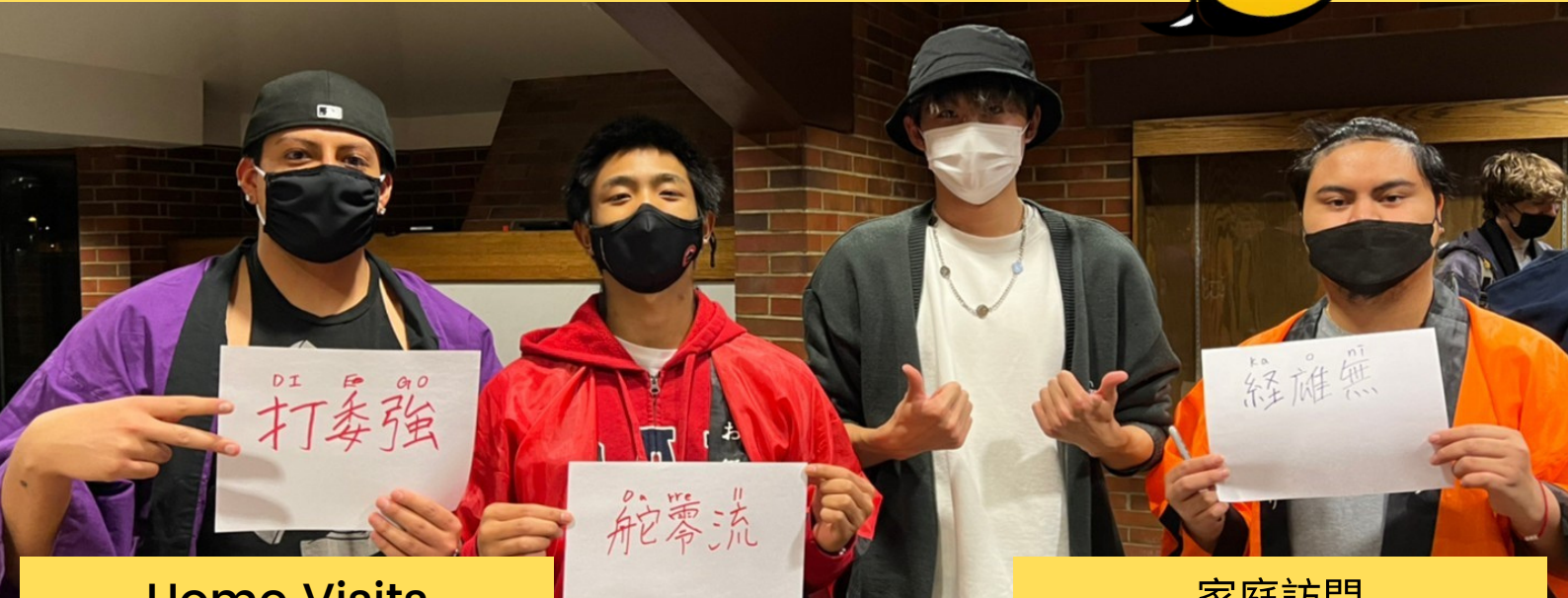


Washington Spring Program - CWU Newsletter



Week 4 - February 21-27, 2022



Home Visits

Home Visits are a special chance for WSP students to learn more about American family life.

Over the next two weeks, members of the Ellensburg community will be opening their homes to share their family's culture and spend time with our students. Every WSP student will participate in one Home Visit and several students have the opportunity for two visits!



Busy Bees!

Congratulations to this week's Busy Bees! These students have made outstanding efforts to actively engage with CWU students and the community!



家庭訪問

ホームビジットとは... WSP生が、アメリカの家庭生活を経験する特別な機会です。これから二週にわたり、エレンズバーグ地域住民と週末を過ごします。全WSP生が、1回は参加しますが、2回参加する学生もいます。

Busy Bees!

今週のBusy Bee達。CWU生や地域コミュニティと積極的に関わるための素晴らしい努力が認められ、賞状が授与されました。





Classes - Another week of perfect attendance!

- **Experience Ellensburg:** This week our third field trip was to historic downtown Ellensburg where the students visited the John Clymer Museum of Art and the Ellensburg Rodeo Hall of Fame. There students discovered Ellensburg's most famous artist, John Clymer and the history of its most famous annual event, the Ellensburg Rodeo. Students then walked around town looking for art, architecture and chances to speak English with local people. The students are getting more confident in asking staff and other locals questions. In class, everyone debriefed their field trip, and practiced their paraphrasing skills with readings on the history of Ellensburg. Students also shared photos of their experiences.
- **Career Skills:** Students built on last week's practice of describing their duties at part-time jobs to begin drafting an American style resume. Spending time in the computer lab, they worked on typing their resumes. Later in the week, we had a lively DAVE class where students discussed the differences between Japanese and American resumes with students from a CWU communications class. Then, they compared and contrasted what is most and least important about a person's background when interviewing for a job in order to gain more understanding of cultural differences in this area.
- **English Communication:** This week in English Communication class we continued to debrief last week's small talk speaking test, getting feedback and support from CWU student volunteers. We also had a small talk party where WSP students invited a CWU student friend to class for lots of conversation practice. Other activities included American slang, helping modals, email skills and a powerpoint to help students prepare for their American family/home visits! The week ended with a special DAVE class with Ed majors. After the CWU students taught mini lessons, the WSP students practiced discussion language skills by using new phrases and techniques for expanding conversations.





Classes 三週連続皆勤賞

• Experience Ellensburg: エレンズバーグ体験

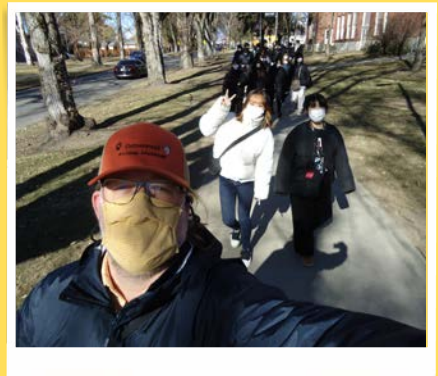
3回目の校外学習では、ジョン・クライマー美術館とロデオ殿堂博物館を訪れました。エレンズバーグで最も有名な芸術家と、アメリカ国内でも有名な、毎年恒例のエレンズバーグロデオについて学びました。その後、ダウンタウンの芸術作品や建築物を探し歩きました。散策中、地元の人達と交流したりと、英語で話すことや質問をすることに自信がついてきました。教室では、校外学習で学んだことについて振り返りました。そして、エレンズバーグの歴史の読み物を使って、内容を分かりやすく言い換える練習をしました。他にも、校外学習中に自身が撮影した写真をクラスメートと共有しました。

• Career Skills: キャリアスキル

先週行ったアルバイトの業務内容の説明を基に、アメリカ式の履歴書を作成し始めました。コンピューターラボで、履歴書の作成に取り組みました。週後半には、コミュニケーション学科の生徒達との合同クラスで、アメリカと日本の履歴書の違いについて話し合いました。そして、面接の際に最も重視/軽視される経歴を比較検討し、この分野の文化の違いについて理解を深めました。

• English Communications: 英語コミュニケーション

先週から引き続き、世間話のスピーキングテストのおさらいをし、CWUのボランティア学生からフィードバックをもらいました。また、CWUの友人達をクラスに招き、会話の練習をたくさんするスモールトークパーティーを行いました。その他にも、アメリカのスラング、助動詞、メール作成スキルを学びました。また、パワーポイントを使って、週末のアメリカの家族・家庭訪問に向けての準備も行いました。今週の締め括りは、教育学科の学生との合同クラスでした。CWU生がミニレクソンを行った後、WSP生は、新しいフレーズや会話を広げるテクニックを使って、ディスカッションの練習をしました。





Student Life

The long holiday weekend provided students with the opportunity to explore and sightsee.

Students who visited Seattle went to the famous Chihuly Garden & Glass Museum, the Space Needle, T-Mobile Park, the First Starbucks, and more... Those that stayed in Ellensburg had fun exploring parks, the Yakima mall, spending time with CWU friends and even had a Korean food night!

Cultural Event: This week's main cultural event was "Japanese Culture Night." Each of the four halls that house WSP students will host a culture night over the next two weeks. This is a chance for the WSP students to meet and interact with their hallmates and teach them about Japanese culture. The events are always popular and highly interactive.

International Cafe': WSP students joined other international and CWU students for the Cafe' which was themed, "Olympics." Students had a chance to create fictional countries and compete for medals with their tablemates. It was a lively event with lots of laughs and fun conversation!

Home Visits: This was the first weekend of Home Visits. 12 students enjoyed a day with an Ellensburg family. Activities included hiking, watching a children's basketball game, eating meals together, playing games, and shopping.

Other activities this week include a Bingo night, Monday Movie Madness, working out at the Rec Center, playing video games with American friends, and enjoying the spring-like weather.

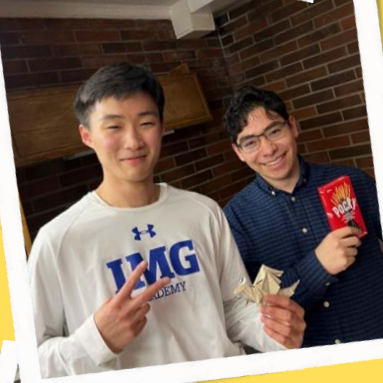
3連休は、他の町を観光する絶好の機会でした。シアトルを訪れた学生たちは、有名なチフリーガーデン & ガラス美術館やスペースニードル、Tモバイルスタジアム、スターバックス一号店など様々な場所を訪れました。エレンズバーグで過ごした学生たちは、地元の公園やヤキマのショッピングモールに行ったり、CWU生と過ごしたり、韓国料理を作ったりと、有意義な3連休を過ごしました。

文化イベント: 今週のメインイベントは「日本文化ナイト」でした。これから二週にわたって、WSP生が暮らしている、4つのそれぞれの寮で、日本文化ナイトが開催されます。他の寮生と交流し、日本文化を伝える良い機会です。毎回好評で、参加者も多いイベントです。

インターナショナルカフェ: 他の留学生やCWU生と共に、「オリンピック」をテーマにしたイベントに参加しました。学生たちは架空の国を作り、各テーブルで、メダルを競い合いました。笑いが絶えない、とても楽しいイベントとなりました。

家庭訪問: 今週末は、初めての家庭訪問でした。12人の学生が、エレンズバーグ在住の家族と有意義な一日を過ごしました。家庭によって、それぞれ違いましたが、主な内容として、ハイキング・ホストファミリーのこどものバスケットボール試合観戦・食事・ボードゲーム・買い物でした。

他にも、ビンゴナイト、毎週月曜に開催される映画上映会、CWUジムでのエクササイズ、CWUの友人達とビデオゲーム、加えて、まるで春の様な陽気を楽しみました。



Student Voice

Students have been doing a lot of great reflection work and sharing their thoughts about various class topics and activities. Students have taken the initiative to go deeper to learn more about Ellensburg and their surroundings.

In response to the extra credit assignment readings about the "Day of Remembrance," a student shared these thoughts:

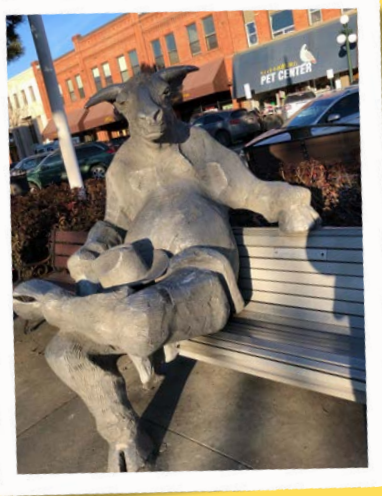
"I learned many Japanese American including US citizen were incarcerated after Pearl Harbor in the U.S. I think it is difficult situation that even if they are U.S. citizen incarcerated. Also, I was surprised Canada, Mexico, Peru, Brazil, Chili and Argentina also discriminated Japanese in those days. Moreover, I learned a lot of Japanese were arrested and their property was forfeited. I think the discrimination against Japanese is terrible but I can understand this decision of Franklin D. Roosevelt because Japan attacked Pearl Harbor and Japan did terrible thing. Furthermore, I didn't know the history until now, I think we have to learn and know history of our country as a citizen. And I was surprised many American students know this history. I think education is important to know past and consider present and future situation."



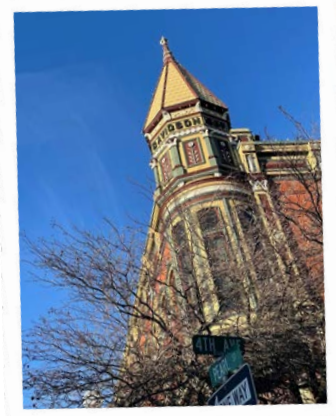
This photo is Rodeo queen. Rodeo queens are chosen for their riding skills, appearance and fashion sense and composure.



This is a photo of "Kitt Coyote" statue. The coyote leans against the outside wall of Ellensburg's public library, was sculpted from aluminum in 1998 by Richard Beyer. The coyote has a book in his left hand and a cup in his right hand. I was wondered why he is opening his eyes so big, so I searched it on the internet and the "RoadsideAmerica.com" said "Kitt's thousand yard stare may be the result of drinking too much coffee, and indeed his empty right hand looks designed to hold a mug big enough to satisfy a seven-foot-tall coyote", and surprisingly, "His name, a truncation for Ellensburg's Kittitas County, was suggested by local school children"!



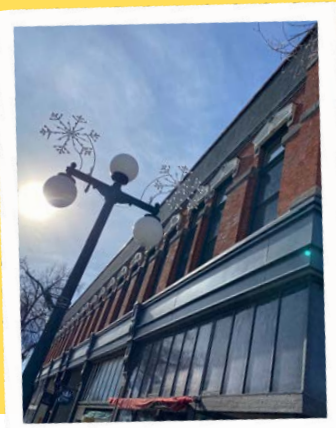
This is the Ellensburg bull. It was made by R Beyer in 1986. I think it is interesting art because the bull is relaxed like human.



This is a building is called "Davidson Building" that is placed at the northeast corner of Fourth and Pearl Streets. It completed in 1890 and today, it's known as Ellensburg landmark. When I searched about Ellensburg before I come to CWU, I often saw this building's picture. I wanted to see at once, so I was glad to be able to see it directly! And then, I found the reason why is called "Davidson". John B. Davidson who is an Ellensburg lawyer and jurist donated money to build that.



This is Rodeo's clothes. I was so excited because my favorite singer wearing these clothes. I had never seen it in real life.



This is downtown Ellensburg. I was excited about all the streets, such as the streets like Disneyland that I often go to and the streets. I took this picture the day before yesterday and wanted to know this cityscape sooner. Ellensburg is the best city.