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Dick and Jane's Spot is one of the local hot spots students can check out.

Women's basketball team wins four straight games, match longest winning streak since 1988.

See Pages 10 and 11 for more hot spots.

See Page 15 for game details and other sports.

BOT to settle S&A money decision

Different groups at Central are vying for a piece of a $600,000 pie and it is up to the Board of Trustees (BOT) to divvy it up.

Central faces a decision which will affect the look of the school in the coming years. The decision is whether or not to pay off the housing bonds used to build the Bassettis 30 years ago.

The housing bonds were bought to finance the Bassettis. Central can pay them off this year, which will leave roughly $600,000 extra in the Services and Activities (S&A) Fee Committee's budget. The sudden prospect of a new pot of gold has caused many to scramble for their own project funds.

The money for the bonds came from S&A funds and equates to about $25 of the $79 S&A fee each student pays. The S&A Fee Committee voted at the end of fall quarter to redirect the extra money into the building plans to remodel the SUB.

The top contenders for the money were the Office of Residential Services (ORS) and the SUB Pre-Design Committee.

Technology problems hinder Black Hall struggles to live up to its billing

by Emily Watson
Staff reporter

At the October dedication of Black Hall an emphasis was placed on the advanced technology available at Central.

Housing four computer labs, a multimedia production laboratory and presentation consoles in the classrooms and laboratories, Black was the building to bring about Gov. Gary Locke's idea of a new era of learning.

Yet some students have doubts about the technology and the teachers' abilities to use it. "One of my instructors learned how to use the consoles last quarter, but this quarter it's like she's never used the consoles before," Kimberly Tedmon, a junior elementary education and early childhood major, said.

The presentation consoles enable instructors to control the VCR, television, various projectors, screens and audio players with a computer touchpad located in the podiums. All the instructor needs to do is touch the screen to pick and choose.

"Some instructors are fearful of technology," Dr. Bill Schmidt, director of the Educational Technology Center, said. "Some take to it quickly."

Schmidt said training sessions have been offered to teachers to familiarize them with the consoles. Additional one-on-one help has also been available.

"It's very easy (to use the consoles)," Shana Gillette, assistant professor of mass communication, said. She finds the only problem to be with the computers. "Sometimes when you press the buttons (on the screen) it doesn't connect," she said.

See TECHNOLOGY, Page 5
Hate graffiti and clumsy kids

Jan 4/99 10:30 a.m.
A Facilities Management employee reported the theft of a tire and rim from a Central vehicle. The vehicle, a 1983 Dodge Omni, was parked in the X-22 parking lot behind Student Village. Estimated loss is $35.

Jan 5/99 1:30 p.m.
A bicycle was reported stolen from the D section of Stephens-Whitney. The bicycle had been left unlocked. Estimated loss is $90.

Campus cops seize drugs in bust

By Tom Stanton
Editor-in-chief

Over Thanksgiving weekend, campus police began an investigation which resulted in the arrest of 19-year-old Central student, Philip Peterson, and his 20-year-old accomplice, Fred Odell. The two men, charged with manufacturing marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia, are scheduled to appear in court Feb. 23.

Rittereiser said officers on the scene smelled what they believed to be marijuana and knocked on the door of Peterson's room several times, but no one answered. The officers then saw a green leafy matter on the ground in front of the door. After a field test determined the substance was marijuana, the officers obtained a search warrant and began a search of the room.

Once inside the room, officers found nine starter marijuana plants, one bag of processed marijuana and a supply of Ziploc sandwich bags.

"What we found was that the people who were responsible for this weren't even living in the room," Rittereiser said.

Rittereiser said Peterson was living elsewhere and using his single occupancy room for a growing operation. Rittereiser also said Odell, a Moses Lake man, regularly came to Ellensburg to assist Peterson with the operation.

Initiative 200 impacts employment policies

by Alan Grimes
Staff reporter

Initiative 200 (I-200), a civil rights proposal that ends affirmative action in Washington, has caused changes to be made in Central's academic and employment policies since its passage last November.

Several programs, such as supplemental certification, exception testing and departmental searches for minorities were eliminated.

Supplemental certification of classified (non-academic) staff allowed for three additional minority names to be added to the pool of applicants for each job opening. Exception testing provided the inclusion of minority applications after testing deadlines. Departmental searches allowed academic departments to do their own searches for minority applicants.

Also cut was the Edstart program which, provided alternative admissions into the education program for people of color.

Jack McKay, associate dean of the school of professional studies, said even though its primary purpose has been changed, Edstart will continue to help students enter the education program.

Because I-200 does not affect federal laws and programs, Central will maintain an overall affirmative action hiring plan in order to maintain federal funding.

"I (2-00) will have a reaffirming effect on the university's policies," Nancy Howard, director of the office for equal opportunity, said.

Over the last six years, Central's minority faculty has increased about four percent while the number of women on the faculty has increased by more than ten percent. Howard said that Central remains dedicated to diversity despite cuts in hiring, admissions policies for Central are unaltered. Unlike the University of Washington and some schools in California, Central's admissions do not work on a point system whereby minorities are apportioned extra points. Instead, an admissions index is used with high school grades, test scores and other extenuating factors are considered.

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Central English classes are missing in action

by Kristina Jackson
and Carrina Galloway
Staff reporters

Picture the first day of class; you stroll in and take a seat . . . on the floor. This is the experience of many students who are feeling the crunch as two English classes, cut from the general education requirements, are in short supply.

Despite the effort to offer more classes this term, sections of English 102 and 301 are dwindling. The number of sections of these classes was reduced this year because current freshmen and sophomores are not required to take them. Some students were not fazed by the reductions.

"I haven't had any problems getting into my classes," Christina Wampler, a junior English major said.

English department chair Patsy Callaghan said the department is offering more sections of other English classes. Expanded sections mean faculty members won't have to teach an overload of students.

"It's very time consuming on the professors; they have to grade 100 papers per quarter," Callaghan said. "We also want to meet the needs of students. It's better to offer more of the 100 level or 300 level classes than to offer too little and have students not get the one-on-one help they need with their professors."

However, more than 200 students still required to take these classes for general education credits were wait-listed at the beginning of winter quarter. Thirteen sections of English 102 and eight sections of English 301 were wait-listed; some classes as many as 25-30 students waiting to be signed in. Students can bypass 101 and 301 by taking an exam.

Overcrowded English classes caused by cuts in sections of English 102 and 301 have students like these feeling cornered in class selections.

"When you're paying to go to college, you shouldn't have to be going to classes over-crowded to the ceiling," Ruthi Erdman, English instructor, said.

Health library open for students

by Paul Lohse
Asst. online editor

Central students can now search detailed, up-to-date medical information at the newly-opened Ellensburg Community Health Library.

The library opened last April with funding provided by Kittitas Valley Community Hospital (KVCH) and other businesses and organizations throughout Ellensburg.

Melanie Jones, Community Health Library coordinator, said she encourages Central students doing research and those with health-related questions to visit the library.

"We are trying to get the word out to students because we have a service that is free to them," Jones said.

Visitors to the library can access a number of medical databases and reference materials not available at either Central's or Ellensburg's libraries.

Health Reference Center - Academic is among the databases only accessible through the library and includes the full text of 150 medical journals and consumer magazines.

Central has contributed $4000 which allows the library to remain open during more student-friendly hours on Monday and Tuesday.

"We started this project in the direction where other medical libraries are trying to go," Jones said.

The library is located on Manitoba Street next to The Valley Clinic. For more information, visit their website at http://www.eburg.com/~hlib or call 933-7533.

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**BOND: S&A votes to fund the SUB renovation which may hinder housing**

Groups have proposed a viable idea for the SUB, the S&A committee chose to fund the SUB. The S&A fee Committee chair, Walter Waddel said.

The proposed idea to have students pay a fee for the SUB was voted down in last year’s election. Waddel said there was too much confusion as to whether ORS had enough funds to remodel their residence halls. He said it is possible they could renovate one hall at a time without raising room and board prices or remodel multiple buildings and raise the current room and board prices.

ORS is teaming up with Dining Services for the remodeling of their buildings. Currently on schedule to be renovated are Kamola Hall, Holmes Dining Hall, Sue Lombard Hall, Barge Hall and Moore Hall.

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**Students pay for pricey parking**

By Kristie Hughes

Staff reporter

Starting this quarter, everyone illegally parking better have their checkbooks handy, because campus parking fines have been raised.

"Raising ticket fines isn’t going to do anything. It’s just going to upset students," sophomore Noland Loncosky said. "Different methods should be used to pay.

Within the past year, Central’s parking office has seen a 20 percent increase in expenses due to general maintenance and upkeep of the parking lot.

"We believe it is a more fair approach to doing it (fine increase) instead of hitting students with another fee," Director of Business Services and Contracts Mike Hardiman said. "We have not raised parking fees in the past five years and we’re trying to hold the line on that.

In addition to future improvements at Central, parking facilities will be expanded and improved on all distance campuses.

In order to pay for these expenses, students, staff and faculty at the Sea-Tac and Lynnwood distance learning centers will be required to pay a quarterly parking fee of $12. Besides these fees, Central has raised parking fines.

Drivers will still have 15 days to pay their fine. If the ticket is paid within 24 hours of the violation, a $3 discount is awarded.

Students have a mix of opinions surrounding increased parking fines.

While some students think fee increases are a bad idea, numerous students look forward to higher quality parking facilities.

"I think it’s fine. It’s going to a good cause, and we’re all going to benefit from it," junior nursing student Alison Weiss said. "I would rather have a good place to park rather than bad parking conditions."

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Without the bond money, ORS may have to find alternative funding for the remodel of Kamola. The BOT will have the final say over the bond issue. Should the BOT approve the S&A fee committee vote, bidding for the construction of the SUB could start in the fall of 1999 and construction starting in the spring of 2000.

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With the state of the art technology of Black Hall, teachers can control a television, VCR, projectors, screens and audio player all with a touchpad on the podium.

TECHNOLOGY: Black Hall causes frustration

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For some students, like Anna Mallett, a senior in secondary education, the consoles aren't the problem in Black Hall.

"They (teachers) know how to use the equipment better than they did last quarter," she said. "I go crazy trying to find a computer that will open my documents."

In Black, the computers are equipped with software such as Microsoft Office, QuarkXPress and Adobe Photoshop, but the question is which computers have which software and what versions.

"All the Macintoshes in the building have Office 98, and the PCs have Office 97," Schmidt said.

When a document is worked on in Microsoft Office 98, older versions of Microsoft Office will no longer recognize the document.

When Locke was here in October, he addressed the importance of distance learning. Black Hall is equipped with a dedicated distance education room, capable of two-way audio and video communication with other classrooms in the state.

The multimedia production lab is not fully operational because some equipment has not arrived. Schmidt is requesting a student assistant to maintain machines in the Educational Technology Center. Although the lab is not ready, it is open to education program students.

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Central's Classic Film Series dishes up thick, rich entertainment right out of your glance, but a majority of you never even make it to the dinner table.

What a shame.

I attended these films regularly and so should you. Most of the time I see very few students in the audience. I usually find that I am surrounded by Central professors and Ellensburg residents.

I assume you students are in your dorm, house or apartment whining that there is "nothing to do in Ellensburg."

Here's something for Tuesday.

The Classic Film Series is a unique opportunity to see out-of-the-ordinary films; Just because you haven't heard of them doesn't mean they're no good. These films are full of humor at times and they are all wonderful.

Take for example the film you missed on Jan. 12. "My Life in Pink" was one of the better movies that I have seen lately. This Belgian film focused on a 7-year-old boy named Ludovic who thought that God really meant to make him a girl.

There was phenomenal acting and wonderfuly colored sets that kept your attention throughout the entire screening. I'm sure that the plot created many coffee discussions that might start with "what would you do if your son thought he was a she?"

If you can get your hands on it, rent it. It's too bad you didn't see it on the big screen, though. Especially with their new 35mm projector.

But the greatest is yet to come. David Burt, Emeritus Professor of English and one of the forces behind the series said the next film "Jour De Fete" is a must see. This 1947 French comedy-drama focuses on a leisurely bicycler who is frightened by the speed of the U.S. Postal Service and attempts to change his ways which end up mostly in disaster.

Since you missed "My Life in Pink" and many of the other films, redeem yourself and get to "Jour De Fete."

The only reason that subtitles should keep you away is if you are illiterate. After about 10 minutes of the film, you forget that you're reading as you sink into the plot, facial expressions and voice fluctuations.

After watching one of the films, you will feel more knowledgeable and well versed while you have relaxed and had a good time. The series is also ideal for a dinner and a movie night out.

This quarter's series will take you to far away lands and it's cheaper than a plane ticket.

Much cheaper.

The films are a steal at $2.50 a show. You can also buy a bargain pass for five admissions for $8. Just in case you're mathematically challenged, that's $1.60 a show.

So put the beer down, turn off the TV and bolt to McConnell Auditorium at 7 p.m. every Tuesday. I promise you won't regret it.

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For more information about how you can participate in the C.E.L. conference, stop by SUB 104 or call 963-1524.
The 80 hour week:

Paramedic students strive to get certified

by Patti Bransford
Staff reporter

Imagine spending three days on ambulance call in Walla Walla, then driving straight to a Yakima hospital to spend another eight hours observing surgeries, baby deliveries and the emergency room.

The paramedic program at Central University is a relatively new club on campus. The paramedic program began in 1974. Central is one of the first four-year universities with a paramedic program.

The program can be difficult, but it is not the type of instrument you can use in the wrong way. They have to follow the right things and show you the right way to do things in an accident scene. The paramedics must be certified before they can graduate and enter the workforce. The worst part of the incident wasn’t just being stuck on the roof, it was the cold wind, Johnson, a senior in physics, said.

The paramedic clinic training lab on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 2 p.m. is taught by Carolyn Booth. The class focuses on cardiology and teaches students basic paramedic procedures, such as resuscitation.

Central’s astronomers reach for the heavens

by Kevin Reitan
Staff reporter

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The astronomy club is looking for members interested in learning more about stars, planets and other celestial objects. During their meetings, members usually look at any planets that are visible and try to find other objects, like the Crab Nebula.

During the meeting on Jan 11, the astronomy club discussed their plans for a web page. After a short meeting they went to the Lind Hall observatory to look at the galaxy in Orion’s Belt. The highlight of the evening was observing surgeries, baby deliveries and the emergency room.

The telescope in Central’s observatory has a 12-inch objective. This is too small to do serious research, but it works well for observation purposes.

“The worst part of the incident wasn’t just being stuck on the roof, it was the cold wind,” Braunstein said. “However, there are some contributions we can make, like monitoring variable stars, but it is not the type of instrument you can use for big astronomical breakthroughs.”

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Prospective students must also have field experience, either as a volunteer or as paid personnel.

Call Dorothy Purser at 963-1451 for more information on the paramedic program.

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On ride-alongs, the paramedics assign tasks for students.

“Everybody works as a team to take care of the task at hand,” Beach said.

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Eight interesting places to visit in Central Washington

**The Falls**
North Bend and Snoqualmie, located 70 miles west of Ellensburg, combine the natural beauty of Snoqualmie Falls and Mount Si. The popular shopping attraction of the outlet mall draws huge crowds everyday. There are other less known places to visit in the Snoqualmie Valley like the Railroad Museum in North Bend, the historical train station in Snoqualmie, and the hike to Twin Falls. Visitors can also have a slice of cherry pie at Twede's, where scenes from the popular television show "Twin Peaks" were filmed.

**Roslyn**
Roslyn, which is only 30 miles from Ellensburg, has many things to see and do. The Brick is the oldest operating saloon in Washington and hosts live bands on the weekends. Village Pizza is a family-owned eatery where patrons can get toppings as feta cheese and sun-dried tomatoes on their homemade pizza. While you are eating, don't forget to try Roslyn's own beer from the Roslyn Brewing Company.

**Liberty**
Tucked in the hills off Highway 97, the skeletal remains of old gold mining operations add a special flavor to the town of Liberty. Rusty excavators and dredging equipment once used to unearth veins and crooked gold have remained stationary since the last gold-mining attempt in the late 1960s. Gold specimens from the liberty area are showcased in museums around the globe including the National Museum of Natural History.

**Dick and Jane**
A painted sidewalk greets visitors to Dick and Jane's house, which is located in downtown Ellensburg on Pearl Street.

**Irene Rinehart Park**
When a nice stroll next to the Yakima River sounds like fun, drive out to the Irene Rinehart Riverfront Park which is only a mile from Red Robin on Umptanum Road.

**Ginkgo Petrified Forest State Park**
Located in the area where Interstate 90 crosses the Columbia River, the park is named after the oldest living species of tree, Ginkgoaceae. The park is government by the Washington State Parks Department, over 200 species of petrified trees have been identified within the park. Visitors at the park's "Natural Area" can follow an interpretive trail through a exposed prehistoric lake bed.

**Olmstead Place**
On Oct. 1, 1968, Clareta Smith and Leta May Smith donated the 217.8-acre Olmstead Place to Washington State Parks. Annually, a reenactment of a threshing bee and an Easter egg hunt take place at the park. Along with the annual events, the nearby creek offers fishing and a three-fourth mile trail provides visitors with a way to tour Olmstead Place. Guided tours are available by appointment. Many historic buildings still stand at Olmstead Place. A big barn built in 1873 is filled with farming equipment used during the pioneer days. The Olmstead family house, built in 1908, also remains along with a big red barn used for storing hay, a granary, a wagon shed, a dairy barn and other buildings.

**Manastash**
Manastash Ridge, located high on a south ridge, overlooks Kittitas Valley. From the ridge, hikers and skiers have an excellent view of many prominent landmarks. When you reach the top, you may sit and jot down your experience in a sharing journal called "the book." To reach the trail head, take Umptanum Road to Manastash Road and then make a left on Cove Street.

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First Comedy Night leaves crowd in stitches

by Jenny Hagan
Staff reporter

SUB Club Central.

The first comedian to perform was Rice. She is from Longview, Wash. and has been doing standup for 16 years. She went professional in 1985 and has performed on cruise ships, overseas and all over the country. Rice said college students are fun to perform for because they are used to sitting and listening, so their attention is better than people in bars. This was Rice's first time performing at Central.

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Junior Rob Coffey and senior Tammy Flaget have attended comedy nights before.

"I brought in such a variety of comedians and they bring in such a variety of comedians. They had an impromptu night and I couldn't go," Coffey said.

"They bring in such a variety of comedians. Different people are doing standup for because they are used to sitting and listening, so their attention is better than people in bars. This was Rice's first time performing at Central."

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Central entrepreneurs open the doors to their first business venture: Teriyaki Central

by Roslyn Biggs
Staff reporter

With the opening of their new restaurant, Teriyaki Central, senior business students Joel Hammond and Mike Harkins recently proved that anything can be accomplished if the necessary ambition and desire exist.

Open just two short weeks, Teriyaki Central is already a popular place among students. "I've been waiting for this forever," senior Jessica Kennedy said. "Teriyaki is the best kind of food and now there is finally somewhere to get it." Hammond said that the idea for Teriyaki Central was just one of a number of ideas that he and Harkins have thrown around over the past years.

Both are from the west side and since moving to Ellensburg, have missed seeing a teriyaki restaurant on nearly every corner.

Although Hammond and Harkins were fully aware of the many risks that accompany any business venture, they were also aware of the enormous potential that their idea held. Both had the drive to be their own bosses and the desire to see something physical grow out of their imaginations.

Before putting their plan into action, Hammond and Harkins did some analysis and talked with students to get a feel for how their restaurant might be received in the future. "It's still a risk, but it's definitely a good risk," Harkins said.

The two received support and guidance from Harkins' father, who is also in the food industry, as well as from countless other family members and friends.

Although Hammond and Harkins were worried about the amount of work it would take, they were primarily interested in yelling at their audience. Their presence and interaction with the audience seemed to play more for their own enjoyment than for that of their audience. The band played many of their own songs, but it seemed as if they were primarily interested in yelling at their audience.

The sun is shining for Teriyaki Central co-owner Joel Hammond. Hammond and Mike Harkins are business students at Central.

Teriyaki Central is located at 1801 N. Walnut #3, next door to Video Central in the 18th St. Deli Complex.

Doors are open from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. every day of the week. Indoor seating is available and takeout orders can also be placed by calling 925-3680.

Four bands differ in sound at Hal Holmes

by Joel Carlson
Staff reporter

Bumushing the stage last Friday at the Hal Holmes Center, Organized Confusion, the first of four bands to play, began their first set, despite their openers having relocated midway through their set. By the end of the set the band had the crowd yelling for more.

The band had a great stage presence, interacting with the crowd, yelling at them and expecting to be yelled at in return. The pit grew in size from five overly excited high schoolers to a teeming mass of people crowding the stage.

Mad City played a cover of the Ramones' "Blitzkrieg Bop" and their own version of "Louie Louie" and "Twist and Shout". Between these covers, their own songs and the band's incessant banter between songs, the set flew by and when the time was out, they left the crowd yelling for more.

The band went on to rebuild the crowd which began drifting in steadily midway through their set. By the end of the set the band had the crowd, now consisting more of an older audience (as it was past most teenagers' curfew) jumping and excited to see the next band on the bill, Mad City Mullet.

On a much needed change of pace and played a great set, despite their openers having relocated much of their crowd. Their creative rapping was genuinely unique with a funk sound to it.

The menu at Teriyaki Central is diverse. Some of the options include chicken, pork, and beef (each served Teriyaki style), as well as vegetarian stir fry.

Co-owner Hammond promises that Yaki Central is now open to the public. "It blows me away," Hammond said, "especially since Mike and I are both still going to school. To do this is amazing."

There are still times when both men are faced with uncertainty about what the future could hold. However, they say that watching their "finished product grow and change is enough to wash away any doubt that may try to sneak into their lives."

Harkins stresses that regardless of what happens with the business in the future, the hands-on experience he is gaining now as a young entrepreneur will prove priceless in his future as a business person.

"It's a good start," Harkins said. "I think developing the restaurant has helped me with school more than school has helped me with the restaurant."

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Faculty exhibit in Spurgeon Gallery highlights concepts taught to students

by Jessica Terrel
Staff reporter

In-depth photography, wood art and vibrant paintings come alive for the Faculty Exhibit at Sarah Spurgeon Art Gallery. Every other year the faculty members and retired professors of the art department work together to exhibit creations of various media they have taught and worked on in the previous year.

"There are different professor's artwork shown this year and I like Robert Dohrmann's work because it shows illustration and surrealism," Jason Daniels, a senior in graphic design, said.

Jim Sahlstrand has been teaching photography at Central and is the current director of the Spurgeon Gallery. Sahlstrand's media is all phases of photographic coverage. His photos' precision of details allow the viewer to interpret a realm of activity coverage.

"The faculty exhibit represents work of the art department faculty in all medias," Sahlstrand said. "People Not Listening," which is a spin-off of his father who was a great listener.

"The faculty exhibit shows students and the Ellensburg community what the professors are practicing in their expertise," Bach said. "Like Robert Dohrmann's work because it shows illustration and surrealism, "

"The faculty exhibit is special because everyone can come and see what faculty members have been creating in their studios," Chinn said. "I invite the public to see artistic creativity in the department of art." Professor Michael Emme is presenting color slides named "44 channels" that have the sculptural effect of stain-glass windows.

"The faculty exhibit is a unique opportunity to see how the faculty members think in their artwork and it is fun to look at," Emme said.

Cynthia Krieble teaches painting and her theme for the exhibit is revisiting family history with old family photos, which brings to life the harshness of wars and generations past.

"A world without art would be like perpetual meals of oatmeal and water without flavoring or spices," Agars said.

The exhibit will be in the Sarah Spurgeon Art Gallery Jan. 11-29. Art gallery hours are Mon.-Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Sat. and Sun. noon to 3 p.m. For more details call 963-2665.

This combination of wood and glass is titled "Garden Table" by Gary Galbraith.

"Dallas" and "St. Paul" are two of the five photos by Jim Sahlstrand on display in the Spurgeon Art Gallery for the faculty exhibit.

"Inspiration is derived from my intensity of life experiences and the environment in which I have lived," Krieble said. "I invite the public to see artistic creativity in the department of art."

John Agars teaches Screen-Printing and Digital Computer Art. Agars' theme for the exhibit is revisiting family history with three computer images. The digital background is embedded with old family photos, which brings to life the harshness of wars and generations past.

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Wildcats out-slug archrival

Wildcats’ streak increases to 11 after wins over Western and Simon Fraser

At times during their current 11-game winning streak, the Central men’s basketball team has played as flawless as a team can play.

Just look at their Dec. 11 victory at Seattle Pacific. The Wildcats played a near perfect game, and handed the Falcons their worst home loss in more than a decade, an 87-69 drubbing.

Then there are games like last week. Games where it was more a battle of attrition than a basketball game.

Which is just what Central did, knocking off arch­rival Western Washington 82-68 last Thursday. The Wildcats followed that up with an ugly, yet effective, 73-63 win over Simon Fraser on Saturday.

The Wildcats now sit at 7-0 in conference play, and hold a two-game lead in the standings over Seattle Pacific and St. Martin’s in the West Division of the PacWest Conference.

Central is also ranked No. 1 in the NCAA Division II West Region. The Wildcats are currently ranked ahead of defending national champion UC-Davis in the poll.

Thursday night’s game with the Vikings was the 215th in the great rivalry history. But few will argue that there was ever a more physical game than that one.

“There is no love between nobody in that game,” guard Derrick Elliott said afterwards. An incident during the game proved Elliott’s point.

“Early in the second half of what had already been a hard-fought 20-plus minutes of basketball, Central’s Tyce Nasinec and Western’s Jared Stevenson became entangled under the Western basket following a foul. What ensued was a scuffle between Western players, Central players and Wildcat fans that caused both benches to clear, and the game to be delayed for almost 10 minutes.

“I fouled him and on the way down he (Stevenson) grabbed my jersey and pulled me into the crowd,” Wildcat forward Carson Payne attempts to block the shot of Western’s Jacob Stevenson in Central’s 82-68 win over the Vikings last Thursday.

Women hoopsters run win streak to four

A recent team meeting led to a four game win streak and lit a fire under the Central women’s basketball team that may be the beginning of a new era.

Everyone that has been to a Central basketball game at Nicholson Pavilion can see the Central men’s basketball team has already established a winning tradition by looking at all the championship banners in the rafters.

The women’s basketball team gathered last week and discussed what was needed to reach the next level. The team is young and has a bright future ahead of them, but they want it now. They want to start a program that will be recognized nationwide.

“We had a huge team meeting last week and set goals for the rest of the year,” sophomore guard Tiffany Darling said. “We are a very young team and we would like to establish a winning tradition here at Central that will stay here forever.”

That talk had an immediate impact. The team won two home games last week and now has a 4-0 record. The Wildcats escaped with a 67-62 home victory over Western Oregon last Thursday followed by a two-point victory over Humboldt State at Nicholson Pavilion Saturday night.

Deadly three-point shooting by junior guard Jaime Johnston and Darling, along with a swarming full court pressure defense, led the Wildcats to their two wins.

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Streak: Injuries beginning to stack up

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Wildcats to a come-from-behind vic­
tory over the Lumberjacks of
Humboldt State.

After struggling from the line
throughout the game, sophomore
guard Kristin Willis hit two decisive
free-throws with 35 seconds left.

"It's always tough coming back from winter
break, especially when your competition is that
tough," Pine said. "But it's really all practice until
nationals."

At Clackamas, Central bounced back in a big
way. Even though no team scores were kept, near­
ly all of the Wildcats competitors scored at least one
win. Bart Orth improved his season record to 23-7,
and Mays (10-5), Feist (14-8) and Ben Orth (13-8)
all bounced back from disappointing losses against
Montana State-Northern.

Their success should boost the Wildcats' confi­
dence as they head into a dual meet against Simon
Fraser this Friday before hosting the Central
Washington Open Saturday.

"These next few weeks are going to be impor­
tant for us," Pine said. "Nationals is two months
away, and this is the time to pick ourselves up."

Over winter break, Central traveled to Primm, Nevada for the Las Vegas Invitational, and to
Tacoma for the Pacific Lutheran Open. Bart Orth
was the Wildcats' lone placer in Nevada, taking 5th
at 174 lbs.

At Pacific Lutheran, Central placed 5th in the
team standings. Earning medals for the Wildcats
were Nick Rodgers (5th at 125 lbs), Tony Cotton
(2nd at 149 lbs), Jack Andersson (2nd at 157 lbs),
Ben Orth (4th at 165 lbs) and Bart Orth (4th at 174).

How to order:

All 14 players chosen for a
random drug test in November
tested negative.

Unlike the NAIA, which
Central was a member of last
year, the NCAA has a very
strict drug policy.

Although the football sea­
son is over, Central Athletic
Director Gary Frederick said
Coach John Zamberlin's team
will likely be tested at some
other point this year.

"The NCAA usually only
tests the other sports (basket­
ball and track) when they are in season but the football
team will probably be tested again," Frederick said.

The 14 players were select­
et at random by the NCAA.

At the beginning of the sea­
son Zamberlin sent the NCAA
an official squad list. From that
list, the NCAA chose a per­
centage of athletes to be tested,
and notified the school a day or
two before the tests.

The university informed the
selected players of the test
around 6 p.m. the night before
the tests were administered.

The NCAA sent in their
own personnel to perform the
urine sample tests. Central
assistant athletic trainer Kelli
Steele is the school's liaison to
the NCAA and was responsible
for the test set-up.

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other point this year.

"For example, as soon as a
cross country runner crossed
the finish line at the national
tournament, an NCAA official
could grab her and make her
do a drug test right then," Frederick said.
Central swimmers splash to first win of the season

by Jon Guddat
Staff reporter

The men's and women's swim team started 1999 decisively by defeating the visiting Pacific Lutheran University Lutes this past Saturday, with impressive scores of 106-78 for the men and 108-60 for the women.

This year's record of 1-4 for each team reflects the recent change to the Division II schedule which is proving to be much tougher than the NAIA. Even with the move to a higher level, the team is still focused on national qualifying times.

"We have a good shot at qualifying in the 200 free relay," Justin Berry said. "This year's focus is qualifying for Division II nationals."

Berry anchored the winning 200 yard medley relay against the Lutes, which Central won in dramatic fashion. Berry was able to take the lead in the last few yards to win in 1:40.37.

"It was great to start the year off with a high note," Berry said of the relay and Central's win.

Berry was not alone in the relay. Marshall McKean, Tony Preston and Aaron Wilson contributed to the exciting race.

On the women's side, Natalie Price had a couple of first place finishes on Saturday in the 1000 and the 500-yard free, winning in 11:02.97 and 5:20.28. Deborah Frazee contributed to the team effort winning the 100 backstroke in 1:02.90.

Both the men and women dominated certain events. For the women, Price and Amy Mahre swam to first and second place finishes in the 1000 free. Jacy Eilers and Bethany Barklift also received first and second place finishes in the 200 free. Mahre and Dani Eide went 1-2 in the 100 fly.

Central men took home first, second and third place honors in the 50 and 100 free and the 100 backstroke. Bob McEvoy won both the 50 free and the 100 free with times of 21.53 and 47.10, while Jay Box paced the 100 backstroke in 56.69.

McEvoy and Joni Jacobs posted NCAA Division II secondary national qualifying times. McEvoy achieved his in the 50 and 100 free events, while Jacobs qualified in the 100 breast stroke with a time of 1:09.30.

Central continued its winning tradition against the Lutes as the men improved their all-time series record to 38-3, and the women took the series lead 18-17.

Over the winter break, Central traveled to UC-San Diego to compete and train. On Dec. 18 the men lost a close meet 105-101 and the women fell short as well, 113-74.

Both teams competed last Friday against the University of Washington.

Although the Huskies dominated the meet, a few positives emerged. McEvoy placed first in the 100 free, while the 200 free relay team also took home first place honors.

(Above) Sophomore Julie Schmeltzer leaps into the water against Pacific Lutheran last Saturday. The Central men and women won their first meet of the season over the Lutes. The women won 108-60 while the men defeated PLU 106-78.

Next up for the Wildcat men and women swimmers is a dual meet against Whitworth College and Evergreen State at 1 p.m. Saturday at the CWU Pool.

(Left) Assistant Wildcat swim coach Dan Martin helps senior Dani Eide stretch prior to her event.

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Central hoops ranked first
The Central men’s basketball team was ranked first in the recent NCAA Divisions II West Region rankings released January 6. The Wildcats have won their last 11 games.

Nasinec tabbed PacWest player of the week
Central’s Ty Nasinec was selected as the PacWest player of the week on Monday. Nasinec netted 26 points in Wildcat wins over Western Washington and Simon Fraser last week. The senior forward shot nine for 15 from the field, canned six three pointers, dished out four assists, blocked two shots and swept four steals in the two games.

Six Central players make Little All-Northwest team
Six Central football players were selected to the Little All-Northwest football first team. John Hallen was chosen as both a defensive back and kick returner. Other Wildcat selections included Mark Doll, offensive lineman; Dan Murphy, running back; Jan Tyrell, punter; Evan Ayers, offensive line-man; and Brandon Christensen, linebacker.

Fleury named head coach
Jerrold Fleury was named permanent head coach for Central women’s soccer. Fleury, who coached at Tacoma Community College before coming to Central, led the Wildcats to a 13-6-1 record this fall as interim coach.

Intramural sports begin
Intramural Sports closed registration yesterday but students are urged to stop by the Intramural Office (SUB 111) to see if any spots are still open. Activities this quarter include basketball, volleyball and indoor soccer. League competition starts Tuesday.

Murphy earns MVP
Dan Murphy was named Most Valuable Player at the Central football banquet. Other award winners included John Garden, Most Inspirational; Mark Doll, Best Blocker; John Hallen, Best Tackler; and Mark Loezer, Outstanding Freshman.

Seattle University to join PacWest
Central may have a new rival in upcoming years as Seattle University has made plans to apply to the NCAA Division II in June. If approved, the school would compete as a provisional PacWest member for four years and become a full, active NCAA D-II university in the year 2002 or 2003. Seattle University plans on applying to the PacWest Conference West Division which includes Central, Western Washington, Seattle Pacific, Simon Fraser, Western Oregon, St. Martin’s and Humboldt State.

Wrestling
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Weight
Central Wrestler
Record
Place
125
Nick Rodriguez 1-2
DNP
133
Vidal Gonzales 1-2
DNP
141
Juan Goodale 3-0 1st
DNP
149
Tony Cotton 1-2
DNP
157
Kyle Smith 2-2
DNP
165
Ben Dorf 4-1 2nd
DNP
174
Joe Chavez 0-2 DNP
174
Jeremy Brummett 3-2 40
184
Aaron Beaussette 0-2
DNP
198
Chris Fitt 3-1 2nd
DNP
197
Jerry Brummett 3-2 40

This week’s matches
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