world."

Communications professor, Corwin King, has attended most of the Job Fairs of the past 15 years and he hopes what he learns there makes him a better instructor.

"I think (my going) is a chance for me to number one, put in a good word for our students," King said, "and number two, find out what employers are looking for in students.

Now more faculty members are attending since companies indicated they would like to..."
So... what did you do over Spring Break?

From Hawaii to Havasu, Acapulco to Alaska, most Central Students got the heck out of the 'Burg to get some sun, have some fun and enjoy a week or so off from school.

Why drive all the way to Trestles when you catch a wave around here? A surfer shoots the tube off the Oregon Coast.  

Howard Barlow/Observer

AFROTC cadets stand in front of an F-15 fighter during a four day stay at Mountain Home AFB in Idaho.  

Photo by Garrett Grobler

AFROTC cadets snapped this photo of an F-15 conducting mid-air refueling with a KC-135 tanker.  

Photo by Kris Egeland

While visiting Sitka, Alaska, Michelle Peters caught a glimpse of this totem pole carver hard at work.  

Photo by Michelle Peters

Geography Professor John Alwin snapped this shot of a small temple on Lake Bratan in Bali, Indonesia.  

Photo by John Alwin

Michelle Gehlman. Wedding dress fitting.  "Oh well," Michelle Gehlman/Observer

Joe Hanssen scales an ice cliff near Snoqualmie Pass.  

Photo by Aaron Angel

"Indy, the torches are going out!" While visiting the island of Kauai, David Dick discovered the falls used in the film "Raiders of the Lost Ark."  

David Dick/Observer

Jamie Macone and Lisa Bell stock up on souvenirs at the Acapulco Hard Rock Cafe.  

Garrett Grobler and Brian Wilson soak up some sun while hanging out in Malibu...Canada, not California.  

Photo by Garrett Grobler

Professor Alwin and his Bell Study Tour Group go native during their 13 day stay in Indonesia.  

Photo by John Alwin

Amy Pickering, Tara Young, Jennd Crowe and Lynda Castaneda take a break from the one-armed bandits at Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas.  

Photo by Amy Pickering

Army ROTC cadets ruck up and prepare for inspection before a long range patrol in the woods of Ft. Lewis.  

Photo courtesy Capt. Brian Eng

CWU Students get their drink on in scenic Lake Havasu, Arizona.  

Michelle Gehlman, Wedding dress fitting.  "Well said."  

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David Dick/Observer
Executive Decision — 2/2 (of 5)

Synopsis: Terrorists hijack plane, threaten to bomb Washington, D.C., with nerve gas. Special Forces rush to save the day.

Highs: It's shock full of action, Seagal learns how to fly (no chute).

Lows: It's predictable, Russell learns how to fly (a 747F).


In the wake of the big budget Christmas releases comes one film which attempts to live up to it's big splash on the surface, a rip-roaring action adventure film. Starring Kurt Russell, Halle Berry, Joe Morton, Oliver Platt and Steven Seagal, the movie is about terrorists who hijack a passenger jet bound for Washington, D.C.

Only there's a catch to this all too familiar hijacked plane movie theme: the leader of the terrorists doesn't plan to ransom the people on board. He has a nerve gas bomb on board. He has a nerve gas bomb on the plane with enough toxins to stick in Antarctica for the last 20 years or so, you'll recognize the movie right from the beginning. If you're an avid movie goer, you probably remember the series of Airport disaster films, that usually starred Charlton Heston and George Kennedy, where the plane either had a bomb on it, had no pilot, or was underwater. That's Executive Decision... Airport 1996. All the writers have done here is rehashed all the clichés from every classic airplane disaster film into one action-packed, special effects laden film.

So now is this more obvious than the characters in the movie. You have the reluctant hero, an intelligence analyst who is called upon to save the day. Then there's the terrorist leader, willing to sacrifice his life for his cause. And how about the U.S. senator who just happens to be on board the airplane, the Army Special Forces commando who is the only one who knows how to defuse the bomb, and so on.

The foreshadowing of each character's future hits you like a "73 Pinto, leaving you with almost no room to be surprised by the movie's conclusion.

If you're a fan of Steven Seagal movies, you might be interested in seeing how he acts out being sucked into a 650 mile per hour slipstream five miles above the ground with no parachute. In this movie, Seagal, for once, isn't too Hard to Kill. Before that, however, he did get his customary martial arts exhibition, killing four terrorists with his bare hands before the opening credits finished.

About the only fresh theme in the movie is when the politicians in the Pentagon are mentally tossing coins to decide what to do. Heads, shoot down the airplane and kill 400 Americans. Tails, let the plane land in Washington, D.C. and the nerve gas on board kills forty million people. Their only concern seems to be if they shoot the plane down, the president won't get re-elected. If the plane lands, they'll be dead. Either way, they'll be screwed. Tough decision, huh?

Well, for those that haven't seen any of the half-dozen Airport films, Die Hard 2 or Passenger 57, you might enjoy this film. If you have seen any of those films, I'd have to say this one is a definite Renter.
Unplugged, but still ‘Alive’

Band members from left to right: Eric Singer, Peter Criss, Gene Simmons, Ace Frehley, Paul Stanley, Bruce Kulick. Photo from the album cover of Kiss Unplugged

By Michael Bellamy
Scene editor

For all of you loyal members of the Kiss Army who were our last Halloween and forgot to set your VCRs, the band’s MTV Unplugged set and long awaited reunion with original band members guitarist Ace Frehley and drummer Peter Criss has recently been released as an album in the tradition of other artists who’ve had their awaited reunion with original band members guitarist Ace Frehley and a couple generations of music critics loved to hate are beginning school when Kiss was in their prime (circa 1977), their performance is testimony that still going strong.

Frehley and Criss joined Simmons and Stanley to jam on the Rolling Stones classic “2,000 Man” and then an acoustic guitar version of “Beth,” Peter Criss’ ballad to his wife that first appeared on 1976’s Destroyer. This was very close to the version performed in Kiss’ s movie KISS versus the Phantom. The song is performed on this album with every bit of the passion it was performed 20 years ago.

Kulick and Singer came out once again and joined in with the original members on the classics “Nothin’ to Lose” and “Rock And Roll All Nite” with Starchild, the Demon, Space Ace, and the Silver-netted Cat sharing the vocals.

The album captures every bit of the fire (no pun intended) that the Halloween 1995 performance had and is a must for any Kiss fan as well as any lover of great music, so don’t miss you’re chance to miss “The Hottest Band In The Land” Unplugged, and keep an eye out for news of an upcoming reunion tour.

Thursday, April 4
8 p.m., Bertz Music Hall Concert: “Best of Music” Acts from the Music Dept.

Friday, April 5
Noon
Men’s Baseball at Albion College in Idaho
1-2 p.m., Sam’s Place (SUB) Band: “Unplugged”

Saturday, April 6
8 p.m., Bertz Recital Hall Concert: Opera Workshop directed by: Monica Torrey

Sunday, April 7
8 p.m., Bertz Recital Hall Concert: Opera Workshop directed by: Monica Torrey

Up and Coming

For the week of April 4 - April 11
Death of a stereotype, birth of a tradition

by Gordon Coonfield
Staff reporter

Many have belittled Central for being, as one person put it, "a cultural wasteland," where little time or attention is focused on the arts. A real Luke and Bo Duke kind of thing.

But Central's English department is proving that west-side stereotype wrong, with its sponsorship of three readings and the Washington Writer's Workshop.

The faculty and handful of students who attended the first reading on Feb. 15 by Carlos Reyes were treated to an anecdotal style, and experienced a unique look at life through Reyes' poems and stories, which highlighted his travels from the Bering Sea to the jungles of Panama.

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"Once we make a tradition, which we hope to do," Stover said, "I think we're going to get better turnouts."

Colleen MacElroy is next on the department's list of VIP's, and is scheduled to read on April 25. MacElroy is an internationally renowned African-American poet, who is both a professor of English, and director of the creative writing program at the University of Washington.

The month of May will bring Victor Villanueva, professor of English at Washington State University, to Central. For his book Bookstraps:

From an American Academic of Color, he received the Russell Award for distinguished research in the teaching of English from the National Council of Teachers of English. Villanueva will both read from his works and discuss writing across the curriculum.

The crown jewel of the Central English department's contribution to artistic life in our community will be the Washington Writer's Workshop scheduled for this summer, which will be available for both graduate and undergraduate credit, and as a non-credit weekend workshop.

"Poetry and literature used to be thought of as elite arts, but they are a way for us to talk about who and what we are," said Patsy Callaghan, chair of the English department.

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Interviews are being conducted by many employers on April 18, the day after the event. The Marinerhowever, will interview on April 16 and will have an information booth in the Samelson Union Building.

The interviews must be arranged through Career Development Services in Barge Hall, Room 202, at regular office hours.

Background information on all participating companies is also available at Career Development Services throughout the year.

Williamson said he recommends using this resource. He has heard from companies who walked away empty-handed from previous job fairs because the representatives had not met anybody who had taken the time to find out the companies recent history, how the company is structured, or who its executives are.

Another problem noted by companies at last year's Job Fair, Williamson said, was the unprofessional appearance of some students. A lot of tee-shirts and jeans.

"These are the real live people who hire," Herbert-Hill said. Companies attend because they like Central students, said Teri who hire." Herbert-Hill said.

"One thing I'll emphasize in the workshop is how to talk about yourself," said Williamson, who along with Herbert-Hill will lead the workshops.

The event always needs volunteers for set-up, giving representatives and cleaning up afterward. Hendrickson and others point out that such close involvement gives an inside track to the employers.

For further information on companies or signing up for interviews call Career Development Services, 963-1921 and ask for Teri Hendrickson. The volunteer caller Laura Lucchesi, marketing director for the event, 962-2879.

In today's world any move to "make your face known," is a positive one, King said.

"The first job of any student today is getting a job," he said. "If you don't take the step you're putting an awful lot of trust in dumb luck."

Other artists, like Stephen Powers, draw from pure fantasy. Powers, in his art, creates an almost alternate universe, where buildings are built beneath the ground, spaceships are used to escape the world's problems, and commuters travel by submarine.

Frieze Undine, originally from Utah, establishes strikingly emotional characters in his paintings. The paintings are black and white and reek with detail.

The Mia Gallery, which opened in 1982 in downtown Seattle, is owned by Mia McEldoweny and is the only Seattle gallery that Alive Seattle's Mia Gallery and will run through April 26.

The exhibit features 11 self-taught artists of the Northwest. The artists are free to use any medium. There are pieces that, along with paint, include metal, wood, books, feathers, and cloth.

Most of the art is very emotional and is sometimes drawn from the artist's own lives.

"The work that the gallery represents has always had a figurative, narrative nature to it, and this work has definitely sprouted from that as well," Deforest said.

Other, perhaps some still see poetry as frivolous; a waste of time. But Powell thinks it's a matter of priorities.

"If philosophy is about being, then poetry is about well-being," he said. "It seems to me in our culture, we are so concerned about sports and making money we don't stop to worry about our spiritual well-being, and that's what it's about: improving the quality of life."

I just hope Roscoe and Enos don't find out.
Wildcats sweep weekend games, 5-0

by Mike Parker
Staff reporter

Central baseball ignited last weekend as the ‘Cats swept five games from two teams in a three day period. The Wildcats beat George Fox twice on Friday, and Concordia three times over the weekend.

These five victories raise the team’s record to 10-12 as the team has won seven of their last eight games, losing only to the University of Washington Huskies on March 27.

Coach Desi Storey credited the turnaround to player attitude and hustle. 

“They’re playing with confidence,” Storey said, “the hitting is coming around and the pitching staff has been great.”

In the first doubleheader of the weekend against George Fox, Central showed in the opener that they do not give up easily. The team turned it on in the seventh inning, scoring seven runs to overcome a 10-4 George Fox lead. The Wildcats had nine RBI’s in the game from nine different hitters, showing great team hitting.

The win went to Freshman Josh Bender, who pitched a perfect seventh inning recording two strikeouts, and earning his first collegiate victory.

In the second game of Friday’s doubleheader, David Blockinger brought the team to life when he smashed a two-run, two-out double. That along with a run given up on a George Fox error, gave the Wildcats a 5-2 lead going into the sixth inning.

George Fox tried to come back in the sixth, scoring two runs, which was not enough to defeat the Wildcats. The final score was 7-4 with the victory going to Ron Jablonski and Ryan Krueger earning a save.

The Wildcat pitchers once again demonstrated their talent Saturday versus Concordia. In each game, Wildcat pitchers allowed only three hits apiece. Tony Lael earned the win in the opener, and Ryan Krueger claimed victory in game two.

Both games ended with 5-0 scores as the Wildcats used doubles from Blockinger and Steve Poler, and a 3-run homer by Scott Hardy to overpower Concordia’s pitchers.

In the final game of the series on Sunday, the Wildcat offense pounced on Concordia in the sixth inning, scoring five runs and leading the team to a 12-3 win. Mark Stewart went the distance on the mound for the ‘Cats, winning his third game this season. Stewart gave up only three hits in the last six innings of the game.

The Wildcats had 10 hits, with Scott Hardy leading the way with a double and a triple which earned him four RBI’s.

Despite the great weekend, Central will need some help if they are to make the playoffs, which due to their slow start will be an uphill struggle.

“We’ve got the physical ability to beat any team in the playoffs,” Coach Storey said.

Central is in Caldwell, Id. tonight to begin a crucial four game series against Alberson College.

Dana Beckley swings and connects with a pitch.

Track teams off to a running start

by Paula Sartain
Staff reporter

It’s springtime! The track and field season is underway, and the Wildcats are off to a good start. Central attended the eighth annual Spring Break Open at West Seattle Stadium last Saturday. According to John Picha, head coach, it was a pretty low key meet. But three men and a woman came home with victories and another six qualified for Regionals in May.

Sophomore Caleb Gott leaped to a victory in the high jump with a season best. Sophomore Tony Holby, who threw 142-0 feet in the discus added another win. The only victory for the women was Senior Veronica (Persons) McGuire a leap of 5-2 in the high jump.

The first-time qualifiers to Regionals for the wildcats were freshman Chris Courtney in the men’s 100 and 200 meters, senior Charlie Smith, the men are doing really well, they were ranked third in the Region last year. B. J. Wilson is defending the decathlon title he earned last season, and the 400 relay team will be strong this year because four men are back from eligibility suspension.

“They’ll be an easy national qualifier and looking to break the school record.”

Assistant Coach Charlie Smith

Jay Spears in the 100 meters, senior B. J. Wilson in the 110 meter high hurdles. Spears finished second with a career best time (21.6) in the 200 meters. For the women; the two first-time qualifiers were junior 800 runner Don Lillis in the 100 meters and junior Amanda Johnson in the shot put.

According to Assistant Coach Charlie Smith, the men are doing really well, they were ranked third in the Region last year. B. J. Wilson is defending the decathlon title he earned last season, and the 400 relay team will be strong this year because four men are back from eligibility suspension.

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The women’s team is low on numbers, however there are some standout track-and-fielders. Junior Megan Prikat (Heptathlon) and senior Veronica (Persons) McGuire qualify for nationals, by winning the 5000 meter with a time of 14:50.9, a season best. Sophomore Tony Holby, who threw 142-0 feet in the discus added another win. The only victory for the women was
TRACK: Women’s team hurt by several injuries

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(High Jump) are returning talent that will counter the low numbers. Senior Rebecca Hill (800, 1500), who broke the school record in the 1500 meters at Nationals last year, will also be back.

The women’s team has suffered because of injuries earlier this season. Sophomore Brenda Harding (Hurdles, 400) tore her achilles tendon at the Tri-Cities Invitational, and freshman Dana Riste (Hurdles, Heptathlon) fractured her ankle, both will be out for the remainder of the year. Harding will be replaced in the 400 relay by freshman Farrah Feist. Sophomore September Woods dislocated her patella in the javelin throw last week, but she is expected to return in two weeks. The next track meet will be the Lewis and Clark Invitational, April 6, in Portland.
Central Softball season stalling with 4-12 record

by Kristy Yingling
Staff reporter

Central's softball team is 4-11 with only a month left in their season.

The Wildcats were defeated by the Western Washington University Vikings 4-0 in the first game of Saturday's doubleheader. In the second game the Wild Cats led 2-0 when senior third baseman Brenda Swanberg, senior first baseman Tessa Timmons and sophomore catcher Tera Budsberg, all had singles that lead to the two runs.

The Wildcats started their Pacific Northwest Athletic Conference games last Thursday with a 2-3 record. They defeated Oregon Tech 6-5 during that game.

Women Ruggers win league championship

by Lisa Allen
Staff reporter

In a game that the Central women's rugby team dominated from start to finish, they posted a 15-7 victory over Reed College Saturday to clinch the league championship.

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Women's B-Ball holds awards banquet; Trammell named MVP

by Curt Nelson
Sports editor

Sophomore Nicole Trammell was named Most Valuable Player of the women's basketball team at the year-end banquet last Thursday. Trammell finished 15th nationally in scoring, with a 21.2 points-per-game average; a school record. She set single season records for points (530), field goal attempts (477) and three point field goal attempts with 185. Trammell also led the team in steals with 67 and rebounding with 6.4 per game.

Junior Carrie Gosselin received the Best Defensive Player award, after a season with 39 steals, 11 blocks and 82 rebounds. Gosselin also led the Pacific Northwest Athletic Conference and was ranked second nationally with a three-point field goal percentage of 48.9.

Sophomore Amanda Johnson was voted Most Inspirational Player. Johnson finished the season with 66 rebounds and nine steals. The team captain award went the teams only two graduating seniors, Lynette Hill and Shannan Sherrill.

Letters were given to 11 players overall, five of which are two time recipients. They include sophomore Natalie Hutcheson, Johnson, junior Stephanie Bergstrom, Sherrill and sophomore Jennifer Mercy.

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Swan, earned a save and a win in.

The front office made some major changes over the off-season, replacing some major cogs in the 1995 American League West champion club.

The fifth batter in the lineup is Charlton until the last day of the season. Charlton was cut by the Phillies last summer following a failed attempt to come back from reconstructive arm surgery. From July 14 when the M's signed Charlton until the last day of the season he embodied the "refuse to lose" attitude that carried the Mariners to the sixth game of the American League Championship Series.

Another important returnee to this year's team is American League Manager of the Year Lou Piniella. Piniella kept the team intact and in the hunt last summer while the club waited for key performers to join the team or come back from injuries.

The Mariners home-stand continues tomorrow night as they kick-off a three game weekend series against the Milwaukee Brewers at 7:05.

As for the M's and their schedule, they are back and up to their old tricks. Last Friday night raised the M's record to 2-0, and it was obvious the Mariners were back. But are they all the way back, and are they the same Mariners we saw last year?

The Mariners will count heavily on a nearly recovered Ken Griffey, Jr., who is prepared to take over in center field and the third spot in this potent lineup. In the off-season the team signed a still recovering Griffey to the richest contract in baseball history, so Junior is back, and out to prove that he is the best player in the world.

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