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of the Associated Students of Copper Mountain College



COPPER MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

## NEW PRESIDENT ON CAMPUS; PART ONE

By Lynda Herrington

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As of July 1, 2008, we have a new President on campus. The new President, Roger Wagner, Ph.D., was the Vice President of Instruction last year. While considering a change from his previous home, he was specifically looking towards moving to the desert. When an opening for Vice President of Instruction was found, the environment, community, size of the college, and the distance from things to do all appealed to Dr.

Wagner and his wife.

This year Dr. Wagner has taken on a new role here at Copper Mountain College. The position entails overseeing the daily operation of the college ensuring all branches function effectively and meet the needs of the students.

It is important that our students and staff have the opportunity to get to know our new President. This endeavor will allow us to feel more comfortable with a new

leader, a believer in all of us who wants us to feel encouraged and know that we are all leaders. As stated by Dr. Wagner, "Empowering people to be leaders in all levels makes ours a better institution."



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## HIS EDUCATION AND EARLY CAREER

Born and reared in Missouri, Dr. Wagner enlisted in the Air Force straight out of high school. After four or five years he started going to college in the evenings.

Stationed in the Philippines, he worked on his Associates Degree in Administration of Justice through Los Angeles Metropolitan College and the Air Force.

The reason for this choice of major was because he was a Law Enforcement Specialist in the Air Force during that time.



## New President on Campus, continued



Dr. Wagner standing by the sculpture next to the walk between Phase I and Phase II.

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Dr. Wagner standing by the sculpture off the walk between Phase I and Phase II.

### Dr. Wagner’s Ph.D.

After completing his associate’s degree, he went to the University of the Philippines part time in the evenings for a bachelor’s degree, the major being Social Sciences. Later, for his master’s degree, he attended online courses through the University of Phoenix majoring in Organizational Management. In December of 2007 Dr. Wagner earned his Ph.D. in Educational Leadership. Surprisingly enough, none of these degrees are in Architecture, which was something he thought he would like to do at one time in his youth. When asked if planning any further education Dr. Wagner responded, “No, and if you want me to think about it a bit, the answer will still be no.” Upon elaboration he explained that all that is left to do is postdoctoral work and research, and at this point in his career it is not something in which he is interested.

### His Goals: Community and Leadership

After 20 years in the Air Force, Dr. Wagner was employed by a private prison working in

academics and training for inmates and staff, which is what got him into the field of education. Later he taught at a community college in Kansas, and at Crowder College as a business and industrial training consultant, an industrial training coordinator, an Associate Dean of Instruction and then as the Dean.

During Dr. Wagner’s time here some of his goals have included increasing the budget, which can only be done by increasing student enrollment. He also hopes to see our college become more engaged in community events.

Dr. Wagner sees it as critically important that the staff sees themselves as leaders, even though they may not have been told to lead or do not see themselves as leaders. He would like to strengthen the leadership of the students and staff. Dr. Wagner states, “To think the President is the sole leader is absurd, every person who works here has a role in leading this college and moving forward.” Everything that everyone does on campus leads this institution, including administrative assistants, clerks, custodians, finance, and security.

## SEARCH FOR THE NEW MASCOT CONTINUES

*The Voice* is searching for a new mascot to replace our coyote. All of our CMC students are welcome to create and contribute their artwork.

picture of the new mascot is limited to a circle two inches wide. It will be reproduced in upcoming newsletters both in black and white and color.

Please deliver a copy of your version of the new mascot to the Voice drop box in the Library by November 20, 2008, or email [tvoice@cmccd.edu](mailto:tvoice@cmccd.edu)

## GOING TO SCHOOL

By Lynda Herrington

Going back to school,  
No longer will I be called  
an uneducated fool,  
This is so cool,  
CMC rules!

Even though it's been this  
long,  
The choice I've made is far  
from wrong,  
My mind is open and  
strong,  
So excited, I wanna break  
out in dance and song.

It's now my turn,  
Even with my concerns,  
Some I can overturn,  
I'm coming, I'm gonna  
learn!

I will be shown new skills,  
My mind is to fill,  
With the help of Financial  
Aid, I will have a shorter  
bill,  
All this has become my  
will.

I can't believe it's true,  
Now, I'm right on cue,  
I'm with the few,  
Who is doing what I al-  
ways wanted to do!

## PORTRAIT OF AN EDUCATED LADY

By Megan Lamb

A feminist academic, Dr. Cheyenne Bonnell shared her thoughts on gender equality, effective learning and a female-led America. As a contributor to a myriad of published articles and essays, and a professor for more than twenty-five years, Bonnell has informed and illuminated the minds of many.

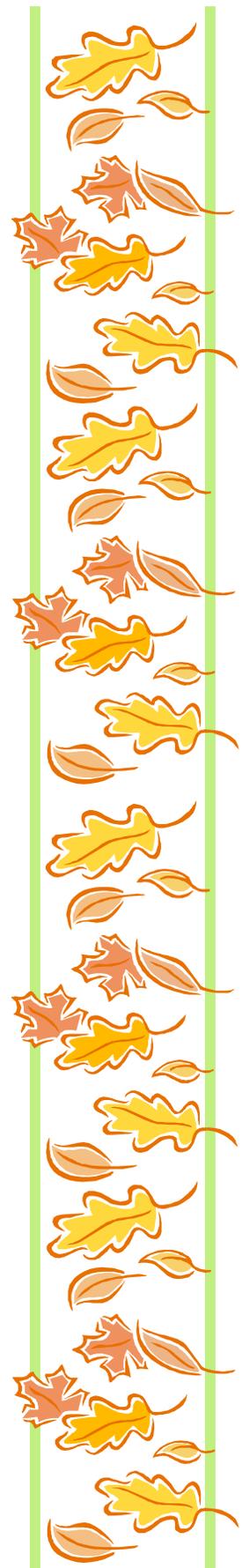
Sitting between a miniature labyrinth of books and a desk, Bonnell conversed articulately with a breezy sense of certainty that speaks volumes about her educated upbringing.

In a 1997 article of *The Chronicle for Higher Education*, Bonnell supplied an oppositional argument to the burgeoning trend of distance learning, mostly for women. Although Bonnell agreed that there has been an improvement in the format, it lacks the social ambiance that women generally prefer. She was criticized for her opinion due to the simple

accusation that if women choose to do it, they must enjoy it.

With the upcoming presidential election, the idea of change seems to be the term most commonly used. Is America ready for a woman to be our leader? Bonnell believes that whether or not the nation is ready for it, change is what is necessary. "I don't necessarily think that we were ready for the Civil Rights movement when it happened, and yet we simply adjusted to it," she continued, "we may need it to happen even if we are not ready."

It is refreshing to hear her reaction to a simple question; when asked to name her favorite author, she said, "Oh no! That is too hard, well I am going to say Jane Austen right now, but that will change all the time." Bonnell smiled at the prospect of being a modern woman who can change her mind.



## AMBASSADOR FOR CHANGE

By Ivone Alexandre

Few things rank scarier than being tossed to the wolves in a completely foreign environment. Bailey Winn Paschall knows the feeling well, “When I went to orientation for Copper Mountain College (CMC), I felt completely overwhelmed with information and ended up losing a lot of opportunities because I didn’t catch on to the process.”

Left on her own, she missed many opportunities her first semester, including financial aid. She reflects, “I had to pay full tuition my first semester because everything was out of reach knowledge-wise and now that I’ve caught up, I have almost everything paid for.” This is why Bailey

ran this semester to be a Student Body Ambassador. “I really believe in this school and I want to see the kids here that think this is worthless or “just” a community college take full advantage of what they can achieve.”

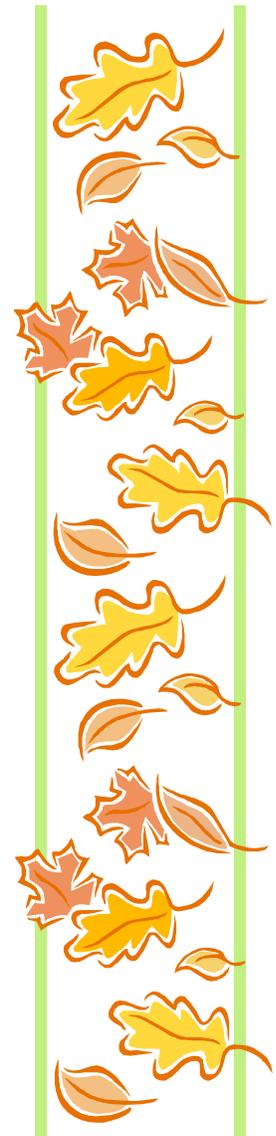
Walking around the campus in recent weeks, there have been tables set up to tally in votes for the student election, but most student bee-line right past the opportunity to lend their voice. Bailey shakes her head, “They really don’t know what we do for them in terms of activities and organizing and most feel that this college is just a transition period and personal investment in its future is pointless.”

Bailey wants to lend a hand in welcoming new students

and empowering the college’s sense of community. She also wants to fully prevent those new environment jitters and mistakes that plagued the beginning of her career.

When asked why students should be voting she gets excited, “It’s about community and organizing us together. If they don’t raise their hand and ask, they’re not going to get the attention and help they need!”

Her enthusiasm is infectious and one can only hope that her energy will transfer to making this college a more accessible and community-oriented learning experience for everyone.



### ASCMC

#### Student Government Body;

President: Tami Montgomery	Senator: Terry Bonsor
	Senator: Gerald Condor
Vice President: Michael Perez	Senator: Philip Curra
	Senator: Jeffrey Hawks
Treasurer: Jason Nauman	Senator: Leni Jo Jones
	Senator: Noemi Lara
Secretary: Lynda Herrington	Senator: Jeffrey Layne
	Senator: “Lew” Lewis
Trustee: Kathy Barger	Senator: Charlene Meister
	Senator: Jai Mitchell
Ambassador: Bailey Wynn Paschall	Senator: Jerry Nunez
Base Ambassador: Norma Baz	Senator: Tara Peck
Adviser: Melynie Schiel	Senator: Jessica Ann Ransom
Adviser: Mike Danza	Senator: Jennifer Stanley
	Senator: Ryan Stoermer
	Senator: Teaque Sweeney



A self-loading scraper arrived on campus to assist with the construction of the Bell Center.

## Campus Clubs

### Students with Abilities

Everyone is welcome to join and participate.

Meetings are located in Bruce's Café on the first and third Thursdays at noon

November 6 & 20  
December 4

For more information contact  
Terry Bonsor  
President  
760-333-0520  
Or  
Cheyenne Bonnell  
(Adviser)  
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### History Club

For more information contact  
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President

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### Math Club

Nov. 5 & 19, Dec. 3 at noon  
Room 121  
For more information contact  
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### Christian Club

Meetings will be held in Room 126 in Phase II on Fridays at 12:30 to 1:30 pm

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### Art Club

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### Debate & Speech Club

First meeting will be held in Room 4 on October 15 from 5 to 9 pm

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Adviser

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### STARS Club

More information coming soon!

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### HEROES Club

More information coming soon!

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### Rock Climbing Club

More information coming soon!

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### Alpha Beta Gamma

Business Honors

If you are a business major you should look into honors.

For more information contact  
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### ASCMC

#### Student Government

Meetings are held Thursdays in Room 5 from 1 to 3 pm

Come in a let us listen to your voice. We're here for YOU!

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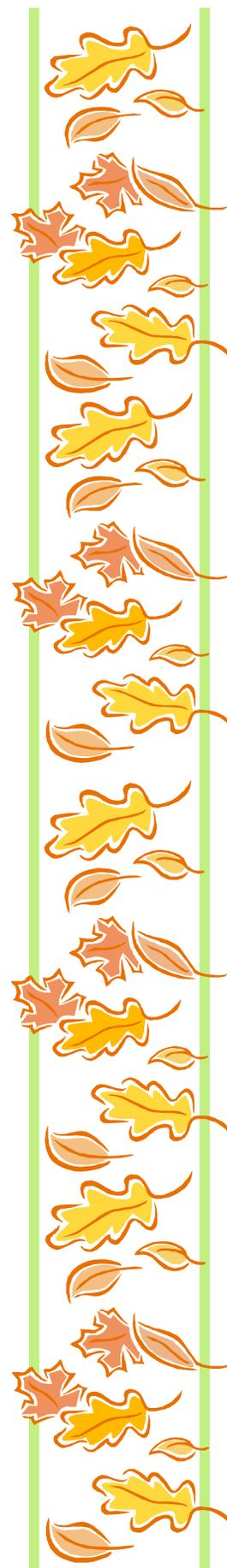
#### Want to start your own club?

- 1) You need a faculty advisor.
- 2) You need to select by-laws.
- 3) Present your idea to Student Government.

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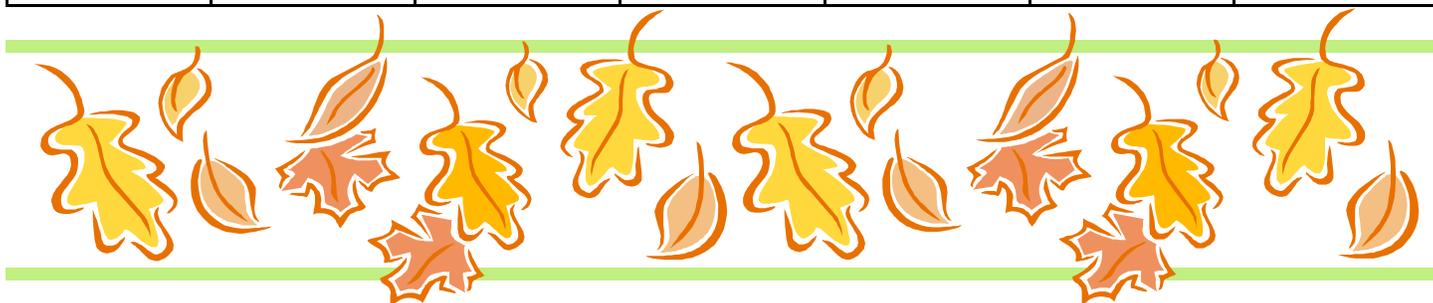
For more detailed information stop by the Student Government office located in the Cafeteria and pick up a flyer.



# CALENDAR & SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## November 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Standard Time Returns	3	4 Election Day	5	6 Health Sciences Information	7	8
9	10	11 Veterans Day (College Closed)	12 Second Pell Disbursement \$ \$ \$ \$	13 Statewide Earth - quake drill	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Health Sciences Information	21 Last Day to Drop with a W	22
23	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving Day (College Closed)	28 (College Closed)	29 (College Closed)
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### November Events

2nd	Standard Time Returns (Back)	20th	Health Sciences Information
4th	Election Day	21st	Last day to drop with a W
6th	Health Sciences Information	27th-29th	Thanksgiving, college closed
11th	Veterans Day, college closed		
12th	Second Pell Disbursement		
13th	State-wide Earthquake drill		

